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MONARCH THEATRE CLOSES SEASON WITH THE GLASS MENAGERIE

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Monarch Theatre at Methodist College will close its 97-98 season with *The Glass Menagerie*, the classic from Southern playwright Tennessee Williams, as a feature of this year's Dogwood Festival. The pl ay opens Thursday, April 23 and runs through Saturday, April 25 at 8:00 P.M., and Sunday, April 26 at 2:00 P.M. in Reeves Auditorium on the Methodist College campus.

Described by the author as "a memory play", *The Glass Menagerie* is translucently autobiographical. The narrator, Tom Wingfield, speaks for Tennessee Williams himself. Like Williams' own mother, Amanda Wingfield is a daughter of the Old South fighting to hold on to her values amid the political and social upheavals of the 1930's. The glass menagerie represents for Laura, as it did for William's sister Rose, the perfect beauty she could not find in her own life.

The Glass Menagerie is directed by Phoebe Hall, an adjunct professor in the Methodist College Theatre Department and a local director and actress. Recent Monarch Theatre productions directed by Ms. Hall include *The Jack Tales*, *The Velveteen Rabbit*, and last season's all faculty production of *Camping With Henry and Tom*.

The cast features Monarch Theatre veterans of recent and more distant productions. In the part of Laura, audiences will recognize Ruthe Miller from her roles in *The Tempest, Come Back to the Five and Dime, Jimmy Dean, Jimmy Dean*, and as Fruma Sarah in this season's *Fiddler on the Roof*. In the role of Tom, Dan Harrington will be

Monarch Theatre Presents The Glass Menagerie

remembered for his roles in *The Tempest, Fiddler on the Roof,* and in the recent Monarch Theatre production of *The Heliotrope Bouquet*.

Joining the cast for his second performance with Monarth Theatre is Justin McMahon in the part of the Gentleman Caller, who recently performed the role of Mendel in *Fiddler on the Roof.* Returning to Monarch Theatre is Pam Thibodeau performing the role of Amanda. Pam is a Methodist College graduate who appeared in the Monarch Theatre production of *Crimes of the Heart* in the 95-96 season.

Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$4 for students and senior citizens, and \$3 for children under age 12. Members of the Methodist College community (students, faculty, and staff) are free with an I.D. Seating is limited, so reservations are recommended. Please call (910) 630-7483 for details and reservations.

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CAROLINE KEARNS' SENIOR ART EXHIBITION OPENS MAY 1 AT METHODIST COLLEGE

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Caroline F. Kearns will present her senior art exhibition May 1-June 12 in the Mallett-Rogers House on the Methodist College campus. Entitled "Techno-Mechanical Creature Feature," the show will open with a public reception Friday, May 1 from 6 - 9 p.m. in the Mallett-Rogers House.

An Army veteran, Kearns is a 1993 graduate of Methodist College with double majors in English and communications/mass media. She returned to Methodist in 1994 to begin work on a major in art. Since her re-enrollment, she has shown her work in numerous juried exhibitions, including the 24th and 25th Annual Competitions for North Carolina Artists at the Fayetteville Museum of Art. She also participated in the Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County's Annual Juried Artists Competitions in 1995, 1996, and 1997, winning a First Place award last year in the amateur category. More recently, she received a First Place award in the national (FORSCOM) level of the All Army Art Contest.

Kearns says her current body of work is derived from her personal love of mechanical and technological devices. "In many of these works," she notes, "I use mechanical components such as spark plugs, distributor caps, and exhaust headers to animate—often in a playful or humorous manner—technological themes." The artist also incorporates mechanical elements with human qualities to "recreate" monsters from Greek mythology.

"Techno-Mechanical Creature Feature" can be viewed Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. May 1-June 12 in the Mallett-Rogers House on the Methodist College campus.

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TEXAS EXECUTIVE, FAYETTEVILLE MINISTER TO ADDRESS SPRING GRADUATES

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Mr. Robert H. Dedman of Dallas, Texas, and The Reverend R. Carl Frazier, Jr. of Fayetteville will be the principal speakers at Methodist College's 35th spring commencement exercises Sunday, May 10.

The baccalaureate service will be held at 10:30 a.m. in Reeves Auditorium. Commencement exercises are scheduled for 2 p.m. in the March F. Riddle Center. Methodist will award degrees to approximately 170 seniors.

The commencement speaker, Robert Dedman, is chairman of the board and CEO of Club Corporation International, which operates 260 resorts and country clubs and employs 16,000. ClubCorp.'s North Carolina holdings include: Pinehurst Resort and Country Club, Capital City Club, and the Carolina Club.

Mr. Dedman, now 71, grew up in Arkansas and Texas. He attended the University of Texas, where he earned economics, engineering, and law degrees; he also earned a master's in law at Southern Methodist University. After graduating from college, he served two years in the Navy and sold real estate and insurance. As a young lawyer, he worked as counsel for Texas oil billionaire H. L. Hunt.

In 1957, Mr. Dedman built and opened Brookhaven Country Club (consisting of three golf courses) in the Dallas suburb of Farmers Branch; that was the beginning of ClubCorp. Seven years later he gave up his law practice to devote his full energies to acquiring and managing ClubCorp resorts.

Robert Dedman is renowned for his hard work, entrepreneurship, and philanthropy. A lifelong Methodist, he enjoys golf, tennis and literature. He currently chairs the Board of Trustees at Southern Methodist.

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The baccalaureate speaker, Rev. Carl Frazier, Jr., is completing his first year as pastor of Hay Street United Methodist Church in Fayetteville, after previously serving St. Francis United Methodist Church in Cary, N. C. for eight years. A native of Wilson, N. C., he holds a B.A. degree with honors from Barton College and a Master of Divinity degree from Duke University.

Rev. Frazier is an elder in the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church and currently serves on the Conference's Council on Finance and Administration and the Board of Ordained Ministry. He has also taught Old Testament at Louisburg College and had several of his sermons published in the *Abington Preacher's Journal*.

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ODK AT METHODIST COLLEGE INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—The Methodist College circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership honor society, inducted 24 new members April 14.

The new members are:

<u>From Fayetteville</u>— Kenneth Asay, David Baggett, Devone Campbell, Mytrang Dang, Stephanie Decker, Kaori Ito, Julie Jones, Deborah King, Travis Kornegay, Tammy Parrott, Michealle Reece, Joseph Ulatowski, Lindsey Via, and Lynley Asay (honorary).

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<u>From Other Areas</u>—Karen Bettencourt, Wilmington, NC; Corey Fisk, Yorktown, VA; Michael Gugliotti, Baton-Rouge, LA; Reza Hatefi, Raleigh, NC; Jason Joyner, Zebulon, NC; Corene King, Syracuse, NY; Todd Purgason, Eden, NC; Sara Trout, Cape Carteret, NC; Nicole Vrentas, Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD.

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KAPPA DELTA PI AT METHODIST COLLEGE INDUCTS 14

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—The Methodist College chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, a national honor society for undergraduate students majoring in education, inducted 14 new members April 15.

Dr. Elizabeth Belford, KDP advisor, and Dr. Tony DeLapa, vice president for academic affairs, welcomed the following Methodist College students as new inductees:

<u>From Fayetteville:</u> Diana Martin, Clarence McDowell, Jennifer Rees, Deborah Riggsbee, and Dana Schneider.

<u>From Other Areas:</u> Heather Averill and Heather Koch from Fort Bragg; Brian O'Neal from Hope Mills; Deborah Lemire and Erin Teribury from Cameron; Edwin Guzman from Sanford.

Inducted as honorary members were: Frank Beck, interim technology and computer instructor at Methodist College; Donald Dawson, prinicipal of E. E. Miller Elementary School; and Rachel McClellon, principal of W. T. Brown Elementary School.

Requirements for membership in Kappa Delta Pi are: acceptance into the teacher education program, a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better, and an invitation to join from current members and education faculty.

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METHODIST COLLEGE CHEERLEADERS FINISH THIRD IN NCA EVENT

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—The Methodist College cheerleaders took Third Place honors at the National Cheerleaders Association's Collegiate National Championships held in Daytona Beach, Florida, the first weekend in April.

The Monarch cheerleaders were among five teams which advanced to the finals in Division II. Cheerleading Coach Kim Johnson said the Methodist team turned in "an incredible performance." The judges awarded First Place to the cheerleaders from Georgia College and Second Place to a team from Universidad Latina de Costa Rica. Methodist's team received a paid bid to compete last fall after submitting a ninety-second videotape of their cheerleading skills.

In addition to a Third Place award for the team, Sarah Rapalje and John Cooper took
Fifth Place honors in the partner stunt competition. The championships were videotaped by
the CBS and USA television networks; part of the Methodist cheerleaders' routine will be
shown on USA Network May 2 at 11 a.m. EST.

The members of the Methodist College Cheerleading Team are: Jeannette Cox, Sarah Rapalje, Jessica Kindle, Stacy Fabrico, Stephanie Keith, Stephanie Cuddy, Malinda Ortega, Nyesha Derry, Lindy Mealor, Sema Hashemi, John Cooper, Ryan Baer, Jason Tomasko, Tim Reger, Nate Weston, Andrew Farriss, Lee Garnto, James Brinson, Jody Thompson and Brian Thompson. Josh Tovar serves as a volunteer assistant to Coach Kim Johnson.

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EDDIE PRICE ELECTED S.G.A. PRESIDENT AT METHODIST COLLEGE

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist College students recently elected Eddie Price, a rising junior from Princess Anne, MD, president of the Student Government Association for 1998-99.

Price outpolled Thomas Woodridge of Fayetteville for the post in a campuswide election April 16. Price has been an "A" student at Methodist and was elected president of his freshman class. He is majoring in business administration with a concentration in professional golf management.

Eddie Price is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jaye Price of 30401 Pine Street in Princess Anne, MD. He is a graduate of Washington High School, where he was Most Valuable Player on the varsity golf and tennis teams and won several awards for scholarship and leadership.

Other S.G.A. officer elected April 16 are:

Felix Sarfo-Kantanka, vice president; a rising senior from Glen Allen, VA;

Shawn Hartman, treasurer, a rising junior from Chambersburg, PA;

Randy Blouin, chief justice, a rising junior from Turner, ME.

Students elected to the S.G.A. Senate are:

Heather Grisby, Frank Santora, Erin Schablick, Sema Hashemi, Priscilla Farhan, Veronica Seabolt, Julie Schuermann, Sissy Sink, Lea Metz, Mary Johnston, and Steve Vinci.



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METHODIST COLLEGE HONORS STUDENTS, TWO PROFESSORS

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist College held its annual Awards Day Convocation April 27. A complete list of award recipients follows:

Professor of the Year Award (a fie) Silvana M. Foti, Professor of Art Peggy S. Hinson, Professor of Art

The Balaez-Ambrose Mathematics Award
Robert Allan Boyle (Fayetteville)

The Willis Gates Music Award N/A

Inge Dent German Award
Rainer M. Bachofer—[Bond]—5721 Sagamore, Hope Mills, NC 28348

Marie C. Fox Philosophy Award

Joseph Ulatowski—[Bond]—4225 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville NC 28311

(Norwood, MA)

Walter B. Clark Maximum Effort Award

Lewis Oatman (Hope Mills)

Band Award N/A

The Clark Memorial Science Service Award
Teresa Lynch (Forester Ite)

The Edna L. Contardi English Award
Sonya Sparks Murdock (Fayettoville)

Outstanding Communications Major
Amanda M. Fellers (Fayetherille)

The Pauline Longest Education Award

Jennifer Mour (Fayeddeville)

The Publisher's Award
Amanda M. Fellers (Faye Hours)

The Elizabeth Weaver Award
Theodora Devone Campbell (Fayetteville)

The Methodist College President's ROTC Award
Brian P. Wolford (Fayetheville)

The Mullen-Mansfield Memorial Award
Kelly L. French—[Bond]—1309 Maple Leaf Ct #3D, Medford OR 97504

The Plyler Humanities Award

Karen Bouvier

(Faxetheville

Networth Award

Theodora Devone Campbell - Fayesteville Jacqueline Torres - Fayesteville

J. Elaine Porter French Award

Kelly L. French—[Bond]—1309 Maple Leaf Ct #3D, Medford OR 97504

The Military Order of the World Wars N/A

The Cumberland Oratorio Singers Choral Award

Brenda Vandervort (Newburgh, NY)

The Pulliam Award

James Doucette (Fayetheville)

Reserve Officers Association Award

N/A

Female Senior Athlete of the Year

Jody McIntyre Ontario, (Canada)

Male Senior Athlete of the Year

DeCarlos West Winston-Lelem, NC

Scholar Athletes

Todd Purgason Eden, NC

Scott Schwarzer Blythewood, SC

Tiffany Sprouse Faxettoville

Cape Fear Chapter of the Retired Officers Association

Frederick L. Teribury Cameron, NC

The Gautam Award in Business Administration

[Bond] Arkadiy Gornovoy—7601 North Pine Hill Drive, Richmond VA 23228

Clark Award in Accounting

Mary Lynn Mercer—[Bond] 1846 Wayne Lane, Fayetteville NC 28304

Charles M. Reeves, Jr. Outstanding Scholar Award

Iris S. Murphy Fever Hoville

Plyler-Knott Award in Religion N/A

The Ott-Cooper Award

Kelli Davis (Jacksonville, FL)

The George and Lillian Miller History Award

Joseph Ulatowski (Norwood, MA)

Chemical Rubber Company Award

Matt Lindgren (Fayoffeville)

America Institute of Chemists Award

Kelli Davis (Jacksonville, FL)

Yolanda M. Cowley Spanish Award

Sonya G. Cater—[Bond]—2543 Silverbell Loop, Fayetteville NC 28304

College Bowl Awards

N/A

Outstanding Social Work Student Award

Edryce Tucker (Faxetheville)

Outstanding Social Work Senior Award

Suzanne Yarborough (Faxettoville)

Outstanding Criminal Justice Graduate Award

Yvette Williams-Bethea (Hope MY18, NC)

Outstanding Criminal Justice Freshman Award

Jeremy Wilson Lake Toxaway, NC

Criminal Justice Service Award

Ruth VanOrman Fayellerine

Criminal Justice Scholar Award

Brian Wolford

Sonya Sparks Murdock Sherry Sparks (Fayotteville)

Joe Cannata Memorial Award

Yvelle Williams-Bethea (Hope Mills, WC)

Amy Young Fayetheville

Outstanding Health Care Administration Student Award Charity L. Adair FaseMess(e)

USPTA Southern Division PTM Scholarship Award Kristine Broadwell - St. Pauls, WC

The Fayetteville Rotary Club; William Lowdermilk Award Taplie Coile - New Bern, NC

Theatre Awards

Stephanie Decker Fayelfeville Jason Masker Stedman, NC

Hall of Fame Awards

Academics—Caroline Kearns Faretherille
Fine Arts—Lee Bugeja Faretherille
Athletics—Trayfer Monroe Fairmont, NC
Campus Life—Cliff Harris Greenport, NY
Religious Life—Jason Joyner Zebulon, NC

Peer Tutor of the Year John Richardson Fayethoville

Excellent Service to the Peer Tutor Program

Tricia Riordan Faxestouille Joseph Ulatowski Norwood, MA

Outstanding Service for Peer Tutor Program Sarah Graff Lexing ton, KY

Outstanding Peer Tutor

Kim Reckner Hollsopple, 8A
Chris Wolfe Darham, NC
Jason Joyner Zebalon, NC
Susan Smith Roseboro, NC
Stephanie Oldham Fayetheville
Shirley Lazaro Faxetheville
Reza Hatefi Raleiph, NC
Mark Kirsch Warminster, PA
Greg Lamendola Tellahassee, FL
Yoski Ando Faxetheville, NC
Howard Thomas Fayetheville
Donald Warren Faxetheville

Peer Mentor Awards

Danielle Dombrowski Hubert, NC
Mary Johnston Fayetten'lle
Tasha Thompson Charlotte, NC
Shawn Hartman Chambersburg, PA
Susan Cherry Fayetten'lle
Mark McLamb Four Oaks, NC
Lea Metz Fayetten'lle
Lindsey Via Fayetten'lle
Laura Szyikowski Fayetten'lle

Marshals for the Class of 1998

Chief Marshal

Linda Harding Fort Brass, NC

Marshals

Kenneth Asay Faxatteville
Rachel Barry Stadman
Stephanie Decker Fayetteville
Peggy Graves Fayatteville
Heather Grigsby Manning, It
Marlies Kellermann Lumber Bridge, WC
Whitney Larrimore Fayetteville
Stephanie Oldham Fayatteville
Kyoko Okumura Fayetteville
Deborah Riley Fayatteville
Susan Smith Roceboro, NC
Sean Wilson Fayetteville