

SSENG

VOL. 75 NO. 1 SPRING 2023 WWW.MACUNIVERSITY.EDU





TOP NEWS

- STRECKER & WOODWORTH PROMOTED TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
- ACADEMIC & ATHLETIC AWARDS FOR **VOLLEYBALL & BASKETBALL**
- PASTORAL COUNSELING SEMINAR BEING **HOSTED AT MACU THIS JUNE**
- GIVA HIRED AS MEN'S SOCCER HEAD COACH
- HERMAN TO COACH VOLLEYBALL
- MACU STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN **COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT JUST IN** TIME FOR EASTER
- SENIORS BY THE SEA
- BARRIER & HARDISON PARTICIPATE IN PEPPERDINE'S NEXT-GEN PREACHER **SEARCH**

WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT

GREETINGS FROM MID-ATLANTIC CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY! GOD CONTINUES TO DO SOME AMAZING THINGS IN THE LIVES OF STUDENTS ON THIS CAMPUS. GRADUATES CONTINUE TO SERVE CHRIST IN THE CHURCH AND IN THE MARKETPLACE. OUR FACULTY IS SECOND TO NONE AND CONTINUALLY CHALLENGES STUDENTS TO GRASP THE "BIG" IDEAS AND TO LIVE FOR SOMETHING BIG ENOUGH TO LIVE AND DIE FOR" - WHICH IS JESUS, STUDENTS ARE TAUGHT TO BE EXTRAORDINARY CHRISTIAN LEADERS, WHICH WE ALL KNOW MEANS TO BECOME SERVANTS OF CHRIST IN THE WORLD. HERITAGE HALL IS NEARLY DRIED IN AND SOON THE INTERIOR WORK WILL BEGIN. SENIORS ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO GRADUATION, MARRIAGE, GRADUATE STUDIES AND/OR EMPLOYMENT AS THEIR YEARS AT MACU COME TO A CLOSE. WE ARE IN OUR 75TH YEAR AND EXCITED ABOUT WHAT GOD WILL DO IN THE NEXT 75 YEARS. THROUGH IT ALL, THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UGLY, WE GIVE PRAISE TO ALMIGHTY GOD FOR HIS POWER, PROVISION, AND PROTECTION OVER MACU. WITH GRATITUDE AND PRAYER WE RECALL THE WORDS OF EPHESIANS 3:20 AS WE CONTINUE OUR SERVICE TO CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH - "NOW TO HIM WHO IS ABLE TO DO IMMEASURABLY MORE THAN ALL WE ASK OR IMAGINE, ACCORDING TO HIS POWER THAT IS AT WORK WITHIN US, TO HIM BE GLORY IN THE CHURCH AND IN CHRIST JESUS THROUGHOUT ALL GENERATIONS, FOR EVER AND EVER!



STRECKER & WOODWORTH PROMOTED TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

AS IS COMMON AT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES ACROSS THE UNITED STATES, MACU FACULTY ARE RANKED BASED ON EXPERIENCE AND **EFFECTIVENESS AT THEIR CRAFT. WE ARE PLEASED** TO ANNOUNCE THAT TWO FACULTY MEMBERS ARE BEING PROMOTED FROM ASSISTANT PROFESSOR TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR: DR. GERRY WOODWORTH, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY, AND





DR. BETH STRECKER ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF EDUCATION.

MESSENGER VOL. 75 NO. 1 P.2



ATHLETIC AWARDS FOR BASKETBALL, VOLLEYBALL

THIS FALL MUSTANGS HONORED THE TERM "STUDENT ATHLETES" BY REACHING THEIR BEST CUMULATIVE ACADEMIC RECORD TO DATE. BELOW ARE LISTED THE TOP ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS AND THE TOP ATHLETIC ACHIEVERS. AS RECOGNIZED BY THE USCAA.

ACADEMIC ALL-NATIONAL: BOBBY BROWN, JEREMIAH DICKERSON, RIANE FRANKLIN, MCKENNA GRIFFIN KOLLEEN HANSLEY. JALEN JONES, JAJOUR LAMBERT, AND MADDISON TURNER.

ALL-AMERICANS: JUDEA EDMONDS, WOMEN'S BASKETBALL, HONORABLE MENTION KAYLA KENT, WOMEN'S BASKETBALL, HONORABLE MENTION NOAH RICHARDSON-KEYS, MEN'S BASKETBALL, HONORABLE MENTION TALIK TOTTEN, MEN'S BASKETBALL, 2ND TEAM TYEISHA WILLIAMS, WOMEN'S BASKETBALL, HONORABLE MENTION

*BASEBALL HONORS WILL BE AWARDED IN MAY AFTER THE SEASON ENDS



PASTORAL COUNSELING WORKSHOP

JOIN US THIS SUMMER FOR A PASTORAL COUNSELING WORKSHOP, ON JUNE 6 AND 7, THAT WILL PROVIDE AN INTERACTIVE OVERVIEW OF ESSENTIAL PASTORAL COUNSELING SKILLS.

- \$150 INCLUDES WORKSHOP FEE & MEALS
- \$175 INCLUDES WORKSHOP FEE, MEALS, & CAMPUS LODGING
- REGISTER HERE OR CALL 252.334.2000 FMI.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN ONLINE AT: WWW.MACUNIVERSITY.EDU/STUDENT-LIFE/PASTORAL-COUNSELING-WORKSHOP/

GIVA HIRED AS MEN'S SOCCER COACH

MACU ATHLETICS WELCOMES JIM GIVARGIS AS THE NEW HEAD COACH OF MEN'S SOCCER. COACH GIVA COMES WITH OVER 40 YEARS OF CLUB SOCCER EXPERIENCE AND SEVEN YEARS OF HIGH SCHOOL COACHING. HE HOLDS A USSF LEVEL A COACHING LICENSE. THE CLUBS COACH HAS WORKED WITH INCLUDE THE VISTA SOCCER CLUB AND THE VSA CLUB. HE HAS ALSO ORGANIZED SOCCER CAMPS AND PROVIDED PERSONAL TRAINING FOR OVER 37 YEARS. IN 1983 HE STARTED THE NATION FIRST CO-ED ADULT SOCCER LEAGUE. COACH HAS

Min and the second seco

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE. HE PLAYED FOR THE PITTSBURGH SPIRIT INDOOR TEAM, AND HE COACHED THE WINCHESTER IMPACT INDOOR SEMI-PRO TEAM TO A LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP.

COACH GIVA IS CURRENTLY RECRUITING PLAYERS FOR THE 2023 SEASON. IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS INTERESTED IN PLAYING SOCCER WHILE ATTENDING A CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY, CONTACT THE COACH AT ATHLETICS@MACUNIVERSITY.EDU.

MESSENGER VOL. 75 NO. 1 P.3





HERMAN TO COACH VOLLEYBALL

MACU IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THE HIRING OF JENNIFER HERMAN AS OUR NEW HEAD VOLLEYBALL COACH. HERMAN TAKES OVER THE PROGRAM AFTER ASSISTING THE TEAM THIS PAST SEASON AND COACHING THE NEW LIFE ACADEMY VOLLEYBALL TEAM. SHE PLAYED COLLEGIATELY AT PITT COMMUNITY COLLEGE. SHE HAS LONG TIES TO THE COMMUNITY AND IS ORIGINALLY FROM GATES COUNTY. COACH HERMAN COMMENTED, "I AM REALLY EXCITED TO BE A PART OF THE MACU PROGRAM. IT WAS A GREAT EXPERIENCE WORKING WITH THE LADIES THIS PAST FALL. I CAN'T WAIT TO WORK WITH THEM THIS SPRING AND LEADING INTO NEXT YEAR." MACU ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, ANDY MENEELY HAD THIS TO SAY, "COACH BRINGS A YOUTHFUL ENTHUSIASM THAT STUDENT ATHLETES WILL REALLY RESPOND TO. WE ARE EXCITED TO SEE THE PROGRAM AND COACH HERMAN GROW TOGETHER AS WE CONTINUE THE GROWTH OF THE ATHLETICS PROGRAM AS A WHOLE."



WE ARE ON YOUR WAY TO THE BEACH!

STOP BY TO VISIT AND EAT LUNCH IN THE MUSTANG CAFÉ AT ALLIGOOD COMMONS THIS SUMMER WHEN YOU ARE ON YOUR WAY TO THE OUTER BANKS!

THE CAFETERIA WILL CLOSE MAY 13-20 BUT REOPEN WITH SHORTENED SUMMER HOURS BEGINNING MAY 21:

SUNDAY BRUNCH, 11:30-1:30 P.M., AND

MONDAY-THURSDAY, 11:15 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU AND SHOW YOU AROUND IF YOU HAVE NOT BEEN ON CAMPUS IN A WHILE.



EASTER COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

MACU STUDENT LIFE DESIGNATED THE MONTH OF APRIL AS "SERVICE MONTH." THE STUDENT BODY ALONGSIDE FACULTY AND STAFF WORKED TOGETHER TO PREPARE "WASHCLOTH EASTER BUNNIES" FOR OUR LOCAL NURSING HOME, DISABILITY, AND REHABILITATION CENTERS. OVER 300 OF THESE BUNNIES WERE CREATED AND DELIVERED BEFORE EASTER SUNDAY. EACH BUNNY CONTAINED A BRAND-NEW WASHCLOTH AND A BAR OF SOAP. ONE OF THE MOST NEEDED ITEMS IN THESE TYPE OF FACILITIES ARE HYGIENE PRODUCTS. THE STUDENTS ENJOYED GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY AND SHARING A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE EASTER STORY.

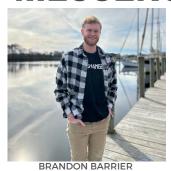


REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR SENIORS BY THE SEA



MESSENGER VOL. 75 NO. 1 P.4





MEN FOR MINISTRY

DYLAN HARDISON AND BRANDON BARRIER, BOTH JUNIORS AND SERVING AS YOUTH MINISTERS, WERE SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2022-2023 NEXTGEN PREACHER SEARCH. THEIR PROFESSOR, DR. BANE ANGLES, ACCOMPANIED THEM TO THE TRAINING AND COMPETITION HELD AT PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY IN CALIFORNIA.



DYLAN HARDISON



HERITAGE HALL ON APRIL 28

IT LOOKS EVEN BETTER TODAY! WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO OCCUPYING IT IN THE FALL SEMESTER OF 2023. PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR THIS MINISTRY TOOL WHERE DEVOTED TEACHERS WILL SERVE STUDENTS WE ARE EQUIPPING TO BECOME EXTRAORDINARY CHRISTIAN LEADERS. WE ALSO NEED YOUR HELP FINANCIALLY AS WE FINISH THIS THREE-YEAR PROJECT. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT ADVANCEMENT@MACUNIVERSITY.EDU. YOU MAY GIVE BY HEADING OVER TO: HTTPS://MACUNIVERSITY.FORMSTACK.COM/FORMS/DONATION_FORM & SELECTING "CAPITAL CAMPAIGN." THANK YOU, FRIENDS, FOR YOUR LOVE AND PRAYERS, AND GIFTS THAT HAVE BROUGHT US THIS FAR.

LOOKING FOR A VENUE FOR YOUR
SUMMER EVENT?
WE HAVE A BEAUTIFUL WATERFRONT
CAMPUS!
CONTACT SARA SHEPHERD AT
252.334.2000
FOR INFORMATION ON
AVAILABILITY AND PRICING

CRAFTSMAN? ARTIST? SMALL BUSINESS
OWNER?
CONSULTANT WITH AN IN-HOME SALES
COMPANY?
PLAN NOW TO BE A PART OF MACU'S
HOLIDAY VENDOR FAIR
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11
WATCH FOR DETAILS









