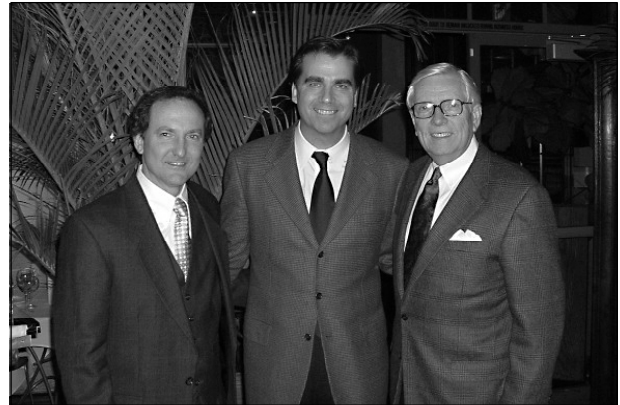


Renowned Violinist Robert McDuffie Joins Mercer Faculty

World-renowned violinist and Macon native Robert McDuffie will join Mercer as Distinguished University Professor of Music beginning July 1. The Grammy-nominated artist is considered one of the top violinists in the world, regularly performing with major orchestras in the U.S., Europe, Asia and Australia, in solo recital, and in chamber music collaboration with other musicians.

"We are delighted to establish this arrangement with Robert McDuffie, which we hope will endure for many years to come," said President R. Kirby Godsey. "Mercer is extremely fortunate to have Mr. McDuffie on campus to share his enormous talent and wealth of experience with our young, gifted musicians here. Robert's interest in becoming a faculty member at the University is a tribute to Mercer's music program and his participation will underscore Mercer's ongoing commitment to excellence in every arena of its endeavors."

As Distinguished University Professor of Music, McDuffie will make regular visits to the Music Department of the University. During each visit, he will conduct master classes in violin and chamber music and offer other instructional activities to a



Grammy-nominated violinist Robert McDuffie will join the Mercer Faculty as distinguished university professor of music July 1. Pictured from left are Mercer Professor of Music and Department Chair John Roberts, McDuffie and President R. Kirby Godsey.

select group of promising young musicians. He will also perform one major concert at the University each year.

McDuffie has appeared as soloist with the New York and Los Angeles Philharmonics; Chicago, San Francisco, Montreal and Toronto Symphonies; Philadelphia, Cleveland and Minnesota Orchestras; Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra, North German Radio Orchestra, Frankfurt Radio Orchestra, Deutsche Kammerphilharmonie Bremen, Orchestra del Teatro alla Scala, Santa Cecilia Orchestra of Rome and all of the major orchestras of Australia.

For more information, visit www.mercer.edu/advancement/news

Mercer Honors Three Of Its Finest Faculty

In keeping with Mercer's tradition of recognizing excellence, the University recently paid tribute to three of its most esteemed faculty members: Dr. Joseph M. Hendricks, Dr. Mary Wilder and Professor James C. Rehberg. Although they are from different disciplines, each of the faculty members have greatly impacted the Mercer community.

In late January, Dr. Joseph M. Hendricks, better known as "Papa Joe," was honored with a portrait unveiling at the men's Homecoming basketball game. A 1955 Mercer College of Liberal Arts graduate, he has been on the faculty of Mercer for more than 40 years. Hendricks has served as dean of students, director of the freshman seminar program, University Marshal, a faculty advisor to Mercer University Press and a long-time member of the Department of Christianity and Interdisciplinary Studies. He was instrumental in achieving desegregation at Mercer, and he is well known for his efforts to advance racial justice in central Georgia.

The next day, Dr. Mary Wilder was honored with

a portrait unveiling at the women's Homecoming basketball game. Wilder dedicated more than 41 years to teaching Mercerians. A 1954 Mercer graduate, she began her teaching career at Mercer teaching physical education. In 1961, she joined the Mercer English Department, and she quickly became known as a professor who would accept nothing but the best efforts from her students. Her political activism also gained her a reputation as a "mover and shaker" outside of the classroom. She retired from Mercer in 1998, but the legend of her energy and concern for students continues today.

As a part of the Law Day festivities on March 5, Professor James C. Rehberg, AB '40, JD '48, was toasted by Mercer Law School alumni. After obtaining his law degree from Mercer in 1948, Rehberg returned to teaching high school until he became the Law School librarian in 1949. He began teaching full-time at the Law School in 1954 and was assistant dean in 1976-77. He technically retired in 1998, but has continued to teach one course each semester.

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Founded in 1833, Mercer is a 7,300-student, comprehensive, private university offering undergraduate, graduate and professional degrees through the College of Liberal Arts, the Eugene W. Stetson School of Business and Economics, the Tift College of Education, the School of Engineering, the Walter F. George School of Law, the School of Medicine, the Southern School of Pharmacy, the James and Carolyn McAfee School of Theology, Georgia Baptist College of Nursing and College of Continuing and Professional Studies. Mercer has campuses in Macon and Atlanta, as well as three regional academic centers, and operates the Mercer Engineering Research Center (MERC) in Warner Robins and the Mercer University Press in Macon. For 14 consecutive years, *U.S. News & World Report* magazine has ranked Mercer among the leading regional colleges and universities in the South.

News Briefs

New Vice President and Dean of Students Named



Dr. Douglas R. Pearson has been named vice president and dean of students, effective July 1. Pearson will serve as the senior administrator for student life services for students attending the University's College of Liberal Arts, Stetson School of Business and Economics, School of Engineering, Tift College of Education and the College of Continuing and Professional Studies in Macon. With 16 years of experience in student services administration, Pearson currently serves as associate vice president for student affairs and dean of students at the University of West Florida in Pensacola.

Executive MBA Program to Be Offered At Henry Regional Academic Center

The Stetson School of Business and Economics will begin offering its Executive MBA (EMBA) program at the University's Regional Academic Center in Henry County in January 2005. Currently offered on the Atlanta campus, the EMBA program is designed for business professionals with at least seven years of work experience and focuses on the growing international competition that managers face. For more information, visit www.mercer.edu/business or call ext. 6400.

School of Theology Introduces New Doctor of Ministry Program

The James and Carolyn McAfee School of Theology is accepting applications for its new Doctor of Ministry Degree Program. The doctor of ministry degree is a professional doctorate, designed to help students develop advanced skills in an area they feel is critical for their ministry. The first three-week seminar of the doctoral program is scheduled for July 6-26. The School will initially accept 15 students each year. For more information, visit <http://theology.mercer.edu/dmin.html>.

New Center for Continuing Counselor Education and Supervision Launches

The College of Continuing and Professional Studies has developed a Center for Continuing Counselor Education and Supervision. The new Center is designed to assist prospective counselors and licensed professional counselors meet the requirement for licensing and maintenance of the license by offering licensing exam preparation courses, post-graduate clinical supervision and continuing education programs. Programming began on the Atlanta campus this semester, with Dr. David Lane, community counseling program coordinator, serving as director. For more information, call ext. 6301 or e-mail Lane_WD@mercer.edu.

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University Center Opens for Regular Operation

The University Center opens for regular operation on Monday, March 15, from 6-10 p.m. All students, faculty and staff are invited to visit the first day to either check out the U.C.'s many amenities or actually use the pool, intramural courts or wellness equipment. All eateries will be open, and live music will be provided in the coffee shop. Students, faculty and staff must have a BearCard to swipe to enter the building. On Tuesday, March 16, the University Center will open for regular hours, currently set from 6 a.m. until 2 a.m. Different venues within the U.C. will operate different hours. For more information, visit www2.mercer.edu/uc.

Phil Jacobs to Speak at March Executive Forum



As president of Georgia operations for BellSouth Corporation, Phil Jacobs is at the forefront of the rapidly evolving industry of telecommunications. Considered among the most modern telecommunications networks in the world, BellSouth is a Fortune 100 company with \$49.8 billion in assets. Jacobs will be the featured speaker at the Executive forum on Tuesday, March 23. He will give a breakfast presentation at 7:30 a.m. in the Trustees Dining Room

in Atlanta and a lunch presentation at noon in the Religious Life Center in Macon. While free to faculty and staff; reservations are required by March 18. Call ext. 2724 for more information and reservations.

New Faculty and Staff

The following faculty and staff members have joined the Mercer Family since the February issue of *News@Mercer*:

Sherri M. Beavers, assistant campus services coordinator, Physical Plant; **Andy K. Bentley**, box office coordinator, Grand Opera House; **Lawrence A. Collier, III**, coordinator of intramural and club sports, Recreational Sports and Wellness; **Amy N. Dunn**, student support specialist, Mercer One; **Paula M. Frazier**, center business associate, Henry County Center; **Wesley Griffith**, assistant director, University Relations and Marketing; **Scott B. Groves**, engineering assistant, MERC; **Jing Kang**, research assistant II, Basic Science—School of Medicine; **Elizabeth J. Maggiore**, fitness coordinator, Recreational Sports and Wellness; **Emmilee S. Mercer**, assistant, Human Resources; **Michael S. Meyer**, junior mechanical engineer, MERC; **Elizabeth J. Mustard**, visiting assistant professor, Walter F. George School of Law; **Michael D. Roty**, assistant professor, College of Continuing and Professional Studies; **Jonathan A. Strunk**, engineering assistant, MERC; **Wallace A. Thornton**, mentor/program coordinator, College of Continuing and Professional Studies; **Patricia J. Troyan**, associate professor, Georgia Baptist College of Nursing; **Lora L. Tuley**, assistant director of Greek life and education, Campus Life; **Clarence T. White, Jr.**, senior electrical engineer, MERC.

Don't Miss It!

March 18

"Eyes Wide Shut"

A panel discussion sponsored by the Student National Medical Association about HIV and AIDS in the minority community of Middle Georgia, with various community leaders serving as panelists.

6:30 p.m.

Mercer School of Medicine Auditorium, Macon

March 20

"Ferdinand the Bull"

A classic tale performed by the Alliance Children's Theatre.

Admission \$12/\$6 students.

1:30 and 3:30 p.m.

Grand Opera House, Macon

March 19-28

Cherry Blossom Festival

For more information, visit

www.cherryblossom.com

Macon

March 25-28

"Dido and Arenas"

Performed by Mercer University Opera. Admission \$5.

7:30 p.m.

McCorkle Music Building,

Neva Langley Fickling Hall, Macon

March 27

Bandfest

More than 8 Christian bands will

perform

including headlining band, Casting Crowns.

12-10:30 p.m.

Quad, Macon

April 2

Honors Convocation

An event to recognize student achievement.

3 p.m.

Willingham Auditorium, Macon

April 7

Retirement & Recognition

Ceremony

An event to honor Atlanta faculty and staff.

2 p.m.

Cecil B. Day Hall, Atlanta

April 8

Retirement & Recognition

Ceremony

An event to honor Atlanta faculty and staff.

2:30 p.m.

Mercer School of Medicine Auditorium, Macon

Faculty and Staff Notables

College of Liberal Arts

Dr. Gordon Johnston, assistant professor of English, accepted an invitation to judge the undergraduate poetry writing competition for the Southern Women Writers Conference, which took place at Berry College in October. Johnston also gave a poetry reading and taught a three-hour master class in poetry writing at the National Collegiate Honors Council annual conference in Chicago in November.

Dr. Greg Domin, professor of history, completed the first phase of fieldwork searching for Sir Richard Grenville's 1585 fortified encampment in Puerto Rico in the summer of 2003. After four trips, he has identified the site and will apply for external grants for the next phase, using ground-penetrating radar.

On the Caribbean island of Nevis, he helped lead an Anglo-American team determining the site of Jamestown. He also has been appointed by the Macon mayor and city council as a voting member of the Fort Hawkins Commission. Klingelhofer wrote in the *Macon Telegraph* and discussed on Channel 41's *FoxFiles* program ideas for improving Macon's quality of life.

Dr. Sarah E. Gardner, associate professor of history, published a new book, *Blood and Iron: Southern White Women's Narratives of the Civil War, 1861-1937* in January. In the book, she argues that, through writing in various formats, women served as the guardians of the collective

memory of the Civil War.

Dr. Paul Lewis, assistant professor of Christianity, attended the annual meeting of the Society of Christian Ethics in Chicago Jan. 8-11. He convened a session devoted to the evolutionary roots of violence, a discussion of the book, "Protestant Theological Ethics: The Legacy of H. Richard Niebuhr" and a session of the Church and Academy Interest Group.

Dr. Richard F. Wilson, Columbus Roberts Professor of Theology and chair of the Christianity Department, is on sabbatical during the 2004 spring term. He is teaching for the Asia Baptist Graduate Theological

referral skills. Henderson and **Dr. Emily Piassick**, staff counselor, serve as advisors to the Peer Educators.

Walter F. George School of Law

David A. Brennen, professor of law, published four articles: "Race Conscious Affirmative Action by Tax Exempt 501(c)(3) Corporations After Grutter and Gratz" in Vol. 77 of *St. John's Law Review*, p.711 (2003); "Advising Tax-Exempt Organizations in Georgia," in CLE materials prepared for 2003 CLE conference sponsored by Mercer Law School and Macon Bar Association (October 2003); "2002 Eleventh Circuit Survey: Federal Taxation," Vol. 54:4 *Mercer Law Review*, p.1563 (2003); and "The Potential Impact of the Supreme Court's Pending Decision in *Grutter v.*

Bollinger on Private Universities and Other Tax-exempt Charities," Vol. 22:3 American Bar Association Section of *Taxation News Quarterly*.

David Hricik, assistant professor of law, published his second book, *Property: Cases, Documents, and Lawyering Strategy* (with Crump and Caudill, in early 2004). In 2003, he published seven articles and gave thirteen presentations across the country on matters concerning legal ethics.

Southern School of Pharmacy

Dr. Hewitt W. Matthews, dean and professor of pharmaceutical sciences, along with **Dr. Fred F.**

Faculty Spotlight – Dr. Kathryn Epps



Dr. Kathryn Epps, assistant professor of accounting in Mercer's Stetson School of Business and Economics, recently received national recognition for her dissertation, "Determinants of Information Acquisition and Processing in Concurring Partner Review." The American Accounting Association named her dissertation "outstanding dissertation in auditing." The national competition for this award is conducted on an annual basis.

Seminary, including conducting seminars or colloquia on campuses in Baguio City, Philippines, Bangkok, Thailand and Singapore.

Dr. Jeffrey Henderson, director of counseling and psychological services, recently accompanied Mercer Peer Educators, Karen Adkins, Allie Smith, Megan McCormick, and Samantha Daniel, for a day of certified peer education training at Georgia Southwestern State University. Peer Educators are Mercer undergraduate students who assist counselors with campus activities, theme days and outreach programs in serving the Mercer community. They are trained in basic counseling and

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Farris, professor and chair of department of pharmaceutical sciences, were awarded a \$32,267 grant from the Pfizer Foundation to support fellowships in the Pharm.D./Ph.D. Dual Degree Program.

Dr. Ann Massey, assistant professor of pharmaceutical sciences, received a \$1,500 grant for "Building Collaborative Cultures: Interdisciplinary Learning for Nursing and Pharmacy Students" from the Center for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning.

Dr. Michael W. Jann, professor and chair of clinical and administrative sciences, has been awarded a \$60,000 grant from Pfizer for a research project entitled "A 5-week Randomized Double-blind Placebo-controlled Multi-center Study of Reboxetine in Patients with Postherpetic Neuralgia Who are Gabapentin Treatment Failures." He has also been elected as a member of the Board of Regents at American College of Clinical Pharmacology.

Dr. Julie A. Cold, associate professor of clinical and administrative science, has been appointed member of the British Psychological Society Specialty Council on Psychiatric Pharmacy. **Dr. Leisa L. Marshall**, clinical associate professor of clinical and administrative sciences, was named Continuing Professional Development Committee member, National Association of Boards of Pharmacy, 2003-2004.

Dr. Horace G. Cutler, director of the natural products discovery group and senior research professor; **Dr. Stephen J. Cutler**, associate professor of pharmaceutical sciences; and **Dr. Diane Matesic**, assistant professor of pharmaceutical sciences, wrote "Mode of Action of Phytotoxic Fungal Metabolites" for *Allelopathy: Chemistry and Mode of Action of Allelochemicals*.

Dr. Stephen J. Cutler, associate professor of pharmaceutical sciences, published several manuscripts, including: "Absolute Configuration of Bioactive Expansolides A and B from *Aspergillus fumigatus* Fresenius" in *Tetrahedron Letters* 44(5), 941-943, 2003, and "Proteins, Enzymes, and Peptide Hormones" in *Wilson and Gisvold's Textbook of Organic Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Chemistry*.

Dr. William N. Kelly, professor of clinical and administrative sciences, published "Potential interactions between oral contraceptives and other medications and natural substances" in *U.S. Pharmacist*. He also published an article titled "Documenting errors benefits patients, pharmacists" in *Drug Topics*.

Dr. Candace Barnett, associate dean for academic affairs, director of MBA/Pharm.D. program, and professor of clinical and administrative sciences, along with Dr. Hewitt W. Matthews, dean and professor of pharmaceutical sciences, and Dr. Richard A. Jackson, director of center for community clinical and administrative sciences, published "A Comparison Between Student Ratings and Faculty Self-ratings of Instructional Effectiveness" in the *American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education*. Barnett and Jackson also published "Detailing Your Compounding Specialty Practice: Part 1 - Prospecting, Pre-approach and Approach" in the *International Journal of Pharmaceutical Compounding*. Barnett published "Metro Atlanta Board Certified Specialists' Attitudes Toward Compounding Pharmacy" in the *International Journal of Pharmaceutical Compounding*.

Dr. Diane Nykamp, professor of clinical and administrative sciences, published "A Case of

Amiodarone-Induced Hypothyroidism" in *U.S. Pharmacist*, 29 (1): 9-14, 2004.

School of Medicine

Dr. Samuel D. Shillcutt, professor of psychiatry and behavioral science, has presented 32 invited presentations covering various topics regarding the clinical use, basic pharmacology and pharmaco-economics of atypical antipsychotic drugs to various professional audiences over the past year, including Johns Hopkins, Florida Psychologist Association, Georgia Society of Health Systems Pharmacists, Georgia Society of Hospital Pharmacists, and state psychiatric hospitals in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Texas.

School of Engineering

Dr. Scott Schultz, assistant professor of industrial engineering, has been invited to present the paper: "Parallel Dedicated Machine Scheduling with a Single Server: Full Precedence Case" for the 2004 Institute of Industrial Engineering Annual Conference, In May in Houston, Texas.

Tift College of Education

Dr. Penny L. Elkins, chair and associate professor of teacher education, recently has been selected to serve on the Georgia Association on Young Children's 2004 Board of Directors as chair of the Resource Development Committee.

Georgia Baptist College of Nursing

Dr. Linda Streit, associate dean for the graduate program, spoke at a public hearing in the House Appropriations Committee Room at the Georgia State Capitol on Dec. 17. Streit addressed the nursing shortage, nursing faculty

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University Commons

The following Mercer faculty, staff and students were recently appointed to the President's Task Force on Civic Engagement: **Dr. Loyd Allen**, professor, McAfee School of Theology; **Maria Arvelo**, program manager, Mercer Center for Community Development; **Dr. Margaret Dee Bratcher**, Professor and Dean, University Commons; **Alex Brown**, Student Government Association; **Dr. Peter C. Brown**, director, Mercer Center for Community Development; **Stephen Brown**, director, Career Services; **Dr. Amanda Coder**, Baptist Student Union; **Cynthia Coffey**, assistant professor, Southern School of Pharmacy; **Scott Davis**, associate professor of chemistry, College of Liberal Arts; **Dr. Mary Ann Drake**, professor and chair of Interdisciplinary Studies, College

of Liberal Arts; **Dr. Jean Fallis**, volunteer coordinator, University Commons; **Regina Fields**, assistant professor, Georgia Baptist College of Nursing; **Dr. Tom Glennon**, professor of Program In Leadership and Community Service, College of Liberal Arts; **Dr. David Hawkins**, professor and senior associate dean, Southern School of Pharmacy; **Dr. Calandra Lockhart**, assistant professor, Tift College of Education; **Allen London**, vice president, University Admissions; **Judith Lunsford**, associate vice president, University Relations and Marketing; **Dr. Scott Nash**, associate professor of Christianity, College of Liberal Arts; **Dr. David Nelson**, associate professor of Mathematics/ Interdisciplinary Studies, College of Liberal Arts; **John Plummer**, director of administrative services, Walter F. George School of Law; **Dr. Charles Roberts**, assistant professor, College of Continuing

and Professional Studies; **Dr. Roy Russ**, associate professor, School of Medicine; **Dr. Atul Saxena**, associate professor, Stetson School of Business; **Eric Trivett**, Student Government Association; and **Sundra Woodford**, director of planning, School of Medicine.

Staff and Administration

Barbara Szyjko, computer lab coordinator, completed her master's degree in TCO Management in December 2003.

Mike Drummond, director of instructional technology, received his Ph.D. in Instructional Design for Online Learning in November 2003.

• *To submit faculty and staff notables, e-mail your information, title and department to News@Mercer.edu. Items will be updated monthly. Deadline for the April issue is March 22.*

Mercer Community Readies for Summer School

Faculty and students are now gearing up for Mercer's Summer Experience. To help students plan their summer studies, a broad selection of courses are guaranteed to be held regardless of enrollment. In addition to the amenities provided by the University Center, students will also have opportunities to enjoy a full schedule of on- and off-campus activities. Registration begins March 24. For more information about Mercer's Summer Experience, visit www.mercer.edu/ss or call ext. 2916.

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