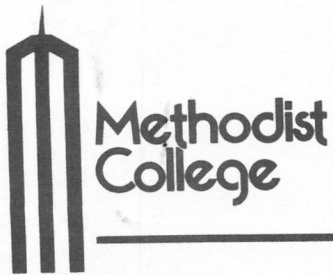


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METHODIST COLLEGE PRESENTS HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE FESTIVAL

FAYETTEVILLE, NC -- The Methodist College Theatre Department will present its second annual "Hail Dionysus!" High School Theatre Festival Thursday, April 9 in Reeves Auditorium.

The purpose of the all-day event is to celebrate original playwrighting by high school and college students. Students from local high schools will present original scenes or skits and attend performance and technical workshops during the day. Methodist's Circuit Players will perform during a barbecue supper.

Evening performances in Reeves Auditorium will showcase high school actors and three original one-act plays written and directed by Methodist College students. Awards will be presented to outstanding high school performers and the Methodist College student whose one-act play is judged the best.

Morning, afternoon, and evening performances are free and open to the public. For a complete schedule of the day's activities, contact Dr. Jack Peyrouse, professor of theatre and speech, 630-7104.

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THE METHODIST COLLEGE MONARCH PLAYMAKERS PRESENT ONE-ACT FARCES BY ANTON CHEKHOV

FAYETTEVILLE, NC - The Methodist College Monarch Playmakers will present two one-act farces by Anton Chekhov April 3-5 in front of the Mallett-Rogers House on campus.

Performance times are Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. Admission is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children and senior citizens.

Both farces involve "a battle of the sexes with a Russian flavor." In "The Bear," the hero and heroine argue over a debt, challenge each other to a duel, and fall in love. In "The Marriage Proposal," a different hero and heroine argue over land and hunting dogs, nearly come to blows, and finally fall in love.

Paul Wilson, assistant professor of theatre and speech, is the director and set designer. The program is being supported with a Local Government Grant from the Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County and the City of Fayetteville.

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March 4, 1992

News Bureau Director

COLLEGE BOWL TEAM FROM METHODIST PERFORMS WELL IN FIRST OUTING

FAYETTEVILLE, NC -- Methodist's fledging College Bowl Team performed well in the Region 5 College Bowl Tournament held at Virginia Tech February 28-29. This is the first year Methodist has participated in College Bowl, which emphasizes quick recall of facts from many fields of knowledge.

The college's four-member team won six of 10 games and finished seventh among the 22 college teams which competed. Teams from the University of Virginia and N.C. State University finished first and second respectively.

"Individually and as a team, they played in top form." said Dr. Wayne Preslar, team coach. "We were an unknown going in, but defeated teams from Davidson, Duke, Wake Forest, Elon, and Lee College. We lost to the University of Kentucky, UNC-Wilmington, Vanderbilt, and the College of William and Mary."

Methodist's College Bowl Team consists of 10 players selected after trial games last October. The team which competed at Virginia Tech consisted of: Stephen Fann, Martin Brack, Cathy Griffith, and Ann Morris.

In a mid-February contest, the Elon Invitational, Methodist defeated the host team. Methodist's College Bowl contingent will host the Methodist College Invitational in mid-April.

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March 4, 1992

Athletic Director

METHODIST RELEASES BASKETBALL COACH

FAYETTEVILLE, NC -- Methodist College has announced that the contract of Dan Lawrence, head basketball coach, will not be renewed for a sixth year.

Lawrence came to Methodist in the fall of 1983 as women's volleyball and softball coach and instructor in the Physical Education Department. He was appointed men's basketball coach in 1987, succeeding Joe Miller. He was assistant varsity and J.V. basketball coach under Joe Miller from 1980-82. He also played basketball in the Army for nine years.

In five seasons at Methodist, Coach Lawrence's basketball teams compiled a record of 46-84. His second year, 1988-89, was his most successful, yielding a record of 15-12 and giving the Monarchs their first winning season since 1977-78. During the last two seasons, Lawrence's teams finished with identical records of 8-18.

Dan Lawrence holds a bachelor's degree in physical education from Methodist College and a master's degree in education from Campbell University. He coached football, basketball, and track at Fayetteville's Reid Ross Senior High School in 1982-83.

Methodist will begin an immediate search for a new head basketball coach. "March 27 is the application deadline," said Athletic Director Rita Wiggs. "We hope to name a replacement in April."

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ALICE CASHWELL TO GIVE RECITAL

FAYETTEVILLE, NC -- Alice Freeman Cashwell, a music education major at Methodist College, will give her senior voice recital Tuesday, March 24 at 8 p.m. in Reeves Auditorium. Admission is free and the public is invited.

Ms. Cashwell is a soprano. She has performed with the Methodist College Chorus and Rainbow's End (an honors ensemble) for the past three years. She is a graduate of Cape Fear High School.



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JASON BRITT TO GIVE RECITAL

FAYETTEVILLE, NC -- Jason Britt, a music education major at Methodist College, will give his senior recital Tuesday, March 31 in Hensdale Chapel. Admission is free and the public is invited.

Mr. Britt sings tenor, is a member of the Methodist College Chorus, and performed with Rainbow's End (an honors ensemble) for two years. He is a graduate of Cape Fear High School.

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March 12, 1992

Director of Public Relations

CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP TO GIVE AWARDS AT STOCK MARKET SYMPOSIUM

FAYETTEVILLE, NC -- The Center for Entrepreneurship at Methodist College is now accepting nominations for three business awards to be given at its 11th annual Stock Market Symposium Thursday, April 30.

An Outstanding Woman Entrepreneur Award will be made to a North Carolina resident who owns, has established, or manages a small business. The Award Committee will consider the individual's creativeness, innovativeness, and personal contributions to and involvement with the community.

A Small Business Excellence Award will be made to an outstanding small business employing fewer than 500 persons with annual revenues of less than \$15 million. The Award Committee will consider the creativity of the business, the uniqueness of the product, the employees' welfare, and the contributions of the business to its community.

The Silver Spoon Award, traditionally given at the Stock Market Symposium, will be continued. This award is given to a person who, "though not born with the proverbial silver spoon in his/her mouth, has originated and built a successful business recognized for its uniqueness in planning, production, or some other aspect of its operation."

April 15 is the deadline for submitting nominations for any of the three awards. Persons wishing to make nominations should submit official forms (available from Dr. Sid Gautam) and supporting material to the Center for Entrepreneurship, Methodist College, 5400 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC 28311. For more information, phone Dr. Sid Gautam at 486-1627.

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March 13, 1992

Public Relations Director

METHODIST COLLEGE CONTRIBUTES TO DOGWOOD FESTIVAL

FAYETTEVILLE, NC - Methodist College will contribute six events to Fayetteville's 1992 Dogwood Festival April 3-12.

Art Exhibit

The Honors Art Exhibit, featuring works by Methodist's senior art majors, will be held in the Mallett-Rogers House. Works can be viewed March 28 - April 13 from 1-3 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; 12:30-2:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; and 2-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Chamber Music Recital

The Methodist College Chamber Music Ensemble will give a 45-minute recital at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 5 in the Mallett-Rogers House on campus. Admission is free.

Farces By Chekhov

The Monarch Playmakers will present two one-act farces by Anton Chekhov April 3-5 in front of the Mallett-Rogers House on campus.

Performance times are Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. Admission is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children and senior citizens.

Both farces involve "a battle of the sexes with a Russian flavor." In "The Bear," the hero and heroine argue over a debt, challenge each other to a duel, and fall in love. In "The Marriage Proposal," a different hero and heroine argue over land and hunting dogs, nearly come to blows, and finally fall in love.

Paul Wilson, assistant professor of theatre and speech, is the director and set designer. The program is being supported with a Local Government Grant from the Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County and the City of Fayetteville.

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Bird-Watching

Bird lovers are invited to take a walk in the Methodist College woodland with Dr. Erik Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs and resident ornithologist.

The "bird walk" will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 4 in front of Horner Administration Building. Bring your field glasses and enjoy the spring arrival of warblers, jays, nuthatches and related birdlife.

Nature Walk

Wild flowers will be the focus of a guided tour of the Pauline Longest Nature Trail Saturday, April 4 at 10 a.m.

Dr. Linda Sue Barnes, professor of biology, will identify numerous wildflowers native to the Cape Fear Region. The tour will begin at the pond adjacent to Shelley Baseball Field. Walkers may drive to the starting point via the access road behind the March F. Riddle Center.

Theatre Festival

The Methodist College Theatre Department will present its second annual "Hail Dionysus!" High School Theatre Festival Thursday, April 9 in Reeves Auditorium.

The purpose of the all-day event is to celebrate original playwrighting by high school and college students. Students from local high schools will present original scenes or skits and attend performance and technical workshops during the day. Methodist's Circuit Players will perform during a barbecue supper.

Evening performances in Reeves Auditorium will showcase high school actors and three original one-act plays written and directed by Methodist College students. Awards will be presented to outstanding high school performers and the Methodist College student whose one-act play is judged the best.

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Morning, afternoon, and evening performances are free and open to the public. For a complete schedule of the day's activities, contact Dr. Jack Peyrouse, professor of theatre and speech, 630-7104.

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CHURCH HANDBELL CHOIRS TO GIVE CONCERT AT METHODIST COLLEGE

FAYETTEVILLE, NC -- More than 300 church handbell ringers from North Carolina and surrounding states will give a free concert Saturday, March 21 during a handbell festival at Methodist College.

Hart Morris, director of music at Second Presbyterian Church in Memphis, Tennessee, will serve as guest conductor/clinician. He has led handbell seminars and conducted massed choirs in 25 states.

After eight hours of rehearsal over a two-day period, the massed handbell choirs will give a free concert Saturday, March 21 at 3:30 p.m. in the March F. Riddle Center on the Methodist College campus. The public is cordially invited. The concert will last approximately 45 minutes.

The handbell festival is sponsored by the Fellowship of United Methodists in Worship, Music, and other Arts; the N.C. Conference Board of Worship; and Methodist College.

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March 27, 1992

Public Relations Director

BIRD-WALK AT METHODIST BEGINS AT 8 A.M.

FAYETTEVILLE, NC -- A March 13 press release concerning the Methodist College "bird walk" to be held Saturday, April 4 contained the wrong time. The bird-watching excursion will begin at 8 a.m. not, 10 a.m.

The college submitted the correct 8 a.m. time to the Dogwood Festival office (with its original sanctioned-event application) and the correct time appears in the April Artsline.

The college Public Relations office regrets the error in the composit press release of March 13. Please change the time from 10 a.m. to 8 a.m. if you plan to list our bird-walk among Dogwood Festival events.

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Public Relations Director

METHODIST COLLEGE MUSIC STUDENTS WIN AWARDS

FAYETTEVILLE, NC-- Six Methodist College music students recently received honors for musical performance.

Andrea Schmaltz, a sophomore from Fayetteville, was second runner-up March 13, among 16 college pianists performing at Southeastern Community College's 14th Annual Piano Festival. She is a student of Jane Weeks Gardiner.

Five vocalists won awards March 20-21 during spring auditions of the North Carolina chapter, National Association of Teachers of Singing, at East Carolina University. All are voice students of Mrs. Diane Guthrie:

- Jason Britt, a senior from Fayetteville, won Second Place in the Junior Men category,
- Stephanie Davisson, a senior from Fayetteville, won Second Place in the College Women Musical Theatre category.
- Elizabeth Harris* won First Place in the High School Beginning Women category.
- Emily Paris* won Second Place in the High School Beginning Women category.
- Kristen Campbell* won First Place in the High School Advanced Women category.

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March 30, 1992

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METHODIST COLLEGE PRESS RELEASES BOOK ABOUT DORIS BETTS

FAYETTEVILLE, NC -- Methodist College Press has published The Home Truths of Doris Betts, a collection of biographical material and literary criticism presented at the college's 1989 Southern Writers' Symposium. The book was co-edited by Dr. Sue Laslie Kimball and Dr. Lynn Veach Sadler.

The 153-page paperback includes the full text of 10 major papers about Mrs. Betts' work, a symposium address by the Tar Heel author, the script of a Lee Yopp play based on a Betts' short story, and an extensive bibliography of works about Doris Betts.

Contributors to the book include former Betts students Tim McLaurin and Randall Kenan; UNC-Chapel Hill English professors Robert Bain and Robert Kirkpatrick; and college English professors from LSU, UNC-Charlotte, Georgia Tech, York Technical College, St. John's University, Georgia State University, N.C. State University, Pembroke State University, and Methodist College.

"We are pleased to have this opportunity to honor one of North Carolina's finest writers" said Dr. Sue Kimball. "This book is timely, in view of the fact Doris' latest novel, Souls Raised From the Dead, is about to be released."

Copies of The Home Truths of Doris Betts can be ordered from Methodist College Press, c/o Dr. Sue Kimball, 5400 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC 28311. The cost is \$15.95 per copy plus \$1 for postage and handling.

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