

LONGEST, GATES TO RETIRE

Dr. Willis C. Gates and Mrs. Pauline N. Longest, professors at Methodist College, have retired from their positions effective June, 1979.

Dr. Willis C. Gates has served as a professor of Music at Methodist since 1960. A native of Roaring Spring, Pennsylvania, Dr. Gates received his Bachelor of Music degree from Peabody Conservatory from Baltimore. Maryland, where he was a cum laude graduate.

Dr. Gates received his PhD (cont. on page 3)



Servie Reelected To **Methodist Alumni Presidency**

Michael Servie has been elected president as secretary of Methodist College Alumni Association for the 1979-80 year, a position he has held during the current year. Servie has previously held positions as alumni vicepresident and finance committee chairman. For his outstanding service, Servie was presented the Outstanding Alumni Service Award in 1978.

A native of Fayetteville, Servie is employed as men's wear merchant for Belk/Hensdale in Fayetteville.

Serving with Servie will be Betty Neil Parsons as vice-president and Lynn Barnes

Ms. Parsons is choral director at Westover Senior High School and President of the Community Concerts of Fayetteville, N.C.

Ms. Barnes is assistant market director with media advertisement and design, the promotional department of Cross Creek

Elected to serve three year terms on the Methodist College Alumni Board of Directors were Gail Harrison Joyner of Raleigh, Steve Harden of Fayetteville, John W. Brown of Chesapeake, Virginia, and Danny

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Methodist College Makes Freshman Scholarship Awards

academic scholarships to eleven at Methodist. incoming freshman who will enter Methodist this fall.

Presidential scholarships have been awarded to Beth Farnum of Hope Mills and Laura Hargis of Fayetteville.

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

Presidential scholarships are renewable annually provided the student maintains a 3.00 or better average at Methodist. Total projected value of each scholarship if renewed is approximately \$13,000.

Miss Farnum is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edna K. Farnum of Dove Drive in Hope Mills. She graduated from Southview Senior High School in June.

Miss Hargis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald H. Hargis of Hewitt Drive. Miss Hargis, who graduated from Pine Forest Senior High School in June, plans to major Sring Lake.

Methodist College has awarded in Early Childhood Education while

Two students will receive Samuel Bryan Wilkins, Jr. Memorial Scholarship awarded on the basis of scholarship and need. Teresa Battazzo of Fayetteville and Al Carroll of Lumberton will be Wilkin scholars for the 1979-80 academic year.

Sylvia Tart of Fayetteville has been awarded the Carolina College Scholarship given annually to a young woman exhibiting outstanding scholarship, citizenship and character.

The Margaret McLeod Teaubeaut Scholarship will go to Mervin Staton of Fort Bragg and Cathy Cornish of Columbia, South Carolina will receive the Arthur & Portia MacPhail Vann Memorial Scholarship.

The Wingate E. Swain & Sigmund B. Swain Memorial Scholarship will go to Mark Wahl of Hope Mills and George Juntiff of Fayetteville, Mark Evancho of Binghamton, New York will receive the Durwood Johnson Murray II Scholarship.

The Sharon Ruth Sellers Memorial Scholarship, presented annually to an incoming freshman exhibiting scholarship and achievement will be awarded to Monica Herring of



METHODIST GRADUATE NAMED **DANFORTH FELLOW FOR 1979**

Mary Ann Monroe Atwater, 1969 magna cum laude graduate of Methodist College, has been named a Danforth Fellow, class of

Ms. Atwater is one of the class of 100 persons selected by the Danforth Foundation

from the 2,221 applicants.

"The Danforth Fellows of 1979 are splendid academically in their commitment to teaching and their will to have their lives enforced by moral and ethical values, states Warren Bryan Martin, Director of the Danforth Graduate Fellowship program.

Ms. Atwater received her undergraduate degree in chemistry from Methodist College and also a degree in international studies from UNC-Chapel Hill. Her masters of science degree in organic chemistry was awarded by UNC-Chapel Hill and she pursues a Ph.D. in science currently education from North Carolina State Univer-

While at Methodist, Ms. Atwater was a member of Who's Who In American College and Universities, the Black Student Movement and Methodist College scholars.

A native of Fayetteville, Ms. Atwater is a graduate of E. E. Smith high school. She's married to Luther Anthony Atwater and they reside at Route 1, Apex, N.C. Her parents are Sgt. and Mrs. John Coleman Monroe of Fayetteville.

METHODIST NAMES NEW COACHES

standout at Pine Forest Senior High and Campbell College, will assume coaching duties at Methodist College in the fall.

Methodist Athletic Director Gene Clayton announced that Ms. Ferrell will instruct classes in the physical education curriculum and will coach women's volleyball, basketball and softball teams.

"Coach Ferrell brings to this position proven talent and enthusiasm. Under her guidance, our women's athletic program will continue to advance," stated Clayton.

Ferrell achieved local distinction as an outstanding high school basketball player at Pine Forest Senior High before attending Campbell College. While at Campbell, she played field hockey, tennis and women's basketball. Ms. Ferrell was named Campbell's Female Athlete of the Year in 1975 and captured Most Valuable Player honors in both women's basketball and field hockey during her four years at Campbell.

Since her graduation, Ms. Ferrell has been a coaching assistant at Campbell while pursuing an M. Ed. degree there. She has also served as women's intramural director.

"I'm excited about coming to Methodist it's my kind of college," enthused Ms. Ferrell.

"My goal is to make Methodist the best in women's athletics in its league. They have a winning tradition and I plan to capitalize on

Recruiting is foremost on Ms. Ferrell's mind now as she plans her fall season. With the loss of Elaine Adams, Methodist superstar in Volleyball and basketball, Ferrell faces regrouping in those sports.

"I'm getting to work right away on recruiting. When I talk to a girl about Methodist, I know I can offer her a quality academic program and an energetic athletic

program," emphasized Ferrell.
"I want to recruit the athlete who wants to play, who wants to come to Methodist

Coach Ferrell is married to Tony Ferrell, soccer coach at Western Harnett High School. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tip

Laura Bolton Ferrell, former basketball Bolton of Thamesford Drive in Fayetteville, Ms. Ferrell will assume her duties at Methodist in August.

Thomas V. Austin will assume coaching duties for the Monarch baseball team and cross country team this fall with hopes of national championships and All-American players. His ambition is supported by a successful career at Bishop Moore High Florida, School in Orlando, prior accepting the Methodist position.

Austin views his new job as a valuable

opportunity

"The Methodist baseball tradition is strong and I believe it's possible to continue that tradition while reaching for the top,' states Austin.

The Philadelphia native is a graduate of Rollins College in History and Political Affairs. He received his MA from the same institution in education. Austin is a member of the National Council of Social Studies.

Austin, 28, has been coach at Bishop Moore High School in Orlando, Florida for the past six years. He has compiled a 97-67 record in that time which includes two district and one regional championship.

"I'm tickled pink," Austin said from his home in Florida Monday night. "One of my goals has been to teach and coach on the college level. Some people go for 15 or 20 years without getting this chance, and I've managed it in seven years.

Austin, who officially ended his present position in June, said he plans a trip to Fayetteville soon.

"I'll be in town to do some recruiting," he said. "I also want to get out and meet the high school coaches. I want to have a good rapport with them because that will be my major recruiting area.

Austin also said he plans to do some recruiting in Florida before moving to Favetteville.

Some changes, though minor, that Austin has in mind are facility improvements and possibly a spring trip.

"I would like to have a spring trip," he said, noting that Methodist did not play this year during its spring break. "And if we cannot finance a trip, then will certainly be playing some games.

Sluder-Jordan **Assumes Campus Minister Post**

The Reverend Milton Sluder-Jordan has assumed duties as campus minister at Methodist College, succeeding the Reverend Paul Granger who now serves Trinity United Methodist Church in Fayetteville.

Sluder-Jordan is a native of Weldon, N.C. and was educated in Weldon public schools. He received his B.A. degree in Philosophy from North Carolina State University and his Master of Divinity from Harvard University.

After his graduation from Harvard, Sluder-Jordan spent two years serving an internship in Livermore, California. returned to the North Carolina Conference to assume pastorial duties at Sandy Cross United Methodist Church in Nashville, N.C. prior to coming to Methodist.

A member of a clergy couple, Sluder-Jordan is married to the Reverend Katherine Sluder-Jordan who has assumed duties at Calvary Methodist Church in Fayetteville.

"I have long held an interest in campus ministry," stated Sluder-Jordan. "As an active member of the Raleigh Wesley Foundation, I was stimulated with possibilities of campus ministry on both small and large campuses.'

Sluder-Jordan's responsibilities as campus minister at Methodist College will include Sunday worship service in Hensdale Chapel, religious activities on campus, counseling for both students and staff and coordination of conference meetings held on the Methodist Campus.

"I suppose you could categorize my minsterial style as pluralistic," injected Sluder-Jordan. "I am interested in creating a sense of community and a sense of awareness of social concerns with the community." Sluder-Jordan will hold his first Sunday worship service on September 2. 1979 in Hensdale Chapel.

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degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where he was concert master of the University Symphony Orchestra. He also served as Director of the University/ Community Symphony Orchestra in Salem, Oregon while serving on the faculty of Williamette University there.

Dr. Gates has served as chairman of the Methodist College fine arts department for a number of years and has served as director of the Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra. An accomplished violinist, Dr. Gates particularly enjoys chamber music

Methodist College Designated Serviceman's **Opportunity College**

Methodist College of Fayetteville has been designated a member of the Servicemen's Opportunity Colleges General Registry, according to James F. Nickerson,

Director of SOC

"Methodist College's response to the educational needs of active duty personnel and veterans indicates an acceptance of an exciting challenge," stated Nickerson. Servicemen's Opportunity Colleges is a network of institutions sponsored by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities and the American Association of Community Junior Colleges on behalf of twelve higher education associations.

SOC replaces project AHEAD and seeks to assure that meaningful post secondary educational programs are available to all

military.

with his wife Grace. They are the parents of four daughters.

Pauline Longest became an assistant professor of Biology in 1962 and completed 17 years of service with her retirement in June 1979.

Ms. Longest, a native of Winston-Salem, N. C. was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and received her M. A. degree in Botany from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Prior to her tenure on Methodist College faculty, Longest taught science in Richlands, Lewisville, Onslow County and Seventy-First High School. She also served as an instructor in Botany at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill after completion of her

M.A. degree.

Ms. Longest has distinguished herself throughout education circles in North Carolina through her active service to the North Carolina Association of Educators and the North Carolina Academy of Science. She has actively served in the National Educators Association as a convention delegate and member; she is a member of the National Association of Biology Teachers, the National Association of Science Teachers and Delta Kappa Gamma, honorary society of women educators.

Ms. Longest served as chairman of area IV, science and mathematics, at Methodist from 1969-1979.



Dr. Pearce Selected To Attend **General Conference**

Dr. Richard Pearce, president of Methodist College, was elected to serve as a lay delegate to General Conference of the United Methodist Church to be held in Indianapolis in the spring of 1980.

Dr. Pearce's election came on the third lay ballot of the North Carolina Annual Conference held June 4-7 on the Methodist College campus. He will also serve as a delegate to the Jurisdictional Conference

held at Lake Junaluska.

An active member of the North Carolina Conference, Dr. Pearce serves as Lay Leader of the conference and as a member of numerous conference committees. He will join eleven clergy delegates and ten other lay delegates from the North Carolina Conference at General Conference.



Dr. Richard Pearce accepts check from Mr. Dan Ricket, representative of Texaco Oil Company, for Methodist College. Texaco contributes substantially to colleges and universities throughout the nation.

Texaco. Carolina Telephone & Telegraph **Make Substantial** Contributions To Methodist College

Texaco Oil Company presented Methodist College with a check for \$2,000.00 as part of their continuing support for higher educa-

Mr. Dan Ricket, Division Representative with Texaco of Fayetteville, made the presentation to Dr. Richard Pearce.

"The support of Texaco is greatly

appreciated. The Texaco Company maintains a strong tradition of generosity to colleges and universities throughout the nation. Methodist College is proud to be part of that traditibn," stated Pearce.

C. Ben Williams, general manager of Carolina Telephone & Telegraph, presented a check for \$800.00 to Methodist College in support of the college loyalty fund.

Dr. Richard W. Pearce, president of Methodist College, praised the continued generosity of Carolina, Telephone, & Telegraph in their strong support of higher education in North Carolina.



Elaine Porter Named Distinguished **Professor At Methodist College**

Joyce Elaine Porter, professor of French at Methodist College. was named Distinguished Professor for 1979 during ceremonies recently on the Fayetteville campus. A native of Cleveland, Ohio, Ms. Porter has been teaching at Methodist since 1963.

Dr. Richard W. Pearce presented the citation for Distinguished Professor to Ms. Porter, stating that she had "served the college faithfully in academics and student

Ms. Porter serves as advisor to the Alpha Xi Delta Fraternity at Methodist and works closely with the college choral groups.

A graduate of Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio, Ms. Porter holds a Master of Arts degree from Duke University and has done post graduate work at the University of Illinois, University of Montreal, and the Sorbonne in Paris.

She was named an Outstanding Educator of America in 1975 and conducted a study tour of Methodist students to Europe in

Ms. Porter is married to Alan Porter, choral director at Methodist College. They have two sons, Gregory Alan and David Leland.

Mrs. Mary Bell Bird Elected Carolina College Alumnae President

Mrs. Mary Bell Bird of Wilson has been elected to serve as president of the Carolina College Alumnae Association for 1979-80. Carolina College, located before its closing in Maxton, holds its annual reunions at Methodist College.

Also elected were Barbara Pope of

Methodist College Student Newspaper Captures **National Honors**

Methodist College student newspaper, SmallTalk, has received an honors rating first class from the Associated Collegiate

Press national competition.

This award marks the third consecutive semester that Methodist College has received top honors at the national level.

Judge Michael Sessler characterized

SmallTalk as "an intelligent, attractive student newspaper...a fine example of scholastic journalism.''

SmallTalk also received the prestigious Mark of Distinction in coverage and content for the fall semester issues. In comments to the SmallTalk staff Mr. Sessler noted, "You cover your campus well with a super variety of contacts. Every issue is filled with timely complete reports on student concerns and activities.

Editors for the award-winning publication were Scott Peterson of Fayetteville and Ann Morrow of New York City. Ms. Gwen Sykes, coordinator of college publications at Methodist, serves as advisor.

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

Fayetteville, vice president and Ruth Cottingham of Maxton, secretary.

During their recent reunion meeting, Carolina College alumnae attended a business session and luncheon featuring songs from the 1920's and excerpts from college catalogs of the same period

The Carolina College Scholarship, presented by the Carolina College Alumnae annually to the girl who reflects the highest standards of womanhood exemplified by the Carolina College graduates, was awarded to Sylvia Tartt of Fayetteville.

Mrs. Bird is the wife of M. J. Bird and they reside at 206 West Green Street in

Calendar of Events

July, August 1979

- East-West Students arrival from
- Formal Opening, East-West Foundation
- 9-13 Coed Beginner & Intermediate Tennis, Boy's Basketball Camp
- 15-20 Annual Conference Session for Youth, United Methodist Church
- 22-27 East Coast Cheerleading Camp (ECCC)
- District Interpretation Rally (UNC)

- Conference Leadership School, UMC
- Summer graduation, Hensdale Chapel
- East-West Student's departure
- CLEP test, Testing Center, 8:30 Residence Halls open (New students) for Fall 1979 term, 10:00
- Orientation for New Students Residence Halls open for continuing students, 12:30 p.m.
- Classes begin, 8:00 a.m.

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