

School of Medicine to Offer Post-Master's Certificate Programs in Therapy

In an effort to meet local communities' needs in a newly-merging field, Mercer University's School of Medicine will offer post-master's certificate programs in Medical Family Therapy and Pediatric Family Therapy beginning in January. These certificate programs, each of which can be completed in one year and offer courses primarily in late afternoon and evening, are designed to prepare clinicians to practice in specialty areas of family therapy.

According to Assistant Professor Matthew Orr, Ph.D, the Medical Family Therapy program is focused on learning to help individuals and their families adjust to issues of death and dying and manage life with chronic illness. It addresses the psychosocial aspects of health care for individuals, couples and families living with acute and chronic medical problems. Thanks to the Georgia Cancer Coalition, which has awarded financial support for the start-up of this program, special attention will be paid to central Georgia families facing life with cancer.

The Pediatric Family Therapy certificate provides specialized training in the treatment of child and adolescent mental and physical illnesses. This program extends the training of clinicians working with families with children and/or adolescents beyond the medical arena to include providing care in a variety of settings, such as schools, foster care systems, residential treatment facilities and the juvenile justice system.

The first certificate students will take courses in medical family therapy methods; chronic illness, death and dying; advanced developmental psychopathology; pediatric family therapy methods; and advanced developmental theory in family therapy, among others. As part of their studies, each student will also be required to complete four to nine hours of a clinical practicum, depending on their previous experience in a medical or pediatric setting.

For more information about the post-master's certificate programs, contact Dr. Matthew Orr at orr_jm@Mercer.edu or (478) 301-4098.

Mercer Welcomes 10 New President's Club Life Members at Fall 2004 Meeting

There are now 121 President's Club Life Members—individuals who have given \$100,000 or more to the University. President R. Kirby Godsey presented plaques to the newest Life Members at the 40th Annual President's Club Brunch at Piedmont Driving Club on Oct. 23. Two of the new Life Members this year are Mercer faculty and administrators: Tommy Boland, special counsel to the president, and his wife, Beth Ann Boland, and Dr. Howard Giddens, Curry Professor of Christianity, Emeritus, and his wife, Gladys Giddens.

Giddens and Boland joined the following Mercer employees who have been named Life Members in years past: Dr. Martin L. Dalton, professor of surgery at the School of Medicine, and his wife, Alice Dalton; President R. Kirby Godsey and his wife, Joan Godsey; Dr. Jean Hendricks, Kilpatrick Professor of Psychology, Emerita; Dr. Joseph M. Hendricks, Columbus Roberts Professor of Christian Ethics, Emeritus, and his wife, Betty McGahee Hendricks; Will G. Holladay, retired director of personnel, and his wife, Kitty Holladay; Dr. T.J. Lin, associate dean of international programs for the School of Medicine, and his wife, Su-Chin Rosemary Lin; and Dr. Ralph G. Newton Jr.,

volunteer faculty member for the School of Medicine, and his wife, Harriet A. Newton.



Pictured with President Godsey in the front row, from left, are new Life Members Pougie and Lois Bowen, Dr. David Sapp on behalf of Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, and Dr. Howard and Gladys Giddens. Back Row, from left, are Mary Jane Cardwell, Dr. Leroy and Linda Tolliver, and Tommy and Beth Ann Boland.

New life members not pictured are Truett and Jeannette Cathy, Jeff and Linda Pace, Aubrey Estes, and First Baptist Church of Roswell.

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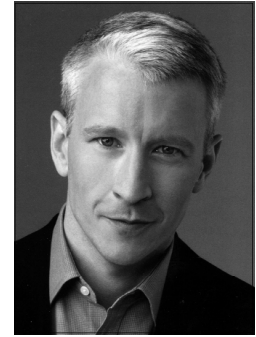
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regional academic centers, and operates the
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(MERC) in Warner Robins and the Mercer
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consecutive years, *U.S. News & World
Report* magazine has ranked Mercer among
the leading colleges and universities in the
South.

News Briefs

CNN's Anderson Cooper to Speak at The Executive Forum

Anderson Cooper, host of *CNN's Anderson Cooper 360°*, will give a presentation entitled "A 360-Degree Look at World Events" at The Executive Forum on Thursday, Nov. 18. He will speak at noon in the Trustees Dining Room on the Atlanta campus and at 6:30 p.m. in the University Center's Presidents Dining Room on the Macon campus. While the event is free to faculty and staff, **a ticket will be required to attend. To receive a ticket, make a reservation no later than Nov. 15** by calling (478) 301-2724.



Anderson Cooper

Woodruff Holiday Open House Just Around the Corner

Mercer will host its annual Holiday Open House at the Woodruff House from 6 to 8 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday, Nov. 30 - Dec. 2. The Woodruff House is located at 988 Bond Street in downtown Macon, adjacent to the Law School. The Holiday Open House will feature a 12-foot Christmas tree trimmed with more than 500 hand-painted eggs, performances by students from Mercer University's Music Department, and holiday cookies and punch for all guests. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Jennifer Joyner at (478) 301-2131.

Southern School of Pharmacy Students Win National Award

Mercer University's Southern School of Pharmacy recently took top honors at the National Community Pharmacist Association's (NCPA) annual convention in Boston, Mass. The student NCPA chapter won the first Pruitt-Schutte Student Business Plan Competition, a contest aimed at motivating pharmacy students to develop a business plan for opening a new community pharmacy or for purchasing an existing one. A four-person team from Mercer's student NCPA chapter developed a plan for a new community pharmacy. Last summer, the 60-page proposal was selected as one of the top three from 16 entries nationwide.

Portrait Unveiling

*Mercer University
President R. Kirby Godsey
recently unveiled a
portrait of longtime
University supporters Fred
and Aileen Boorish at the
40th annual President's
Club Brunch at the
Piedmont Driving Club in
Atlanta. The portrait will
be hung at the Regional
Academic Center of Mercer
University in Douglas
County.*



New Faculty and Staff

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

Atlanta Campus

Tamekic L. Hill, administrative clerk, Southern School of Pharmacy; **Vanthida Huang**, assistant professor, Southern School of Pharmacy; **Joanna C. Kennedy**, library assistant, Monroe F Swilley Library; **Peter J. Otto**, public services librarian, Monroe F Swilley Library; and **Wanda D. Slayton**, library assistant, Monroe F Swilley Library.

Macon Campus

Nancy R. Fullbright, director, University Relations and Marketing.

Faculty and Staff Notables

College of Liberal Arts

Dr. Gloria Bass, visiting instructor of mathematics, gave a presentation at the 45th Annual Georgia Mathematics Conference in Rock Eagle, Oct. 15. Her topic was "Using ALEKS (Assessment and Learning in Knowledge Spaces)."

Dr. Peter C. Brown, associate vice president for Mercer Center for Service-Learning and Community Development and professor of philosophy and interdisciplinary studies, presented "Civic Engagement in Higher Education: Misplaced Politics, Enhanced Learning, or Moral Commitment?" at the annual conference of the Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities in New York City Oct. 3. He also co-presented "Building Partnerships for Revitalization" at the Symposium in Community Building, Knight Program in Community Building, at Coral Gables, Fla., and at the 10th Anniversary conference of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of University Partnerships in New Orleans, La.

Dr. Kevin Cummings, assistant professor of communication and theatre arts, presented a paper entitled "Staring Into the Eyes of the Gorgon: Habeas Corpus and the Immigrant after Oklahoma City" to the Controlling Bodies/Controlling Spaces Conference at McGill University in Montreal, Canada. He also received a grant from the International Debate Education Association to host a public forum on

U.S. foreign policy and hosted the first Mercer Debate Summer Workshop for high school students.

Dr. Mary Ann Drake, professor and chair of interdisciplinary studies, and **Dr. Randy Harshbarger**, program manager and visiting professor of interdisciplinary studies, attended the 26th Annual Conference of the Association for Integrative Studies in Charlotte, N.C., Oct. 14-17. Drake presented "Digital Story Telling as a Way to Fuse the Cognitive and Affective Domains" at the conference.

Dr. John Marson Dunaway, professor of French and interdisciplinary studies, director of Mercer Commons, and **Dr. Margaret Dee Bratcher**, professor of Christianity, represented Mercer at the Lilly Endowment's annual conference in Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 11-13. The theme for the event was "Enhancing the Theological Conversation on Vocation."

Dr. Abeni El-Amin, professor of political science, presented a paper entitled "Post-Colonialist Theory and the Impact of Walter Rodney on Social Movements in the Caribbean" at the 6th International Conference on Caribbean Literature.

Dr. Darlene K. Flaming, associate professor of Christianity, published "The Apostolic and Pastoral Office: Theory and Practice in Calvin's Geneva" in *Calvin and the Company of Pastors*. The Company of Pastors of the Presbyterian Church, USA, has adopted this volume as one of the

books to be studied this year.

Dr. Jonathan Glance, associate professor of English, participated in the Associated New American Colleges' Emerging Leaders Workshop Program at Hamline University in Saint Paul, Minn., Oct. 7-9.

Dr. Beth Stewart, professor of art, read a paper entitled "Experiments in Ancient Greek Four-Color Painting: Testing Demokritos's and Plato's Mixing Formulae with Pliny's and Vitruvius's Pigments Using Encaustic and Tempera" at the Southeastern College Art Conference in Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 13-17. She also exhibited artwork in the Middle Georgia Art Association's exhibit of board members' art and at the Macon Little Theatre lobby.

Dr. Laurie White, associate professor of computer science, served as chief judge for the Southeast Regional Association for Computing Machinery Programming Contest, Oct. 22 and 23 in Melbourne, Fla.

Dr. Carolyn Yackel, assistant professor of mathematics, **Dr. Jeff Denny**, assistant professor of mathematics, and **Dr. Phillip Bean**, professor of mathematics, have been awarded a National Science Foundation and the Mathematical Association of America grant.

Dr. Marian Zielinski, professor of communication and theater arts, presented a paper, "Playing with Earth and Fire: A Phenomenology of Power and Indifference in Pottery, Art, and

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Creativity," at the 2004 International Human Science Research Conference on Embodiment and Its Consequences in Human Science Research at Brock University in St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada, in August. The paper accompanied an exhibit of 18 pieces of her ceramic pottery created since January 2004. Zielinski also presented a paper, "Human/Nature", and exhibited a work titled "Laces" at the 2004 International Communicology Institute Symposium, held at Bemidji State University in Bemidji, Minn., in July. She designed the set for Mercer Theatre's October production of Tom Stoppard's *Arcadia* and is currently designing the lighting for Steven Dietz's *Inventing Van Gogh*.

Walter F. George School of Law

David A. Brennen, Ellison C. Palmer Professor of Tax Law, participated in a panel discussion, "Tax Exemption Based on Race, Religion, and Class," at the Second National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference in Washington, D.C., Oct. 8. Brennen also participated in a panel discussion on "The Intersection of Race and Tax" at the American Bar Association Section of Taxation May Meeting in Washington, D.C., May 7. He published an article, "Race and Equality across the Law School Curriculum: The Law of Tax Exemption."

Dr. David Hricik, assistant professor, was interviewed on the local news regarding the proposed amendment to the Georgia Constitution to ban same-sex marriage. Hricik also gave two presentations on the duty of candor in patent prosecution, for the Dallas-Fort Worth Intellectual Property Law Association and the University of Texas School of Law's Ninth Annual Advanced Patent Law Institute.

Southern School of Pharmacy

Dr. Cindy Coffey, assistant professor

of community pharmacy, recently presented at the Civic Engagement Colloquium: "Mercer Engaging Community and Health" at the Mercer Medical School Auditorium.

School of Medicine

Jane Bridges, clinical campus librarian, has been approved for membership in the Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP) at the "distinguished" level. The AHIP is the Medical Library Association's peer-reviewed development and career recognition credentialing program. The AHIP credential denotes the highest standards of professional competency and achievement in the field of healthcare information.

Dr. Bill Bysinger, associate professor of medical informatics, recently published an article entitled "How to Pay for Healthcare Reform" in the Oct. 22 issue of *HealthLeaders News*.

Dr. G.E. Alan Dever, professor of community medicine and associate vice president for Health Policy, co-authored "Abdominal Adiposity in U.S. Adults: Prevalence and Trends, 1960-2000," in the July issue of *Preventive Medicine*.

Dr. Ann Jobe, dean; **Cheryl Robinson**, community health systems developer; and **Dr. Patrick Roche**, associate professor and clerkship director for family medicine, recently presented at the Civic Engagement Colloquium: "Mercer Engaging Community and Health" at the Mercer Medical School Auditorium.

Dr. Harold Katner, professor of internal medicine, received a congressional commendation for his efforts in fighting the AIDS epidemic in middle Georgia. The commendation was read into the Congressional Record on July 22 and a ceremony was held on Aug. 20. There was also a resolution from the Bibb County Board of Commissioners congratulating Katner and the mayor's

office declared Aug. 20 as "Dr. Harold Katner Day."

Dr. Edward C. Lauterbach, professor of psychiatry, medicine (neurology), and radiology, and **Dr. Samuel D. Shillcutt**, professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences, received a \$99,500 investigator-initiated grant entitled "Evaluation of Aripiprazole for Apathy and Other Frontal Behavioral Conditions" from Bristol-Myers Squibb to study aripiprazole for behavioral disorders in dementia.

Dr. Brian W. Tobin, professor and chair of the division of basic medical sciences, has been appointed vice president of the American College of Nutrition.

School of Engineering

Student Support Services Opportunity Scholars faculty members **Dr. Andre Butler**, associate professor of environmental engineering, **Dr. Hope McIlwain**, associate professor of mathematics, and **Dr. Doug Thompson**, Mercer Commons fellow, created the first themed learning curriculum for the 2004-2005 Opportunity Scholars Activity held at Mercer.

Dr. Marjorie T. Davis, professor and chair of technical communication, had two papers, "Sustaining Technical Communication Programs" and "Senior Capstone Options," published in the proceedings of the International Professional Communication Society Conference (IPCC). Davis also attended the Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers Professional Communication Society international board meeting following IPCC 2004. Davis is the general chair of the upcoming conference in Limerick, Ireland, in July 2005. She had a paper, "Communicating Beyond the Campus: Preparing Engineers for the Profession," published in the proceedings of the Frontiers in Education Conference in Savannah.

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Dr. Hodge E. Jenkins, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, received a U.S. patent for "Housing for an optical fiber preform torch."

Dr. Jack Mahaney, assistant professor of mechanical and industrial engineering, presented a paper entitled "A Drafting Course for Professional Engineers" at the 2004 International Mechanical Engineering Congress in Anaheim, Calif., Nov. 13-19.

Tift College of Education

Dr. Linda Adams, associate professor of education, **Dr. William O. Lacefield**, associate professor of mathematics education, and **Margaret McCall**, instructor of education, presented "Children's Literature: Bringing Life to Mathematics Lessons for Young Learners" at the annual conference of the Georgia Association on Young Children, Atlanta, Oct. 7-9.

Dr. William O. Lacefield, associate professor of mathematics education, and **Dr. Linda Adams**, associate professor of education, gave a presentation entitled "Using Children's Literature to Bring Life to Mathematics Lessons for Young Learners," at the annual conference of the National Black Child Development Institute, Los Angeles, Calif., Sept. 26-28.

Dr. Dana H. Lilly, associate professor of early childhood education, presented "The Reggio Emilia Approach: Inspirations for Early Childhood Teacher Education" at the 2004 Annual Fall Georgia Association of Teacher Educators Conference in Atlanta, Oct. 21.

Georgia Baptist College of Nursing

Dr. JoEllen Dattilo, associate dean, recently presented at the Civic Engagement Colloquium: "Mercer Engaging Community and Health" at the Mercer Medical School

Auditorium in October.

Dr. Elaine Grier, assistant professor of nursing, has been selected to serve on the Ethics Committee at Portsbridge Hospice.

College of Continuing and Professional Studies

Dr. Thomas E. Kail, dean, gave a presentation to the Henry County Council on Quality Growth entitled "Education, Lifelong Learning, and the Quality of Our Lives."

Dr. Hani Khoury, associate professor of mathematics, was a featured speaker at a program titled "Hope Not Hate" held by the Americans for Informed Democracy at Wesleyan College, Sept. 12.

Dr. Charles Weston, visiting assistant professor of counseling and human services, delivered two lectures in his series on "The Trials of the Century," focusing the trial of Charles Manson, Sept. 19, and O.J. Simpson case, Oct. 26.

Staff and Administration

Jeremy Baham, associate director of Housing and Residence Life, spoke at the University of North Alabama Leadership Banquet about "The Role of Vision in Student Leadership" on Oct. 22.

Dr. C. Michael Drummond, director of instructional technology, presented a poster session titled "Authentic Assessment in an Online Learning Environment" at the Syllabus 2004 conference in San Francisco, Calif., July 20. Drummond also delivered a live interactive Web-based presentation on the same topic at the Society for Applied Learning Technologies' Washington Interactive Technologies 2004 conference in Arlington, Va., Aug. 20.

W. Jeffrey Henderson, director of Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) and advisor to Peer Educators, recently accompanied

Mercer Peer Educators Katie Daniel, Beth Fulton, Evelyn Epps, and Lauren Hinkle for certified Peer Education training at Georgia Southwestern State University. Henderson also presented "Undergraduate Mentoring through CAPS at Mercer University" at the annual conference of University and College Counseling Center Directors on Oct. 12.

Charlene Leach, associate director of Career Services, served as part of an External Review Team for a Reinhardt College. The team met with administrators, deans, faculty, staff and students to assess the effectiveness of the Counseling and Career Services Office.

Sarah May, director of institutional research, gave a presentation on the Office of Budget and Institutional Research's Mercer Academic Research System at the Southern Association of Institutional Research annual conference in conjunction with presenters from University of Georgia and George Mason University. May was also elected secretary for the Georgia Association of Institutional Research, Planning, Assessment, and Quality.

Mary Roberts, assistant director of Career Services and MAPS Internship Coordinator, and **Angela Widener Solomon**, study abroad assistant, recently visited American Intercontinental University in London and the University of Swansea in Wales to explore potential academic internship programs for Mercer students.

Jeff Takac, director of Housing and Residence Life, is a consultant on the construction of two new residence hall projects for the University of Mobile.

Barbara Warren, assistant director of Career Services, presented a workshop on public speaking and a presentation design for United Way Loan Executives in Macon. The session helped the loan executives prepare presentations as a part of the

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2004 United Way fundraising campaign.

Kay Webb, registrar for the Atlanta Campus; **Lucy Wilson**, senior associate registrar; and **Marylin Perez**, assistant registrar on the Macon Campus, attended the Georgia Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers Annual Conference in Savannah, Oct. 24-26. Webb was a presenter in the session titled "When You Don't Have the Board of Regents to Make the Rules." Wilson served on the Program Committee for this year's conference

and was discussion leader for the "Records Forum" session.

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Dr. David Barwick, executive director, and **George Coffey**, senior advisor for electronic combat, were inducted in the Association of Old Crows (AOC) Technology Hall of Fame during the AOC's National Symposium in San Diego, Calif., in October.

Maj. Gen. Cornelius Nugteren, senior advisor for operations and customer relations, was inducted into the Georgia Aviation Hall of Fame on April 24 for his extensive contributions to aviation, including the founding of the Museum of Aviation at Robins Air Force Base and community involvement.

To submit faculty and staff notables, e-mail your information, title and department to News@Mercer.edu. No acronyms, please. Items are updated monthly. Deadline for the December issue is Nov. 22.

Nominate a Colleague for the Mercer Spirit Award

The Human Resources Office is accepting nominations for the Mercer Spirit Award through Jan. 31. This award honors staff members who have made extraordinary contributions to the University. Full-time **staff members** holding a position below the level of director or department head and with at least five years of service are eligible for nomination. Any member of the University community can make nominations, but individuals cannot nominate themselves. One winner is awarded for the Macon campus and Eastman Regional Academic Center and one is selected for the Atlanta campus and the Regional Academic Centers in Douglas and Henry counties. Winners will be announced at the annual retirement and recognition ceremonies in the spring. The award includes a \$1,000 cash award or gift certificate or the same amount to be used toward a professional development opportunity. To retrieve a nomination form, visit www.mercer.edu/hr and click on "Celebrating Mercerians" in the left menu bar.



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