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## **METHODIST COLLEGE TO HOLD GROUNDBREAKING FOR NEW BUILDINGS**

**FAYETTEVILLE, NC**—Methodist College will hold a groundbreaking ceremony Thursday, February 12 for its new academic building—Walter B. and Margaret T. Clark Hall—and annex to Davis Memorial Library. The ceremony is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. adjacent to the Trustees Classroom Building parking lot.

Funded by donations to the college's "Expanding the Vision" capital campaign, the two buildings have a total project cost of \$3.5 million. Player, Inc. of Fayetteville is the general contractor.

"We still have some funds to raise," said College President Elton Hendricks, "but we are going forward with these buildings in anticipation that additional gifts will be received to cover increased project costs of approximately \$420,000."

The two-story addition to Davis Memorial Library totals 13,544 square feet and Clark Hall contains 10,433 square feet. Total construction times are estimated at eighteen months for the library annex and twelve months for Clark Hall.

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## JEAN HODGES TO CHAIR 1998 FUND DRIVE FOR METHODIST COLLEGE

**FAYETTEVILLE, NC**—Jean Hodges, chief executive officer of Hodges Associates, will chair the 1998 Community Loyalty Campaign for Methodist College.

Ms. Hodges is one of the Fayetteville area's most successful businesswomen. A native of Waco, Texas, she holds a bachelor's degree in advertising and journalism from Texas Christian University and an M.B.A. from the University of Mexico. Hodges Associates, the ad agency she founded 23 years ago, has won numerous awards for creativity and professional excellence. She has been very active in community and civic affairs—the Methodist College Foundation, Boys and Girls Club of Cumberland County, Association of the U.S. Army, Dogwood Festival—and currently serves as a Hoke County commissioner.

Members of the Methodist College Foundation and volunteers will kick off the 1998 fund drive at the annual Loyalty Day Breakfast Tuesday, February 10. Later that day, they will call on friends of Methodist College to ask for contributions to help meet this year's goal of \$260,000. The Community Loyalty Campaign is a once-a-year effort by the Methodist College Foundation to obtain contributions from local citizens toward the college's annual operating budget.

This year's theme, "All It Takes Is You," stresses the importance of citizens' donations. "While they make up a small percentage of the college's total operating costs," noted Ms. Hodges, "they allow Methodist to give 100 percent to its students and our community. Being in the advertising business, I know that quality attracts quality. As a top-notch educational institution, Methodist brings students from all over the world to our area, is a valuable educational and cultural

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## JEAN HODGES TO CHAIR FUND DRIVE

resource and brings prestige to our community.”

“Jean Hodges is a long-time supporter of Methodist College and our community,” said Anna Smith, current president of the Methodist College Foundation, “and I believe her enthusiastic leadership will help us reach our goal.”

Since it was founded in 1957, the Methodist College Foundation has raised a total of \$8.3 million in sustaining funds for Methodist College.

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— Ed Cohn — Paul Wilson

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**MONARCH THEATRE PRESENTS *THE HELIOTROPE BOUQUET* BY SCOTT JOPLIN AND LOUIS CHAUVIN**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Monarch Theatre at Methodist College will present Eric Overmeyer's fantasia on ragtime themes, *The Heliotrope Bouquet by Scott Joplin and Louis Chauvin*, Feb. 26—March 1 in Reeves Auditorium. The play was selected to coincide with Black History Month.

Directed by Dr. Paul Wilson, the play chronicles the relationship between two ragtime composers—Scott Joplin and Louis Chauvin—by focusing on "The Heliotrope Bouquet," a piece of music composed jointly by the two. The play will feature a number of ragtime favorites, as well as lesser-known musical gems. "We're using the original pieces by Joplin and new ragtime pieces by Max Morath and William Bolcum," said Dr. Wilson.

*The Heliotrope Bouquet* features a diverse cast of Monarch Theatre veterans and newcomers alike. Theatre audiences will recognize Joel Stanford-Asiyo in the role of Louis Chauvin, as well as Danny Harrington, Stephanie Decker and Ernie Cristobal. New to Monarch Theatre are Stanley Owens in the role of Scott Joplin, as well as Katherine Buckman-Moore, Winson Clark, Kevin Via, Rogelio Sanchez, Chantel Wallace and Rena Alexander.

The black composer and pianist known as the "king of Ragtime," Scott Joplin performed throughout the Midwest in the 1880's, moving to Sedalia, Mo. in 1895 where he studied music at the George R. Smith College for Negroes. Between 1899 and 1911, he published a number of ragtime songs and one opera, *Treemonisha*. Obsessed with becoming a concert pianist and classical composer, he suffered a nervous breakdown in 1911 and was institutionalized in 1916.

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METHODIST TO PERFORM *THE HELIOTROPE BOUQUET*

Louis Chauvin, a native of St. Louis, was a protege of Sam Patterson, a ragtimer who lived on the same street and attended the same schools he did. In 1904 Chauvin won two ragtime piano contests in St. Louis and became famous by playing piano and singing in a trio with Patterson at the "Old St. Louis" restaurant. Although many felt Chauvin's musical talent was equal to Joplin's, Chauvin was a heavy drinker and womanizer. He died in Chicago at the age of 28, leaving only a handful of published works behind.

*The Heliotrope Bouquet* will be performed Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights at 8 p.m. and Sunday, March 1 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$4 for students and senior citizens and free to Methodist College students and staff with I.D. Seating is limited, so reservations are recommended; phone 630-7483 to reserve seats. Because of mature language and subject matter, this play is not recommended for children.

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## **MARGARET ROSE AND TERRY SANFORD DONATE AUDUBON PRINTS TO METHODIST COLLEGE**

**FAYETTEVILLE, NC**—Margaret Rose and Terry Sanford of Durham, N. C. have donated a facsimile set of *The Birds of America* by John James Audubon to Methodist College's Davis Memorial Library.

The four-volume, leather-bound set includes 435 color reproductions of drawings Audubon made between 1826 and 1838 of more than 457 species of birds. The original "life-sized" drawings were printed on pages which measured 29 1/2 by 39 1/2 inches. Fewer than 175 folios of all 435 prints were produced by Audubon's European printer.

In 1985 the National Audubon Society collaborated with Abbeville Press to have Audubon's original drawings photographed and reproduced by a Japanese printer. The Sanfords purchased one of the 350 facsimile editions through the Audubon Society and had a wooden bookcase and stand built to house the four volumes. The four-volume set sold for \$15,000 in 1985 and had doubled in price by 1991.

"Davis Library is proud to receive such a priceless piece of art, as well as a reproduction of the accompanying five-volume text entitled *Ornithological Biography*," said Susan Pulsipher, director of library services. "The set has been placed in the library's Special Collections Room."

Terry Sanford is a trustee emeritus of Methodist College; he was the first chairman of the Board of Trustees (1956-67) and served continuously on the board until 1993. He also served as honorary chair of the College's "Come of Age" and "Expanding the Vision" capital campaigns. Methodist awarded him an honorary Doctor of Law degree in 1981.



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## **STARCHER FAMILY ENDOWS SCHOLARSHIP AT METHODIST COLLEGE**

**FAYETTEVILLE, NC**—The family of Shirley Starcher has endowed a memorial scholarship at Methodist College to aid students enrolled in the college's physician assistant program.

Her brother, Charles W. Young, recently presented the college with a \$27,000 check to establish the Shirley Starcher Memorial Scholarship Fund. A registered nurse, Ms. Starcher was Director of Professional Services at Home Health Services of Cumberland County, Inc. for thirteen years. Ms. Starcher died of cancer in June 1996 at the age of 42.

The funds being used to create the scholarship were raised by friends of Ms. Starcher. Shirley Starcher was a graduate of Cape Fear High School and the Watts School of Nursing. She was also a lifelong member of Culbreth Memorial United Methodist Church where she sang in the choir and taught Sunday school.

"Shirley was dedicated to her family and church and demonstrated an intense loyalty and dedication to our agency," said Elizabeth Hudspeth, executive director of Home Health Services of Cumberland County, Inc. "In addition to her sterling character, Shirley possessed attributes that others may strive to attain during a lifetime and that made her an outstanding leader. She was respectful and accepting of others, as well as focused and steadfast in working toward the goals of the agency. She was a wonderful mentor through word and example and possessed a great sense of humor. Shirley was loved, respected, and admired by all who worked with her or were privileged to have known her professionally."

The first Shirley Starcher Memorial Scholarship will be awarded this fall.

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## **JUDGE TIMMONS-GOODSON TO SPEAK AT METHODIST COLLEGE**

**FAYETTEVILLE, NC**—N. C. Court of Appeals Judge Patricia Timmons-Goodson will be the keynote speaker at the 1998 Tally Leadership Forum Monday, Feb. 23 at Methodist College. Her topic will be "The Risky Years: Pre-empting Juvenile and Young Adult Crime." Her address is slated for 11 a.m. in Reeves Auditorium. The public is invited.

"College students are in an age group that many think is experiencing the most difficult challenges in our country today," said Dr. Suzan Cheek, director of Methodist's Tally Leadership Center. "This forum gives them the opportunity to frankly discuss problems confronting young people today and to look for creative ways to solve these problems."

After Judge Timmons-Goodson's speech, Seventh District Congressman Mike McIntyre will give an overview of federal programs designed to combat juvenile and young adult crime. The major addresses Monday morning will be followed by student roundtable discussions of issues related to the main topic Monday afternoon, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

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## **JACK LINDLEY NAMED TO METHODIST COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**FAYETTEVILLE, NC**—Jack R. Lindley of Burlington, N. C. was recently elected to the Methodist College Board of Trustees.

Mr. Lindley is president of Jack Lindley, Inc., a Burlington-based insurance agency. A graduate of Elon College, he has served on the boards of the Alamance County Chamber of Commerce, the Alamance Community College Foundation, Alamance Country Club, Eldercare, Elon Homes for Children, the Salvation Army, and United Way.

Mr. Lindley and his wife Dorothy are the parents of two grown daughters and one son. They attend Emmanuel United Methodist Church.

Methodist College in Fayetteville is a four-year college of liberal arts and sciences which opened in 1960. The college has a current enrollment of 1,600.

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## **JAMES H. MORGAN TO SPEAK AT STOCK MARKET SYMPOSIUM**

**FAYETTEVILLE, NC**—James H. Morgan, chairman and chief executive officer of Interstate/Johnson Lane, a Charlotte-based brokerage and investment firm, will deliver the keynote address at the 21st annual Stock Market Symposium Thursday, April 2 at the Holiday Inn Bordeaux. The event is sponsored by the Center for Entrepreneurship at Methodist College.

A native of Greenville, S. C. and a graduate of Vanderbilt University, Mr. Morgan has more than 25 years of experience in the securities industry and heads a \$233 million public corporation. He was a repeat winner in the *Wall Street Journal's* annual stock picking contest in the early 90's. In 1995, he earned national recognition by achieving a one-year return of 42.2 percent in a *Smart Money Magazine* portfolio-management competition.

Methodist College will continue its tradition of presenting three business awards—Outstanding Woman Entrepreneur, Small Business Excellence, and Silver Spoon—at the Stock Market Symposium. Area residents have until March 12 to forward nominations for these awards to Dr. Gautam in care of the College. Nomination forms can be obtained by calling 486-1627.

Tickets for the symposium are \$20 per person. Checks should be made payable to Methodist College and sent to the Center for Entrepreneurship, Methodist College, 5400 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, N.C. 28311. Reservations can be made by phoning 486-1627; March 26 is the last day to register.