Saxon earns top English exam honors

By Adrienne Madden

Houston Saxon of Lumberton, a junior English and history major and philosophy minor, scored in the 100th percentile nationally on the Area Concentration Achievement Test for English.

The ACAT is administered as part of the coursework for ENG 498, a senior-level course, and assesses content knowledge and retention by students at the completion of their major field of study. The ACAT is a timed exam scored on an 800-point scale and acts as a comparison standard to some of the best undergraduate programs in the country.

Students who do well on the ACAT for English must be well-read in British and American literature. Sections on the ACAT for English include American to 1865; American Modern; British Medieval; British Renaissance; British Romantic Period; British Victorian Literature; Linguistics; Restoration/18th Century/Romantic; and Shakespeare.

Saxon scored a 779 on the exam, with perfect scores on the British Renaissance and Restoration/18th Century/Romantic sections. Other noteworthy sectional scores were a 740 in British Romantic and a 749 in Linguistics, although his scores were high on all sections.

“I've worked with students and the ACAT for more than seven years and we’ve had some great scores. However, Houston’s score was exceptional,” said Dr. Thomas Richardson, chair of Language and Literature. “The ACAT is taken without any specific preparation, other than degree coursework and a lifetime of reading and study. Having a student score in the 100th percentile shows his dedication to scholarship and we are so proud of him and his work.”

During the summer, Saxon will complete his graduation requirements, as well as enroll in courses in Latin through Louisiana State University's distance learning program. After graduating from Carey in August, he will travel to Angers, France, for a semester of intensive study at Angers University through the Consortium for Global Education. He hopes to apply for and be accepted into a post-baccalaureate program in classical studies in the fall of 2017.

“My ultimate goal is to be a writer of literature. To be a great writer and not have read thoroughly in the tradition is impossible. My scores show I have studied the various styles and aspects of English literature, making me a better writer,” said Saxon.

School of Pharmacy project raises $3.4 million

By Adrienne Madden & Jeremy Nix

Since Carey administrators announced their intention to help meet the need for pharmacists in Mississippi by building the state’s second pharmacy school, $3.5 million of the needed $4 million in startup costs for the program has been raised.

Once this milestone has been reached, an additional $12-15 million will be necessary to build and equip a home for the school on the Tradition campus.

Success in raising the bulk of the needed startup costs is largely due to the Sandersons’ gift of $1.1 million last year, which included $1 million dedicated to the School of Pharmacy and $100,000 to the Doctor of Physical Therapy program, and a pledge from the Leo W. Seal Family Foundation of $125,000.

The pledge will be distributed to Carey over a five-year period, with Marlowe Hummel

$50,000 already contributed, to defray startup costs for the pharmacy school.

Chief Advancement Officer Monica Marlowe is the lead on the fundraising for the pharmacy project and is guiding the advancement team to work even harder to raise money for the project.

Similar to the pharmacy school at the University of Mississippi and Carey’s new physical therapy program, the School of Pharmacy will feature two different degree plans. The first degree plan will be similar to the University of Mississippi’s “early entry program” in that it will allow incoming freshmen with a good academic record and competitive GPA and ACT scores admission into the pharmacy program after completing three years of prerequisite undergraduate courses.

During these three years of prerequisite courses, students enrolled in the early entry program will be expected to maintain a competitive GPA and exemplary academic record. Students who participate in the early entry program will be able to complete the prerequisites and pharmacy school requirements in seven years.

The second degree plan will be more conventional and will accept students who have received a Bachelor of Science degree from a four-year institution and have a competitive GPA and a good academic record. Students who participate in this degree plan will then have to complete the four years of pharmacy course requirements, typically totaling eight years of higher education in all.

All students who graduate from Carey’s School of Pharmacy will receive a Doctor of Pharmacy degree, or the Pharm.D.

Now that the majority of the startup funds have been secured, administrators are aiming to admit the first early entry student in fall of 2018. Also, the Board of Trustees has authorized the search and hire of a founding dean. In addition to the founding dean, the pharmacy program will add 20 to 25 new faculty members to the Carey family.

Additionally, Carey’s pharmacy school will serve as a platform for broader strategic plans to enhance the economic competitiveness of the Gulf Coast area. With the addition of pharmacy to the Tradition campus also comes a Health Care Industry Zone, a five-mile radius around the university identified by Governor Phil Bryant’s business incentive program approved by Mississippi Legislature in 2012.

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Welcome to HOMECOMING 2016

See the full schedule of activities on page 8.
By Adrienne Madden
Editor-in-Chief

Leah Graves, a freshman from Semin- ary, was recently crowned as the Cov- intong County Miss Hospitality. The daughter of Neil and Kristen Graves, Graves is a pre-nursing major. The daughter of Neil and Kristen Graves, Graves is a pre-nursing major. Graves was active in the Gamma Chi sorority and is a member of the Baptist Student Union leadership team, Crusaders for Life, College Republicans, the autism awareness group TEAM Carey, the Student Government Association and Diamond Girls. A 2015 honors graduate of Semi- nary High School, Graves was active in the band and received Citizenship Awards from 2011-2015. She was the prom queen in 2015, a Mississippi Scholar and president of First Priority, Students Against Destructive Decisions, Student Council and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She was voted “Most Dependable” and “Most School Spirit” as a part of Who’s Who in 2015.

Graves is an active volunteer in loc- al organizations, including the Boys and Girls Club of Covington County. She was a Spirit Girl for Forrest General Hospital in 2013-2014 and is an active member of her church, Cold Springs Baptist, where she is a small group leader and a youth and camp counselor. She also volunteers with the Salvation Army and the Fieldhouse for the Homeless in Hattiesburg.

After completing her nursing de- gree at Carey, Graves plans to work as a registered nurse before attending medi- cal school. Her career aspiration is to be a medical examiner. Graves will compete in the state Miss Hospitality Pageant, headquar- tered in Hattiesburg, from July 17-23. The Mississippi Miss Hospitality travels across the state during her one-year term to promote economic development and tourism.

The pageant, founded in 1949 under Gov. Fielding Wright and the Mississippi Legislature, offers more than $100,000 in scholarships and prizes to young women across the state.

“It’s an honor to have the opportu- nity to represent my community. I hope to make my community proud and, in doing so, win the state title,” said Graves. “My personal motto is Romans 12:13 and I encourage everyone to practice hospitality.”

Pharmacy (continued from front page)

This zone exists to promote the health care industry along the coast and in Mississippi in general by attracting other health care companies to the area. One of the major incentives for these companies will be the collabora- tion between Carey and other higher education institutions and local health care systems to form a diaberic research, treatment and prevention institute. The pharmacy school will serve as an anchor for this project by attracting pharma- ceutical companies to the Health Care Industry Zone and creating research op- portunities.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, Mississippi has the highest occurrence of cases of diabetes in the nation and diabetes is the sixth- leading cause of death in the state. Also, Mississippi ranks at the top in the nation for obesity, which is a primary risk factor for Type II diabetes. Research conducted will seek to improve the overall health of Mississippians by finding ways to com- bat this disease and change the statistics.

Provost Scott Hummel said, “Add- ding health care programs such as the pro- posed School of Pharmacy has created synergy. We are able to bring more to the table for hospitals, health care compa- nies and research facilities. The growth of our nursing school and the establish- ment of additional health care programs have clearly enhanced our marketability by enhancing our brand and perceived quality. Many universities can only hope to accomplish what Carey has and is accom- plishing under Dr. King’s leader- ship.”
Osmo Visuri exhibit to be displayed in Hattiesburg

From Staff Reports

William Carey University and Oddfellows Gallery will present “The Art of Osmo Visuri,” an exhibit of watercolor paintings by the late Finnish artist, from April 14 through May 21 at the gallery in downtown Hattiesburg.

The opening reception for the exhibit will be held from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. on April 14.

The exhibit, which consists of 26 paintings on loan from Mary Pyle of Gulfport, is currently on display at the Tradition campus in Biloxi through March 31. Pyle met Visuri, who was a professor at the University of Helsinki and a noted photographer and author, in 1988 through her work as a presidentially-appointed member of the National Council on Vocational Education.

Visuri would later visit Pyle and her husband, Jack, at their home. During his visit, the artist and the couple attempted to find a place to exhibit his paintings. After finding no success in this endeavor during his month-long stay, Visuri left his paintings with Pyle. The art was stored in a closet in Pyle’s home for 27 years until the Tradition campus exhibit this year.

The watercolors depict scenes of Visuri’s native country and prominently feature a lake and other landscapes near the artist’s home. A presentation about the artist’s life, along with Pyle’s memories of her friend, will be given, along with a video created by Visuri in the early 1990s explaining his unique techniques and settings.

Keijo Karjalainen, a cultural counselor from the Embassy of Finland in Washington, D.C., attended the opening reception for the Tradition exhibit on Feb. 25 and commented on Visuri’s prominence in his home country. Visuri was also known in Italy, where he operated a studio, and in Israel, where he authored several books about the Biblical Parables.

Oddfellows Gallery, located at 119 E. Front St., is open from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. Thursday through Saturday. For more information on the exhibit, call (601) 318-6561.

Music students travel to Dominican Republic

By Deborah Neville
Staff Writer

Over spring break, the Winters School of Music and Ministry’s Chorale members and music therapy students completed a 16-concert tour of the Dominican Republic in five days. The purpose of the concerts, and the trip as a whole, was to share the gospel and show the product of formal music education to interested parties in the Dominican Republic, such as universities, schools and churches.

Dr. Don Odom, dean of the Winters School of Music and Ministry, led and organized events for the group while abroad but the trip would not have been possible without a generous financial allotment from the university. This allotment kept students’ costs down and allowed the opportunity to bring the concept of healing through music to universities.

As of right now, music therapy is not an occupation in the Dominican Republic so Carey’s music therapy students introduced their major in a lecture at the Autonomous University of Santo Domingo. While there, students hosted activities centered around music therapy and answered any questions faculty or students had. They also hosted master classes for interested faculty and students.

In addition to participating in educational activities, students had the opportunity to minister to the community through service and worship. Many students traveled to local churches and daycares in low-resource communities. While at these locations, students interacted with the children through sports activities and musical games.

The Carey Chorale performs at an event in the Dominican Republic over spring break. The five-day trip included 16 concerts and multiple other events.

School of Education, Earl Travillion partnership honored

From Staff Reports

The School of Education will offer free ACT preparation camps for upcoming high school juniors and seniors during June at both the Hattiesburg campus and the Tradition campus in Biloxi.

Camps are June 1-3 at Tradition and June 6-9 at Hattiesburg. Sessions will meet from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. daily and will focus on test-taking strategy through small group instruction. Meals and snacks, study materials, college scholarship information and information on professional education will also be offered.

Mississippi students classified as high school juniors or seniors for the 2016-2017 school year are invited to apply. Students must also commit to registering for the June 11 ACT examination. Other criteria considered in the application process include level of commitment, high school GPA and prior ACT attempts. Students are required to attend all sessions.

Applications are available at www.wmcarey.edu/act-camp. Completed applications are due on April 22 and should be returned by hand or by mail to the address on the application. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. Applications will not be accepted by fax or by email.

For more information, contact Tina Bond at (601) 318-6091 or by email at tjbond@wmcarey.edu.
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- **Learning Spaces and Places** – Where is your favorite place to learn on campus ... classroom, library, outdoor space?
- **The Carey Spirit** – Show us what Carey Spirit means to you!

**PRIZES:**

- Prizes will be awarded for both campuses.
- A $25 gift card to Common Grounds (Hattiesburg) and a $25 gift card to Subway (Tradition) will be presented to the overall winners. Additional prizes will be given to submissions receiving honorable mentions.

**CONTEST DATES:**

- SaderScenes will resume when The Cobbler begins its 2016-2017 publication schedule. Stay tuned to your campus email for more information.

**HOW TO ENTER:**

- Enter the contest as many times as you want, but photos should be in full color with no edits. No filters, please! (*This is not Instagram.*)
- Enter the contest by attaching a picture to an email and sending to cobbler@wmcarey.edu. For best results, use your Carey email. Include the following information:
  - Subject line: Carey Photo Contest
  - Name, Carey email address, and category name

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- Carey students (both campuses) and staff are welcome to enter.
- Pictures will be judged on quality and subject matter. A panel of judges will select winners.
- Your photos remain your property, but Carey reserves the right to use them in future marketing materials. Great photos deserve promotion!

Photos must be entered via email, but feel free to share your submissions on social media using #SaderScenes.

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**From Staff Reports**

**Carey to host fourth annual string camp for grades 1-6**

The Winters School of Music and Ministry will host the fourth annual “My First String Camp at Carey” from June 13-17 at the Hattiesburg campus.

The camp, a part of the FestivalSouth activities in the Pine Belt area, offers Suzuki and elementary string classes for children from first to sixth grades in instruments including the violin, viola, cello and bass. Classes will meet from 9 a.m. until noon daily.

Small and large group classes, enrichment activities and beginner music theory classes will be offered. Camp faculty members include Blanca Berdion, Gladys Gonzalez and Rebecca Zou, violins; camp director Daniela Pardo, viola; Elizabeth Weaver, cello; and Samuel Dahmer, bass.

The registration deadline for the camp is June 6. The cost is $150. No prior experience is necessary. Students can bring their own instruments or rent instruments for $10.

For more information or to register, visit www.tinyurl.com/williamcareyyoungstrings. Pardo can be contacted at (414) 737-4620 or by email at pardokolesch@hotmail.com.
Carey Scholars make spring break trip to England

Students in the Presidential Honors Program toured England during spring break from March 12-20. The students visited Oxford, the Shakespeare properties at Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwick Castle, London and “Carey Country,” a collection of sites relating to university namesake William Carey. “Carey Country” sites include Paulesspury, where Carey was born; Moulton, where Carey pastored and worked as a cobbler; and Kettering, where Carey helped establish the Baptist Missionary Society. Students also worshipped in Westminster Abbey, where the Scripture readings are delivered from the William Carey Lectern.

School of Education seeks applicants for SMART program

From Staff Reports

The School of Education is seeking applicants for the second year of the Science and Mathematics Alternate Route Teacher (SMART) grant at the main campus in Hattiesburg and at the Tradition campus in Biloxi.

The $296,200 SMART grant is funded for three years by the Robert M. Hearin Foundation. It provides opportunities for non-education graduates to enter the teaching profession by obtaining new job skills and also provides licensed teachers in the critical teacher shortage areas of mathematics and science.

The grant is distributed to Carey at $98,000 per year and disburses scholarships for students entering the alternate route program to become teachers. This grant works in conjunction with Carey’s alternate route teacher education program and the Master in the Art of Teaching degree, meaning potential grant recipients will need to meet current admission requirements.

Candidates are required to have at least a 2.75 GPA and a passing score on the Praxis Core or an overall ACT score of 21 with each subscore a minimum of 18. Candidates also need to take and pass a Praxis II examination.

Upon completion of the entrance requirements, candidates must take and pass two required courses: EDU 536 Classroom Management and EDU 650 Tests, Measurements and Evaluations. After meeting requirements, candidates are eligible to receive a three-year interim educator license and can be employed by a school district in the appropriate mathematics and science subject area. After receiving a teaching contract, program participants are then enrolled in an internship course for two terms (fall and winter) where they are monitored in their classrooms and attend planned Saturday learning sessions. After completion of the internship, participants will be eligible to receive a standard five-year educator license.

Grant funds allow the awarding of 20 scholarships per year. In addition to covering the cost of 12 semester hours for each participant, required textbooks and a few other supplies will also be covered under the grant. Additional funds will be used to provide workshops and additional teaching supports for participants. The grant will also reimburse one Praxis Core and one Praxis II exam once those are passed.

SMART for year two will begin in May for the summer term.

For more information about the SMART grant, contact Dr. Candice Aycock, instructor of education and program coordinator, at caycock@wmcarey.edu or by phone at (601) 318-6687.

Malone named project director for ‘Two Hundred Years’

From Staff Reports

The Mississippi Arts Commission has named Dr. Mark Malone, professor of music and coordinator of music education at William Carey University, as the project director for the “Two Hundred Years of Arts in Mississippi: A History” initiative.

“Two Hundred Years” focuses on the development of the arts in the state from its earliest days as a territory to the present, including achievements in music, dance, visual art, theatre, media art and folk art. The initiative started in August 2015 by seeking artifacts and information from the time period of 1699-1817. Ten project associates from the state’s five geographical regions were engaged to assist with the initiative.

The initiative is currently centered on early Native American activity and the first European settlers who established forts and villages along the Mississippi Gulf Coast and the Mississippi River. Fort Maurepas, near what is now Ocean Springs, and Fort Rosalie in Natchez have received particular attention.

Future segments for investigation include the time periods of 1817 to the Civil War, Reconstruction to 1900, 1900-1950, 1950-2000 and the 21st century. The initiative is Malone’s third project with the arts commission. He previously directed a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to produce concerts of music by William Grant Still, a native Mississippian known as the dean of African-American composers. Malone was also the co-author of the “Mississippi Blues Trail and Beyond” curriculum for teaching the history of the blues to elementary students.

Malone has served on the Carey faculty since 2006. He holds degrees from Florida State University and Rollins College. He served as a national officer for the American Choral Directors Association from 2000-2006 and was presented with the Ernestine Ferrell Award for Excellence in Choral Music by the Mississippi chapter in 2008.

2015-2016 ANNUAL THEME

GOING THE EXTRA MILE

“Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two.”

Matthew 5:41 (NASB)
Carey officials have hired Kelsea Seymour, former volleyball coach at Oak Grove High School and the owner of the Hub City Volleyball Club, as head coach for the new women’s volleyball team.

The prospect of building the team from the ground up is an appealing prospect for 25-year-old Seymour. “Every girl coming in is going to be handpicked by me and will appeal to my philosophy as a coach,” she said.

The team will be one of 11 women’s volleyball programs competing in the Southern States Athletic Conference, a Division I affiliate of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics. The volleyball season will typically mirror the football season, running from the third week of August to the second week of November. Carey’s team will face opponents such as Coastal Georgia University, the University of Mobile and Faulkner University.

“I have been traveling to volleyball club tournaments and recruiting prospective team members. A lot of unsigned high school seniors are showing interest, as well as junior college transfer students. I plan to hold an open tryout in April,” said Seymour. “I’ve also had a handful of current Carey students express interest in trying out for the team.”

Seymour, a south California native, has been playing volleyball since the eighth grade and was recruited as a junior in high school to play for the University of Southern Mississippi. As a setter and team leader at Southern Miss, she garnered multiple honors and helped lead the team to the Conference USA Championship in 2009.

Seymour joined the Oak Grove staff in 2012 and has coached the team to four district championships, earning her the title of 2014 All-Star Match Volleyball Coach for the South. In August 2013, she became the owner and director of the Hub City Volleyball Club, where she teaches girls ages 12-14 the skills and rules behind volleyball.

“Volleyball was well established where I grew up and it’s been my pleasure to help the game more in this area,” said Seymour. “I am excited to be a part of the start of the program at Carey and to be competing in a great athletic conference.”

The sport has grown in popularity on the collegiate level and in high schools in Mississippi, but has not yet caught on at the state’s two-year colleges. Seymour also revealed that she plans to look at Texas junior colleges in the hopes of recruiting experienced junior and senior players.

To date, Seymour has one signee from Petal and has sent offers to other players who have expressed interest. Her goal is to have the full team set by May.

Seymour will graduate from Carey with a master’s degree in interscholastic athletic administration in August. In addition to her coaching duties, she will also teach courses in the health, physical education and recreation department.

“Carey has made a commitment to the sport and put a lot of momentum into building a great program,” said Seymour. “It’s a dream come true to coach at the collegiate level at a school so dedicated to laying a firm foundation for this program.”

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FRIDAY, APRIL 8

12:00 p.m. – 50-Year Reunion (Student Conference Center, registration begins at 11:30 a.m., $15)
2:00 p.m. – Open House (Carey Center, Parker Gallery, Gillespie Museum, Bass Chapel, Library, Dorms, Academic Buildings)
2:30 p.m. – Alumni Chapel Service (Bass Chapel)
4:00 p.m. – Second Annual Homecoming Parade
4:30 p.m. – Reception for Alumni Hall of Fame and Decades ‘66, ‘76, ‘86, ’96, ’06 (Southern Oaks House & Gardens, 1246 Richburg Road, Hattiesburg)
5:30 p.m. – Alumni Banquet (Southern Oaks – Registration begins at 5:00 p.m., $25)
8:00 p.m. – School of Music Pops Concert (Smith Auditorium, Thomas Fine Arts Center)

SATURDAY, APRIL 9

8:00 a.m. – Student Foundation 5K Race and 1-Mile Fun Run (Kennedy Complex – Registration begins at 7:00 a.m., www.wmcarey.edu/iRun)
10:00 a.m. – Open House (Carey Center, Parker Gallery, Gillespie Museum, Bass Chapel, Library, Dorms, Academic Buildings)
10:00 a.m. – Children’s Character Brunch (Student Conference Center, Wilkes Dining Hall, $5 per child, free for parents)
10:00 a.m. – School of Music Reception Honoring Carylee Hammons (Dr. Don Odom’s Home, 123 Seventeen Place, Hattiesburg)
11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. – Crawfish Festival and Cookout (Ross-Johnson Lawn, registration from 11:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., $15)
11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. – Car and Motorcycle Show (Heritage Plaza, registration begins at 10 a.m., www.wmcarey.edu/carshow)
1:00 p.m. – Carey Softball vs. Bethel University Doubleheader (Fail Field)
2:00 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. – Poetry Read (Gillespie Museum)
2:00 p.m. – Women’s Soccer vs. Alumni (Soccer Fields)
3:00 p.m. – Theatre and Communication Showcase (Tatum Theatre)
4:00 p.m. – Men’s Soccer vs. Alumni (Soccer Fields)
6:00 p.m. – Sports Hall of Fame Awards Dinner (Southern Oaks – Registration begins at 5:30 p.m., $25)