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USA APPEAL LAUNCHED  
AT METHODIST

When North Carolina Gov. James E. Holshouser came to Methodist College in late March, he commended the students for "instituting a new fund raising drive, USA (United Student Appeal), which may result in millions of dollars for charity groups."

Accepting a check for more than \$400 on behalf of the American Cancer Society, Gov. Holshouser said he would spread the word about USA not only throughout North Carolina, but also to other states. "I'm sure the success of your drive will be carried to other college campuses around the nation."

The drive was spearheaded by Mike Casey, Methodist College Student Government Association Senate president; and Fred Paddock, SGA vice president. The effort began when the local Methodist College students introduced a resolution at the March North Carolina Student Legislature convention, which was endorsed by the student House and Senate.

The college's SGA asked each Methodist College student to contribute at least 25¢ for the cancer society. "Just think of the possibility of every student in America donating 25¢ for charity groups in the nation. This would come to more than \$2 million," said Paddock.

The students were also commended in an editorial opinion by the *Durham Sun*. The comment said in part, "the young people at Methodist College would like to replace nonsensical college fads with fads that actually mean and accomplish something. They are taking steps to launch a new fad in which students throughout the state and nation will make donations to charity groups . . . For too long, the attitude of too many college students toward society has been one of negativism. This is an opportunity for them to make a positive contribution to it."

Due to the success of the Methodist drive, Methodist College students have sent information packets to other colleges outlining steps for their drive.

## SAMUEL EDWARDS TO RETIRE

The July 1 retirement of Samuel R. Edwards, registrar of Methodist College, has been announced by Dr. Richard W. Pearce, Methodist College president.

Edwards joined the administrative staff of the college on July 1, 1960, as registrar and director of admissions.

At various times during his employment with the college, he has served as Director of Fi-

## CHARLOTTE LESSEM SCHOLARSHIPS ANNOUNCED

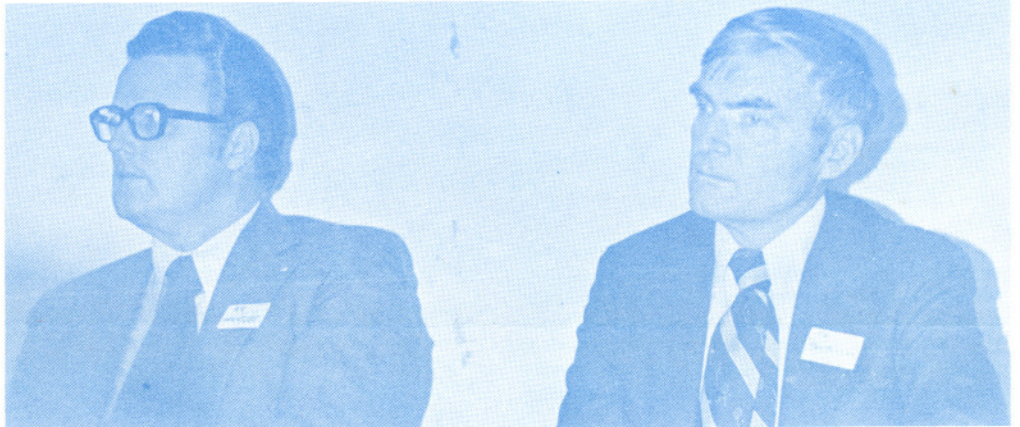
The establishment of the Charlotte Lessem Memorial Scholarships at Methodist College has been announced.

A resident of Fayetteville since the age of 10, Miss Lessem was a part-time student at Methodist College since its opening in 1960. Every semester, Miss Lessem took courses "for enrichment".

A graduate of Fayetteville Central School, where she was a Stedman Essay Winner, Miss Lessem attended Virginia Interment College, Flora McDonald College and the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina (now UNC-G), where she majored in education.

Miss Lessem held an R.N. diploma with honors from the Brooklyn (N.Y.) Jewish Hospital. She taught in the Turkey (N.C.) Schools and also taught biology to the students at the former Pittman Hospital in Fayetteville.

## ECONOMY, ENERGY AND ECOLOGY SEMINAR HELD



Seminar Speakers James Westlake and Dan MacMillan, right, enjoy lunch break.

An all-day economy, energy and ecology seminar was held in early April at Methodist College.

At the morning session held in the college's Reeves Auditorium, five speakers gave their views on the current crisis.

Gen. John Tolson, secretary, State of North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs, said "we waste fuel and energy just as we waste everything else in our society. The only recourse to the problem is immediate conservation. If usage keeps increasing, our resources will be in short supply for many years to come."

Discussing the government's role in the crisis, Congressman Charlie Rose said, "I'm not impressed with the government's long range planners. They're not as concerned with the economic situation as they should be. We've got to move forward and make use of our nuclear generation facilities."

## RETIREMENT continued

Financial Aid, Acting Academic Dean and was also the director of the physical education program during the 1960-61 academic year. In announcing Edwards' retirement, Dr. Pearce expressed appreciation for Edwards' competent service, committed leadership and his many contributions in the development of Methodist College.

Edwards served as principal of Fayetteville Senior High School for eight years prior to coming to Methodist College. He served as a naval officer during World War II. Married to the former Miss Lillian Aldridge of LaGrange, the Edwards' have a son, Reese, who is a radio and television specialist with the Agricultural Extension Division for the State of North Carolina.

In recognition of her accomplishments in Methodist College, the Academic Affairs Committee of the Methodist College faculty originated the idea for the memorial scholarships bearing her name. In response to this, at its meeting in early April, the Methodist College Board of Trustees unanimously voted to award up to 10 tuition-free scholarships for people 65 years of age and over.

Methodist College President, Dr. Richard W. Pearce said, "we are pleased we may honor Miss Lessem through these memorial scholarships. A vital part of our college community for more than 11 years, she exemplifies the type of individuals we hope will avail themselves of these scholarships. Continuing education was important to her. It was through her work here that she sought intellectual stimulation and cultural enrichment. We proudly name these scholarships in her memory."

Carolina Power and Light Co. President, Shearon Harris explained that because of the recent Arab oil embargo, the United States may lose its options needed to cope with the energy crisis. "However, CP&L will continue to meet the growing needs of its customers. But, we must realize all forms of energy will cost more if our nation remains in an inflationary cycle. If we continue to use our fuel resources at the present level, we will have depleted oil by 1990, gas by 1995 and coal by 2050. It's our duty to restore the land to its natural state."

Fayetteville architect Dan MacMillan pointed out that everything architects do today to conserve energy should have been done long ago. Skyscrapers will soon become glass menageries. Architects are beginning to discover their creations have become mausoleums. Everything in architecture must be done precisely to create an effective end result."

"Although the environmental movement has been accused of the major downfall of the energy shortage, we plead not guilty," according to James R. Westlake, senior staff advisor, Environmental Protection Agency, Atlanta, Ga. "We have allowed our demand for energy to exceed in too short a time, thus forcing us to increase our imports. It's necessary to reduce resource demands and improve the quality of life. We should adapt to different travel and living standards as well as move back to the inner-city living."

Methodist College President Dr. Richard W. Pearce welcomed the guests and speakers. He explained what Methodist College has done in view of the crisis. "We have reduced our electrical power by 1/3 and our use of oil for heating by 1/4."

Luncheon speaker, Roy Parker Jr., editor of *The Fayetteville Times*, said that Cumberland County is one of the fastest changing areas in the Eastern United States. Twenty years ago, 60 per cent of the people lived in rural areas, compared with only 23 per cent today. Cumberland County has become one of the most urbanized areas in North Carolina. This change has brought psychological as well as physical problems to our area. The physical change may overwhelm us if we do not keep up the goals of human change. We must always look to the future with great goals."

During the afternoon session, Methodist students Ed Kubisty and John Roberts, gave demonstrations on thermopollution, and instrumentation and monitoring of air pollution, respectively. The demonstrations were arranged by Dr. Margaret Folsom, assistant professor of biology.

Seminar moderator was Dr. Sudhakar Gautam, associate professor of economics at Methodist.



## FIRST GREEKS FORM ON CAMPUS

Kappa Phi Colony of Pi Kappa Phi national fraternity was officially chartered as Delta Mu Chapter late last month at Methodist College.

The first national sorority to form at Methodist, Alpha Xi Delta, was officially installed as Zeta Mu Chapter the weekend of April 26-28 at Methodist.

The formal initiation ceremony for Pi Kappa Phi was held at St. James Lutheran Church the weekend of April 19-21. College members and alumni participated in the ceremony. The ritual ceremony continued Saturday at the church. Ritual teams from Pembroke State University and the University of North Carolina at Charlotte participated.

The formal chartering banquet was held April 20 in the college's Dining Room. National executive director, Durwood Owen of Charlotte, was master of ceremonies. Alvin Leslie of Fayetteville, current president of the colony, accepted the Methodist College Charter from James L. Daley of New York. Also participating were John C. Wilson of Washington, D.C., national vice president; and David F. McAllister of Raleigh, Area XIII Pi Kappa Phi governor. Methodist College President Dr. Richard W. Pearce welcomed the guests.

A semi-formal dance in the Methodist College Student Union followed the banquet. To conclude the weekend festivities, members of the fraternity worshiped together Sunday morning at St. James Lutheran Church.

Members of the installation team for the sorority initiation included Mrs. M. Philip Stump of Hutchinson, Kan., national president; Mrs. R. Wayne Masters of Falls Church, Va., national alumnae vice president; Mrs. J. Robert Blackburn of Oxford, Miss., national council member-at-large; Mrs. Eguene Farkas of Indianapolis, Ind., national installation officer; Mrs. Robert C. Newton Jr. of Asheville, N. C., Epsilon Province Collegiate director; and Mrs. Hayden McCord of Arlington, Va., Province Alumnae director.

An informal pre-initiation meeting and ceremony for visitors, collegiates and alumnae

## ANNUAL STUDENT AWARDS MADE

Thirteen Fayetteville residents won awards as outstanding Methodist College students in the annual Awards Day Assembly conducted by Methodist College Academic Dean, Samuel J. Womack.

Added to the elite list of Methodist College Scholars presented with awards honoring them for academic averages of 3.50 or higher were junior, Miss Mary Anne Martin of Hope Mills; and seniors, Mrs. Nancy Coleen Shaw Doucette, Miss Donna KiKi Parrous and Mrs. Lorna Gail Miller, all of Fayetteville; and Miss Marian Wells Williams of Fair Bluff, N.C.

Graduates named as Methodist College Scholars included Joseph Paul Bednarz, Mrs. Bonnie Jo Herring Crabtree, James Daniel Delaney, Rebecca Anne McDiarmid, Robert Stephen Radke, Robert Allen Sisk and Mrs. Shirley Swope Thompson, all of Fayetteville; Donald A. Bushnell, Thomas Clyde Carroll and Bruno Franco Rizzato, all of Ft. Bragg; Mrs. Karen Sessoms Poche, Auryville; Joseph Thomas George, Wilmington, N. C., John Fletcher Poulk, Beaufort, N.C., and Mrs. Rita Jean Ivany Foley, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.

In individual subject awards, five Fayetteville residents were honored. Mrs. Doucette was the recipient of the George and Lillian Miller History Award, which is presented to the student "who has been outstanding in the field and who has the greatest academic potential." Mrs. Doucette also received the Student Education Association Student Teacher Award for "best showing superior classroom ability, leadership, patience and professional and humanistic attributes.

The Balaez-Ambrose Mathematics Award, presented to the student judged to be "outstanding in the field and as having the greatest creative and academic potential", was awarded to Mrs. Kendall Clark Powers of Fayetteville.

Mrs. Sharon Britten Elliott of Fayetteville received the Grace Tobler Award in Political Science, which was established by Dr. John O. Tobler, first professor of political science at Methodist. It is awarded to the "outstanding student in this field and who has the greatest academic potential."

Miss Mary MacPherson Spilman of Fayette-

ville was the recipient of the Carolina College Award, which is presented to the senior woman student chosen "most outstanding in all areas of student life and whose greatest joy in life is serving others."

For visitors staying on campus during the weekend festivities, registration was held Saturday morning in the Lobby of Weaver Hall. Miss Carmen Evans was in charge of registration. Hostess for guests staying in Garber Hall was Miss Debra Underwood, chapter social chairman.

A banquet honoring the members was held that evening in the Dining Rooms. Guests speakers included Methodist College President, Dr. Richard W. Pearce; Methodist Dean of Women, Mrs. Inge Dent; Zeta Mu Chapter President, Miss Mary Joan Nunnery of Stedman; and chapter advisor, Mrs. Elaine Porter, assistant professor of French at Methodist.

On Sunday, chapter members, alumnae initiates and visiting officers worshiped together in Hensdale Chapel. The entire college community was invited to attend.

To conclude the weekend activities, a reception was held Sunday afternoon in the Lobby of the Fine Arts Building.

Chairman, Mrs. Paul Holland, was assisted by Mrs. Tommy Yow, Mrs. Carl Hammer and Mrs. Larry Parsons. Miss Nunnery, Dr. and Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. Masters, Mrs. Blackburn, Mrs. Stump, Mrs. Farkas, Dean Dent, Dean Gene Clayton and Miss Underwood were in the receiving line.

Providing musical accompaniment for the reception were Zeta Mu members, Miss Sarah Edge, Miss Mary Anne Martin and Miss Faren Elliott.

Alumna initiates included Mrs. Richard W. Pearce, Mrs. Robert Christian, Mrs. Yow, Miss Dona Davis, Miss Dorothy Sparrow, Miss Dorothy Davis, Mrs. Harry Motes, Mrs. Gene Clayton, Mrs. Mason Sykes and Mrs. Parsons.

Recipient of the Marie C. Fox Philosophy Award was Barry D. Willard of Charlottesville, Va. The award is presented to the student in philosophy who has in that year "exhibited in his studies outstanding analytic ability, philosophical perspective and creative potential."

Recipient of the Plyler-Knott Award in Religion was Randy L. Wall of Burlington, N.C. Established in honor of Dr. Lorenzo Plyler and Dr. Garland Knott, professors of Religion, the award is presented to the student "judged as being outstanding in Religion."

Miss Linda Allvord of Bridgeport, N.J. received the Yolando M. Cowley Award in

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## FRATERNITY SPONSORS FIRST MISS METHODIST COLLEGE CONTEST



Miss Methodist College, Cheryl Matthews, Center, Poses With Her Court, Laura Sullivan, Left, and Karlene Wagner, Right.

Miss Cheryl Ann Matthews of Wade was chosen Miss Methodist College in the First Miss Methodist College Pageant, held in Reeves Auditorium in late March.

The Pageant was sponsored this year by the first national fraternity to be established on campus, Pi Kappa Phi fraternity.

Miss Karlene Regina Wagner of Kings Park, N.Y. was first runner-up; and Miss Laura Leigh Sullivan of Wilmington, N.C., second runner-up.

Master of ceremonies was Vance Knight of Fayetteville. Judges included Mrs. Charles Underwood, Mrs. John Garvey, Mrs. Lucille Collier, Jim Shirley and George Ballou. Pi Kappa Phi coordinator was Arthur McLaurin. Musical entertainment was provided by the Methodist College Combo, directed by Mike Rogers. Soloist was Methodist student, Ed Carl.

The eight contestants, all Methodist students, competed in street clothes and evening wear. Five finalists then answered questions presented by the master of ceremonies. Other finalists were Miss Brenda Hester of Bladenboro and Miss Mary Joan Nunnery of Stedman, who was also voted Miss Congeniality by the contestants.

Area college queens attending included Miss Fayetteville State University, Miss Angela Calloway; Miss Spring Festival Queen at Campbell College, Miss Susan Ferguson; and Miss Pembroke State University, Miss Cynthia Brown.

Miss Janet Audrey Thompson, the current Miss Fayetteville, presented a musical interlude. She also crowned Miss Matthews, Miss Methodist College.

A freshman applied music major, Miss Matthews is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Andrews of Wade. A member of the Methodist College Chorus, the Vocal Ensemble, Miss Matthews is also a vocalist for the Methodist College Stage Band.

### AWARDS continued

Spanish for "having been an outstanding student in the field and greatest academic potential."

Robert Pemberton of Rockingham, N.C. received the Ott-Cooper Science Award, which is presented to that student majoring in a science who is selected as "outstanding in achievement as a student and having special potential for a professional career related to the sciences."

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