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The women's soccer team shares a pre-game prayer in keeping with the Athletics Department's recently developed Vision Statement, which identifies four core values of faith, academics, competition, and service.

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A Message from Dr. Wooster



Susan Ramey

Physical locations and spaces serve an important role in our lives and remembrance. Joshua 3-4 tells of the Israelites crossing the Jordan River with the Ark of the Covenant. The Lord told them to “heft a stone to [their] shoulder... so [they’ll] have something later to mark the occasion” and “to serve as a sign among [them].” Since coming back to ENC in the fall of 2003 as a faculty member, I often walk by a bench, turn left at a tree, or gaze up at a certain dorm room window

and am reminded of God’s blessings in my life. These physical locations on campus remind me of a time of solitude in the Word, a person I met, or an encouraging word I received that changed the trajectory of my life when I was a student here. None are more significant than the front left altar in the college chapel. It was here, during a season of struggle and questioning, that **Dr. Lowell Hall ('59)** knelt down to pray with me and transformed from my major professor into my mentor, encourager, and lifelong friend.

Spaces matter. Many of us can still remember what our childhood bedroom looked like, or how a room can feel so much bigger when we hear some good news. ENC, however, is more than just a physical space; we’re a community of learners and servant-leaders who happen to share a collection of buildings near Quincy Bay.

This year, our community grew with a new class of incoming students, and several spaces on our campus saw exciting physical improvements. Our family got bigger, and our space got better. Our first-year students come from a variety of backgrounds; we have someone who

is a fifth-generation ENC student, and many of our new students will be the first in their families to graduate from college! We celebrate that ENC’s campus is a space where community members can arrive with different stories and start living them together.

Students who arrived on campus this semester for the first time are becoming acclimated to new spaces for learning and growth. At the same time, even our returning students are encountering unfamiliar spaces because of many of our recent renovations. Our admissions office in Gardner Hall has been transformed into a welcome area with more room for current and future members of the ENC community to gather. Munro Hall has undergone extensive renovations to better serve our dynamic cohort of graduate assistants, graduate students, and others. Campus Kinder Haus, our early childhood education facility, has expanded to service even more students and their families!

The changes that we’ve made to the commuter lounge, or the Colonel’s Cafe or “Fishbowl,” really capture the essence of the renewed sense of community that our campus feels this year. The theme for that space has become the Family Room, because we want to highlight the lasting relationships that have been formed across the generations of ENC’s students. That same sense of family made many of these renovations possible; we are so grateful to churches on our region and individual members of our community who supported many of these projects with their time and financial resources.

ENC’s graduates take many of the lessons learned here on campus to new spaces in our city, across the country, and around the world. Whether those spaces are classrooms in public schools, church sanctuaries, or places of business, they’re better because of ENC graduates who are committed to learning and serving even after they have left our place.

Thank you for continuing to stay engaged as members of the ENC family. Your prayers and support have covered these spaces on campus as the new year has begun, and the lives of our students have greatly benefited. I am overjoyed for these new chapters in the life of ENC—the campus and the family.

Timothy T. Wooster ('86)
Provost and Chief Operating Officer

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Two ENC faculty members make presentations at research conferences

Two members of the Eastern Nazarene College faculty have delivered research presentations at highly important conferences in their respective academic fields this year. Dr. Nicholas Pruitt, a visiting assistant professor in the History Department, and Dr. Jill A. Macko, an assistant professor in the Physics and Engineering Department, traveled separately to two different research conferences in the Washington, D.C. area over the course of this year to present on their academic work.

Macko gave a presentation at the summer meeting of the American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT), which was held from July 28 to August 1. Her research involved the effects of incorporating content about the history of science into the introductory quantum physics course at the College: “By including the history of science...we have experienced benefits in the students’ learning, such as a fuller conceptual understanding of quantum physics...and a deeper practical understanding of the nature of science.”

Earlier this year, Pruitt presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Church History. His paper was titled “Receive or Restrict: Native Protestants, Pluralism, and Immigration Legislation in Interwar America.” According to Pruitt, his research “examined white Protestant attention to immigration legislation during the early twentieth century when Congress worked to restrict immigration through stringent quotas that favored particular immigrant groups.” Pruitt has taught courses involving the history of immigration and religion in America at ENC.

Macko joined the faculty of ENC in 2014, received her doctorate from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), and has authored or coauthored multiple articles in several academic journals. Pruitt became a member of the faculty in 2016, has written material in the *Encyclopedia of Religion and Politics in America*, and received his doctorate from Baylor University in 2017.



Dr. Jill A. Macko



Dr. Nicholas Pruitt

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Update on the presidential search:

We know that everyone is interested in the progress of the presidential search. The following is an update on our progress as we continue to seek God's will regarding presidential leadership for Eastern Nazarene College.



A search committee composed of representatives from the ENC community has been working diligently to define the profile for our next president, solicit names of potential candidates, contact each of the names submitted, and review all documents submitted by those candidates. We are well along in the process and anticipate that we will have the position filled by the end of October or early November. Our objective is to find the best possible candidate available, and we are confident that God has not only been leading this process but has the

right individual in mind. We have had a very strong administrative team in place, and we have made significant progress over the past few months. With the announcement of Dr. Wooster's departure at the end of December, we will immediately begin to put an interim plan in place that will allow us to continue to take the steps for a strong and vibrant future.

Sincerely,

Russ Long ('71)
Chairman of the Board of Trustees

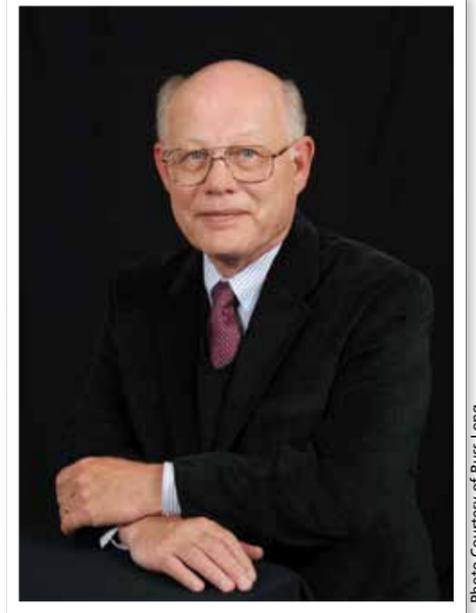


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ENC athletics develops new vision statement

by Dr. Brad Zarges



Rob Rossi ('09)

Student-athletes are being intentionally challenged by their coaches to live their faith in every facet of their daily lives – in the classroom, on the field or court, and in their community.

Over nearly six months, the staff of the ENC Athletics Department has discussed the present vision for the department, as well as the possibility of identifying a new vision for the future. As a result, the Athletics Department has adopted a new Vision Statement that enhances and further explains desired outcomes for our student-athletes and staff, all while building on the rich history of athletics at ENC.

The new Vision Statement begins by identifying two pillars that are foundational to the work of the Athletic Department: pursuing excellence, and service to God and community. These essential components capture the desire of the Athletic Department staff to use our talents, abilities, and opportunities to honor Christ in and through athletics on ENC's campus. The core values of Faith, Academics, Competition, and Service complement these two aspirational phrases.

By identifying faith as a core value, the Athletics Department is leaning heavily on the mission of the College to foster a distinctly Christian living and learning community. ENC's athletic programs provide incredibly rich contexts for spiritual formation and development. The Fruits of the Spirit as listed in Galatians 5:22-23 are all necessary attributes of successful teams in which players are tested by experiencing emotionally challenging playing environments. Ultimately, the goal of the Athletics Department is that student-athletes will be challenged to understand and deepen their relationship with God and to learn how to incorporate faith into their daily lives, including sports.

Academics, the second core value, focuses attention on the educational value of participation in intercollegiate athletics. Athletics is viewed as part of the educational experience and an extension of formal academic learning. Student-athletes will benefit academically by applying principles from what they learn through athletic activity to problems encountered in the classroom. This core value is best realized when each student-athlete achieves their very best in both classroom effort and learning outcomes.

The department intentionally listed the core value of Competition after Faith and Academics as a conscious reminder of shared priorities. At the same time, rather than viewing each of the core values as highly distinct, the department acknowledges the interconnectedness of each priority. Student-athletes and coaches know that achieving athletic excellence is an expected outcome. At the same time, it is necessary to be successful in competition, all while still displaying strong character and integrity. Sportsmanship and commitment to the team are integrated with the desire to build winning programs.

The final core value of Service displays the importance of looking beyond ourselves by finding ways to serve God and the community. The department invests heavily in developing servant-leaders among ENC's student-athletes. Service, and the leadership qualities it forms, occurs in numerous ways. Rather than being primarily focused on ENC's campus alone, the desired outcome of Service extends beyond the college, even to various parts of the world, using athletics as a means to build relationships for the College and the Kingdom of God.

As the Athletics Department continues to engage new and returning student-athletes, the elements of the new Vision Statement capture the essence of what we are and what we are becoming. The Vision Statement can be found on the Athletics website at athletics.enc.edu, along with other news and information. All are encouraged to connect with our staff and the ongoing work of the department as we live out the call to serve at ENC.

ENC's church challenge: an update, and a call for the future

by Noelle Rudeen ('17)

Eastern Nazarene College (ENC) depends on the faithful giving of local churches across our region. Support from these communities' and districts' educational budgets allows us to provide a Christ-centered education to students from all over the world. With the backing from churches, we raise \$1.5 million each year towards student scholarships. The continuous support from local churches has been amazing, and members of the ENC community are grateful for the charitable giving from the broader community that is the Church of the Nazarene in the eastern United States. The generosity from churches supports our mission here at ENC to provide "the best in education and the best in Christian faith" that Dean Munro described so many years ago.

In the summer of 2017, the College launched the Church Challenge, a fundraising initiative asking churches to double their educational budgets for one year. We asked churches across our region to become more involved in our success through this endeavor. In addition to this financial giving, we challenged churches to partner with us in prayer and recruitment. We have had close to thirty local churches join us in our mission through this challenge. As of August, ten churches have completed the challenge and doubled their educational budget numbers. An additional seven churches have taken on the challenge and are working on doubling their budgets as the fiscal year continues. Even more churches on ENC's region have joined in by giving additional gifts over their budgeted amount.

This summer, ENC hosted several Work and Witness teams from across our region. Grace Pointe Church of the Nazarene, Mifflinburg Church of the Nazarene, Leesburg Church of the Nazarene, Hermitage Church of the Nazarene, and Millville Church of the Nazarene were among some of the congregations to send groups. As well as the individual churches, district teams included groups from the Mid-Atlantic, Pittsburgh and Virginia Districts. These teams came to partner with members of the campus community in various physical renovation projects. With the help of these churches and others, the College raised money to make repairs and worked on painting, fixing flooring, installing lighting, installing drop ceilings, repairing sidewalks, landscaping, and repairing windows. Every donation of time, money, and prayers helps make ENC into a more vibrant Christian educational community.

ENC welcomes all continued financial support, but members of our campus community also want to encourage our broader community of supporters to pray for ENC and seek out potential students. Together, we can continue our college's important mission, knowing that the best days are ahead.

Lynne Bollinger discusses "VIA" theme for chapel



Rev. Lynne Bollinger hopes conversations begun under last year's theme of "Beloved Community" will continue as part of this year's theme "Via."

How extensively can a chapel theme shape a Christian college's community in one year? With passages from I Corinthians 13 and Psalm 1, and a new theme of "VIA" for this year's chapel services, Chaplain of the College **Rev. Lynne (Sheridan, '92) Bollinger** aims to find out.

In I Corinthians 12:31, Paul describes a "way of life" that constitutes the entirety of I Corinthians 13, known to some as the "love chapter." The word for "way" that Latin readers would have encountered in the text was a variation of the word "via." From this word and from these passages, as well as Psalm 1, Bollinger drew this year's chapel theme, with the goal of encouraging the ENC community to understand that following the way of Christ "ought to change the way we live with and treat each other."

As a distinguished alumna of the College, now in her second year as campus chaplain, Bollinger is no stranger to the unique role that chapel services play in the life of the ENC community. Of course, when she attended chapel as a student from 1988 to 1992, some things were different. However, the possibility of experiencing profound spiritual growth in the pews of the Wollaston Church of the Nazarene remains the same. Bollinger, who now spends most of her time in chapel on the front row or behind the pulpit, remembers times in her own life when, as a student, she encountered God's presence. Mentioning the encouragement of Margaret Scott and Dorothy Tarrant in particular, ENC's chaplain reminisces that there were "moments with faculty and staff who came alongside me at the altar, and those conversations really shaped my identity, my calling, and even my surrender to God's will."

Decades after experiencing chapel at ENC as a student, Bollinger now thinks about this important community event from a different perspective. "Chapel is the singular time when we gather as an entire campus," she says. "I don't know how you can call yourself a community if you don't gather all together. That's absolutely essential, and," she

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Dave Anderson ('68)

adds, "the chapel setting is also the most appropriate place for us to gather as a Christian community." Bollinger has given as much thought to the importance of what happens in chapel as she has given to the significance of the tradition itself, again through an attuned theological perspective. "As a preacher, having a theme is really helpful," she says. Having a unifying chapel theme, Bollinger observes, complements the unifying practice of convening regular chapel services in the first place. "I think people appreciate continuity throughout the year," she says, noting that "there's something about continuity that draws them, that really builds a community's identity."

Bollinger's consideration of this year's "VIA" theme long predated the beginning of the academic year. Earlier this spring, Vice President for Student Development and Campus Services Jeff Kirksey had spoken in a chapel service about I Corinthians 13, and this message affected ENC's chaplain as much as it affected many of ENC's students. Bollinger says that Kirksey's words "struck a chord with our campus" and remembers thinking at the time, "There is so much more to be explored here." While material from I Corinthians 13 formed one of the building blocks for this year's theme, the interest in continuing some conversations from last year's theme, the "Beloved Community," formed another. Many of Bollinger's chapel messages during the 2017-2018 academic year highlighted different aspects of what it means to be a Christian community from select passages in the Gospel of John, ranging from the responsibilities of individuals to forms of ministry and service that the entire campus could embody. "VIA" focuses even more closely on what the distinct characteristics of ENC's "Beloved Community" might look like in practice. Bollinger remarked that the groups to which Paul addressed his Corinthian letters had problems "all revolving around how they treated each other – the way they treated each other did not reflect their professed Christian identity." Acknowledging the everyday responsibilities that come from participating in Christian community forms the bridge between last year's chapel theme and the "VIA" theme. This year's framework for chapel services at ENC may be new, but it also has deep roots in conversations already being had by members of the campus community.

Bollinger had already begun laying the foundation with many of ENC's student leaders for the new chapel theme before this year's classes had even started. In the weeks leading up to fall orientation for new students, she met with resident assistants, student government representatives, and other campus leaders as a part of what she describes as a responsibility to serve as a prophetic voice for the ENC community. "I wanted to challenge our Christian student leaders to own the culture of the campus," she said, adding, "Not just own the culture, but shape ENC into a community that loves by doing and being." One of the primary components behind any chapel theme involves unsettling the status quo of a campus community and imagining a new, better way forward. Likewise, Bollinger sees part of her role in ENC's chaplaincy as seeking to do the same. "This year, I intend to be obedient to the prophetic Word for this community, identifying the ways that we have fallen short, and calling out students of faith to lead in the way of love."

In a chapel gathering on Wednesday, September 5, Bollinger introduced the entire campus community to the "VIA" theme for the first time. After talking briefly about her vision for the year and reading from I Corinthians 12 and 13, she began to describe the Christian community in Corinth: it was multicultural, it was socioeconomically diverse, and it existed within a city that hosted renowned educators. At the same time, even as members of the church in Corinth were immensely gifted, Bollinger said that many "used their gifts for themselves rather than for the community." Later, she told those listening that "Paul longs for [the Corinthian church] to be distinctly different from the rest of their community in Corinth because Paul himself knew that the way of Jesus and the way that is Jesus is the more excellent way." How can the chapel experience shape students, faculty, and staff towards that way, or "via"? Decades after attending chapel at ENC as a student, and following months of carefully considering this year's theme for many of those services, Lynne Bollinger has started chasing after an answer.

ENC hosts summer PALCON conference

By McKenzie Blake ('18)

The Church of the Nazarene's Pastor and Leaders Conference (PALCON) was held on campus June 20 - 22, with over 250 attending. The event featured a variety of opportunities for fellowship, worship, renewal, and dozens of educational workshops. These workshops covered a range of topics, varying from ministry projects to care for the well-being of those involved in ministry. The event was preceded by a pre-conference for clergywomen: "Creativity, Confidence, and Companionship: Vital Development in Times of Change."

Stretch Dean ('92), lead pastor of the Wollaston Church of the Nazarene, led a partner program for the children of clergy in grades 7 through 12, which was sponsored by Nazarene Youth International. Over the three days, all of the participants were able to fellowship and relate to one another over conversations that Dean described as "honest and sometimes raw."

PALCON featured several workshops facilitated by members of the ENC community. **Jeremy Scott ('03)**, pastor of North Street Community Church in Hingham, Massachusetts, led the workshop, "God Calls Everyone to Ministry, Right?," where he and other participants explored ideas

about Christian vocation and calling, as well as pastoral opportunities and responsibilities for helping guide and direct those trying to discern how God is directing their lives.

In **Jeffrey Barker's ('93)** workshop, "Emerging Models of Ministry: Bi-Vocational Clergy and Non-Fully Funded Churches in Today's Ecclesial Landscape," attendees discussed how a lack of clarity for those engaged in bi-vocational and co-vocational ministry has sometimes left pastors and their families carrying their personal financial struggles in silence, an issue that can often lead to significant turnover among members of the clergy.

The pre-conference for clergywomen was hosted by Nazarene Theological Seminary's Center for Pastoral Leadership in coordination with the USA/Canada Nazarene Women Clergy Council (NWCC). Three speakers addressed attendees at the event, discussing healthy mentoring relationships, insights on women's leadership in the Church, and gaining confidence. Rev. Shirley Goodman, the ENC regional representative to the NWCC, noted that about one quarter of the pre-conference attendees were men. She said, "It was encouraging to dialogue about the issues together. This kind of cross-gender interchange is



Rob Rossi ('09)

Pastors and Leaders Conference (PALCON) is a gathering designed for Nazarene pastors, chaplains, evangelists, staff ministers, and missionaries. The conference features worship gatherings and learning conversations aimed at inspiring and equipping women and men in ministry. (palcon.org)

essential for both men and women as we continue to pursue equal status as colleagues in ministry."

PALCON highlighted many important topics in the field of Christian ministry, not only for pastors and congregation leaders, but for those around them, such as spouses and children. ENC's hosting of the event speaks to the College's broader commitment to serve as a vibrant space for important conversations and clerical development for the Church of the Nazarene in the eastern United States.





The renovations in the admissions area provide a new "welcome" space that will be utilized by traditional undergraduate admissions as well as Adult and Graduate Studies.

Campus continues major renovations

By Rebeca Portela ('20)

Major renovations took place this summer in the Bower-Grimshaw Center (also known as the Admissions Office), the Commuter Lounge, Williamson Hall, Shields Hall, and Munro Hall, among other locations.

These renovations were made possible by two anonymous donors looking to improve ENC's campus. Jeff Kirksey, Vice President for Student Development and Campus Services, was responsible for overseeing the renovations. He explained that there was a donor who "wanted to enhance people's first impression with ENC" and "better utilize the Admissions' space." Kirksey noted the other donation made was dedicated to the "physical enhancement of campus that could benefit the recruitment, as well as retention, of students."

Plans for the Bower-Grimshaw Center and the Commuter Lounge began around the time when these two generous donations were received in May of this year.

Renovations in the Bower-Grimshaw Center consisted of moving the Admissions staff members to the mezzanine floor of Gardner Hall, installing hardwood floors in the first floor space, painting the walls, adding new light fixtures, and installing two fireplaces. New carpet was also installed in the first floor of Gardner Hall where more offices are located. "I'm excited to make this a space where people feel comfortable and at

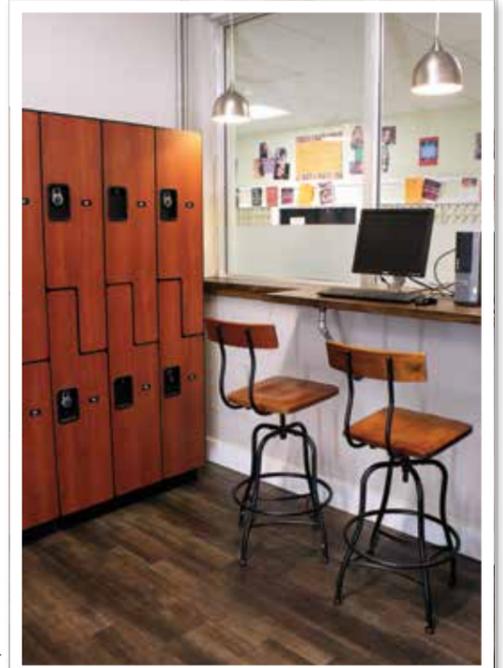
home," stated **Hillary Sunberg-Detwiler ('15)**, the Hospitality Coordinator for the Office of Admissions.

The Commuter Lounge is now a completely new space for people to enjoy, thanks to the work of the Cawthorne family. **Anne Cawthorne ('96)**, the Operations Manager for the Athletics Department, and her husband **Dave Cawthorne ('94)**, jumped at the opportunity to help remodel the space. Anne's love for the television show "Fixer Upper" inspired her to give the space a modern-industrial style. The Commuter Lounge has been redesigned to include two areas including a centralized location for commuter services and a larger living room space where commuting and residential students can relax, socialize, or study. The space has been named the Family Room. The room currently includes a fireplace, television, lockers, computers, a miniature fridge, and a microwave.

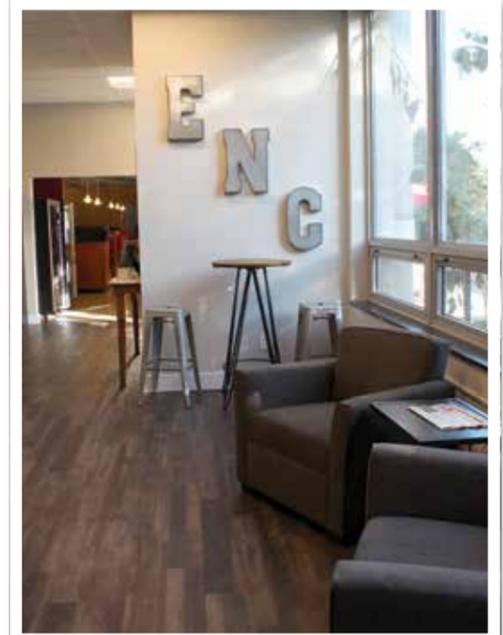
"It was all [done] out of love for this school," explained Anne. "I want people to know that it is a space for all students. I didn't want it to be just for commuters or for students that lived on campus. I wanted it to be for faculty, staff, students, everyone."

Other renovations done in Williamson Hall and Shields Hall were completed by teams sent through regional churches participating in the Church of the Nazarene's Work & Witness program. These groups donated supplies including ceiling tiles, paint, and carpet. They also provided professional manual labor.

In a testament of the generosity of ENC's financial supporters, the renovations in Munro Hall this summer were the only renovation project funded largely out of the College's ongoing capital budget. Changes in this building include the complete renovation of the third and fourth floors in preparation to house graduate assistants. The building's security will also be increased, with the addition of new door scanners for every building and floor entrance. These renovations are expected to be completed around mid-October.

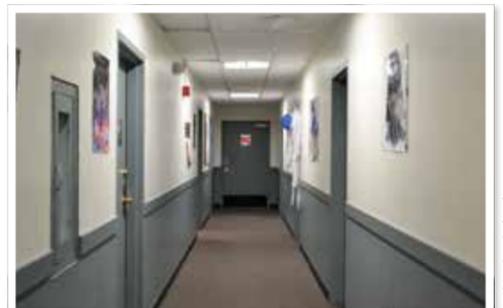


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What was once the "fishbowl" is now a community lounge that offers lockers, computers, casual seating, and a warm fireplace.



Niki Ghosh ('19)

Williamson and Shields Halls both underwent renovations by Work and Witness teams.

This article originally appeared under a different headline on the website for The Veritas News, ENC's student-run newspaper. Visit <https://veritas.enc.edu/2018/09/20/major-campus-renovations/> to read the original piece.

Campus prayer walk initiated

by McKenzie Blake ('18)

When new students walked through the main entrance to ENC this fall, greeted by cheering upperclassmen, faculty, and staff, they also encountered one of the core values of ENC: prayer. Throughout the week of New Student Orientation (NSO), members of the community could visit several stands around the campus with prompts for prayer. The stands remain in place continuing to provide opportunity for the community to abide in prayer for the College and its people.

Together, **Ruthanne Smith-Mann ('84)** and the Spiritual Development Office were able to carefully craft directed prayers for each station in order to shape the experience of whoever chooses to spend time on ENC's prayer walk. "I think community prayer is an act of faith that draws us together in ways we don't fully recognize," Smith-Mann said. "The campus prayer walk is one way of engaging in community prayer, but it's mostly done in solitude. A bit of a paradox." She continued, "On the prayer walk, we walk along same paths and pray the same prayers over our campus, but we do so alone. In quiet. It can be pretty powerful, just a small act that further forms us into a faithful people."

Fifth-generation ENC student begins classes this fall

This fall, Eastern Nazarene College, now in its second century of existence, welcomed another fifth-generation student to its campus. Freshman **Jaben Beiler**, the son of **Joel ('92)** and **Janelle (Nielsen '93) Beiler**, said, "It is an honor and a privilege to love this campus just as my great-great grandparents did."

Jaben's family history with the College reaches deeply into the history of the institution itself. His parents both attended ENC, and his brother Jacob is currently a senior. According to his mother Janelle, Jaben's maternal grandparents, at least two maternal great-grandparents, and at least one great-great-grandparent all took classes at the College at varying times. When asked about how this legacy factored into his decision to attend ENC, Jaben said, "I knew that my family had a history with ENC...and so it just felt right to come here and experience what my parents experienced, and what their parents experienced, and their parent's parents, and so on. There's a feeling of familiarity with this school due to our history, so it just made sense!" He continued, "There's an air of understanding and fellowship that arises due to the Christian atmosphere that the campus has cultivated over many years."

At the same time, Jaben's reasons for attending ENC this fall extend beyond his family's history with the campus. Currently majoring in computer science, he believes that the College's commitment to the liberal arts will provide him with a meaningful undergraduate education. "I want to learn as much as I can about as many things as I can, and ENC is a great place for that," he said, citing additional interests in psychology, literature, music, and drama. "I know that ENC will help me maintain my love for learning and will prepare me for whatever field and livelihood I choose upon graduation!"

Dropping a child off at college, no matter how many family ties precede them, can still be an emotional experience for any parent. "There were a lot of mixed feelings as we dropped Jaben off this fall," remarked Janelle, but "we were profoundly confident as we left Jaben and Jacob in the care of the ENC community! We are excited for all they are going to become for the Kingdom!" Jaben's



Photo courtesy of Janelle Beiler

Janelle Nielsen Beiler ('93), Jaben Beiler ('22), Jacob Beiler ('19), and Joel Beiler ('92) represent two of the five generations who attended Eastern Nazarene College.

uncle and aunt, **John ('89)** and **Amy (Krutnat '89) Nielson**, will also be on ENC's campus, serving in new roles on the faculty and in the Brickley Center, respectively.

When asked how he'd like to make his own unique impact at the College, Jaben answered, "I want to be remembered as someone who was a positive influence. I want to be remembered as some-

one who left things better than I found them, someone who lived like Christ, and someone who was able to help as many people as possible in whatever way was needed. With the Lord's help, that's how I'll make my story!"

Recent graduates receive minister's licenses at Virginia District Assembly



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Newly licensed ministers **Olivia Michael ('17)**, **Julie Cameron ('16)**, and **Tim ('16)** and **Heather (Hardy '17) Sluss** all serve in Nazarene churches on the Virginia District.

At the 2018 Virginia District Assembly in July, four recent graduates of Eastern Nazarene College all received minister's licenses. For years, young people from across the district have come to the College to receive an undergraduate education in the Christian liberal arts, including ministry. These four recent graduates and new licensees — **Olivia Michael ('17)**, **Julie Cameron ('16)**, and **Tim ('16)** and **Heather (Hardy '17) Sluss** — represent the newest generation of students that ENC has prepared for ministry in Virginia's faith communities.

Olivia Michael currently serves as the Pastor of Student Ministries at the First Church of the Nazarene in Harrisonburg, Virginia. She works with students in middle and high school and said that a major part of her role involves "engaging with students outside the walls of the church." Fellow graduate Julie Cameron serves as the Pastor of Children's Ministries on the same church staff; her responsibilities include "writing and planning lessons, teaching children's church on Sundays, teaching children's church throughout the week to students at the church's preschool and daycare, coordinating and directing events, and ministering to children and families in many different capacities."

Tim and Heather Sluss both serve on staff at the First Church of the Nazarene in Winchester, Virginia. Heather is an Associate Pastor ministering to youth and performing other responsibilities. She said, "I am trying to get a youth ministry that is more mis-

sion-minded." As a result, in addition to planning youth nights, Sunday school lessons, and other events, Heather is working to develop programs that encourage the church's teenagers to become more engaged in the local community. She also teaches preschool full-time and is pursuing a graduate degree at Liberty University. Tim also serves as an Associate Pastor, but in the role of administrative assistant on the church staff. This means that he coordinates with the church's lead pastor, manages the church's social media presence, helps with NYI, and provides technical support during church services.

All four recent graduates remarked on how extensively their theological education at ENC has shaped their approach to Christian ministry. Olivia said that "ENC was crucial in helping me realize that ministry, regardless of the context, is so much more than sitting in an office preparing for an event or a service." Heather remarked, "ENC has prepared me to do the work of God in Virginia, and I am constantly challenged and growing here. ENC made me more mission-minded and taught me how being about the community of God is so important."

The graduates also emphasized the importance of the Christian community they experienced while attending ENC, especially in the context of classes with other students and the faculty. "I largely credit ENC and my professors for preparing me for this role and affirming my calling in ministry," Julie said. "Despite my refusal to accept that I might one day become a pastor, several professors at ENC believed in me and encouraged me to pursue God's calling on my life. Through my classes and conversations with both peers and professors, I began to see that a life in ministry was not something to run away from, but a glorious opportunity to fully surrender to God and be a part of furthering His kingdom." Meanwhile, Tim remarked that his experience at ENC "helped me realize that Christian ministry is continually done in community with others. It is very difficult to do ministry alone." Olivia expressed a similar feeling: "At ENC I was ministered to by faculty, staff and even peers. This happened in the classroom, but more importantly, my professors and mentors took the initiative to engage with me and really minister to me outside of the classroom."

Receiving a district minister's license in the Church of the Nazarene in Virginia requires the completion of various classes in ministry and theology, as well as holding a local minister's license for one year and successfully interviewing with the district's Board of Ministerial Credentials. Additionally, any candidate for licensure must have the recommendation of their local church's board. Thus, for these four ENC alumni, a district minister's license symbolizes the support of their local congregations, as well as of leaders on the Virginia District. "I am extremely grateful to ENC for investing in me and so many other students and helping us to discover God's call on our lives," Julie said. "Six years ago, I never would have envisioned myself where I am today, but I wouldn't trade any of it for the world."

For one ENC alumna and professor, hometown history meets a passion for justice



Cast members have a moment of portraying the good times in the Greenwood neighborhood known as Black Wall Street prior to the 1921 massacre.

On August 26, following years of careful thought, creative exploration, and strenuous work, Tara Brooke Watkins ('02), ENC alumna and current member of the faculty, opened *Tulsa '21: Black Wall Street* in her hometown of Tulsa, Oklahoma. The play covers the events surrounding the 1921 destruction of a part of the city known at the time as "Black Wall Street." In this racially charged incident, hundreds of black residents lost their lives, and the event has had ongoing consequences for those living in Tulsa today.

After encountering an account of the massacre in 2011, Watkins recalled saying to herself, "I can't do nothing. I have to do something. That's when the project became about telling the truth and telling it through the black voice." A professor in ENC's Theatre for Social Justice program, Watkins used archival research and story circles – a conversational setting in which current Tulsa residents could talk about their experiences with race in the city and the legacy of the 1921 massacre – to develop the production. The resulting play premiered in June on the campus of Oklahoma State University - Tulsa, with additional performances at the Greenwood Cultural Center.

Watkins' experiences as a student at ENC, and now as a member of the faculty, have shaped her general perspective as a director and writer and her particular approach to the "Tulsa '21" project in some meaningful ways. She reflected, "When I was a student at ENC, I was a theatre major, but always felt like we did theatre that reified a Christian's idea of Christian theatre." While attending ENC, Watkins also served as the editor of the campus newspaper, and that experience taught her about the delicate relationship between discomfort and truth in the life of the community.

Now, as a professor of theatre at her alma mater, Watkins has encouraged the development of productions that challenge the ENC community around issues of race, gender, and other important topics, especially as they manifest on campus. She said, "I am passionate about people of color being successful in a public way," further explaining that "I try to use theatre to give black students an opportunity to hone their talents and show young black children there is a place for them. Their voices, their talents, their stories. My interactions with black students on ENC's campus helped me be more sensitive to the listening process in Tulsa, and vice versa."

In early August of this year, author and educator Ron Stodghill wrote about Watkins and the "Tulsa '21" production in an essay for *The New York Times* about places he visited along the United States Civil Rights Trail that includes locations in Kansas, Missouri, Virginia, and the Deep South, but also in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where Stodghill met Professor Watkins and spoke with her about the play. Observing that "some of black America's most important and compelling history is tucked away, often unceremoniously, in what some dismiss as 'flyover country,'" Stodghill wrote that Watkins "has immersed herself in black history — or more specifically, the massacre of an entire northeast-side black community in Tulsa, her hometown." When it comes to how this national coverage made her feel, Watkins responds, "I was moved and humbled by it, but also kind of saddened by it. This story has been around for so long, and I felt like I was getting a lot more credit for my work than black people in the community have who have done so much more."

"Tulsa '21" and the associated story circles project also drew the interest of the local daily newspaper, with *The Tulsa World's* James Watts, Jr. writing an article about the production in advance of its summer premiere. Watkins remarked, "As more and more press coverage came out about Tulsa, I tried my best to get people to hear from the black actors, the black people who are still suffering from this event nearly one hundred years later, but inevitably, I became the story." Watkins believes that humility and deference when engaging with such painful stories with continued consequences is important, and behaved with careful sensitivity when thinking about how to elevate the voices of Tulsa residents who continue to be impacted by the events "Tulsa '21" discussed.

Previously, Watkins had produced "The Bible Women's Project," a play dedicated to considering the relationships between Christianity, the Bible, and the experiences of women and other communities. The play has been performed on ENC's campus multiple times, as well as in locations throughout the Northeast. When asked what connections existed between her earlier project and "Tulsa '21," she answered emphatically, "Many! I don't know that 'Tulsa '21' would have hap-



Photos courtesy of Tara Brooke Watkins



Top: The cast of "Tulsa '21" become their ancestors in history who experienced bombs dropped on their neighborhood.

Above: Four women in the play portray four elderly white women from a local Bible study as they share vastly different experiences of Tulsa from those in the black community.

Left: The cast lines up as survivors of the 1921 Black Wall Street Massacre to tell their stories. The stories are verbatim stories from the book "Events of the Tulsa Disaster" by survivor Mary E. Jones Parrish.

pened at all if not for 'The Bible Women's Project.'" Watkins noted that she used a similar method — story circles — in both productions, and also observed the importance of presenting works that closely reflected the needs of each community.

The ENC community has demonstrated a considerable interest in Watkins' work on the "Tulsa '21" project. She said, "I see ENC as my home and community, so to have people care that much is not only nice, it's necessary." Associate Dean for Multicultural Affairs Robert Benjamin invited Watkins to speak about her work at "sandwich seminars," events on campus for the entire community to discuss important contemporary issues, and she observes that these events were always well-attended. Watkins plans on bringing the production to the area next year, saying, "Now, I have them all asking when I'm doing the play up here."

The experience of producing "Tulsa '21," Watkins said, has taught her that she "need[s] to be bolder about my own work being seen by people who have the ability and power to get it seen on a larger scale... I feel like I owe it to those who lost their lives in the 1921 massacre, to those women who collected stories of survivors and never got much recognition for their work, to those who are still fighting to get Black Wall Street back, to get this work seen by producers who could take it to the next level." As for the future of the production? She said, "I need to not think of this as just a project, but a lifetime dedication until God releases me from it."

High school student cultivates a reflection garden on campus



Juliana MacFarland Oates ('14)

Noah MacFarland reflects on the progress of the Canterbury Woodland Prayer Garden project which he led as part of his work to become an Eagle Scout.

While Eastern Nazarene College provides a Christian liberal arts education to undergraduate and graduate students, the ENC community extends also to people who have not yet graduated from high school. This past summer, Noah MacFarland, 16, son of NancyDee and **Scott ('87) MacFarland**, provided an incredible example of that community by leading a project to install a reflection garden near Canterbury Hall.

Noah undertook the endeavor as a part of his Eagle Scout project. He said, "I wanted to contribute to something in the community where I had grown up." Both of his parents have served as employees of the College, and Noah spent many of his most formative years living near the campus, frequently attending athletic games and other events.

Noah worked with Vice President for Student Development and Campus Services Jeff Kirksey and Grounds Manager **Sam Mohnkern ('09)** to develop his project. According to Noah, Kirksey "wanted to see an area [on campus] where students in the midst of a busy semester could go to reflect, meditate, be in nature, and find peace," while Mohnkern "wanted to use native plants and materials to model an urban garden for the Wollaston neighbors."

The result: a beautiful new green space on the College's campus for members of the ENC community to use. Noah says that many of the non-indigenous plants were removed from the original space in order to make room for indigenous plant species. Some of these



Sam Mohnkern ('09)

Left to right: Noah Corrente ('22), Elia Salazar ('16) admissions GA, Jessica Valadez ('16) grounds GA, and Robert Queen ('22) relax in a seating area built from trees taken down on campus, adding a natural aesthetic feature to the garden while providing a unique spot for people to come together in community.



Noah MacFarland, front center, is joined by members of Boy Scout Troupe 42 to build the Canterbury Woodland Garden Prayer Walk.

The garden design uses intentional plant selection, to enhance the prayer garden visually and ecologically

To see more photos of campus gardens and plantings visit Babcock Arboretum of Eastern Nazarene College on FaceBook.



NancyDee MacFarland

The woodland path is highlighted by commemorative stone plaques made possible with funds raised from Noah's family and friends.

were donated by the Artery Garden Center in Quincy. A significant amount of raking, digging, weed-pulling, and planting were necessary to complete these tasks. The garden also features a beautiful new path. Noah said, "It was Sam's ideas to use natural edging for the walk way. The path had to be raked smooth, removing rocks, and branches. Mulch needed to be raked onto the path. Then sticks were placed on the edge of the path. Many, many, many sticks were laid and intertwined together to create an edging."

According to Noah, the project would not have been completed without the help of the ENC community, fellow Scouts, and others. While he may have done the bulk of the planning for the project with the assistance of his Eagle supervisor Ray Theberge, Noah also had the help of around twenty people on May 26, when he says the vast majority of the manual labor took place. Among these helpers were many fellow scouts, as well as ENC student **Lisa McCarthy ('19)**. In addition to receiving help with the physical labor, Noah also raised funds from family and friends to help pay for the commemorative stone plaques that he installed in the garden. "It's nice to leave a mark of my own on the campus," he remarked. "I hope it impacts the community, students and neighbors alike, who enjoy the garden."

The prayer garden near Canterbury Hall also represents the latest in Grounds Manager Sam Mohnkern's broader plan to reshape some of ENC's outdoor landscapes towards more natural and sustainable uses. "We need to be extremely diligent and conscious about how we are caring for the natural world around us," said Mohnkern, continuing, "We have begun to use specific landscape strategies, like intentional plant selection, to enhance the prayer



Canterbury Woodland Prayer Garden

Our hope is that those who visit this garden will pause for prayer and reflection as they appreciate the natural world that surrounds them.

We intend to highlight the beauty and functionality of many native species and demonstrate how they contribute to the overall health and stability of the local ecosystem.

We are grateful to the various campus community groups, Noah McFarland and Boy Scout Troup 42, in the completion of his Eagle Project, that created and continue to care for this sacred space.



garden visually and ecologically." In addition to mentioning the help from Noah and his fellow Scouts installing the garden, Mohnkern also noted that some students on ENC's campus have expressed interest in continuing to maintain the space.

"Service is hard work," said Noah. "You can accomplish more than you imagine when you work with determination, when you have a good team, when you have competent leadership, and when you have a positive spirit to work through challenges and get things done."

Women's volleyball team serves at local hospital

by Ryan Roach

On August 22, the Eastern Nazarene women's volleyball team visited Pappas Rehabilitation Hospital for Children (PRHC), a pediatric chronic care hospital for patients ages eight to twenty-two located just south of ENC's campus in Canton, Massachusetts.

During the visit, the student-athletes and coaches spent time interacting with the patients and playing wheelchair volleyball with them.

"It was good to just connect with the kids and have a fun afternoon to play a sport that we all love," said head coach Derek Schmitt '93. "It was a great opportunity to give back to the community and put others in front of ourselves."

Assistant women's volleyball coach Kayla Dean and PRHC employee Kelly Couite, both 2018 graduates, coordinated the event together.

"The kids really enjoy interacting with outside schools and competing in sports that they enjoy," said Couite, an ENC women's soccer alumna. "The event went very well, and all of the kids had the opportunity to participate."

The mission of the ENC Athletic Department is "Pursuing Excellence: Service to God and Community". The ENC Athletic Department is committed to using the talents and abilities that God has given the student-athletes to honor Christ through four core values: faith, academics, competition, and service. This opportunity allowed the student-athletes and coaches on the team to truly exemplify this mission and integrate all four core values through the event.

"It was a really positive experience. I hope that our team will be able to go back and make an even longer-lasting relationship with the individuals there," said sophomore Samantha Caldwell.

Junior Hailee Owen, a special education major at ENC, was able to incorporate her academic studies into the event, saying, "It was great to see the accommodations the individuals had to make in order to play volleyball, similar to how individuals have to make accommodations in a classroom. The net was lower, we were all in wheelchairs, and we used a beach ball to play. It was great to see how they make it work."



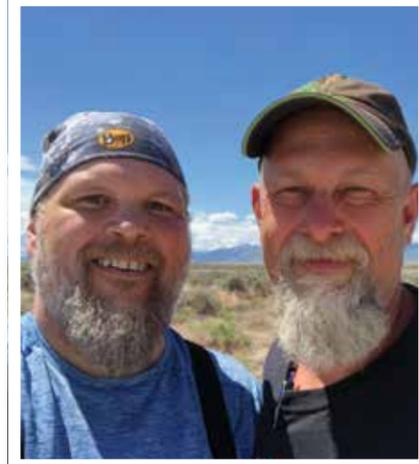
Photo courtesy of women's volleyball team

Members of the ENC women's volleyball team play wheelchair volleyball during a recent trip to Pappas Rehabilitation Hospital for Children.

This is the second time that an ENC athletic team has visited PRHC. In the fall of 2017, the Eastern Nazarene women's soccer team spent an afternoon at the facility and played modified soccer with motorized wheelchairs.

Reptile research continues an exciting academic partnership

By Jonathan Twining



Dr. John Cossel of NNU (right) and colleague ENC professor John Twining visit one of 30 trapping sites.



Great Basin Rattlesnake (*Crotalus oreganus lutosus*) as observed in a reptile survey at the Orchard Combat Training Center just south of Boise, Idaho.



Prof. Twining received extensive training before tubing his first rattlesnake.

Call me crazy, but I have a fascination with venomous snakes. While growing up in western New York, I became enthralled with reptiles and amphibians; I read every reptile book I could find, marveling at the drawings of rattlesnakes and collared lizards in those books. I wondered what it would be like to see these animals in the wild, and every year, while traveling to Virginia to see my grandparents, my family would pass Clyde Peeling's Reptileland in Pennsylvania, but I could never get my parents to stop there.

As a biology professor at Eastern Nazarene College, I now routinely work with frogs, salamanders, and snakes as I educate our students about caring for creation. This summer, however, I finally had the opportunity to see and work with some of those rattlesnake species I saw in books as a child. My colleague, Dr. John Cossel from Northwest Nazarene University, whom I collaborate with on frog bioacoustics research in Costa Rica, invited me to participate in a reptile survey at the Or-

chard Combat Training Center just south of Boise, Idaho. In this survey, researchers went to over thirty trapping sites every morning over a two-month period to check for snakes and lizards. The center wanted to know if their operations, or if changes to the landscape due to fire and invasive species, were influencing reptile diversity.

The summer researchers and I received extensive training about how to safely handle rattlesnakes with tongs and clear tubes. Beyond that, we learned how to measure, weigh and determine the sex of rattlesnakes, and to insert tracking tags under their skin. In subsequent days, I made the long trek out to the trapping sites with the researchers and helped to remove racers, gopher snakes, and other critters from the funnel traps. I also went to some other desert sites with Dr. Cossel and got to check some other reptiles off my life-list, such as collared lizards, long-nosed leopard lizards, and striped whipsnakes.

I now have the opportunity to share these experiences with my students at ENC



Photos courtesy of Jon Twining

Trapping array at the Orchard Combat Training Center where rattlesnakes will be measured, weighed, have sex determined, and be tagged for tracking.

through the photographs and videos I took while working on this project. And I just hope that some of them will get hooked on working with these animals, just like I did so many years ago. Meanwhile, Dr. Cossel and I are planning our next adventure with students: a trip to Costa Rica for May

2019, where I am sure we will have more exciting animal encounters, perhaps even with a few snakes.

For additional video footage of Prof. Twining's experience, visit www.youtube.com/onebiotanetwork and look for the "Great Basin Adventure" playlist.

In Loving Memory

Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world.'

– Matthew 25:34

1940s

Winifred "Winnie" G. Howard ('43) passed away in July. She taught English at Bethany Nazarene College (now Southern Nazarene University). She was preceded in death by her husband, **Richard "Dick" E. Howard ('42)**.

Cassandra (Swinhoe) Church ('44) passed away September 10, 2017. She was a Nazarene missionary in South Africa and Mozambique for 12 years. Upon returning to the US, she spent 25 years as an orthopedic social worker. She is survived by three children including **Jacquelyn Church Betts ('67)**, numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her husband, **Mr. Clifford F. Church ('44)** preceded her in death.

Doris M. Allen ('49) 90, went home to be with the Lord on August 27. She was preceded in death by her husband of 68 years, **Rev. Arthur "Art" Allen ('50)**. Doris was a teacher for nearly 35 years. Survivors include her son, **Wayne L. Allen ('77)**; daughter, **Sharon Allen Lloyd ('73)**; five grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

1950s

Martha Adeline (Tyler) John ('51), 88, went to be with the Lord Jesus Christ on June 13, 2018. She continued her education earning a master's degree from Purdue University and a doctorate from Stanford University. Martha taught at Boston University, then was Chair of Education and Psychology at Mid-America Nazarene College in Olathe, KS. She then became the Dean of the School of Education and Human Services at Marymount University. After she left Marymount she served as acting Vice-Chancellor of Africa Nazarene University in Nairobi, Kenya. When she returned to the US she taught at Mid-America Nazarene University until her retirement when she received Emeritus status. She came out of retirement to serve as Dean of Adult Studies and Graduate Studies at Eastern Nazarene College from 2002-2004. Her professional career was highlighted by visits to over 50 countries. She is survived by her husband, **Floyd I. John ('52)**; three sons; eight grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Rev. Raymond W. Schermerhorn ('52) passed peacefully on August 9, 2018. As an ordained Nazarene pastor he served churches in New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. He is survived by four children, 10 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

Lincoln E. Stiles ('53), 88, of Palmyra went to be with the Lord on July 3, 2018. He was a retired dairyman from Milton Hershey School and U.S. Air Force veteran of the Korean War. Surviving are his children **Stephen Stiles ('77)**, **Timothy Stiles ('80)**, **Ruth MacNeill ('82)**, **Rebecca Chandler ('85)**, **Julie Tice ('87)**, and their spouses; sister **Marilyn Lund ('47)**; brother **William Stiles**; 15 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Rev. Quentin Calvin Caswell ('54) went to be with the Lord on November 16, 2017. He dedicated his life to preaching the Gospel and pastored Nazarene churches in Ohio, Washington State, Illinois, Pennsylvania and Maryland. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, **Anne Caswell**, two daughters, two siblings, six grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and five great-great-grandchildren.

Kathryn Richardson Morgan ('54) passed away on June 27, 2018. She enjoyed playing the organ, was an avid reader, and an active member of the Danielson Church of the Nazarene. She is survived by her husband of 67 years, **Elwin C. Morgan ('54)**; her children, **Jen Rice ('75)**, **Carol Stedman**, **John Morgan**, **Jim Morgan**; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by brother **Everett Richardson ('59)**.

Donna Driggs Buzzard ('55) passed away peacefully on June 16, 2018. As a US Navy wife, she spent 26 years in 24 different tours. She was an artist, a published author, and one of the best bread bakers around. She is survived by her four children and two grandchildren.

Patricia Louise "Pat" Janacek ('57) passed away July 3, 2018, from complications of Alzheimer's. She was a woman of profound faith in God and a truly devoted wife and mother. She is survived by three children and six grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, **Robert Norman "Bob" Janacek ('53)**.

Rev. Lawrence Dale Wanner ('57), 85, husband of **Joyce Rines Wanner ('60)**, passed away Sept. 8, 2018. Dale was an ordained minister in the Church of the Nazarene for 30 years. Surviving are three children and five great-grandchildren.

Richard Schuster ('59), passed away on June 27, 2018. He was a Corporal in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict. He was also a well-educated man with undergrad in English Lit and a masters in both Education and Library Science.

1960s

H. Rodney Thompson ('62) passed away on June 14, 2018. Rodney worked at Dean Lumber for 25 years and owned Homestead Auction for 20+ years. He sang with the Hollywood Harmonizers, recording six Southern Gospel albums and traveling the eastern seaboard glorifying God. He is survived by his five children, 10 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

1970s

Rev. Robert "Bob" W. Armstrong ('70), 69, peacefully entered Heaven's gates on Aug. 21, 2018. During his over 40-year ministry, Bob faithfully served as a pastor, associate pastor, evangelist, Christian radio broadcaster, teacher, and mentor in over 25 Nazarene churches in Maine. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, **Darlene ('71)**, daughter, **Jennifer ('98)** and cherished grandson, Christian.

Rev. Alan Joseph Eddy ('74) passed away peacefully on April 17, 2018, as a result of complications from neuro-sarcoidosis. He served as the minister at Otisco Christian Union Church since 1987 and spent many years as the Otisco Fire Department Chaplain. Throughout his life, he also assumed the care of several youth in need of refuge and loved them as his own. He is survived by three sons and four grandchildren.

Melody Cole Gabbidon ('74) passed away at the age of 64 years old on May 26, 2018. She was raised in the church and was a devoted pianist for many years. She is survived by her brother **Donovan Cole ('75)**.

Effie (Efthimia Passalis) Kalantzis ('75), 72, passed on June 25, 2018. Born in Mytilini, Greece, Effie immigrated to the United States with her sister and parents as a teenager. She took great pride in her home, and truly loved her Quincy neighborhood. She is survived by her husband **Constantine Kalantzis**.

1980s

Karen Rau ('87) passed away on June 26, 2018 as the result of injuries sustained in an unfortunate accident. She was a talented chef through the entirety of her life. She chose to give the gift of life by being an organ donor.

1990s

Jeffrey Scot Masingill ('95), 52, passed away tragically on Saturday, July 21, 2018. Jeff had a long and successful career as an executive in the aerospace manufacturing industry and was most recently the president of Cyril Bath, in Monroe, North Carolina. Survivors include his wife, **Beth** and sons, **Scot** and **Grant**.

Munro Woodland Garden



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– John Muir, Father of the National Parks

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Meet: Lorie Hammerstrom

Occupation: Retired Elementary School Teacher, Quincy Public Schools
Town of Residence: Hingham, Massachusetts
Graduation Year: 1986 (undergraduate) and 1989 (graduate)
Major: BA in Education, MEd



Courtesy photo

Q: What does being a graduate of ENC mean to you?

A: Attending ENC was truly life changing for me. The faculty and my classmates have continued to inspire me in many ways throughout my career. The spiritual connection and love from alumni are a strong means of support.

Q: How did your experience in ENC's classrooms as a student shape how you facilitate classroom learning as a teacher?

A: There are several professors whose classes stand out for me. I actually had my husband, Dr. Hammerstrom, for a math class. His organization and presentation in class taught me the importance of making sure that my lessons had a logical flow and sequence. Teamwork and a fun atmosphere were the norm in **Dr. John Free's ('64)** classes. Much of my science teaching incorporated teamwork and fun. Field experiences with Dr. Phil McLaren were always an adventure. That encouraged me to always bring adventure into my classroom. I also spent a great deal of time working at Campus Kinder Haus under the leadership of **Dr. Beverly Cawthorne ('64)**. Her kindness and caring for each and every student were a great learning experience for me. It taught me to meet the needs of each student that came into my classroom. And **Dr. Don Reed ('48)** exposed me to the magic of media. I have always enjoyed bringing self-created slideshows and then movies, as well as PowerPoint presentations, to my students to enhance learning.

Q: What motivated you to become an educator?

A: As a teen and young adult, I always noted that children seemed to like to hang out with me. I was a camp counselor for several years and also taught Sunday School classes. When I was choosing a field of study, education was on the top of the list. I also considered psychology and science as majors, as I have a great interest in both of those as well. But when I started working with children, I realized that I had a talent in that area that was very rewarding.

Q: What drew you to science education particularly?

A: My love of science is what originally drew me to find really fun ways to present science topics to students. The students' reaction to my lessons energized me and kept me looking for bigger and better ways to present exciting science lessons.

Q: How did your time at ENC shape the way that you see learning and service?

A: ENC was a wonderful learning environment. Professors truly cared about each and every student and encouraged him or her to be the best that they could be. It was a wonderful example for me to follow when I began my career teaching and encouraging fourth and fifth graders in the public schools.

Q: In 2017, you participated in a NASA-sponsored "authentic survival training" experience at the Space Center in Houston. What was that like?

A: This might have been the best experience of my career. As a graduate of Space Camp, I was granted the opportunity to network with like-minded teachers across the country. This was an incredible boost to my career. One of the opportunities that presented itself was a beta test at Houston Space Center. A group of forty amazing educators from around the country came together to create a training session for Space Center University. As a part of that experience we did a survival training in the Neutral Buoyancy Lab (NBL) at Johnson Space Center, where astronauts train for space walks. In the lab, there is a full-scale mockup of the International Space Station. Astronauts wear an EVA suit and experience neutral buoyancy while performing the tasks they will need to perform on station in space. They don't normally let ordinary people go into the NBL, so it was a very extraordinary experience for all of us.

Q: What are the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching, and how did it feel to be named as an awardee? What was the award ceremony itself like?

A: The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST) are honors given by the United States government for mathematics and science teaching at the K-12 levels. The President may give these awards, which were created by Congress in 1983, to up to 108 teachers each year who "develop and implement a high-quality instructional program that is informed by content knowledge and enhances student learning."

I was very honored to have been named an awardee. It was a very exciting time waiting to hear the results. I learned that I was a finalist in October of 2016, but they didn't announce the winners until June of 2018. We were asked to schedule tickets to fly to Washington, D.C. without having been told that we had won. My husband was able to travel with me as well, which made the occasion extra special. At the awards ceremony at the National Portrait Gallery on June 26, Michael Kratsios, Deputy Assistant to the President for Technology Policy said, "On behalf of the White House, I am honored to express the Nation's gratitude for the tireless dedication that these men and women bring to educating the next generation of scientists, engineers, and mathematicians. Each day more and more jobs require a strong foundation in STEM education, so the work that you do as teachers and mentors helps ensure that all students can have access to limitless opportunities and the brightest of futures."

During my four-day stay in our nation's capital, I attended the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy's first-ever Science, Technology, Engineering and Math summit to provide feedback for a federal five-year STEM Education strategic plan.

It was wonderful to be acknowledged in this way—and to be able to participate in this crucial federal STEM summit. There were so many great people involved, and there is such important work to be done. I was humbled to be asked to be a part of it.

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