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Horner Addresses Graduates At Commencement

Mr. William E. Horner, publisher of **The Sanford Herald**, delivered the commencement address to the graduates of Methodist College on Sunday, May 7, in Reeves Auditorium.

"Success won't come instantly--there is instant grits, instant oatmeal, instant coffee, but there won't be instant success," stated Horner.

To achieve success, according to Horner, one must "get into the mainstream."

"Don't look down--look up for ways to serve others. That's the true road to success, Horner concluded.

Cheryle Hulin, graduating senior at Methodist, is the granddaughter of Mr. Horner and was presented her degree by her grandfather.

Horner was one of three recipients of honorary doctorate degrees conferred by the Methodist College Board of Trustees during the Commencement Exercises. The Durham native was awarded the degree of Doctor of Letters for "services to community, state, church, profession and higher education."

Dr. Lucius Stacy Weaver returned to the campus he founded to receive the degree of Doctor of Humanities for "having served with strength and compassion, with vision and reality, with energy and enthusiasm, with conviction and faith." Dr. Weaver of Lakeland, Florida, served as the first president of Methodist College.

The Reverend Wallace Hines Kirby of Raleigh was the recipient of a Doctorate of Divinity degree for "Commitment to church and profession, for practical guidance of conference committees, for belief in the innate goodness of man and devotion to the cause of higher education."

The presentation was made during the Baccalaureate Service held Sunday morning. Mr. Kirby delivered the Baccalaureate sermon on "Courage in the Adult World," stating that men should follow the example of the courage exemplified in the life of Christ.

Music for Commencement Exercises was provided by the Methodist College Chorus with special music by Timothy L. Lloyd, senior From Durham.

Claudia Gail Harrelson of Cherryville received the Lucius Stacy Weaver Award, presented annually to the most outstanding senior at Methodist College.

Receiving degrees from Methodist College during Spring Commencement Exercises were Fayetteville residents Lawrence Allen Barner III, Helen Barnhill Barrington, Richard Frank Beane, Aubrey Wayne Carter, Brenda Warner Carter, Thomas Meaders Edwards, Debra Jane Geddie, Richard Blackford Genter, Dawn Holmes, Vickie Dale Herring, Billy Davis Horne, Jr., Mur Ann Elliott Lawson, Kathleen Ann Lowe, Michael James Maxson, Benjamin Ray Melvin, Thomas Greene Melvin, Nancy Lynn Miller, John Harvey Oliver III, Mary Elizabeth Owen, Margaret Farrior Pope, Thomas Arnold Pope, Jr., Charlotte Walker Rea, John McNair Rea, Michael Allen Ross, Thomas F. Smart, Jr., Martha Timmins Smith, Karen Tarpley Staser, Sylvia Daniela Vessels, Mary Lynn Walker, Stephen A. White, Deborah Lynn Wilson, Jeanne L. Yagodzinski, Robert Scott Elwell, Kim Lanette Holben, Glen Earl Meade, Jr., and Oscar Edward Lister.

Also receiving degrees were Paula Lynn Adams of Minturn, S.C., Claude Douglas Akers of Roanoke, Virginia, June Marie Beane of Knightdale, Karen Lee Beaty of Newport News, Va., Randy Coy Blanchard of Roxboro, Paul William Edwards of Lillington, Diane Michelle Eichenlaub of Cherry Hill, N.J., Cladie Asilee Fisher of Stedman, Claudia Gail Harrelson of Cherryville, Susan Margaret Ipock of New Bern, Timothy Lee Lloyd of Durham, Bernard Franklin McLeod of Fuquay-Varina, James Edward Malloy, III of Fairmont, Roy Ken Martin of Raleigh and Gary Devone Mattocks of New Bern.

Others include Donna Lynn Mercer of Creedmoor, Alice Lynn Miller of Burlington,

David Marden Perry of Lexington, Mass., Herman Speight of Jacksonville, Janiene Elizabeth Vass of Graham, Robert Leonard Ward of Asheboro, Sara Jo Young of Falls Church, Va., Rachel Ford of Orrum, Cheryle Ann Hulin of Sanford, Deborah Elaine Lewis of Aberdeen, Elizabeth Blair Robertson of Oakton, Va., Larry Robinson of Orrum and David Edward Roller of Laurel Hill, and Mitchell Wayne Davis of Rockingham.

Wilson Named Distinguished Professor

R. Parker Wilson, associate professor of history, has been named Distinguished Professor for 1978 at Methodist College.

"No higher honor can a man receive than the esteem and recognition of his colleagues," Dr. Richard Pearce, president of Methodist College, stated to those attending the Senior Dinner held May 7 in the Dining Rooms of the college Student Union Building.

"Parker Wilson has earned the professional respect and personal affection of the entire college community with his commitment to Methodist College and its students."

Wilson, a native of Granite Falls, N.C., received his B.S. degree from Wake Forest university and his M.A. degree from Peabody College.

During his fifteen years at Methodist, Wilson has instructed students in both the general college and majors history courses, as well as assisting with the theatre arts program at Methodist.

He has notable achievements in amateur theatre productions of the Fayetteville Little Theatre and the Fort Bragg Playhouse.

Wilson is a member of the Association of Historians in North Carolina and past president of the Fayetteville Little Theatre.

Carolina College Reunite at MC

Graduates of Carolina College, located before its closing in Maxton, held their annual reunion on April 8 in the Alumni Dining Room of Methodist College.

Mrs. Margaret C. Andrews of Raleigh, president of the Carolina College Alumnae Association, presided over the morning meeting. Program highlights included special music provided by Methodist students Terry Poole of Knightdale and Tim Lloyd of Durham. Mrs. Alice Pearce, 80-year old student at Methodist College, spoke on "Being a College Homecoming Queen."

Recipient of the Carolina College Award, presented to a girl who reflects the high standards of womanhood exemplified by the Carolina College graduates, was Theresa Ann Poole.

Ms. Poole is a junior music major from Knightdale. While at Methodist, she has served as secretary and president of the Methodist College Chorus. Terry is a Dean's List student and a member of Alpha Chi, national honorary society.

In addition to the Carolina College Award, Ms. Poole also received the Carolina College Scholarship for the 1978-79 school year.



After a sale of handmade items for the scholarship fund and a luncheon, nomination and election of CCAA officers was held.

Elected to serve as officers for the 1978-79 year are Mrs. Mabel Berry of Fayetteville, president; Mrs. Barbara Pope of Fayetteville, vice-president; Miss Ruth Cottingham of Maxton, secretary.

TRIO RECEIVE DOCTORATE DEGREES

Dr. Richard Pearce, president of Methodist College, conferred honorary doctorate degrees on the Reverend Wallace Hines Kirby of Raleigh, Mr. William E. Horner of Sanford and Dr. Lucius Stacy Weaver of Lakeland, Florida, during Spring Commencement Exercises on Sunday, May 7.

The Reverend Wallace H. Kirby, minister of Edenton Street United Methodist Church in Raleigh, delivered the Baccalaureate Sermon to graduating seniors in a 10:30 morning service in Reeves Auditorium.

Mrs. Earl Brian of Raleigh, member of the Board of Trustees of Methodist College, presented Mr. Kirby for the conferring of the degree, stating "I commend him as a man committed to the Christian ethic, to the concept of brotherhood and to the future of Methodist College."

The degree of Doctor of Divinity was awarded to Mr. Kirby by Dr. Pearce.

"Yours is a continual journey to improve the lives, the churches and the communities you serve by giving the professional and ethical devotion reflected in your own life," Pearce said of Kirby.

The former Fayetteville resident has served the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church for 25 years as a minister and committeeman, in addition to serving on the Board of Trustees of Duke University and Methodist College.

Kirby is a graduate of Duke Divinity School. He is married to the former Sally Broome and they have four children.

Commencement speaker William C. Horner, former editor and publisher of *The Sanford Herald*, was cited for professional and civic service.

"In a career dedicated to the pursuit of truth and the standard of honesty, William Horner has given of his time and talent to numerous civic and professional organizations," stated Dr. Samuel J. Womack, academic dean at Methodist College, in his presentation address.

Conferring the degree upon Mr. Horner, Dr. Pearce asserted that the Durham native has "unselfishly given of his energy and enthusiasm to create a better life for his community and his state."

Mr. Horner has served on the Board of Trustees of Louisburg Junior College, UNC-Chapel Hill, Fayetteville State University and Methodist College, he was a representative to the North Carolina House of Representatives and a member of the State Highway Commission of North Carolina.

Dr. Lucius Stacy Weaver, president emeritus of Methodist College, was awarded a Doctor of Humanities degree after presentation by Dr. Mott Blair of Siler City.

"The personal integrity and devotion to academic excellence found in Stacy Weaver is personified within these college walls," stated Dr. Blair.

In conferring the degree, Dr. Pearce stated that Dr. Weaver had "built a college that reflects upon him" and that he "served with strength and compassion, with vision and reality, with energy and enthusiasm, with conviction and faith."

Dr. Weaver gave 50 years of service in education, serving as president of Rutherford College, Mountain Park Junior College and Superintendent of statesville City Schools and Durham City Schools before his tenure as president of Methodist College.

Additionally, Dr. Weaver has served in various capacities within the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church.

The presentation of doctorate degrees climaxed the graduation exercises for 70 graduates of Methodist College for 1978.



Alpha Psi Omega Active In First Charter Year

Omicron Mu cast of Alpha Psi Omega at Methodist College celebrated their charter year with five productions, an academic minor in theatre arts and the participation of 10% of the Methodist College student body in theatre presentations.

Under the direction of Dr. Jack Peyrouse, the Methodist College theatre arts program selected variety in both selection and presentation.

Plautus' comedy, *The Haunted House*, was performed in the college amphitheatre for Homecoming weekend. Three matinee performances offered students, alumni and campus visitors an opportunity to see *The Haunted House*.

Two Christmas theatre productions highlighted the holiday season. Thornton Wilder's *Long Christmas Dinner* was presented for the President's Christmas dinner as well as on two preceding evenings in the Methodist College Student Center. *Christmas In Dickens*, an oral interpretation production, toured local senior citizens groups in an effort to implement the college's community commitment.

An open-panel discussion of community leaders in "The Changing Role of Women since 1890" was held after the Reeves Auditorium performances of Ibsen's *Hedda Gabler*.

Media coverage of the *Hedda Gabler* presentation included three television shows and a radio interview.

The Methodist College theatre arts students completed their 1977-78 season with presentations of Bernice Bronson's *Canterbury Tales*, a participation play. The cast took *Canterbury Tales* on tour to local junior high schools and church youth groups, as well as staging performances in the rustic Snack Bar of the Methodist College Student Union Building.

Charter members of Omicron Mu cast of Alpha Psi Omega were instrumental in this highly-productive 1977-78 season. They include Mark Mooney, president; Jo Anne Jones, vice-president; Dave Perry, secretary-treasurer and members Frederick J. Haines, Claudia Harrelson, Ian McDowell,

and Ann Morrow. Dr. Jack Peyrouse acts as chapter sponsor.

SENIOR ADULTS THEATRE

If "All the World's a stage," then every man should have his chance at stardom--even if this chance comes during his later years.

Senior Adult Theatre is an attempt to give each person a chance to participate in theatre, according to Dr. Jack Peyrouse, director of theatre arts at Methodist College and coordinator of Senior Adult Theatre.

"This program will provide senior citizens an opportunity to participate in creating their own entertainment," says Peyrouse.

"Senior Adult Theatre is also a chance to enrich the lives of that large segment of our population which includes nationally 22 million people over the age of 65."

Under a grant from North Carolina Grass Roots, the Senior Adult Program aims at short performances of "Script-In-Hand" at each center with participants from each center for July.

Plans also include a Christmas program of senior adults from all centers to tour all centers in December. Climaxing the program will be a full production at Methodist College with the possibility of tour.

An original production by North Carolina playwright Howard Richardson entitled *EVENING STAR* is currently being considered for this May production.

"The purpose of *EVENING STAR* and the theatre for the aging is to give preference to the needs of the performer rather than the play. There must be opportunities for the elderly to develop and use existing talents and cultivate new ones," says Peyrouse.

The senior adults may be small on theatre experience but they are large on life experience. And Senior Adult Theatre will provide an opportunity for the over-60 set to steal a little of the spotlight.

Interested persons should contact Dr. Jack Peyrouse at Methodist College, phone 488-7110, ext. 212.



SPRING SPORTS Women Netters Finish Eighth in Regionals

Spring was the busiest season of the year for Methodist College athletics and unfortunately this year, it was the most disappointing.

The Monarch baseball and golf teams failed to regain their respective championships in the Dixie Conference.

The baseball squad, under the direction of first-year coach Mark Bonn, a three year starter and MVP at Furman, went to the wire before losing the title to Virginia Wesleyan in a 2-1 ball game. The Marlins claimed the win in the first half of a doubleheader scoring one run in the top of the seventh inning to win the necessary one game.

One has to wonder if that win was a fluke or whether the pressure bothered this year's young squad as the Monarchs came back to whip the Marlins 14-0 in the nightcap.

The Monarchs finished second in the conference behind Virginia Wesleyan by one

game. The season for the Monarchs was a busy one which saw Bonn's team play four doubleheaders in four days at one point. Pitching was a problem due to lack of rest and the cramped schedule. Freshman Mike Lowery headed the staff pitching two and three hitters consecutively at the midpoint of the season.

Audwin Pellom and Chet Chester led the team in hitting as the Monarchs finished 18-16 overall this year.

The golf squad finished fourth in the DIAC Tournament held in Rocky Mount breaking their string of two straight tournament championships. Wins during the regular season included UNC-Wilmington and Glassboro (NJ) State.

The women's softball team went into the North Carolina State Slow Pitch Championships seeded third after compiling a 14-7 overall and 10-6 conference mark at the time seedings were announced.

Victories during the season included two over North Carolina Wesleyan in which Methodist scored over 20 runs in two games. Other wins came over UNC-Wilmington and UNC-Charlotte in non-conference competition.

The men's tennis team finished the year 3-7 overall and 3-4 in the conference. The Monarchs dropped two important conference matches before the Dixie Conference Tournament in which the Monarchs finished fourth.

Mark Lange reached the semi-finals of the conference tournament but then dropped that match. Lange, of Salisbury, MD. was 3-0 in the league in singles at one point in the year. Kurt Clack and Jeff Agnew also made it to the semi-finals in number two doubles action.

In women's tennis, coach Mary Jane Hunley's squad finished eighth in the regionals held in Tennessee after placing second in the state behind Peace College of Raleigh. The Monarchs finished 5-12 during the regular spring season.

Harrelson Receives Stacy Weaver Award

Claudia Gail Harrelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grimes Harrelson of Cherryville, N.C. was presented the Lucius Stacy Weaver Award at Commencement held May 7 at Methodist College.

The Lucius Stacy Weaver Award was established in 1964 by the family of Dr. L. Stacy Weaver as a means of honoring Methodist College's first president. The award is made to an "outstanding member of the graduating class adjudged by the faculty to have best exemplified in person-

ality and performance the qualities of academic excellence, spiritual development, leadership and service," according to Dr. Samuel J. Womack, academic dean at Methodist College.

During the four years at Methodist, Ms. Harrelson was active in Green and Gold Masques, Koinonia, Alpha Chi and served as a Commencement Marshal.

A Magna Cum Laude graduate, Ms. Harrelson received her B.A. degree in religion in the May 7 exercises.

Methodist College Summer Program Offers Nine Sports Camps

Expansion is the key as Methodist College enters its fourth year of serving Cumberland County with the Community Summer Youth Program.

This non-profit program offers development of skills, enrichment and fun for the youth of the community ages 6-18.

This year's program includes nine camps with faculty members of Methodist College and local high school coaches serving as instructors. Methodist College students are used as camp counselors and will assist in instructional activities.

Baseball Camp, Boys All Sports and Girls All Sports Camps begin June 19 and will last five days.

Methodist baseball coach Mark Bonn will direct the baseball camp. Bonn, a three-year performer and MVP at Furman in baseball, will teach the basics of hitting, throwing, and catching as well as all techniques for every position and will hold scrimmages.

Mason Sykes, coach of the men's tennis team, soccer, and women's basketball squad at Methodist, will direct the Boys All Sports Camp while Mary Jane Hunley, who coached Methodist's volleyball team to the NCAAIAW state title, will head the Girls All Sports Camp. The boys camp includes gymnastics, baseball, wrestling, basketball, soccer and tennis among other activities and the girls program offers gymnastics, archery, badminton, dance and team sports.

Mini-basketball Camp, under the direction of Methodist College head basketball coach Joe Miller, begins June 26 and continues through June 30. The second session of Boys and Girls All Sports Camp is also held during this five-day period as well as Coed Advanced Tennis Camp.

Mini-basketball Camp stresses basic fundamentals to help younger players develop their skills. Lecture, drills and scrimmages will be included in the five-day program.

Methodist College Athletic Director Gene Clayton, who coached

the school's women's tennis team to three unbeaten seasons and national prominence, will conduct the Advanced Tennis Day Camp. The refinement of top spin, volley, approach shots and under spin will be developed and agility and footwork will also be stressed. This camp will provide the advanced player with an excellent opportunity to improve their skills and become a tournament-ready player.

Coed Gymnastics Camp and Girls Basketball Camp are held July 3-7. Hunley will direct the gymnastics camp which includes instruction on the trampoline, balance beam, parallel bars, uneven parallel bars and floor exercises.

Sykes will head the Girls Basketball Camp which stresses individual attention, development of fundamental skills and improvement of general coordination. Shooting, passing and defensive and offensive strategy will be taught.

Coed Beginners and Intermediate Tennis Camp and Boys Basketball Camp will wrap up the summer's program July 10-14. Campers in the boys basketball camp, headed by Joe Miller, are divided into age groups and are taught all the fundamentals. Local high schools coaches Charles Babb and Leon Brock will assist in the camp.

Sykes will also direct the tennis camp which uses video tape to analyze problems in each campers game. General strokes, volley, footwork and camp competition are among the areas of instruction to help each camper improve their game.

Each parent will be responsible for transportation to and from the Methodist College Day Camp location. The camper is to be at camp location at 9 a.m. and to be picked up at 4 p.m. For Mini-basketball Camp participants, the time of arrival is 8:30 a.m. and they are to be picked up at 11:30 a.m.

Application for the camps may be obtained by writing or call the Methodist College Athletic Department at 488-7110.

Methodist Awards \$21,550 In Scholarships To Freshmen

Presidential Scholarships for 1978-79 at Methodist College have been awarded to Frances Goodwin of Palmetto, Florida, and Ann Gallahan of King George, Virginia.

The highest academic scholarship conferred by Methodist College, Presidential Scholarships are awarded to each entering freshman class. Criteria utilized in determining recipients are Scholastic Aptitude Test scores (SAT), high school grade-point average, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) scores and personal interview.

Presidential Scholarships are renewable annually provided the student maintains a 3.0 or better average at Methodist College. Total projected value of each scholarship if renewed is \$5,700.

Ms. Goodwin is the daughter of Mrs. Ava Goodwin and a senior at Palmetto High School. At Palmetto, she participated in the Chorus and FHA while receiving the Star Student Award, the Childcare Award and the American History Award. Ms. Goodwin plans to major in political science at Methodist.

Ms. Gallahan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Gallahan, Jr. and a senior at King George High School. She has served as president of the science club, member of the girls track team, member of the Thespian Society, and a winner in division science fairs. Ann plans a biology major in preparation for medical school.

Eight incoming freshmen received the Charles Rankin Memorial Scholarship awarded on the basis of scholarship and need. Patricia Turner of Fayetteville; James Alacron, Fayetteville; Stella Matthews, Fayetteville; Lynda Womack, Fayetteville; Susan Burgess, Rockville, Md.; April Gray, Cape Hatteras; Scott Davidson, Burlington; and Konrad Keranen, Fayetteville received the award.

The Terry Sanford Scholarship was awarded to seven students. This scholarship was awarded by selection of the scholarship

committee in honor of the first chairman of the Methodist College Board of Trustees. Recipients this year are Jeanette Batchelor, Fayetteville; Linda Taylor, Raeford; Betty Miles, Raeford; Scott Walters, Fayetteville; Steve Vitamas, Elizabeth City; Carlo Jo Raineri, Fayetteville; and Donnie Barbour of Raleigh.

Astrid Hoy of Fayetteville received the Lenora Auten and Lloyd Dunn Scholarship and Jeanette Batchelor, also of Fayetteville, won the Dr. Allen P. Brantley Scholarship. Andrea Holstclaw of Roxboro was awarded the Browning Scholarship.

W. R. Smith Scholarships, awarded to residents of Fayetteville, Cumberland County, and Fort Bragg were given to Cynthia James, Brigitte Wilde and Floyd Smith, all of Fayetteville. Ms. James is also the recipient of the Sherry Sellers Scholarship.

The Martha Hicks Culbreth Scholarship was awarded to three incoming students.

Mary Gay Smith of Salemburg; Phillip McAllister, Pedricktown, N.J.; and Cynthia Phelps, Creswell, received those awards.

B. J. Powell, Ayden; and Susan Swain of Winnabow received the Vann Scholarship, awarded to any worthy student for study in the field of religious education. The Johnson C. Murray scholarship, given on the basis of high moral character, need, and academic ability, was awarded to Sidney Lowe of Moyock.

Diana Beldon of Fayetteville and Julie Ragan of Fayetteville, received the Holt-Williamson Scholarship given to employees of the Holt-Williamson Manufacturing Company or any worthy applicants. The Applewhite Scholarship, awarded in memory of Mr. Hackett Applewhite of Raleigh, was awarded to Mike Strickland of Stedman while Edward Granzella and Daphne McNeill both of Fayetteville, received the Tom McLean Scholarships.

CALENDAR

JUNE

- 5-8 Annual Conference of the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church
- 10 Graduate Record Exam, S-222
- 12 Piedmont Mineral and Gem Society, Science Building, 7:30
- 17 ACT Testing, S-222
- 19-23 Boys All-Sports Camp
Girls All-Sports Camp
- 19 Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society, Science Building, 7:30
- 26-30 Boys All-Sports II Camp
Girls All-Sports II Camp
Boys Mini-Basketball Camp
- 26 Piedmont Mineral and Gem Society, Science Building, 7:30

JULY

- 3-7 Girls Basketball Camp
Tennis Camp
- 3-6 Music Workshop of the United Methodist Church
- 5 East-West Students arrival
- 6 Reception and Formal Opening of the East-West Foundation, Reeves Auditorium Lobby, 7:30
- 10-14 Boys Basketball Camp
Tennis Camp
Gymnastics Camp

- 10-13 Southeastern Jurisdictional Archives and History Session
- 9-14 Kiwanis Law Enforcement Career Camp
- 16-21 Annual Conference Session of the United Methodist Youth Fellowship
- 23-29 East Coast Cheerleading Camp
- 30 Interpretation Rally of the Fayetteville District of the United Methodist Church

AUGUST

- 4-9 Conference Leadership School of the United Methodist Church
- 11-13 Key Club Leadership Conference
- 19 Miss Fayetteville Pageant, Reeves Auditorium, 8:00
- 20-23 Senior Citizens Theatre, Reeves Auditorium
- 25 Methodist College Summer Graduation

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Residence Hall open for Methodist College students
- 5 Class begins for Fall semester at Methodist College

Methodist College admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin or any religious denomination to all the privileges, programs and activities generally made available to students of the college. Methodist College does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national or ethnic origin or religious denomination in the administration of its educational policies, scholarships and loan programs, athletics and all other college administered programs.

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