The Miss Lane College Pageant was held during Founder’s Week. Kennedi Alexis Mosley was selected to this top honor. Kennedi is a freshman from Chattanooga, Tennessee, and is the daughter of Kenyetta Scott. She is a Biology major whose goal is to become a Pharmacist.

1st Runner-up to Miss Lane College is Destenee Hogans, a freshman from Las Vegas, Nevada. Destenee is the daughter of Dwayne and Jacolyn Hogans and is an Interdisciplinary Studies major. Her goal is to become a Kindergarten Teacher.

2nd Runner-up to Miss Lane College is Sierra Harris, a sophomore from Memphis, Tennessee. Sierra, a Biology major, is the granddaughter of Ms. Laverne Nelson Miller. Her future goal is to become a Nurse.

Bethany Neal, a Physical Education major from Nashville, Tennessee was the Talent winner and also named as Miss Congeniality.

Lane College 131st Founder’s Day Convocation

The Honorable Angelita Blackshear Dalton, a member of the Class of 1993, was the keynote speaker for the College’s 131st Founder’s Day Convocation held on Sunday, March 3, 2013 in the Chambers-McClure Academic Center.

Judge Dalton, the presiding judge of Division III of the Davidson County General Sessions Court, told the crowd that in order to live a fulfilled life of faith, one must act on the beliefs one holds. Dalton believes that Bishop Isaac Lane is an example of someone who put his faith into action.

“In order for us to benefit from our faith in God, we must act on our faith. Our faith is manifested in our actions. Bishop Lane was a determined man. He utilized resources available to him. He was a man of courage and humility.”

– Judge Angelita Dalton
President McClure said that those present for the Founder’s Day program and who show support for Lane College continue the vision of Bishop Lane and move forward in their own faith.

“Many great things have happened and continue to happen,” McClure said. “If only Bishop Isaac Lane, who was once a slave, could see what has become of Lane College. It is truly a miracle.”

A news article regarding Founder's Day may be viewed at [http://www.jacksonsun.com/article/20130304/NEWS01/303040002/Lane-College-Founder’s-Week-Bishop-Lane’s-faith-extolled](http://www.jacksonsun.com/article/20130304/NEWS01/303040002/Lane-College-Founder’s-Week-Bishop-Lane’s-faith-extolled)

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**Lane College Professor nominated as Faculty/Professor in Residence**

The 2013 Faculty-in-Residence Program at State University of New York (SUNY) recently announced that Lane College Assistant Professor of English, Unoma Azuah, will visit the Oneonta, NY campus March 10-16, 2013. Her Keynote article, “Culture, Sexuality and Taboo in Nigeria,” was presented on Monday, March 11, at 7 p.m. in the Morris Conference Center.

Azuah will be leading a Beloved Dialogue session “Finding Families in Other Worlds” in Littell Hall on Tuesday, March 12 at noon. Later that evening at 7:30 p.m. in Le Café/ Morris Hall, she will lead a discussion on “Nollywood and its Video Closet.” On Wednesday March 13 at 5:00 p.m. in Milne 318, Azuah will hold a reading from her novel, **Edible Bones**.

Professor Azuah is an award winning writer, poet, activist and literary scholar. Her first novel **Sky High Flames**, won the Urban Spectrum Award and the ANA/Flora Nwapa Award. **Edible Bones**, her second novel, garnered the 2011 Aidoo-Snyder Book Prize. Azuah is also the author of **The Length of Light**, a short story collection and **Night Songs**, a collection of poems.
Lane Students attend Alabama A&M University Graduate School Open House

On Saturday, February 23, 2013 at Alabama A&M University’s Graduate School Open House, Lane College students Joshua Thomas, Dontae Boone, and Joshua Crenshaw attended the Graduate School Open House that was sponsored by Alabama A&M University in Huntsville. Our Lane Men are ready and anxious to enter the next level of their educational experiences. Lane College has equipped them with the skills and tools necessary to be successful in graduate school.

Graduate degree programs offered by Alabama A&M University are intensive, forward looking, and driven by today’s educational marketplace as well as the unique location of the institution. Huntsville is the home to Redstone Military Arsenal, NASA, Hudson-Alpha, Torch Technologies, Adtran, Northrup Grumman, Science Applications International Corporation, and Dynetics Corporation. Other private companies include Boeing, Lockheed Martin, Sikorsky Aircraft, Davidson Technologies, General Dynamics, and Toyota.

Rock the Red Pumps for Women & Girls HIV Awareness Day!

On March 7, 2013, the Lane College Wellness Program sponsored the Rock the Red Pumps for Women & Girls HIV Awareness Day. Faculty, Staff and students wore Red Pumps to support this cause.

The Red Pump Project uses red shoes to get the attention of women everywhere. On March 10, the United States recognized National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day (NWGHAAD). Launched by the Office of Women’s Health, NWGHAAD is a nationwide observance that encourages people to take action in the fight against HIV/AIDS and raise awareness of its impact on women and girls.

“Every 47 minutes, a woman tests positive for HIV in the United States.”
On Sunday, February 17, 2013, over 100 friends and admirers of Dr. Anna Lee Cooke celebrated her 90th Birthday at a festivity sponsored by her daughter, Elsie Cooke Holmes, in the Lane College Cyber-Cafe. Well-wishers were treated to a buffet dinner catered by Gourmet Services, Inc.

Testimonials regarding Dr. Cooke’s life and legacy of service were given by President McClure, as well as representatives of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority; The Links, Inc.; and St. Paul CME Church. In lieu of gifts, Dr. Cooke requested friends to consider donations to Lane College in her honor. Because of her kind act of benevolence, over $3,000 was donated to the Lane College Annual Fund.

Dr. Cooke is one of Lane’s most distinguished graduates who has made substantial and significant contributions to Lane College and the Jackson, Tennessee community. Her professional career included stints as a Jr. High School principal, high school English teacher, and high school librarian prior to joining the staff at Lane College in 1963. She served the College well during her 25-year tenure as an assistant librarian, Library Director, Director of Alumni Affairs and Public Relations, and Editor of the Lane College Reporter. She was also instrumental in expanding the Lane College Negro Heritage Collection.

Dr. Cooke is the widow of Prof. James A. Cooke, past Athletic Director at Lane College.

Lane College Alumnus and Baltimore Ravens standout Jacoby Jones will be on ABC’s Dancing with the Stars, Season 16.

Last month, Jones set four Super Bowl records and equaled two others. He now has the marks for most combined yards (290), longest play, and longest kickoff return for a touchdown. He had five kickoff returns for 206 yards, two punt returns for 28 yards and caught one pass for 56 yards.

Dancing with the Stars and Dancing with the Stars: The Results will return for a 16th season with a brand new cast, great dancing, and musical performances from top recording artists. The show also welcomes the return of the “AT&T Spotlight Performance,” which features and celebrates people whose lives have been changed forever by dance. Season 16 of Dancing with the Stars, will premier MONDAY MARCH 18, 8|7c.
An Overview of the Office of Alumni Affairs

The purpose of the Lane College Office of Alumni Affairs is to promote the Mission of the College through the establishment of mutually beneficial relations between the College and its alumni; help support the College through growth and development; serve, inform, connect, and engage alumni in an effort to cultivate a strong and vibrant community through active life-long relationships; be the primary conduit for keeping alumni updated and informed with current news, events, and happenings of the community and its members; utilize technology and other mediums to provide timely, high quality, and succinct communications; and educate, promote and communicate the College’s traditions, purposes, growth, and development.

This office strives to cultivate continuous communication and favorable relationships between Lane College and its alumni, establish programs and events which benefit alumni and, in turn, Lane College, and enlighten and encourage currently enrolled students to establish giving patterns and become actively involved in College-related programs. As demonstrated by our regular email notifications, this office further enhances the College’s reputation by seeking out and promoting alumni success stories in which the College’s Mission of educating and developing the whole person is demonstrated, and by informing alumni of news that they will find of interest.

Alumni, We Would Like to Hear From You

We are very proud of our alums, and would very much like to hear from you. The Alumni and Friends E-Newsletter is a monthly publication that provides the latest campus news. Each month we will keep you updated on particular topics, upcoming events, and areas of interest related to Lane College. The newsletters will be archived monthly and available on the College website.

If you have news you would like to share in an upcoming issue of the Alumni and Friends E-Newsletter, or you would like to sign up to receive the e-newsletter, please email Monica Scott, Director of Alumni Affairs.

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