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*Dr. Richard Pearce*

## Pearce Announces Retirement

Dr. Richard W. Pearce, president of Methodist College, announced his retirement at the spring meeting of the Methodist College Board of Trustees on Thursday, April 14.

Pearce, who assumed the presidency in 1973, has timed his retirement to coincide with the approval of a major capital funds campaign currently under consideration by the Board.

In his statement to the Board, Dr. Pearce stated "Methodist College must move into a major capital funds campaign which will involve a year in preparation and three years in execution.

"A campaign of this magnitude requires a five-year commitment from the president for you certainly do not want a resignation in midstream of a campaign."

Dr. Pearce and his wife Neva will retire as soon as the Presidential Search Committee has secured a new president for Methodist College. The search for Methodist College's third president is expected to take a minimum of four months and could extend into six or more months.

Dr. Richard W. Pearce, Jr. succeeded president emeritus Dr. Lucius Stacy Weaver as the second president in the history of Methodist College. During the past ten years of Pearce's administration a negative enrollment picture has been revised, a strong tradition of church and community service has been established, and an endowment exceeding \$1.25 million has been raised.

Methodist College does not discriminate on the basis of sex, 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.



# Notes . . .



Patty Smith



Mark Powell

## MC Student Gets National Science Grant

Bianke Kroos, junior pre-med major at Methodist College, will participate in a 10-week summer research program at Wake Forest University beginning May 25.

The Fayetteville resident was chosen for a research program which will involve nuclear magnet resonance studies in collaboration with Bowman Grey School of Medicine.

Kroos is pursuing a double major in chemistry and biology from Methodist. She is the daughter of Christel Campbell.

Summer research grants are supported through grants from the Alcoa Foundation, the Dupont Company, the National Science Foundation and the Research Corporation.

## 'Small Talk' Hits

### Top Ranking Again

Methodist College student newspaper **Small Talk** took first-class honors award in the 1982 Associated Collegiate Press Competition with a Mark of Distinction in Coverage and Content.

This most recent award marks the twelfth consecutive semester that **Small Talk** has been so honored.

ACP judge Tony Strawn praised **Small Talk's** "good student input and story variety."

The tri-weekly paper is governed by editorial board members Patty Smith, Shelia Yates and Mark Stephen Powell, all of Fayetteville.

## Shakespeare Troupe To Tour

**Shakespeare's Comic Lovers**, the touring company of Methodist College's Shakespearean Summer is available for club and organization meetings throughout the summer.

Featuring scenes of the comic lovers in Shakespeare's **As You Like It**, **Merry Wives of Windsor**, **Two Gentlemen of Verona**, **All's Well That Ends Well**, **Midsummer Night's Dream** and the **Taming of the Shrew**, the promotional show will open at the Downtown Fayetteville July Fourth Celebration.

# Presidential Search Committee 'Looking'

In the wake of the retirement of Methodist College President Richard W. Pearce, a nine-member Presidential Search Committee has been named by Board of Trustees chairman Ike O'Hanlon.

## Rose Addresses May Graduates

U.S. Congressman Charlie Rose delivered the 1983 Commencement address to 67 Methodist College graduates during Formal Graduation Exercises in Reeves Auditorium on Sunday, May 1.

In addition to the graduating seniors, Wilson D. Yarborough, Sr. was awarded an honorary doctor of letters degree from Methodist College for his "significant contributions to the field of higher education." Dr. Yarborough is a Trustee Emeritus of Methodist College having served as Trustee for 27 years.

Dr. Lorenzo Plyler received a Methodist College Medallion for "service of the highest order to the students of Methodist College." Dr. Plyler, chairman of the Methodist College religion department, will retire this year.

Serving as chairman of the Presidential Search Committee will be R. Dillard Teer of Durham. Mr. Teer is a retired executive of the Nello Teer Construction Company in Durham.

Other members of the committee charged with selecting a third president for Methodist College are Louis Spilman Jr., owner of Speediprint and a Methodist graduate from Fayetteville serving as secretary; Dr. Lucile W. Hutaff, physician, Fayetteville; Sanford Doxey Jr., retired manufacturing executive, Fayetteville; J. Nelson Gibson, owner of Gibson Farms, Gibson, NC; the Reverend F. Belton Joyner Jr., minister of Trinity United Methodist Church, Durham; the Reverend Samuel D. McMillan Jr., minister of White Plains United Methodist Church, Cary, NC; Bruce Pulliam, associate professor of social science at Methodist College, Fayetteville; and Kenny Hall, rising senior president of Student Government Association at Methodist College.

The committee held its first meeting on Monday, April 25 to begin the search for a new President of Methodist College. Pearce will continue to serve in the presidency until his successor is named.







Bianke Kroos



Charlie Rose



Mike Baker



Mickey Sokalski



## Shakespearean Summer II Celebrates 'Macbeth' and 'MSN Dream'

Shakespearean Summer 1983 will offer the Fayetteville community productions of **Midsummer Night's Dream** and **Macbeth** along with special Shakespearean Sundays.

Methodist College will host the second annual Shakespearean Summer activities featuring films of **Richard II** and **Hamlet**, six performances of **Midsummer Night's Dream**, five performances of **Macbeth**, two Shakespearean Symposiums, and touring performances of "Shakespeare's Comic Lovers."

**Midsummer Night's Dream** will be produced with Fayetteville Youth Theatre and directed by Dr. Jack

Peyrouse and Ann Clark. The musical comedy's set and costumes will be designed by Jeanette McMullen.

A grant from the Grassroots Program of the North Carolina Arts Council has made possible a paid company for the production of **Macbeth**. Dr. Ed Hill of the Fayetteville State University faculty will direct the Shakespearean tragedy assisted by set designers Dan Blue and Connie Marlowe and costume designer Jeanette McMullen.

Shakespearean Sundays will be held August 28 and September 4, offering a full afternoon of entertainment with a play, Symposium, Shakespearean Supper and a presentation of "Shakespearean Comic Lovers."

Tryouts for both **As You Like It** and **Macbeth** will be held on July 11 and 12 in Reeves Auditorium on the Methodist College campus from 7-10 p.m.

Shakespearean Summer 1983 is jointly sponsored by Methodist College, Fayetteville Youth Theatre, and the Fayetteville/Cumberland County Arts Council.

## Scholarship Winners Named

Methodist College has awarded top scholarships to nine high school seniors for the 1983-84 academic year.

Winning Presidential Scholarships for full tuition for four years at Methodist College are Joseph Kidd of Falls Church, VA; Todd S. Krueger of Stafford, VA; and Susan Hyatt of Fayetteville, NC.

Joe Kidd is the son of Ms. Margaret L. Kidd of Arlington, VA and will graduate from Fork Union Military Academy this June.

Todd Krueger, a senior at North Stafford High School (VA), is the son of Mary and Stephen Krueger of Stafford, VA.

Susan Hyatt attends E.E. Smith High School and is the daughter of Mary Cade Hyatt of Fayetteville, NC.

Presidential Scholars are entitled to four years of full tuition costs as long as they maintain a strong academic average.

The Dr. William E. Horner Scholarship has been awarded to Rhonda C. Stone of Durham. She is the daughter of Albert and Helen Stone and a senior at Council Christian Academy.

David W. Thomas of Stella, NC, will receive both the McCarver Scholarship

and the Methodist College Memorial Scholarship. He will graduate from Swansboro High School in June. Thomas is the son of Wayne and Nancy Thomas.

The Martha Hicks Culbreth Scholarship has been awarded to Ruth Ann Brown of Fort Bragg. The daughter of CW4 and Mrs. Robert Alan Brown, Ms. Brown is a senior at E.E. Smith High School.

Jonathan Ray, senior at Pinecrest Senior High School, will receive the Samuel B. Wilkins Estate Scholarship for 1983-84. Ray is the son of Robert and Betty Ray of West End, NC.

Matthew F. Czagas of Burlington, NC, has received the First United Methodist Church of Graham (NC) Scholarship. The son of William and Virginia Czagas, Matthew will graduate from Eastern Alamance High School in June.

The Holt-Williamson Fund Scholarship will go to Antoinette Russell, senior at Terry Sanford Senior High School. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Russell of Fayetteville, NC.

Scholarships are awarded based on personal interview, academic achievement, and CLEP testing.

## Golfers Bring Home The NCAA Bronze

After leading the 19-team field at the NCAA Division III National Tournament on the first day, Coach Gene Clayton thought the Methodist college golfers had the gold in their sights.

"I thought so even when we teed off in second place the last day," says Clayton, wincing from the memory.

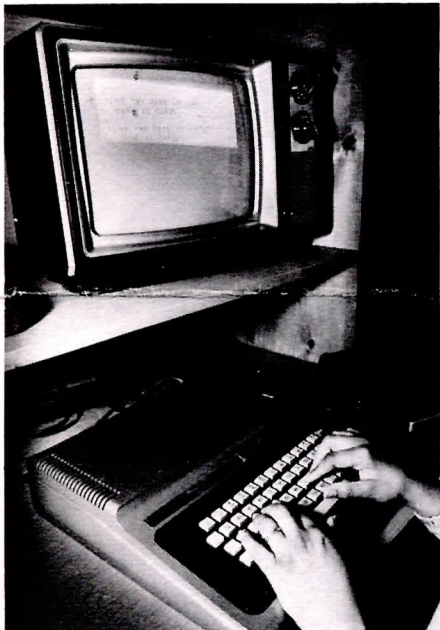
"But a destined Allegheny (PA) team put everyone's hopes to rest with 6 birdies and a hole-in-one during that final round."

The Monarchs finished the 4-day tournament with a 1235 for a strong third-place, behind Allegheny's 1229 and Ramapo's (NJ) 1231.

Methodist golfer Mike Baker of Bangor, MA was named to the NCAA All-American first team. Junior Mickey Sokalski of Coopersburg, PA made AA second team.



# Notes . . .



## Computers On Campus:

*Methodist students enter the Computer Age with the installation of twenty TRS80 computers on campus. Faculty members plan to incorporate computer concepts and usage with the traditional liberal arts curriculum.*

## Clayton Named MC Distinguished Professor

Gene Thomas Clayton, assistant professor of physical education and current athletic director at Methodist College, has received the highest faculty award given by the college for outstanding service.

Clayton was presented with the prestigious Distinguished Professor Award during the Annual Faculty Dinner by Methodist College President Richard Pearce.

A native of New London, NC, Clayton was educated in Stanly County public schools prior to receiving his AB degree from Catawba College and his MEd degree from UNC-Chapel Hill. He is the son of Ms. Christine Clayton of Route No. 1, New London and the late Dewey Clayton.

Clayton began his teaching career at Methodist College in 1963. During his tenure he has taught extensively within the department and has coached men's basketball, men's tennis, cross country, women's tennis and golf. His women's tennis team has the longest winning streak in AIAW history with 29-0 and finished 5th in the nation.

Currently, Clayton serves as golf coach and athletic director at Methodist. His golfers finished 3rd in the nation for 1982 and 1983.

He has been honored as DIAC Golf Coach of the Year for three years.

Coach Clayton resides in Fayetteville with his wife Pat Bracewell Clayton and their two daughters Christy and Cathy.



*Gene Clayton*

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