

# THURGOOD FACULTY SPOTLIGHT



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**Associate Dean for Research & Faculty Development and Roberson King Professor L. Darnell Weeden** on February 23, 2020, and members from his Christian Fellowship Sunday School Class were involved in community outreach service in Katy, Texas because of their participation in the “Caring for Katy Laundry Outreach Activity” sponsored by the Kingsland Baptist Church in Katy. The goal of the caring for Katy laundry activity to demonstrate the unconditional love of Christ to any person present at a local Washateria was apparently achieved. The goal was achieved because Kingsland Baptist Church provided members of its laundry outreach team with enough money to provide quarters or dollars to pay to use the services of the washers and dryers for anyone in the Washateria willing to accept the offer of assistance.

Initially, some of the recipients were skeptical about accepting the offer of free cash and had to be assured that there were no strings attached and that the outreach team was not trying to sell them anything. Those who accepted the free cash showed kindness to team members and some of the recipients thanked God for the free cash while others just wanted to share their story. One man who had been homeless a month or two ago in Katy sleeping under a bridge shared how God had blessed him with a new job and he was happy to see team members bless others with the laundry assistance. The man washing and drying his clothes at laundry said because he was no longer homeless and now blessed with a job he wanted us to share our laundry assistance cash with others. The man shared how God had blessed him and that he believed that he would be blessed by not accepting the free cash but by encouraging the team to give it to someone else who might benefit immediately from the free cash. One woman said she had grown suspicious of churches and religion because it seems all they want to do is collect money and not give anything back. The woman said she felt blessed by a church that wanted to give her some money to help her with her laundry without any strings attached. Another woman shared that she really appreciated how the outreach team paid for her laundry without asking any questions about her family or financial circumstances. Some of the recipients indicated a desire to visit Kingsland Baptist Church and requested the address of the church. The Kingsland team offered to help their neighbors fold their clothes and carry their clothes to their cars. The community outreach team offered juice, water, snack packages, breakfast burritos, and children activity books with crayons available to everyone in the Washateria. Weeden said participating in the Caring for Katy laundry activity was a very satisfying experience for the community outreach team because it allowed team members to show in a very practical way Godly love for their Katy neighbors.

**Adjunct Professor D’Andra Shu** has just accepted an offer from the University of Colorado Law Review to publish her piece entitled “Food Allergy Bullying as Disability Harassment: Holding Schools Accountable.” It will appear as the lead piece in Volume 92, set for publication early this winter. Professor Shu examines the problem of food allergy bullying of school children and argues that food allergy should be classified as a disability under federal law, thus giving rise to a cause of action for disability-based harassment for food allergy bullying when schools do not take appropriate action. This article builds on her earlier work arguing that, in appropriate circumstances, the bully’s parents should be subject to liability under state negligence law. That work will appear in Volume 103 of the Marquette Law Review, due out early this summer.



**Professor Peter Marchetti’s** law review article titled *A Note to Congress—Amend Section 546(e) of the Bankruptcy Code to Harmonize the Underlying Policies of Fraudulent Conveyance Law and Protection of the Financial Markets*, 26 AM. BANKR. INST. L. REV. 1 (2018) was recently cited by Professor David Gray Carlson of the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in his law review article *Mere Conduit*, 93 AM. BANKR. L.J. 475 (2019).

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