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**WACHOVIA MAKES GIFT TO METHODIST COLLEGE TO
ESTABLISH SCHOLARS PROGRAM**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC – The Wachovia Foundation has committed a gift of \$250,000 to establish the Methodist College Wachovia Scholars Program. This program will be a distinguished merit program for students from North Carolina who demonstrate high academic achievement, leadership qualities, commitment to community service, and good citizenship. Beginning in 2006 through 2010, four scholarships of \$5,000 will be awarded each year to members of the incoming freshman class who meet eligibility requirements. Typical candidates for the Wachovia Scholars Program will have a 3.7 high school GPA and a minimum 1200 SAT score.

“Methodist College is committed to making a quality education affordable to every deserving student, said President M. Elton Hendricks. On an annual basis, the College commits over 20% of its budget to financial aid. Approximately 85% of our students would not be able to attend Methodist College without some form of financial assistance. This extraordinary gift from Wachovia will make a Methodist College education possible for some of the best and brightest students in North Carolina.”

Wachovia is one of the largest providers of financial services in the United States, operating as Wachovia Bank in 15 states from Connecticut to Florida and west to Texas, and serving retail brokerage clients under the name Wachovia Securities nationwide as well as in five Latin American countries. They also serve investment banking clients in selected industries nationwide, and provide global services through 40 offices around the world. Additional information about Wachovia may be found at www.wachovia.com.

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Photo caption: Pictured from left to right are: Dr. Franklin Clark, Chair of the Cape Fear Area Advisory Board of Wachovia; Dr. M. Elton Hendricks, President of Methodist College and Jerry Dean, Market President of the Cape Fear Area Market of Wachovia.



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**THE HONORABLE TONY RAND TO LEAD METHODIST COLLEGE
LOYALTY DAY FUND DRIVE**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC – North Carolina State Senator Tony Rand will lead more than 150 community volunteers as they canvass Cumberland County on Tuesday, February 7, 2006, seeking support for Methodist College’s scholarship fund. Loyalty Day, a tradition that pre-dates the College’s opening in 1960, was established when a group of Cumberland County citizens made a commitment to raise yearly operating funds to support their new college. Fifty years later, this group, now called the Methodist College Foundation Board, has raised more than \$7 million for the College.

This year’s Loyalty Day will be devoted to honoring Methodist College’s founders, who foresaw the need for larger numbers of strong, well-educated leaders in the future and made the contributions of time and resources necessary to provide for their education.

“Our theme for 2006 is *Celebrating 50 Years: Foundation for the Future*,” said Lauren Cook Wike, director of the College’s annual fund. “In our fiftieth anniversary year, we wanted to gather descendents of the original foundation board to participate in the Loyalty Day Kick-off event to recognize their ancestor’s profound contribution to the College and the community.”

“Methodist’s founders were committed to establishing a college that would provide an excellent, values-driven liberal arts education for many generations to come,” said Tony Rand, 2006 Loyalty Day chairman. “Remember, your support on this day will demonstrate your support for our community, for education, and for the future, which benefits us all.”

This year’s Foundation Board members are John B. “Brad” Hurley, president; Louis C. Feraca, vice president; Brett Hulsey, treasurer; Lauren Cook Wike, secretary; Kevin S. Bunn, immediate past president; Jeffery F. Baker; Frank K. Barragan III; Bill Bowman; Charles Broadwell; Alan Buffaloe; Stephen Driggers ‘76; Mac Edwards; Mark Fisher;

Mary Flagg N. Haugh; Bishop Kenneth L. Hill; Timothy J. Hinton; Gwen Holtsclaw '68; Lucy T. Jones; William A. "Bill" Martin; James T. Melvin; Jim Pittman; Ann C. Raper; and J. Lee Warren '75.

The Beasley Broadcasting Group and Cumulus Broadcast House have donated public service announcements, which will air on multiple radio stations before the drive. Print advertising and other publicity is also planned.

The Loyalty Day Kick-off Breakfast is scheduled for 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. in the Green 'n Gold Café on the Methodist College campus. Media may R.S.V.P. for the Kick-off Breakfast by calling (910) 630-7043 or e-mailing crivas@methodist.edu. For more information, to make a contribution, or to volunteer for Loyalty Day 2006, call (910) 630-7200 or e-mail lwike@methodist.edu.

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January 13, 2006

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METHODIST COLLEGE'S MICHAEL POTTS A TWO-TIME WINNER

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Michael Potts, Associate Professor of Philosophy at Methodist College, has won the 2006 Mary Belle Campbell Poetry Book Publication Award for his collection of poems, *From Field to Thicket*, and the 2006 Rose Post Creative Nonfiction Award for his touching personal essay, “Haunted.”

Potts, a native of Linden, NC, has won what may be a first-time event for the Writer’s Network, one writer winning two competitions in different genres the same 24-hour period. A poet/essayist, Potts was nominated for the Mary Belle Campbell Award by colleague Robin Greene, herself a winner of the Harperprints Chapbook Award for *Memories of Light* in 1991.

The 2006 Rose Post Creative Nonfiction Prize judge, distinguished nonfiction writer and poet Diana Hume George, selected Potts’s essay, “Haunted,” from six finalists sent to her by preliminary judge Ann Wicker of Charlotte. George praised the work of Michael Potts saying “This writer has the gift of an emotional clarity that I find rare. He’s fearless about his fears, and he knows how to translate them in words that do not evade or deny. The result is disarming, both scary and sweet.”



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METHODIST COLLEGE TO HOST SPECIAL OLYMPICS COMPETITION

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist College will be host to some very special athletes from Fort Bragg and Cumberland County for the Special Olympics Individual Skills Basketball Competition. The event, scheduled for January 26 and 27 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, will be held in the March F. Riddle Physical Activities Center on the campus of the College.

The athletes participating are comprised of students from Cumberland County and Fort Bragg schools as well as adults with disabilities and intellectual challenges.

Athletes will compete in divisions according to ability level and all will leave as winners. The event will start with ceremonial torch lighting and will conclude with a traditional award ceremony.

The competition will include a 10-meter dribble, spot shot and target pass.

The event is being coordinated by Special Olympics of Cumberland County. For more information, contact the area coordinator, Jamie Crayton at 910.433.1000.



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DR. MACK TO SPEAK AT 2006 SPRING CONVOCATION

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Dr. Dwayne Mack, Carter G. Woodson Chair in African American History in the Department of History at Berea College in Berea, Kentucky, will speak at Methodist College's Spring Convocation on Monday, February 6 at 11:00a.m.

Dr. Mack completed his bachelor's degree in American History from Methodist College in 1993. He then went on to earn his master's degree at North Carolina Central University in 1996. In May of 2002, he completed his Ph.D. at Washington State University in Pullman, Washington.

Dr. Mack's presentation will start Methodist College's observance of Black History Month. His 2002 dissertation addressed "Triumphing through Adversity: African Americans in Spokane, Washington, 1945-1965—A Social History." Dr. Mack has taught a number of related courses, including: Civil Rights Movement 356; Introduction to African American History 165; Slavery's Impact on American Society 386; and Ethnic Studies 101.

For more information contact Dr. Peter Murray, professor of History, at (910) 630-7075 or visit <http://www.methodist.edu/history>.



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METHODIST COLLEGE TO HOST SPRING LECTURE

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— Methodist College will host its annual Terry Sanford Lecture on Friday February 10 at 11 a.m. This year's guest speaker is Colonel Norvell "Tex" DeAtkine. He will be speaking on "The Twelve Burdens of Arab History." Colonel De Atkine served in the U.S. Army for 26 years. He holds the Master of Arts in Arab Studies from the American University of Beirut. In 1981, he was in attendance at a military parade when Egyptian President Anwar Sadat was assassinated. Since his retirement from the Army in 1985, Colonel De Atkine has served as a lecturer on political and military affairs within the U.S. Special Operations community. With the exception of Libya, he has traveled to every Middle East country and most recently to Iraq. He has written a number of articles for Parameters, The Middle East Quarterly, Academic Questions, Special Warfare, Crisis, and American Diplomacy.

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**MR. METHODIST PAGEANT TO BENEFIT FAYETTEVILLE URBAN
MINISTRY'S ADULT READING PROGRAM**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist College's Student Media will host the 2nd Annual Mr. Methodist pageant on Wednesday, January 25 in Reeves Auditorium at 8 p.m.

Contestants will compete in various segments for the title, including talent, sportswear and formal wear. The winner will represent the College at various public appearances.

Featured performers for the evening include Methodist junior LaToya "Lady T" Robertson of Lady T Productions, a double-major in Music and Business Administration. Reigning Princess of North Carolina and Overall Talent performer as well as 2003 Little Miss North Carolina Chrissy Byrd and the Monarch Dancers, choreographed by junior Melanie Gibson, Carillon Editor in Chief and SmalTalk News Editor.

General admission is five dollars. Monarch ID cardholders and children 12 and under are free. Admission for senior citizens and military are three dollars. Proceeds from the event will benefit Fayetteville Urban Ministry's Adult Reading Program.

For more information, contact the office of College Relations. 910.630.7043.

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2006 B. F. STONE LYCEUM SET FOR APRIL AT METHODIST COLLEGE

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Dr. John Fields will present his paper entitled, *Lifting the Hydrogen Veil: An Alternative Approach to National Energy Security*, at the 2006 B. F. Stone Lyceum. Drs. David Turner, and Spence Davis, will serve as the respondents. The event runs from 7 - 9:30 pm on Wednesday, April 5, 2006, in Yarborough Auditorium, Clark Hall, at Methodist College. Mark your calendar and plan to join us for an interesting evening of discussion and debate (and food).

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METHODIST COLLEGE PRESENTS “TAKE A KID TO A GAME”

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist College presents “Take A Kid To A Game” February 1 at the Riddle Center on the campus of the College.

All children 16 years and under will be admitted free to the men's and women's basketball games against Greensboro College. The first 100 kids will also receive free popcorn and a drink. There will be prizes given away during both games.

Time: 5:30 women; 7:30 men
Sponsor: Nelson & Nelson Chiropractic

Come out and support MC Basketball!!



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**METHODIST COLLEGE ANNOUNCES
THE PROFESSIONAL MBA AT PINEHURST®**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC – Methodist College will offer a Master of Business Administration degree this fall at Pinehurst Resort for professionals in the golf, tennis and resort industries. The accredited Professional MBA at Pinehurst program, the first of its kind in the nation, is designed to allow students to continue their full-time careers while earning their degree in 24 months.

“This new offering represents an exciting career development tool for professionals in golf, tennis and resort management,” said David Hayslette, senior vice president of human relations at Pinehurst Resort. “We are very excited about our continued partnership with Methodist and delighted they have chosen Pinehurst as their satellite campus.”

Classes will be held one weekend a month at Pinehurst with supplemental coursework completed online between residency sessions. In addition to core courses in each of the recognized business disciplines, students will take electives focused on developing the skills required to lead organizations in these unique industries such as agronomy and food and beverage management. Other key components of the program include the Executive Speaker Series, featuring expert industry leaders, and the Capstone Experience, a final project individually-tailored to the student’s experience and career goals.

Dr. R. Mark Smith, director of The Professional MBA at Pinehurst, said the master’s degree is a logical expansion of already-established and successful programs currently found within the Reeves School of Business. Methodist College offers business degree concentrations in Professional Golf Management, Professional Tennis Management and Resort Management.

“Could anyone imagine a better ‘lab’ than Pinehurst for earning a graduate degree,” Smith asked. “We are excited about this unique partnership designed to meet the needs of the focus industries.”

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Pinehurst boasts eight championship golf courses, including the world-renowned Pinehurst No. 2, site of the 2005 U.S. Open Championship. The 2,000 acre resort is also the home of the Spa at Pinehurst and three world-class historic hotels. Pinehurst Resort is one of more than 200 clubs and resorts worldwide owned and operated by Dallas-based ClubCorp, Inc.

For more information on *The Professional MBA at Pinehurst*, please visit www.methodist.edu/mba or call (910) 630-7493 or toll-free at 800-488-7110 ext. 7493.

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MEDIA RELEASE
January 26, 2006

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METHODIST COLLEGE RELEASES FALL 2005 PRESIDENT'S LIST

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Ariol Rama, Kenneth Redd, Jennifer Joan Rhoads, Christina Lynn Robles, Ethienne Rodriguez, Joshua Rogers, Bo Rong, Christine Rudolf, Elena Sabakar, Steven Schrock, Mark William Sears, Robert Charles Segal, Victoria Michelle Segraves, Deepak Shrestha, Husein Sigo, Taylor Nichole Singer, Estelle Singletary, Carla Smith, Mollie Elizabeth Tabler, Matthew D. Vencill, Joshua R. Wilhelm, and Xiangming Wu

Fort Bragg: Francisco Martin Andujo, Luis Rivera, Puanani Mo Sigafos, Christie Bolton, and Ashley Dolores Hale

Hope Mills: Venika Neshay Bazemore, Shannon Mariea Burgoyne, William Henry, Phillip Hiracheta, Danielle Kidwell, Donna Maultsby, and Tenille Michelle Woodward

Spring Lake: Carmella Barton, Catherine Ann Gates-Shepherd, Maurice James Griffin, Rovi Martin, Lonny Meeks, and Amanda Mosketti

Raeford: Jennifer Lynn Cartlich, Debra June McHargue, Jennifer Pasion, Heidi Richards, and Phyllis Shaw

Godwin: Robert Christopher Brock and Patsy Walker

Wade: Elizabeth R. Adcox and Erin Danielle Lowe

Erwin: Alice Price and Melinda Jo Ann Price

Lillington: Michelle I. Burgess and Wen-Hui Ren

Sanford: Robin Ann Childress and William Kamffer

Stedman: Carrie Lynn Horne

Carthage: Amy Cunningham Devano

Coats: Brian Raynor

Elizabethtown: Stuart P. Murphy

Newton Grove: Amanda Harris

Other Areas of North Carolina

Ashboro: Katherine Rene King

Benson: Nyla Elizabeth Thompson

Cameron: Fredia May MeComber

Clayton: Adam Christopher King

Garner: Lesley Hewitt

Goldsboro: Kellen Amanda Capps

Greensboro: Anastasiya Zavyalova

High Point: Laura Jennifer Smith

King: Jared Richard Boyles

Knotts Island: Jennifer Nicole Hicks

Monroe: Amber Michelle Smith

Mt. Olive: Ashley Elizabeth Price

New Bern: Ami L. Drake

Powells Point: Diane Elizabeth Etheridge

Raleigh: Shannon Renea Vivian

Rocky Point: Sara Michelle Poling

Seagrove: Krystal Deanna Richardson

Trinity: Taylor Leigh Cole

Wilmington: John Patrick Bucolo and Steven Craig Underwood

Other States and Countries

Frankford, DE: Danielle Dorman

Hockessin, DE: Danielle Renee Nourie

Houston, DE: Katherine E. Harbeson

Lincoln, DE: Benjamin J. Gray

Fernandina Beach, FL: Shaun Keith Forbes

Cordova, IL: Joshua Michael Hart

East Peoria, IL: Joshua James Peck

Winona Lake, IN: Trent Barlow

Overland Park, KS: Jessica Louise Wanger

Bellingham, MA: Scott David Peneau

Framingham, MA: Jamika Sharon Robinson

Annapolis, MD: David Burdette Merrill

Berlin, MD: Katherine Lynn Kohley

Clarksville, MD: Stephen Marion Cornelius

Davidsonville, MD: Lindsey Evelyn West

Edgewood, MD: Jessica Heise

Pasadena, MD: Jared Matthew Mahar

Waldorf, MD: Richard Michael Bamber, Nicholas Wade Kimps

Saint Albans, ME: Devin Charles Gee

Gilsum, NH: Heather Marie Schneider
Hainesport, NJ: Steven Garrett Brumbaugh
Jackson, NJ: Gregg Michael Cohen
Mullica Hill, NJ: Timothy Nelse Geary
Elma, NY: Scott Charles Reilly
Horseheads, NY: Mark C. Reynolds
West Monroe, NY: Jeremy David Hanson
West Seneca, NY: Shantell Margaret Dustin
Ashland, OH: Brent Eugene Deems
Cincinnati, OH: Laura Marie Schmidt
Circleville, OH: Tiffany Elise Tucker
Fleming, OH: Roy Eric Farley
Hinckley, OH: Kevin James Swan
Reynoldsburg, OH: Wyatt Worthington
Rossford, OH: Chad Matthew Middaugh
Elizabethtown, PA: Courtney Noelle Fleck
Vandergrift, PA: Samantha Nichole Gamble
Washington, PA: Derek Christopher Tyson
Meadville, PA: William James Wilkinson
Philadelphia, PA: Meghan Scott Galganowicz
Washington, PA: Derek Christopher Tyson
Whitehall, PA: Ryan M. Carfara
Portsmouth, RI: Andrew Thomas Farrea
Providence, RI: Sara Bethany Dickson
Fredericksburg, VA: Amanda Marie Kidwell
Occoquan, VA: Melanie Marie Gibson
Portsmouth, VA: Tyler Randolph Caviness
Lyndonville, VT: Eri Michael Seguin
Hedgesville, WV: Rachael Callahan Favinger
Hronda, Belarus: Dzmitry Kanunnikau
Omsk, Russia: Olga Preobrazhenskay
Manzini, Swaziland: Miungifi Ndwandwe

Flekke, Norway: Azjargal Chuluunbaatar

APO, AE: Tyreke Lamont Wesley



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January 30, 2005

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CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP CALLS FOR NOMINEES

FAYETTEVILLE, NC -- The Center for Entrepreneurship at Methodist College is calling for nominations for the following business awards, to be presented during the 29th annual Stock Market Symposium scheduled for March 2006. Nominations and supporting materials should be directed to the Center no later than Friday, February 10th via fax, (910) 630-7657; e-mail, sgautam@methodist.edu; or mail to Methodist College, Center for Entrepreneurship, 5400 Ramsey St., Fayetteville, NC 28311.

American Business Ethics Award (Sponsored by the Society of Financial Service Professionals)

The American Business Ethics Award (ABEA) recognizes U.S. companies that exemplify high standards of ethical behavior in everyday business conduct and in response to crises or challenges. Established in 1994 by the Society of Financial Service Professionals, this award program embodies the Society's 75-year old advancement of sound business ethics in insurance and financial services, especially among its more than 25,000 members. Companies nominated should employ less than 250 people. Financial service companies and non-profit organizations are not eligible for consideration.

Silver Spoon Award

The Silver Spoon 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. The business can be located anywhere in the United States.

Outstanding Woman Entrepreneur of the Year Award

The recipient must be a North Carolina resident who owns, has established, or manages a small business. The Outstanding Woman Entrepreneur of the Year Award committee will also consider the individual's creativeness, innovation, and personal contributions to, and involvement with, the community.

Small Business Excellence Award

A small business employs fewer than 300 persons and generates revenue of less than \$15 million per annum. The Excellence Award committee will also consider the creativity of the business, the uniqueness of the product, the employees' welfare and the contributions of the business to its community.

For applications or more information, contact the Center for Entrepreneurship at Methodist College, 910.630.7642.

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METHODIST COLLEGE OFFERS MILITARY APPRECIATION DAY

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist College’s Athletic Department will host a Military Appreciation Day on Saturday February 18 starting at 2 p.m.

Military families, active duty members, retirees and DOD civilians are invited to join Methodist College students, faculty and staff as they are honored in appreciation for their service and support to our great nation.

In addition to free admission to both the women and men’s basketball games; service members and their families will get free popcorn and drink, free face painting and a chance to win exciting prizes. Seating will be limited to the first 900 in attendance.

Methodist College men and women’s basketball teams will be playing conference rival Christopher Newport University. Game time for the Lady Monarchs is set for 2:00 p.m. and the men will play at 4:00 p.m. Doors will open at 1:00 p.m.

For more information, contact the athletic department at 910.630.7175.



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CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP TO HOST SPECIAL PROGRAM

FAYETTEVILLE, NC – The Center for Entrepreneurship at Methodist College will host a special program entitled “India: Crossing New Frontiers in Search of Business Development.” This program, part of the quarterly Business Succession Forum Network (BSFN), will focus on business opportunities and possibilities in India. Special guest speakers will be Mr. Tom Keesling, Co-founder and President, IndUShealth, Inc.; Mr. Rajesh Rao, Co-founder and CEO, IndUShealth, Inc.; and Mr. Neil S. Bagchi, ESQ, Attorney at Law, Kennedy Covington Lobdell & Hickman, L.L.P.

The program will be moderated by Mr. Wilson Teachey, President, Hubbard Pipe and Supply. This program will show what it takes to compete and prosper in world markets from individual experts who have been in the game for years.

The program will be held on Wednesday, March 8, 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Wellington Room at the Holiday Inn Bordeaux, Fayetteville. Registration is \$25. For more information, or to reserve your place, please contact the Center for Entrepreneurship at (910) 630-7496, fax (910) 630-7657, or Email sgautam@methodist.edu.

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Carmen Luisa Macklin, Edward Marshall, Yolanda McAllister, Tiffany Meehan, Sarah Merritt, Sara Milbourne, Michael S. Murray, Rebecca M. Olvera, Leslie Dawn Quick, Ariol Rama, Kenneth Redd, Jennifer Joan Rhoads, Christina Lynn Robles, Ethienne Rodriguez, Joshua Rogers, Bo Rong, Christine Rudolf, Elena Sabakar, Steven Schrock, Mark William Sears, Robert Charles Segal, Victoria Michelle Segraves, Deepak Shrestha, Husein Sigo, Taylor Nichole Singer, Estelle Singletary, Carla Smith, Mollie Elizabeth Tabler, Matthew D. Vencill, Joshua R. Wilhelm, and Xiangming Wu

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Erwin: Alice Price and Melinda Jo Ann Price

Godwin: Robert Christopher Brock and Patsy Walker

Hope Mills: Venika Neshay Bazemore, Shannon Mariea Burgoyne, William Henry, Phillip Hiracheta, Danielle Kidwell, Donna Maultsby, and Tenille Michelle Woodward

Lillington: Michelle I. Burgess and Wen-Hui Ren

Newton Grove: Amanda Harris

Raeford: Jennifer Lynn Cartlich, Debra June McHargue, Jennifer Pasion, Heidi Richards, and Phyllis Shaw

Sanford: Robin Ann Childress and William Kamffer

Spring Lake: Carmella Barton, Catherine Ann Gates-Shepherd, Maurice James Griffin, Rovi Martin, Lonny Meeks, and Amanda Moschetti

Stedman: Carrie Lynn Horne

Wade: Elizabeth R. Adcox and Erin Danielle Lowe

Other Areas of North Carolina

Ashboro: Katherine Rene King

Benson: Nyla Elizabeth Thompson

Cameron: Fredia May McComber

Clayton: Adam Christopher King

Garner: Lesley Hewitt

Goldsboro: Kellen Amanda Capps

Greensboro: Anastasiya Zavyalova
High Point: Laura Jennifer Smith
King: Jared Richard Boyles
Knotts Island: Jennifer Nicole Hicks
Monroe: Amber Michelle Smith
Mt. Olive: Ashley Elizabeth Price
New Bern: Ami L. Drake
Powells Point: Diane Elizabeth Etheridge
Raleigh: Shannon Renea Vivian
Rocky Point: Sara Michelle Poling
Seagrove: Krystal Deanna Richardson
Trinity: Taylor Leigh Cole
Wilmington: John Patrick Bucolo and Steven Craig Underwood

Other States and Countries

Frankford, DE: Danielle Dorman
Hockessin, DE: Danielle Renee Nourie
Houston, DE: Katherine E. Harbeson
Lincoln, DE: Benjamin J. Gray
Fernandina Beach, FL: Shaun Keith Forbes
Cordova, IL: Joshua Michael Hart
East Peoria, IL: Joshua James Peck
Winona Lake, IN: Trent Barlow
Overland Park, KS: Jessica Louise Wanger
Bellingham, MA: Scott David Peneau
Framingham, MA: Jamika Sharon Robinson
Annapolis, MD: David Burdette Merrill
Berlin, MD: Katherine Lynn Kohley
Clarksville, MD: Stephen Marion Cornelius
Davidsonville, MD: Lindsey Evelyn West
Edgewood, MD: Jessica Heise
Pasadena, MD: Jared Matthew Mahar

Waldorf, MD: Richard Michael Bamber and Nicholas Wade Kimps

Saint Albans, ME: Devin Charles Gee

Gilsum, NH: Heather Marie Schneider

Hainesport, NJ: Steven Garrett Brumbaugh

Jackson, NJ: Gregg Michael Cohen

Mullica Hill, NJ: Timothy Nelse Geary

Elma, NY: Scott Charles Reilly

Horseheads, NY: Mark C. Reynolds

West Monroe, NY: Jeremy David Hanson

West Seneca, NY: Shantell Margaret Dustin

Ashland, OH: Brent Eugene Deems

Cincinnati, OH: Laura Marie Schmidt

Circleville, OH: Tiffany Elise Tucker

Fleming, OH: Roy Eric Farley

Hinckley, OH: Kevin James Swan

Reynoldsburg, OH: Wyatt Worthington

Rossford, OH: Chad Matthew Middaugh

Elizabethtown, PA: Courtney Noelle Fleck

Vandergrift, PA: Samantha Nichole Gamble

Washington, PA: Derek Christopher Tyson

Meadville, PA: William James Wilkinson

Philadelphia, PA: Meghan Scott Galganowicz

Washington, PA: Derek Christopher Tyson

Whitehall, PA: Ryan M. Carfara

Portsmouth, RI: Andrew Thomas Farrea

Providence, RI: Sara Bethany Dickson

Fredericksburg, VA: Amanda Marie Kidwell

Occoquan, VA: Melanie Marie Gibson

Portsmouth, VA: Tyler Randolph Caviness

Lyndonville, VT: Eri Michael Seguin

Hedgesville, WV: Rachael Callahan Favinger

Hronda, Belarus: Dzmitry Kanunnikau

Omsk, Russia: Olga Preobrazhenskay

Manzini, Swaziland: Miungifi Ndwandwe

Flekk, Norway: Azjargal Chuluunbaatar

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CHERYLE RIVAS
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**METHODIST COLLEGE THEATRE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS THE
MUSICAL *LITTLE SHOP OF HORROS***

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist College’s Theatre Department will present the musical production *Little Shop of Horrors*, February 23 through 26 at Reeves Auditorium.

The show is based on the 1962 cult-classic Roger Corman horror movie, which became a long-running off-Broadway musical and a hit movie. The movie version starred Rick Moranis, Steve Martin and Ellen Greene with music by Alan Menken. The movie’s script and lyrics were by Howard Ashman --the same team responsible for Disney’s *The Little Mermaid*, *Beauty and the Beast* and *Aladdin*.

This is your basic boy meets-girl, plant-eats-world story. Meek, mile-mannered, out-of-luck Seymour Krelbourn has discovered an exotic little plant with a strange and unusual appetite. Thanks to its special diet, the plant is growing remarkably fast --so is Seymour’s love for Audrey, his co-worker at the flower shop. But she has a boyfriend...and the plant has a bloodthirsty secret that threatens the entire planet.

Performances will be at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 2:00 p.m. on Sunday February 26. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for students and seniors, and \$4 for children 12 and under. Methodist College staff and students are free with ID.

For further information, contact Dr. Wilson at 910.630.7105.



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**METHODIST COLLEGE AWARDED DEGREES TO THE FOLLOWING
DECEMBER 17, 2005 AT THE 33RD ANNUAL WINTER COMMENCEMENT**

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS
Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Amber Boemker, General Studies; Taneisha Boyd, Sociology; Ralph Littlejohn, General Studies; Larry Parker Jr., Sociology; Christa Petersen, General Studies; Jason Pizza, Justice Studies; Yvonne Simmons, General Studies; Jovette Walsh, Spanish

Fort Bragg: Giovanni Santos, Spanish

Godwin: Rudian Luga, Justice Studies

Other States

South Carolina: Kent Carter, Justice Studies

BACHELOR OF ARTS
Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Danny Marchant, Political Science; Tiffany Meehan, **summa cum laude**, French; Paul Street, **cum laude**, Sociology; Ayla Huaman-Toman, **magna cum laude**, Organizational Communication and Leadership and Spanish

Fort Bragg: Mohammed Hedayet, **cum laude**, Business Administration; Luis Rivera, **summa cum laude**, Political Science

Spring Lake: Maurice Griffin, Spanish

Other States

Maryland: David Merrill, **cum laude**, Music

Other Countries

Bahamas: Lokia KayVonne Bethell, Psychology with a minor in Business Administration

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Brazil: Dylan Matz, Global Studies
Puerto Rico: Wilton Morales, Mass Communications

BACHELOR OF MUSIC
Cape Fear Region

Lumberton: Matt Seals, Church Music

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK
Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Loretta Baskett, **cum laude**; Tracey Hinds; Carla Smith, **magna cum laude**
Spring Lake: Carmella Rochelle Barton, **cum laude**
Erwin: Alice Price, **cum laude**
Raeford: Phyllis Shaw

Other Areas in North Carolina

Tryon: Ralph Littlejohn

Other States

Louisiana: LaKeisha Ann Brown, **cum laude**

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Brandie Allen, **summa cum laude**, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care; Cory Briglin, **cum laude**, Business Administration; Sonyale Brown, Accounting; Xandra Budd, **cum laude**, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology and Cell Biology; Nichelle Dicker, Business Administration; Steven Schrock, **summa cum laude**, History and Middle Grades Education with a Concentration in Science and Social Studies; Victoria Segraves, **summa cum laude**, History; Antonio Slaydon, Business Administration; Ildaura Sluss, **cum laude**, Physical Education; Troy Smith, **cum laude**, Biology with a Concentration in Health Occupations Science; Carolina Vargas, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care Accounting; Heather Foust, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care; Jamar Hairston, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care; Todd Hart, Business Administration with a Concentration in Resort Management; Rashe Sharnell Malcolm, Occupational Environmental Management with a Concentration in Regulatory Compliance and a minor in Paralegal; Yolanda McNeill, Mass Communications; Wendy Menendez, Business Administration with a minor in Financial Economics; Natascha Moore, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care; Triston Keith Murray, Business Administration; Milushka Reed, Business Administration; Darin Hockett, Business Administration

Aberdeen: Brandon Grecco, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management

Hope Mills: Venika Bazemore, **cum laude**, Justice Studies and Sociology; Scott Shoop, Justice Studies

Lillington: Tabitha Whitlow, **summa cum laude**, Accounting

Linden: Veronica Romero, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology and Cell Biology

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Lumber Bridge: Randolph Smith, **cum laude**, Business Administration
Raeford: Debra McHargue, **magna cum laude**, Occupational Environmental Management with a Concentration in Regulatory Compliance
Sanford: Tiare Williams, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology and Cell Biology with a minor in Leadership
Spring Lake: Jasmine Coleman, Sociology; Amanda Moschetti, **cum laude**, Elementary Education and Middle Grades Education with a Concentration in Science and Social Studies; Jessica Heise, **magna cum laude**, Special Education; Donald McClung, Business Administration; Lonny Meeks, **summa cum laude**, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care; April Blumer, **summa cum laude**, Political Science
Stedman: Michaela Penix, Biology; Carrie Horne, Occupational Environmental Management with a Concentration in Regulatory Compliance and Biology with a Concentration in Zoology with a minor in Chemistry

Other Areas in North Carolina

Asheboro: Tally Cox, Sports Management with a minor in Physical Education; Wendy Heath, Athletic Training
Autryville: Brandon Simmons, Physical Education
Bunnlevel: Jennifer Hogan, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care
Burlington: Regina Bumper, Justice Studies
Cameron: Alexis Cypher, Sports Management with a minor in Physical Education
Chapel Hill: Heather Burch, Justice Studies with a minor in Sociology
Garner: Michael Townsend, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management
Goldsboro: Kellen Capps, **magna cum laude**, Sociology
Henderson: William Davis, **magna cum laude**, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology and Cell Biology
Maysville: Jonathan Byrd, History
Oriental: Gary Futch, Jr., **cum laude**, Athletic Training with a minor in Physical Education
Powells Point: Diane Elizabeth Etheridge, Middle Grades Education with a Concentration in Math and Science
Raleigh: Robert Fritz, **summa cum laude**, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Lindsey Frye, Marketing
Rutherfordton: Monica Gerth, Physical Education
Wilmington: John Patrick Bucolo, Mass Communications; Steven Underwood, History

Other States

California: Douglas Boemker, Business Administration
Colorado: Rebecca Power, Political Science with a minor in Paralegal
Connecticut: Justin Perun, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management with a minor in Financial Economics; Justin Evans, Business Administration
Delaware: Beth Ann Lockett, Mass Communications
Florida: Bryan Booth, Mass Communications; Kamilah Bennett, Business Administration; Broc Nell, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Shaun Forbes, Physical Education; Joshua Hopkins, Sports Management; Justin Howard, Business Administration; Jean Jackson, Business Administration with a Concentration in Resort Management
Georgia: Ryan Williams, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management

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Indiana: Justin Johnson, **cum laude**, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Anthony Trofe, Business Administration

Kansas: Rob Smyser, Marketing and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management

Kentucky: Peter Zellmer, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management

Maryland: Seth Ricketts, Business Administration; Sean Wright, Business Administration; Grant Thomas Guinivan, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Katherine Kohley, **cum laude**, Accounting; William Hoffman, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management

Massachusetts: Lyndsey Hayward Dorr, **cum laude**, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Eric Dugas, Marketing and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management, David Feightner, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Ryan Kesten, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management

Minnesota: John Sjoberg, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management;

New Jersey: Janna Browning, **cum laude**, Special Education; Wesley Rayner, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management

New York: Jonathan Bird, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Derek DiStefano, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Matthew Bogdanowicz, **cum laude**, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Nathan de Goede, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Tricia Dorn, **cum laude**, Psychology; James Topping, Business Administration; Brian Gerowski, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Ryan Hayden, **cum laude**, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Christopher Herrick, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Tyler Graham, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management

Ohio: Kevin Boyle, Business Administration; Kyle Deas, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Aaron Kellis, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management

Pennsylvania: Dana Caruso, Business Administration; James Ondo, **cum laude**, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Leslie Riley, Sociology with a minor in Paralegal

South Carolina: Jonathan Sherman, **cum laude**, Political Science with a minor in Paralegal

Tennessee: David Palmer, History

Texas: Michelle Asher-Jones, Business Administration

Virginia: De Vonne Armstrong, Business Administration with a minor in Communication; William Bishop, Business Administration with a minor in Paralegal; William Bright, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Jeffrey Brooks, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Kyle Trent, Business Administration; Adam Horton, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Amanda Kidwell, **cum laude**, Marketing and Sports Management with a minor in Business Administration; Bradford Melvin, Physical Education

Washington: Gregory Alabata Alice, **magna cum laude**, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Tennis Management

West Virginia: Vincent Zachwieja, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management

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Other Countries

Canada: Ariol Rama, **summa cum laude**, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology and Cell Biology

Czech Republic: Irena Hobzova, **cum laude**, Professional Accounting

Bahamas: Rianne Knowles, Justice Studies with a minor in Sociology

Jamaica: Brian Lyncook, Mathematics

BACHELOR OF HEALTH SCIENCE

Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Carmen Macklin, **cum laude**, Physician Assistant

Other Areas in North Carolina

Garner: Nyla Thompson, Physician Assistant

MASTER OF MEDICAL SCIENCE:

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES

Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Jennifer Boyd; Jeffre Dochow with a minor in Psychology; Wesley Greene; Purvi Mehta; Reina Ocasio-Gamez; Jennifer Sturcken; Leigh Trivino

Fort Bragg: Jennifer Gainer

Cameron: James Phillips, Todd Williams

Dunn: Constance Dale Page

Hope Mills: Georgia Buckley

Raeford: Jamie Cox

Stedman: Lana Oliver

Other Areas in North Carolina

Monroe: Mary Prouty

Raleigh: Tracy Funk

Shelby: Wesley Greene

Zebulon: Joseph Warren

Other States

Delaware: Kimberly Wright

Ohio: Karin Danklefsen

South Carolina: Emily Phillips, Elizabeth Miller

Virginia: Kara Daniel, Michael Kennedy, Kathryn Vreeland

Honors

Summa Cum Laude- 3.9

Magna Cum Laude- 3.7

Cum Laude- 3.4

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CHERYLE RIVAS
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METHODIST COLLEGE RELEASES FALL 2005 DEAN'S LIST

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Two hundred and eighty students were named to the Dean's List at Methodist College for the 2005 fall semester.

To merit inclusion on the Dean's List, a student must achieve a 3.2 grade point average on a 13-point grading scale, with 12 or more semester hours of course work and no grade of D, F, or Incomplete.

Methodist College is a four-year, coeducational college of liberal arts and sciences with a current enrollment of more than 2,200.

The following students earned a place on the Dean's List:

Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Gabrielle Adams, Kaisha Ahye, Joseph Aldridge, Brian C. Basham, Anthony Baskett, Joy Anna Boone, Cory J. Briglin, Katherine Delores Brinkmann, David Darryl Brown, Joanne Mary Burnett, Nicole Lynette Butler, Terry Currie, Damen Cussen, Sarah C. Davenport, Christina Beth Dawson, Renee Deramus, Adam Deshong, Sharley Marie Ditmore, Samnang Dy, Christina Leigh Erben, Valeria Fedonkina, Kristy Delaine Feltis, Aubree Fordham, Kelly Jean Friend, David Garcia, Lidia Goltsova, Peter Grasser, Jason Christopher Green, Lashaun Haley, Abigail Joy Hallaren, Rhonda L. Harris, Stacy Lynn Hernandez, Angela N. Herring, Jessica Hutzul, Trudy Ann Lashon Joslin, Heather Ann Kelly, Rebekah Danielle Kelly, James Knight, Ashley Dee Kotz, Loren Kristin Kowalski, Scott Lamothe, Allen Haywood Lee, Beth Ann

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Lockett, Krystina Nicole Lucas, Laura Whiteman Maldonado, Kimberly Nelva Mason, Valerie McKoy, Stacey Milbern, Brent Miles, Natascha Moore, Joyce Morin, Kristin Morris, Triston K. Murray, Kandice Nickel, Sheryl Lynn Norton, Shelby N. Owens, David Charles Palmer, Eunok Shin Palmer, Suzanne Elizabeth Passow, Kristin E. Peck, Ingrid Marlene Reeves, Randy Rhynes, Lesley Ann Riley, Brendalis Rios, Anna Maria Rivera, Elizabeth Roehl, Temika S. Rowell, Aminata Samb, Emily Catherine Sassaman, Jonathan Michael Sherman, Bridgett Lynn Sims, Amy L. Slate, Christina Smart, Alicia Valentine Smith, Katie Smith, Jennifer Kay Strouble, Katrina Suggs, Erin Christine Swanson, Bryan E. Swartz, Paul David Taylor, Jill Thomas, Sharon Valentine, Tereasa J. Walters, Darran Clifford White, Charlotte Lyn Williams, and Natallia Yesaulenka

Fort Bragg: Angela Price Allen, Jessica Amber Garner, Tara B. Easley, Betty Darlene Hunt-Sanchez, Lolita J. Inniss, Julio Jimenez, Erin E. Roberts, Sharon Salas, and Joshua Williams

Buies Creek: Jennifer Lee Hatcher

Cameron: Eric Berry, Alexis Rose Cypher, Ignacio Marte, and Michael Robbins.

Clinton: Larkita Ayona McArthur and Megan L. Royal

Coats: Christopher Thomas Coats

Dunn: Adam Andrew Tew

Erwin: Lynne Byrd Godwin

Godwin: Wesley James Greenwood and Rudian Luga.

Hope Mills: Amy Bohlin, Lakeisha Ann Brown, Melissa Anne Gray, Luis Hernandez, and Cedric Van Wilson

Lillington: Sean Houng

Linden: Autumn Nicole Langston and Joanna Trapp

Pinehurst: Julie Anne Angrick

Raeford: Rosalinda Meyer, Terrance Lee Musgrove, Eric Sanders, Lynette Mills Smith, and Heather Marie Thompson

Red Springs: Jessie Tolar and Deborah Brown

Roseboro: Cassandra Marie Denecamp and Jessica Brook Hall

Sanford: John Kirkman Baker and Kelli Deese

Spring Lake: Joshua Canfield, Eva Del Rosario Gardner, Sarah Lynn Hammond, Connie Martin, Hannah E. Smith, and Jennipher K Vallery

Stedman: Bradley Berry Baxley, Cheryl Lynn Mead, and Amanda Hope Smith

Tar Heel: Marsha Jan Roberts

Whiteville: Dustin E. Proctor

Other Areas of North Carolina

Asheville: Scott Delbridge Russell

Autryville: Brandon Dean Simmons

Bear Creek: Tally S. Cox

Burlington: Jameson Earl Jones, Roderick Garvette Tate, and Colleen Marsha Walsh

Butner: Ryan Lawrence Stephenson

Cary: John Charles Duckworth, Mark Donovan Weadon

Chapel Hill: Heather Rose Burch, Jennifer Ann Ellis

Charlotte: Shemier Latisha Bufford, Charles Epps Ipock

Denton: Robert Quarry Smith

Durham: Walter Andrew Redman

Fuquay Varina: Amy Elizabeth Faucette

Gibsonville: Christopher John MacDonald

Grimesland: Jonathan David Mularski

Hamlet: Justin Drew Gregory

Hickory: Nicklaus Kivett Cannon

Huntersville: Jennifer Catherine Brophy and Carli Jon Soltis

Kenansville: Willie Earl Barnette

Lawsonville: Bryan Landon Ally

Matthews: Holly Ann Knox

Moncure: Julia Anna Lynn Parker

Peachland: Kyle Vann Eudy

Pinehurst: Julie Anne Angrick

Pineville: Clayton Dean Erickson

Pittsboro: Blake Atlas Farrell

Raleigh: Zachary B. Greenhaw

Rockingham: Erin Michelle Yarborough

Rutherfordton: Monica Leigh Gerth

Shallotte: Stacie Renee Canady

Southern Pines: Lance Patrick Hoepner

Tryon: Joshua Thomas Gardner

Warsaw: Timothy Ray Evans

Whitsett: Rashidah T. Jamison

Wilson: Rhyan Adorna Breen

Wingate: Devin James Goodman

Zebulon: Josiah Alexander Maultsby

Other States and Countries

Fairfield, CA: Matthew Ryan Siegel

Windsor, CT: Thomas Frederick Halsted

New Milford, CT: Andrew Vincent Krebs

Ridgefield, CT: Brian Christopher Lopez

Wallingford, CT: Justin Ryan Sheehan

New Castle, DE: John Brown

Callahan, FL: Brandon Scott Burch

Lakeland, FL: Matthew Rueben Jones

Homestead, FL: George Alfred Sands

Albia, IA: Eric Michael Duea

Bloomington, IL: Matthew Gunn Bova

West Lafayette, IN: Corey Alan Beelke

Elkhart, IN: Jonathon Michael Bonfiglio

Warsaw, IN: Blaine Anthony Sumpter

Louisville, KY: Jennifer Michelle Crews

Boylston, MA: Ryan Michael Billings

Gardner, MA: Benjamin Michael Egan

Fairhaven, MA: Adam C. Hevey

Lunenburg, MA: Rob Joseph Jobin

East Longmeadow, MA: Andrew Lawrence Ouellet

North Attleboro, MA: Brian A. Ross

Franklin, MA: Corey Mark Turner

Burlington, MA: Colleen Marsha Walsh

Shirley, MA: Brad Michael Wheatley

Waltham, MA: Robert Peter Younker

Severn, MD: Askari Elson

Montgomery Vill, MD: Megan Dedra Gleason

Bowie, MD: Brian Paul Hillsinger

Columbia, MD: Bridget Elaine Holcomb

Crofton, MD: Bridgette Claire McGrath

Waldorf, MD: Caryn Lynn Moreland

Annapolis, MD: Scott Andrew Senerius

Falmouth, ME: Michael Christopher Layton and Chad Anthony McCatherin

Alma, MI: Andrew Michael Martin

Brooklyn Park, MN: Olga Saprygina

Lees Summit, MO: Dustin Lee Toner

Red Lodge, MT: Sabrina Dawn Blauvelt

Park City, MT: Maria Damm

Derry, NH: Thomas Charles May

Hollis, NH: Jessica Leigh Ripley

Kendall Park, NJ: Christopher Ardolina

Milltown, NJ: Janna Browning

Clementon, NJ: Thomas Paul Burick

Hopewell, NJ: Greg Russell Carver

Franklin Park, NJ: Brian D. Gussis

Andover, NJ: Richard Justin Hagie

North Caldwell, NJ: Matthew William Pivko

Hillsborough, NJ: Adam J. Rothblatt

Fort Lee, NJ: Junko Suzuki

Lagrangeville, NY: Travis James Alley

Ontario, NY: Ross Edward Benjamin

Clayton, NY: Matthew Ryan Denesha

Orchard Park, NY: Corey Edward Johnson

Niskayuna, NY: Justin Mark Klemballa

Ulster Park, NY: David John Lettieri

Marilla, NY: Jena Elizabeth Mamon

Sauquoit, NY: Paul Andrew Reid

Orchard Park, NY: Geoffrey Raymond Smith
North Royalton, OH: Gregory Paul Ciavarelli
Chardon, OH: David Hauge
Perrysburg, OH: Ross Thomas Lingenfelder
Berwick, PA: Leighton Elizabeth Bull
Monongahela, PA: John William Criss
York, PA: Erik Michael Guttman
Union City, PA: Matthew James Horvath
Philadelphia, PA: Stephen M. Hosack
Duncannon, PA: Dustin Dwight Kauffman
Brockway, PA: Eric Joseph Keith
West Chester, PA: Joshua David Kelley
Brockway, PA: Davanna Lynne Kessler
Edinboro, PA: Philip Adam Kushner
Pittsburgh, PA: Del Joseph Leviere
Sugar Notch, PA: Eric Anthony Plisko
Carlisle, PA: Joseph Vincent Pocalyko
Honesdale, PA: Bart Douglas Rickard
Freeland, PA: James Robert Rogers
Columbia, SC: Justin T. Agema
San Antonio, TX: Jessica L. Pechette
Vinton, VA: Michael Joseph Bass
Mechanicsville, VA: Jana Michelle Estes
Salem, VA: Michael E. Ferguson
Yorktown, VA: Marie Ann Finley
Newport News, VA: James Philip Gunderson
Richmond, VA: Matthew Hunter Hughes
Cape Charles, VA: David Luettinger Long
Virginia Beach, VA: Spencer Bryce Martin
Richmond, VA: Sanjar Radjabov
Lynchburg, VA: Christopher Lashawn Robinson
Rutland Town, VT: Robert Bradley Stedman

Port Angeles, WA: Gregory Alabata Alice

Sheboygan, WI: Caline Ann Daun

Weston, WV: Patrick Kelsey Boyle

Wellsburg, WV: Lucas Diserio

Parkersburg, WV: Alexander Ryan Taylor

Bangladesh: Salem Adnanb

Norway: Nurzhan Amanov

Poland: Malgorzata Jarema

Japan: Masahiro Takahagi

Canada: Gabriela Villareal-Toro



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METHODIST COLLEGE WELCOMES CLYDE EDGERTON

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist College’s Literature Department welcomes North Carolina native and author Clyde Edgerton for a performance that will include songs and spoken word—based on his memoir “*Solo*,” and his novel “*Lunch at the Piccadilly*.”

Edgerton, a professor at the University of North Carolina, Wilmington, has authored such works as: *Raney*; *Killer Diller*; *In Memory of Junior*; *Redeye: A Western*; *Where Trouble Sleeps*; *Walking Across Egypt*; and *the Floatplane Notebooks*. The later two were made into movies and many of his novels are set in rural North Carolina.

Edgerton’s newest release *Solo: My Adventures in the Air* shares his memoirs and his rediscovery of his youthful passion. In *Annabelle*, a funny-looking, high-nosed three-person plane, he finds true love the second time around. It’s a match made in sky-blue heaven, with just enough room—in the back seat—to accommodate a happy reader. His *Lunch at the Piccadilly* has been transformed into a musical and is in stage production.

Five of Edgerton’s novels have received notable books of the year awards from the *New York Times*; he has been awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship, a Lyndhurst Fellowship, North Carolina Award for Literature, and membership in the Fellowship of Southern Writers.

The performance is open to the public and will include a “meet the author” book signing immediately following. The event is scheduled for March 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the Yarborough Auditorium at Clark Hall on the campus of Methodist College. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Mr. Edgerton’s novels will be available for purchase during this event. For more information call 910.630.7043.



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CHERYLE RIVAS
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METHODIST COLLEGE CHEERLEADERS EARN NATIONAL TITLE

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist College's Cheerleading Team took home national honors in Myrtle Beach at the Co-Ed National Title at the Canam College National Championships. The Monarchs earned the highest team scores of all college divisions competing. The team also earned two additional titles: the All-girl Partner Stunt and the Individual Cheerleader Title went to freshman Tiffany Wagner.

Wagner is a native of Spring Lake, North Carolina and was the 2004 Cheerleader of the Year. She performed an individual routine which earned her the national honor. Team members on the All-Girl Partner Stunt include Wagner, seniors Kathi Mason and Gayna Holcomb; junior Amber Arnold; and sophomore Jordan Mercer.

This marks the second year that the stunt group has earned a national title. The Monarch Cheerleaders will be performing their Nationals Preview on Wednesday, March 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the Riddle Center at Methodist College. The team is preparing for the NCA College Nationals in Daytona Beach, Florida, where the team has earned placement in the finals competition since 1988. The Daytona competition will be televised on Fox Sports in mid-April.

The team is led by **Melissa Hay**, cheerleading and dance coach at Methodist College, who has been nominated for the 2006 National Cheerleading Coach of the Year Award – from the recognition of American Cheerleader Magazines Who's Who listing. Under her direction, the Methodist College Cheer team placed first for the Fight Song Competition, small coed division II and received first place honors in the Cheer/Chant competition, small coed division II at the NCA pre-season camp in Myrtle Beach in 2005. Also under her direction, the dance team placed first for division II Team Dance at the same event.

PHOTO CUTLINE: Methodist College freshman Tiffany Wagnor takes Individual Titles during the Monarchs' recent win in Myrtle Beach.



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METHODIST COLLEGE WELCOMES BOB BARNARD

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—The Sport Management program at Methodist College welcomes Formula One track expert Bob Barnard on Monday, March 27 from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p. m. in Reeves Auditorium.

Born and educated in England, Bob Barnard graduated from London University with an Honors Degree in Civil Engineering. After a year on site in England, Barnard immigrated to Australia where he worked over an eleven year period with the South Australian Highways Authority. Barnard grew up with a lifelong interest in motor sport. His dreams became reality when he moved on to private industry as a State Manager for a large national construction company. His company was part of the construction of the Australian Formula One Grand Prix track in the '80's. Barnard's role as the Engineering Project Manager led him to oversee production of not only the Australian Formula One Grand Prix in 1985, but the same in 1986.

Barnard stepped into the event management arena working as a consultant in engineering, operation and promotion of events ranging from Australian Rules Football, Tennis, Golf, Entertainment and of course Motorsport. He successfully bid for the rights on the Australian Motorcycle Grand Prix and the track at Phillip Island redesign and reconstruction.

Barnard is now a U.S. resident and has been a part of rebuilding the Road Atlanta circuit. He has acted as the Operations Director for the inaugural Petit le Mans, and he is the SCCA Track inspector, setting up the infield tracks at the Texas Motor Speedway as well as the Atlanta Motor Speedway for SCCA events.

Barnard will be speaking to Sport Management majors at Methodist College's Reeves Auditorium. The programs' director, Dr. Gregory Combs was able to secure Barnard to talk with students about the endless opportunities in sport management.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information on Bob Barnard's appearance or on the Sport Management program, contact Dr. Gregory Combs at 630.7660 or the College Relations Office at Methodist College, 630.7043.



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REEVES SCHOOL OF BUSINESS HOSTS ETHICS DAY

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— The Reeves School of Business at Methodist College will host the fifth annual Lowdermilk Ethics discussion on March 27, 2006, at 11:00 a.m. in Yarborough Auditorium in Clark Hall. Joseph Jenkins, M.D., J.D., former President of the Urology Division of HealthTronics, Inc., will discuss ethics and values in business. This session is free and open to the public.

Dr. Joseph Jenkins received his undergraduate, medical, and law degrees from the University of North Carolina. Dr. Jenkins, a board-certified urologist, practiced urology in North Carolina until 1990 before going to work for Litho, Inc., where he served as President. Dr. Jenkins has also served as President & CEO and a member of the Board of Directors of Prime Medical Services. He is past Director of the American Lithotripsy Society, where he served as Chair of Governmental Affairs. Dr. Jenkins has a long history of service to the NC Medical Society, for which he was honored with the President's Award in 2003 for his contribution as chief spokesman for medical malpractice reform. He has recently been elected to the UNC General Alumni Association's Board of Directors.

Later that evening, the Fayetteville Rotary Club will host its 12th annual Lowdermilk Student Achievement Awards program in the Alumni Dining Room of the Berns Student Center. The awards are given to eight full-time Methodist College students who have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0, provide exemplary service to the college and/or the Fayetteville community, and demonstrate by action and deed high ethical standards and spiritual values in their educational, professional and personal lives. Four winners will receive a \$1,000 cash award and a \$4,000 Methodist College scholarship, and four will receive awards of \$1,000 and a \$2,000 scholarship.

The Lowdermilk Student Achievement Award is named in honor of Dr. William P. Lowdermilk, Jr., former vice president of Methodist College, for his service to the Rotary Club and the college by exposing students to the concepts of values and ethics in the workplace. Dr. Lowdermilk passed away July 18, 2005, and increased these scholarships by provisions in his estate. For more information about the Lowdermilk Ethics discussion and awards, please call Joseph Doll at (910) 630-7046 or George Blanc at (910) 630-7155.



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COLLEGE HONORS SOCIAL WORK MONTH WITH GUEST SPEAKER

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—The Department of Social Work at Methodist College presents Sharon W. Cooper, MD, FAAP from the UNC School of Medicine in Chapel Hill. In honor of Social Work Month, Dr Cooper will be speaking to students and faculty on March 29 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Clark Hall on the campus of Methodist College.

Dr. Cooper is CEO of Developmental and Forensics Pediatrics, PA, a consulting firm which provides medical care, training and expert witness experience in child maltreatment cases as well as medical care for children with disabilities.

Dr. Cooper will share her expertise as a forensic pediatrician and child abuse prevention expert. She is a retired army colonel, having served 21 years in the military. She has worked in civilian and military arenas in child abuse and developmental pediatrics for the past eight years. She is an instrumental resource person for anyone planning to be involved with children and families.

This event is open to the public. For more information, contact the Office of College Relations, 630.7043.



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DISTINGUISHED PHILOSOPHER TO SPEAK AT METHODIST COLLEGE

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— William Lane Craig, distinguished philosopher and Christian apologist, will speak at Methodist College on “*The Beginning and End of the Universe*” on Monday, April 10, 2006 at 11 a.m. in the Clark Hall Auditorium. The presentation is part of the Templeton Lecture Series on Science and Religion and is free and open to the public.

Craig, who lectures on college campuses and theological institutions around the world, has been a faculty member at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Westmont College, Universite Catholique de Louvain, and the Talbot School of Theology. His debate with famous philosopher Anthony Flew on “*Does God Exist?*” was published in 2003.

The lecture is the sixth of the Templeton Lecture Series. The series’ namesake, Sir John Templeton, is a renowned international investment manager. His foundation generously supports research in such areas as spiritual information through science, spirituality and health, free enterprise, character development in education, and progress in religion. His support has made it possible for Methodist College to offer a course in its curriculum, twice annually, that considers the manifold relationships between science and religion and “*The Templeton Guide: Colleges That Encourage Character Development*” recognizes Methodist College for leadership in the area of student character development.

For more details, contact Dr. Lloyd Bailey, professor of religion, at (910) 630-7118 or lloyd@duke.edu.



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**4th ANNUAL CUP OF LIFE SOCCER SHOWCASE TO BE HELD AT
METHODIST COLLEGE**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist College's Soccer Team will host the 4th Annual Cup Of Life Soccer Showcase on Saturday, April 8.

Teams from Methodist College, UNC Wilmington, UNC Pembroke and Wilmington's professional team, the Wilmington Hammerheads will all be participating.

Seven matches are scheduled throughout the day starting at 11 a.m. Admission is \$2 for the event with all proceeds benefiting the Methodist Home for Children.



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CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP TO HOST STOCK MARKET SYMOSIUM

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— The Center for Entrepreneurship at Methodist College will host its 29th Annual Stock Market Symposium at 6:30 p.m. on April 18 at the Grand Ballroom of the Holiday Inn Bordeaux. The following awards will be presented:

American Business Ethics Award (Sponsored by the Society of Financial Service Professionals)

The American Business Ethics Award (ABEA) recognizes U.S. companies that exemplify high standards of ethical behavior in everyday business conduct and in response to crises or challenges. Established in 1994 by the Society of Financial Service Professionals, this award program embodies the Society's 75-year-old advancement of sound business ethics in insurance and financial services, especially among its more than 25,000 members. Companies nominated should employ less than 250 people. Financial service companies and non-profit organizations are not eligible for consideration.

Silver Spoon Award

The Silver Spoon 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. The business can be located anywhere in the United States.

Outstanding Woman Entrepreneur of the Year Award

The recipient must be a North Carolina resident who owns, has established, or manages a small business. The Outstanding Woman Entrepreneur of the Year Award committee will also consider the individual's creativeness, innovation, and personal contributions to, and involvement with, the community.

Small Business Excellence Award

A small business employs fewer than 300 persons and generates revenue of less than \$15 million per annum. The Excellence Award committee will also consider the creativity of the business, the uniqueness of the product, the employees' welfare and the contributions of the business to its community.

Tickets for the event are \$50 per person and \$375 per table of eight. To make a reservation, or for more information, contact the Center for Entrepreneurship at Methodist College, 910.630.7642.



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COLLEGE TO HOST ART SHOW

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— Alan Reece Comer, a senior at Methodist College, will be showcasing his senior art exhibit from April 8 through May 12. Opening reception for the show will be on April 8 from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m.

The art will be on display at the historic Mallett-Rogers House on the campus of Methodist College. Comer's designs will be available for purchase. The display be available for viewing Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on weekends by appointment.



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STUDENTS HONORED FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Nine students were honored with the Fayetteville Rotary Club William P. Lowdermilk Student Achievement Award at a special meeting of the Fayetteville Rotary Club on March 27, 2006.

The award was established in 1995 by the Fayetteville Rotary Club to honor the late Rev. Dr. Lowdermilk for his service to Rotary International and his 32 years of service to Methodist College from 1963-1995. Nominations for the annual award come from students, faculty and staff, based on set criteria including meeting the “Four-Way Test” of Rotary.

The selection committee, made up of Rotarians and members of the Methodist College community, selected nine finalists from a group of 30 candidates. The selection process took over 14 hours. Although there are usually eight recipients, nine were selected due to a statistical tie between two nominees.

Each of the awardees received a \$1,000 cash grant and a Methodist College scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 or \$4,000. The students were presented with a plaque commemorating the award and their names will be inscribed on a plaque that is on permanent display at the College.

The following students earned the Fayetteville Rotary Club William P. Lowdermilk Student Achievement Award: Katrina Campbell; Ben Hanson; William Kamffer; Julia Parker; Krystal Richardson; Latoya Robertson; Veronica Romero; Ryan Taylor and Anastasiya Zavyalova.

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METHODIST COLLEGE HONORS STUDENTS AND FACULTY AT THE 2006 AWARDS CEREMONY

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist College recognized outstanding achievement by students and faculty at the annual Awards Ceremony on April 3, 2006 in Reeves Auditorium. The awards and their recipients are listed below:

The Professor of the Year Award

Dr. Bob Christian

This award is presented to a faculty member who has made a distinct difference in the teaching climate of the college in such areas as: model classroom teaching, campus leadership, pioneering teaching methodology, creative course development and/or instructional support. The award consists of a taxable \$500 grant.

The Exemplary Teacher Award from the General Board of Higher Educational Ministry of the Methodist Church

Dr. Peter Murray

This award is given annually by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry of the United Methodist Church and Methodist College to a faculty member who best exemplifies the educational ideals of Methodism.

The Student Webmaster Award

Katrina Campbell

This award is presented annually to a student who has made the greatest impact on the College's web site. Criteria include either excellence in creativity and design for areas of the site or non-technical contributions, such as service to the webmaster or the Web Committee. The award consists of a \$50 honorarium and a certificate of recognition.

The Outstanding Health Care Administration Student Award

Cheryl Mead

Established in 1995 by the Sandhills Healthcare Executives Forum, a local affiliate of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE), this award is presented annually to a

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Health Care Administration graduating senior. Criteria include scholastic achievement, service to the community and active membership in the ACHE. The award consists of a \$250 honorarium and a plaque. The recipient's name is also permanently inscribed on a memorial plaque.

The Plyer-Knott Award in Religion

Amy Devanno

This award was established and is now funded by Lynn Moore Carraway, Michael Safley, James Malloy and William Presnell, and it honors Dr. Lorenzo Plyler and Dr. Garland Knott, professors of religion. It is given to the outstanding religion student and consists of a \$100.00 United States Government Bond and a certificate of recognition. The winner must plan to enter a religious vocation and have successfully completed 12 semester hours of religion.

The Joe Cannata Memorial Award

Kelly Capps

This award is given in memory of former Methodist College student Joe Cannata. The recipient is a senior sociology major selected by the sociology faculty in recognition of academic achievement and service in advancement of the discipline.

The Lura S. Tally Award for Leadership Excellence

Stephanie Evans

This award was established in 1999 to recognize a student who has exhibited outstanding leadership. The recipient must be minoring in leadership studies, be a rising senior and have a demonstrated record of leadership excellence. The student is selected by Leadership Program faculty and representatives from the Advisory Board of the Tally Center. The award consists of a \$500 honorarium and a certificate of recognition. The student's name is also inscribed on a plaque that is on permanent display at the College.

The Anthony J. DeLapa Art Achievement Award

Larissa Ann Wilson

This award, established in 2003, honors Dr. Anthony J. DeLapa for his contributions to the College as the vice president of Academic Affairs and as the department head for Education. The award is presented annually to a junior or senior art or art education major selected by the Fine Arts Division who has demonstrated outstanding potential as an artist and is recognized for his/her academic excellence and contributions to the arts. Only qualifying students with a 3.0 GPA or higher (in their major) are considered. The award consists of a \$250 honorarium, a certificate and inscription of the recipient's name on a memorial plaque located in the Fine Arts Division.

The Methodist College President's ROTC Award

Rovi Martin

This award is presented to the cadet who has displayed the highest level of leadership and military excellence since entering ROTC.

The Peer Tutor Merit Award

Salem Adnan, Valeria Fedonkina, Lidia Goltsova, Sean Houng, Dzmitry Kanunnikau, Christopher MacDonald, Husein Nasiro-Sigo, Olga Preobrazhenskaya, Wen Hui Ren, Marsha Roberts, Elena Sabakar, Sana Sabri, Deepak Shrestha, Christine Smith and Anastasiya Zavyalova

Established by the Academic Development Center, this award acknowledges the Methodist College peer tutors. In order to become a tutor, students must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher in the subject(s) to be tutored.

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The Charles M. Reeves, Jr. Outstanding Scholar

Anastasiya Zavyalova

This award was established in 1993 to honor Mr. Charles M. Reeves, Jr. The award is presented to an outstanding senior who has 106 semester hours for the academic semester ending in December. The student should be involved in extracurricular activity, preferably in the business areas. The award consists of a \$100 honorarium and a certificate of recognition.

The Gautam Award in Business Administration

Anastasiya Zavyalova

Established in 1978 by John Junius Grandefeld to honor Dr. Sid Gautam, this award is given to the student manifesting the same dedicated interest and creativity in the field of finance and investments as Dr. Gautam in his teaching. The recipient must be majoring in business administration/economics, be a rising junior or senior with a 3.2 or better GPA, and have demonstrated an interest in pursuing a career in finance and investment. The award is a \$100 United States Savings Bond or the cash equivalent.

The Walter B. Clark Maximum Effort Award

Sheryl Norton

This award was established in 1995 to honor Mr. Walter B. Clark, founder of Mid-South Insurance Company. It is presented to a graduating Reeves School of Business student. It is given to an individual who has demonstrated maximum effort in overcoming hardship, commitment, work ethic, and is likely to be successful in the future. The award consists of a \$100 honorarium and a plaque of recognition.

The Clark Award in Accounting

Jennifer Pasion

Honoring Samuel J. Clark, director of Computing at Methodist College and a previous registrar and director of Extension Services, this award is given to the most outstanding junior or senior accounting major. The award is given based on a vote of the faculty from the Accounting Department. It consists of a \$100 United States Savings Bond.

The Robert S. Christian English Achievement Award

The late Courtney Fleck

Established in 2002 to honor Dr. Robert S. Christian for his many years of service to the English Department and the College, this award is presented to the graduating senior English major deemed to be most worthy of receiving the award by the members of the English Department faculty. Only graduating English majors with an overall GPA of 3.4 or higher in courses counting toward fulfillment of requirements for the major in English are considered. The award consists of a certificate and a \$200 honorarium.

The Monarch Theatre Award

Kaisha Ahye, Laura Lester, Samantha Gamble, Erin Yarborough, Tara Doyle and Heather Gilroy

This award is given upon vote by the theatre faculty.

The Outstanding Political Science Student Award

Ann Ochsner

This award recognizes a student who has exhibited outstanding leadership, service and academic achievement. The student is selected by department faculty and must be majoring in political science. The award consists of a \$100 savings bond and a certificate of recognition.

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The Willis C. Gates Music Award for Excellence in Performance

Lawrence Osborne Quinnett

This award was established by the music faculty in 1979 to honor Dr. Gates—one of the original faculty members of Methodist College and the first chair of the Department of Music. The award is presented to the student deemed by the music faculty to be the finest performing artist of the academic year. The student's name is inscribed on a plaque that is on permanent display at the College and is presented with a smaller plaque commemorating the award.

The Cumberland Oratorio Singers Choral Award

Ian McCormick

This award is given annually by the Cumberland Oratorio Singers to a member of the Methodist College Chorus who embodies the characteristics of an ideal choral singer. It is an award of \$100 and an engraved plaque.

The Outstanding Social Work Student

Helen Godwin

The Outstanding Senior-Social Work

Kristen Alarcon and Larkita McArthur

Established by the Social Work Department to honor top students in recognition of leadership, service and academic achievement.

The Balaez-Ambrose Mathematics Award

Wen-Hui Ren

This award was established in 1969 to honor Dr. Ofelia M. Balaez and Mr. Robert B. Ambrose, professors of mathematics. It is presented to the mathematics student with the greatest academic potential. The student must have completed 18 semester hours of work in mathematics by or during the second semester of his/her junior year. It consists of \$100 in cash and a certificate of recognition.

The Publisher's Award

Remille Shipman

Mr. Charles Broadwell, publisher of *The Fayetteville Observer*, provides the award and permanent plaque; it was established to honor a student demonstrating superior achievement in collegiate journalism.

The Pulliam Award

Victoria Seagrave

Established in 1994 to honor Bruce R. Pulliam, associate professor of social science, this award is presented to the graduating history major with the highest GPA.

The George and Lillian Miller Award

Leslie Quick

This award was established by Methodist College's first dean of Women, who was also a member of the History Department. It is presented to a history student with the greatest academic potential, who has completed 18 semester hours of work in history by or during the second semester of his/her junior year. The honorarium is a \$50 savings bond or the cash equivalent.

The Pauline Longest Education Award

Christina Robles

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This award is presented by Mrs. Pauline Longest to a senior member of the Student Education Association who has contributed to the work of the chapter and has demonstrated outstanding potential as a teacher. Established in 1974 as the Student Education Award, it was renamed in 1978 to honor the original advisor to the chapter and consists of a \$50 honorarium and a certificate of recognition.

The Plyer Humanities Award

Lawrence Osborne-Quinnet

Established in 1988 by Dr. Lorenzo Plyer and his family in memory of the late Elizabeth (Betty) Plyer, this award consists of \$100 presented to a graduating senior in the School of Arts and Humanities chosen by the chairs of the departments within the School of Arts and Humanities.

The Ott-Cooper Science Award

Robert Christian Brock

Kimberly Mason

This award was established in 1971 by Mrs. Pauline Longest to honor the first and second chair of the Science and Mathematics Division, Dr. Charles N. Ott and Dr. William C. Cooper. It is presented to two seniors majoring in science for scholastic achievement, interest and participation.

The Clark Memorial Science Service Award

Krystal Richardson

Established in 1984 to honor Dr. Fred Clark, dean of Academic Affairs and professor of Biology, this award is given to the student making the greatest contribution to the Science Department's programs and activities.

The CRC Press Freshman Chemistry Achievement Award

Jennifer Hicks

Sponsored by CRC Press LLC, this award is presented to a student who is currently enrolled in the General Chemistry course on the basis of outstanding academic achievement in chemistry. The award consists of a complimentary copy of the *CRC Handbook of Chemistry and Physics* and a commemorative scroll to be mounted on the inside cover of the book.

The Yolanda M. Cowley Award

Valeria Fedonkina

The Yolanda M. Cowley Award was established in 1971 to honor Dr. Cowley, professor of Spanish. The award is presented to the Spanish student with the greatest academic potential. The student must have at least a minor in Spanish. As a rule, students whose native tongue is Spanish are not eligible. It consists of a \$100.00 United States Government Bond and a certificate of recognition.

The American Institute of Chemistry Award

Saira Mackillop

This award is sponsored by the American Institute of Chemists Foundation, Inc. and is awarded to a senior student majoring in the area of chemistry, chemical engineering or biochemistry. The student must have demonstrated a record of ability, leadership and professional promise. The award consists of a certificate and a one-year student associate membership in the American Institute of Chemists Foundation.

The Outstanding Justice Studies Service Award

Robert Salyga

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Autumn Langston

This award is presented to the top criminal justice students in recognition of outstanding loyalty and service to the criminal justice program.

HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTIONS

The Athletic Training Education Program inducted seven new members into the **Iota Tau Alpha** honor society on April 7, 2006. In order to be inducted into the honor society, students must be majoring in athletic training with a 3.0 overall GPA and a 3.2 GPA in their major classes. They must also be in at least the 2nd semester of the program. The inductees are:

Timothy Evans, Shino Fukunaka, Megan Gleason, Jessica Hutzul, Josiah Maulsby, Marsha Roberts and Masahiro Takahagi

The induction ceremony for **Sigma Tau Delta** (The International English Honor Society) was held on April 9, 2006 at Hensdale Chapel. The inductees are:

Thomasa Bonner, Sarah Davenport, Elizabeth Dillingham, Catherine-Gates Shepherd, William Kamffer, Laura Lester, Pearl Petersen, Stella Whitlock and Shannon Williams

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COLLEGE TO HOST CHOIR PERFORMANCE

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— The Methodist Show Choir *Synergy* will perform a free concert on Tuesday, April 18 at 7 p.m. in Reeves Auditorium on the campus of Methodist College.

In addition to the show choir performance, Methodist College's Jazz Band will also present their spring celebration concert. *Synergy* is under the direction of Sharon McNair and the MC Jazz Band is directed by Dr. Keith Dippre.

The event is free and open to the public.



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METHODIST COLLEGE ANNOUNCES 43rd SPRING COMMENCEMENT

FAYETTEVILLE, NC — Methodist College will celebrate its 43rd Annual Spring Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 6, 2006 at 2 p.m. in the March F. Riddle Center. The day's events will begin with a baccalaureate service at 10 a.m. in Reeves Auditorium.

Bishop Alfred W. Gwinn, Jr., will give the baccalaureate sermon. He is resident bishop for the North Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. He has pastored rural, town, inner city and urban congregations, as well as an African-American congregation. He is a member of the General Council on Ministries and the Southeastern Jurisdictional Administrative Council.

This year's commencement speaker is United States Representative Mike McIntyre. A Morehead Scholar at the University of North Carolina, Congressman McIntyre graduated Phi Beta Kappa as a political science major and went on to earn his Juris Doctorate. Now in his fifth term representing North Carolina's 7th Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives, Rep. McIntyre has been noted in the media as the "area's most powerful and effective leader"—ranking first among leaders who are in top government and business positions.

The college will present Rep. McIntyre with the Methodist College Medallion for his outstanding service to his profession. The college will also recognize an outstanding senior with the Lucius Stacy Weaver Award. The award is given to a member of the graduating class for academic excellence, spiritual development, leadership and service. This award was established in 1964 by the family of Dr. L. Stacy Weaver to honor Methodist College's first president. It consists of an engraved plaque.

This year's commencement will include several special presentations. The ROTC program will commission five lieutenants into the United States Army and one student will present the flag of their native country to the College. Dr. M. Elton Hendricks, Methodist College president, will receive the flag from Aminata Samb of Senegal.

This year's commencement ceremony will be the last for Dr. Phillip Williams, vice president for Academic Affairs and dean of the College. Dr. Williams will leave after three years of distinguished service to the College.

The faculty marshal will carry a mace as he leads the academic processional into graduation. A mace is derived from the medieval period as a symbol of authority of the body that governs an institution. It has been used by parliaments where business cannot be conducted until the mace is placed before the Speaker of the House. The mace was given to the College by R. Parker Wilson, distinguished service professor, emeritus, in memory of his father, Martin Morehead Wilson.

The Methodist College mace was designed and executed by Linda Anderson and Mary Grace Cain. The mace was wrought by Robert Bricker of Charlottesville, VA. The United Methodist symbol of two flames and the cross sits on top of the mace followed by a globe and the College seal, symbolic of the worldwide service the college has rendered. Each rib of the shaft represents the eight groups which support Methodist College: The United Methodist Church, trustees, administration and staff, faculty, alumni, students, parents, and public and private groups. At the bottom of the mace is a cotton blossom. It is a reminder of the inaugural address given by the first president of Methodist College, Dr. L. Stacy Weaver, titled "From Cotton Field to College." Streamers contain these words from the College's *Alma Mater*, "Green shall grow thy fields of learning; Gold shall glow thy torch of truth."



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LOCAL TEACHERS RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— Karen Kletter and Rebecca Woodward Wendelken, professors at Methodist College, have been selected from a national applicant pool to attend one of 22 summer study opportunities supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities. The Endowment is a federal agency that each summer supports seminars and institutes at colleges and universities so that teachers can work in collaboration and study with experts in humanities disciplines.

Professor Kletter will participate in an institute entitled “Representations of the ‘Other’: Jews in Medieval Christendom.” The five-week program will be held at Oxford University’s Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies and directed by Professor Irven M. Resnick of the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

Professor Wendelken will participate in an institute entitled “The Silk Road: Early Globalization and Chinese Cultural Identity.” The five week program will be held at the East-West Center and University of Hawaii in Honolulu and will be directed by Roger T. Ames of the University of Hawaii.

The twenty-five teachers selected to participate in the program each receive a stipend of \$3,600 to help defray the costs of their travel, study, and living expenses.

Topics for the 22 seminars and institutes offered for college and university teachers this summer included contemporary Brazilian literature; American maritime history; Appalachian history and culture; human rights; the African-American struggle for civil rights; Jewish Studies; Anglo-Saxon saints; ancient Rome; Cuban American culture; Maya worlds; the Silk Road; and programs on site focusing on Venice, Rome, Paris, and Vienna.

The approximately 450 teachers who participate in these studies will teach over fifty thousand American students the following year.



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METHODIST COLLEGE'S TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM MEETS PROFESSION'S STANDARDS, RECEIVES PROFESSIONAL ACCREDITATION

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— Methodist College's Teacher Education Program has proven its commitment to producing quality teachers for our nation's children by achieving continuing accreditation under the performance-oriented standards of the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), the organization responsible for professional accreditation of teacher education.

Dr. Wenda Johnson, dean of the School of the Science and Human Development and chair of the Teacher Education Committee, said she is "proud to have gained this status, proud of our students and proud of our faculty and staff and thankful for the support of our administration."

Methodist College has over 70 students currently taking courses that are part of the Teacher Education Program and 21 students formally admitted to the program.

Studies show that teacher quality is the most important factor in P-12 student achievement. Professional accreditation is one way to ensure the public that schools of education are graduating well-qualified teachers ready for today's classrooms.

NCATE currently accredits 623 institutions which produce two-thirds of the nation's new teacher graduates each year. Ninety-nine institutions are candidates or pre-candidates for accreditation.

NCATE-accredited schools must meet rigorous standards set by the profession and members of the public. Teacher candidates must have in-depth knowledge of the subject matter that they plan to teach as well as the skills necessary to convey it so that

students learn. The college must carefully assess this knowledge and skill to determine that candidates may graduate. The institution must have partnerships with P-12 schools that enable candidates to develop the skills necessary to help students learn. Candidates must be prepared to understand and work with diverse student populations. College and university faculty must model effective teaching practices. And the school, college, or department of education must have the resources, including information technology resources, necessary to prepare candidates to meet new standards.

NCATE revises its standards every five years to incorporate best practice and research in order to ensure that the standards reflect a consensus about what is important in teacher preparation today. In the past decade, NCATE has moved from an accreditation system that focused on curriculum and what teacher candidates were offered, to a data driven performance-based system dedicated to determining what candidates know and are able to do. The new system expects teacher preparation institutions to provide compelling evidence of candidate knowledge and skill in the classroom. Multiple types of performance assessment are expected throughout the program of study. Candidate qualifications are assessed upon entry, and candidate competence is assessed throughout the program as well as prior to student teaching/internship work, and before completion of the program.

Meeting NCATE accreditation standards also helps institutions prepare new teachers for new, more rigorous licensing standards in many states. NCATE accreditation standards incorporate the model state licensing principles developed by a task force of the Council of Chief State School Officers.

The U. S. Department of Education recognizes NCATE as a specialized accrediting body for schools, colleges, and departments of education. NCATE is composed of more than 30 professional and policymaker organizations representing millions of Americans committed to quality teaching. It was founded in 1954 by the teaching profession and the states. NCATE continues its mission today: the profession and the states working together for excellence in teacher preparation and development.

For more information about Methodist College's teacher education program, visit the website at www.methodist.edu. More information about NCATE is available at www.ncate.org.



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COLLEGE PLANS 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— Methodist College reaches its first milestone in 2006; the 50th anniversary of the signing of the College's charter. Celebration activities will begin on November 1 with a special Convocation and open house. Live entertainment continues through the week with a concert performance by the Vienna Boys Choir on November 2, a special composition with the Fayetteville Symphony on November 3, and a dinner and dance on November 4 following homecoming activities.

There will be a special Gold Pass and Green Pass ticket available for purchase: The Gold Pass is \$120 per person/\$175 per couple which includes tickets for all events and premium seating. The Green Pass is \$110 per person and \$160 per couple which includes tickets for all events with general seating. Individual event tickets are also available. For more information, visit www.methodist.edu to order tickets or call the College Relations office 910.630.7043 for more information.



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**METHODIST COLLEGE AWARDED DEGREES TO THE FOLLOWING ON
MAY 6, 2006 AT THE 43RD ANNUAL SPRING COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— Methodist College awarded 138 degrees to 136 graduates at the 43rd Annual Spring Commencement Ceremony. The following Cape Fear Region students graduated from Methodist College on May 6, 2006.

Bladen — Demario Campbell, Ronnel Burney and Jessica Warren

Cumberland — Kristen Alarcon, Nikkia Cauls, Renee Deramus, Sheri Hines, Betty Hunt-Sanchez, Chris Jablonski, Lolita Inniss, Lori Knutson, Kimberly Mason, Cheryl Mead, Joyce Morin, Ann Ochsner, Maria Ortiz, Katherine Pevler, Maria Polumbo, Leslie-Dawn Quick, Oscar Ramirez, Christian Roncketti, Daniel Rosser, Robert Segal, Christina Smart, Luis Solis, Samantha Turnbull, Jorge Vargas, Matthew Vencill, Darran White and Anastasiya Zavyalova

Harnett — Cecilia Gonzalez, Ignacio Marte, Connie Martin and Rovi Martin

Moore — Robert Carpenter, Monica Cheek, Tamara Clark-Wiggins, Alan Reece Comer, Ryan Criscoe and Robert Thomas

Robeson — Stephen Privette

Sampson — Robert “Chris” Brock, Larkita McArthur and Gerald Pope Jr.

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Methodist College's Center for Entrepreneurship Hosts 3rd Business Succession Forum Network

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— Methodist College's Center for Entrepreneurship held its 3rd Business Succession Forum Network (BSFN) today at 11:00a.m. in the Holiday Inn Bordeaux.

Three guest speakers addressed issues regarding the forum topic, "*Doing Business in China*." Dr. Philip Williams, vice president for Academic Affairs and dean of Methodist College, noted the importance of teaching strategic management concepts to hospital executives, public health officials, and physicians and surgeons in China who—although highly skilled—might not have the level of academic training that is generally seen in stateside hospital management.

Dr. Zhou Zian, division director of the International Health Exchange & Cooperation Center Ministry of Health People's Republic of China, spoke about his role in the coordination of efforts between government agencies and non-government corporations. Zian's agency assists companies interested in doing business in China by ensuring that they are familiar with government regulations, showing the products the company plans to introduce into the market and organizing events or exhibitions that will display those products. "We organize all of the leaders and managers from the facilities to be trained," said Zian, noting that they also host a medical equipment exhibition and dental exhibition annually.

Michael Wu, managing director, North America, Sli Siar Teoranta, addressed the similarities and differences of doing business in China as it relates to doing business in the United States. “You’ll find a lot of similarities,” he said, noting that “they [the Chinese] approach everything in the spirit of partnership.”

The similarities include: understanding competitors; figuring out if there is a pay off in conducting business in China; following the same general principals and procedures found in the United States and collecting the right information to conduct business.

The differences that Wu addressed about doing business in China include: price sensitivity—understanding who you are targeting in an urban market consisting of 501 million consumers; allowing the necessary time it takes to negotiate, which is often longer than the standard turnaround time in the United States and building a rapport that is not solely based on the product.

“The Chinese people are very eager and anxious to do business with us,” said Wu. “They are also trying to know our culture and our etiquettes.”

For more information regarding the BSFN or upcoming events, contact Methodist College’s Center for Entrepreneurship at (910) 630-7642.

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Photo Cutlines:

“CFE Q&A”

Dr. Chen Fang answers questions during the Methodist College Center for Entrepreneurship’s Business Succession Forum Network. Looking on is Dr. Yang Xue Song and Dr. Ye Peng who accompanied Dr. Fang and Dr. Zhou Zian from Beijing.

“BSFN Q&A”

Dr. Zhou Zian responds to a question from the audience at the Business Succession Forum Network, hosted by Methodist College’s Center for Entrepreneurship. He is joined by Dr. Phillip Williams and Mr. Michael Wu.



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**METHODIST COLLEGE APPOINTS VP OF CHURCH AND COMMUNITY
RELATIONS**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist College has appointed Mike Safley as the new Vice President of Church and Community Relations. Prior to joining Methodist College, Safley was the President/CEO of the Methodist Home for Children in Raleigh North Carolina. Safley is a familiar face around the College campus, from 1987 – 1997 he was the Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students at Methodist College.

As the VP of Church and Community Relations, Safley will serve as the campus minister and will work on development projects within the Church and College community. He will serve on a number of College-related committees.

Safley is a 1972 graduate of Methodist College, earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and in History, with a double minor in Religion and Philosophy. He then went on to earn his Master of Divinity in 1975 from Duke University. During his tenure as President for the Methodist Home for Children, Safley was selected as the “Tarheel of the Week” by the News & Observer in Raleigh and was presented the “Order of the Long Leaf Pine” by Governor Mike Easley, the highest honor given to a citizen of the state of North Carolina.



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**COLLEEN MARSHA WALSH AWARDED THE PAUL RUNYAN COLLEGIATE
GOLF MANAGEMENT SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE
PROFESSIONAL GOLF ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— Colleen Marsha Walsh, 22, of Burlington, Mass., and Methodist College in Fayetteville, N.C., was one of 11 students to be named a recipient of the Paul Runyan Collegiate Golf Management Scholarship from the PGA of America.

Applicants for the \$2,500 scholarship must be currently enrolled in a sanctioned Professional Golf Management program and be completing their junior year at that college or university; must complete Level II Golf Professional Training checkpoint; carry a GPA of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 grading scale; have successfully completed the Playing Ability Test (PAT); demonstrate community involvement as it relates to growing the participation in the game of golf; and present a paper (500-word minimum) discussing “Why Do You Want to Become a PGA Professional?”

Since its beginning, the Paul Runyan Collegiate Golf Management Scholarship has awarded \$72,500 to 19 students. The scholarship was inspired by Paul Runyon, a member of the World Golf Hall of Fame and a two-time PGA Championship winner.

Walsh is joined by 10 other recipients: Peter McSparren, 44, of Madison, Conn., and Arizona State; Scott Chambers, 22, of Webster, N.Y., and Clemson; Jay Childers, 22, of Reno, Nev., and Nevada-Las Vegas; Brett Dysart, 22, of Raleigh, N.C., and Campbell; Gregory Hassell, 21, of Williamston, N.C., and North Carolina State; Anthony Jensen,

23, of Rupert, Idaho, and the U. of Idaho; Casey McKinnon, 21, of St. Ignace, Mich., and Ferris State; Chad Osborne, 22, of Panama, N.Y., and Coastal Carolina; Michael Pius, 22, of Herndon, Va., and Penn State; Anthony Vitale, 20, of Albuquerque, N.M., and New Mexico State.

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**SCOTT CHARLES REILLY NAMED 2006 DELTA MU DELTA HONORABLE
MENTION RECIPIENT**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Scott Charles Reilly of Elma, N.Y., was selected a 2006 Delta Mu Delta Honorable Mention Recipient.

Reilly, a senior at Methodist College in Fayetteville, N.C., received a certificate naming him a 2006 Delta Mu Delta Honorable Mention Recipient, along with a check in the amount of \$100. He is majoring in business administration with a concentration in Professional Golf Management.

Delta Mu Delta is a national honor society in the field of business administration. Membership requirements are as follow: be enrolled in business administration programs; be a candidate for the baccalaureate degree; have completed at least half the work required for the degree; have a cumulative grade point average of 3.25 or better; be in the top 20 percent of the class; and be of good character.

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AUGUST EVENTS

AUGUST 5 and AUGUST 19
Sandhills Modeling Classes
To register call 910.486.STAR (7827)

AUGUST 11-12
Cape Fear Amateur Radio Club SWAP Fest
Reeves front lobby

AUGUST 21
Registration for fall classes

Radio Club Meeting
Yarborough Auditorium, 7 p.m.

AUGUST 22
Fall classes begin

AUGUST 28-AUGUST 30
Fayetteville Symphony Auditions
Reeves Auditorium

For more information see the calendar or contact the College Events Office at (910) 630-7042.



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MAY EVENTS

MAY 18, 2006

National Cheer Conference

Contact: Gwyn Holtsclaw (910) 488-2600

MAY 19, 2006

National Safety Summit for Cheerleading

Contact: Gwyn Holtsclaw (910) 488-2600

MAY 20, 2006

Kerry's Dance Beat Recital

Contact: Kay Hooten (910) 484-1694

MAY 20, 2006

Sandhills Modeling Classes

Contact: Jennifer Baker (910) 922-4526

MAY 21, 2006

Dance Theatre of Fayetteville Spring Concert

Contact: Leslie Dumas (910) 424-7841

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July 28, 2006

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METHODIST'S ENROLLMENT REACHES 1500

FAYETTEVILLE, NC – Fall enrollment in Methodist College's day program surpassed the 1500 mark for the first time in the school's 46-year history. Total enrollment was 1546, an increase of more than 100 students from last year.

"Students are discovering the wealth of opportunities available to them at Methodist," said Rick Lowe, vice president for enrollment services. "Our personalized approach to higher education is further enhanced by the fact that our academic and student life offerings are comparable to those found at larger institutions."

This year's freshman class was also the largest ever with 427 students, a 12 percent increase over last year's class of 376. Lowe said that a record 2,000 freshmen applied for admission but that he was most excited about the academic quality of Methodist's newest students.

Approximately one-third of the freshmen class received academic scholarship money totaling more than \$1 million. These students had an average grade point average of 3.69 with an average SAT score of 1101.

A dozen freshmen were recruited with the help of The Davis Foundation of New York through \$10,000 grants per student, per year, for four years. The foundation has established the scholarship program at Methodist to recruit students from member institutions of United World Colleges, an international, multi-cultural school system which offers the international baccalaureate degree. Methodist College is the only institution selected to award this grant in North and South Carolina.

"This program enables us to recruit quality students from countries we don't typically recruit from," said Magda Baggett, director of international programs. This year's class comes from such countries as Ethiopia, Mongolia, Kazhakstan, India, Poland, Swaziland

and Gambia, to name a few. Six more United World College graduates are expected in the spring. Methodist's total international enrollment this fall is 54.

Enrollment in the first term of Methodist College's evening program, MC at Night, is down from 616 in 2005 to 598. An unduplicated head count for the fall semester will not be available until late October, when the drop/add period ends for the second term of MC at Night.



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August 14, 2006

MARIA SIKORYAK-ROBINS
DIRECTOR OF COLLEGE PUBLICATIONS

**DARTFISH TO BECOME THE NEWEST ADDITION TO METHODIST
COLLEGE SPORT MANAGEMENT'S HI-TECH TOOLBOX**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Greg Combs, B.S., M.A., Ed.D., associate professor and director of the Sport Management Program at Methodist College, has announced a newly-formed partnership between Sport Management and Dartfish USA—a leading sport digital video analysis software company.

As a result of this partnership, Sebastien Dubuis, business development manager of Dartfish USA, will visit Methodist College on Aug. 25, 2006. Dubuis will present to Methodist College faculty and students the benefits of using Dartfish video analysis software in sports, education, health care, broadcasting and behavior skills. The presentation will take place in the Science Building Auditorium from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. and the event is open to the public.

Dr. Combs hopes to build on the relationship with Dartfish USA to create multiple “mobile labs” for his students to work with coaches and athletes throughout the region. This scenario will not only provide a valuable service to Fayetteville and surrounding communities, but will also help his students develop additional skills that they can take with them to the workplace.

The Sport Management Program, according to Dr. Combs, is based on experiential learning and is unique from other sport management programs. “It is important for students to take their education beyond the classroom and into practical world. I truly

believe we at Methodist College have a theory-to practice model,” said Dr. Combs.

For further information, please contact Dr. Combs at (910) 630-7660 or at gcombs@methodist.edu.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
August 22, 2006

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Methodist College Announces 50th Anniversary Celebration Lineup & Homecoming 2006 Events

October 9-November 4

Enjoy the works of fellow alumni in a special **MC Alumni Art Exhibit** celebrating a quarter-century of the visual arts program at the College! The exhibit will be held in the Mallett-Rogers House and admission is free.

Friday, October 27, 5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Methodist College is the sponsor of downtown Fayetteville's famed **Fourth Friday** arts and shopping extravaganza! Performances by One Spirit, MC cheerleaders, student and alumni art exhibits, historical displays, and more at the Rainbow Room and the Market House on Hay Street.

November 2006 – May 2007

MC Historical Displays featuring MC alumni will be available for viewing throughout the year on campus. The decades of the 50s and 60s will be represented in Horner Administration Building, the 70s in Davis Library, the 80s in the Riddle Center, and the 90s to the present in Berns Student Center.

Wednesday, November 1, 11:00 – 5:00 p.m.

The **50th Anniversary of the signing of the Methodist College Charter** will be commemorated during Convocation at **11:00 a.m. in Reeves Auditorium** followed by a **Campus Open House**. A time capsule will be interred, and the public will be invited to attend classes, live art demonstrations, and performances by One Spirit and the Jazz Ensemble.

Thursday, November 2, 7:30 p.m.

The world-renowned **Vienna Choir Boys** will perform in Reeves Auditorium.*

Friday, November 3, 6:00 p.m.

The **9th Annual Hall of Fame Banquet** at the March F. Riddle Center.*

Friday, November 3, 7:30 p.m.

North Carolina's oldest symphony orchestra, the **Fayetteville Symphony**, is also celebrating 50 years in 2006! To mark our concurrent anniversaries, a special concert will be held—among the works featured will be the premiere of a commissioned work by MC Professor Keith Dippre honoring MC at 50 years.*

Saturday, November 4, 8:30 a.m.

Alumni Softball Returns! Relive your days playing intramural softball before organized athletics hit the MC campus, or adjust your baseball arm so you can play a game with former classmates and coaches!

Saturday, November 4, 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Alumni Sign-in at the Green and Gold Tent at Methodist College. Follow the sounds of “**Rock’n with Rahn**” Kersey ’89 the DJ to find alumni registration behind Walter and Margaret Clark Hall!

Saturday, November 4, 10:00 a.m.

Jim Darden, Class of ’69 president and MC horticulturalist, invites you on a **Campus Walking Tour!** See all of the landscaping improvements Jim has added that beautify the campus, and hear his exciting plans for the future.

Saturday, November 4, 11:30 -1:00 p.m.

MC alumni and friends gather under the big tent for **Lunch on the Green** featuring fabulous food from Carrabba’s Italian Grill proprietor Mark Moses ’97! All proceeds benefit the Alumni Endowed Scholarship Fund. The MC Alumni Association Award Winners for 2006 will be presented and past award winners, as well as Hall of Fame inductees, will be recognized. One Spirit, directed by Betty Neill Guy Parsons ’64, will perform. Lunch on the Green will take place behind Walter and Margaret Clark Hall.*

Saturday, November 4, 1:00 p.m. Monarch Football

Join fellow alumni and students to cheer on the reigning USA South Athletic Conference Champion Monarchs as they go for their 11th Homecoming victory in 12 years!*

Saturday, November 4, 7:00 p.m.

Methodist College celebrates its 50th Anniversary in style with a semi-formal **50th Anniversary Dinner and Dance** in the Riddle Center featuring the **Breeze Band!** Enjoy great food while reminiscing with your former classmates, coaches, and professors, and enjoy music from all five decades of Methodist College’s existence.*

Saturday, November 4

Seventh Annual Silent Auction to Benefit the Alumni Scholarship Fund

While having fun with fellow alumni at the **Green and Gold Tent** from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and at the **50th Anniversary Dinner and Dance** in the Riddle Center from 7:00 p.m. on, place your bid for great deals on trips, golf packages, art, and other items. All proceeds benefit the Alumni Endowed Scholarship Fund.

Sunday, November 5, 11:00 a.m.

Special Worship Service at Hay Street United Methodist Church.

***For ticket prices and order forms, please visit www.methodist.edu and scroll to the right, or call (910) 630-7351/(800) 488-7110. Green and Gold Ticket Passes are available for all ticketed events!**

Gold Ticket Pass

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\$120 per person/\$175 per couple

Includes admission to all six ticketed events with premium seating

Green Ticket Pass

Price:

\$110 per person/\$160 per couple

Includes admission to all six ticketed events

Note: Gold tickets are sold on a space-available basis.



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MARIA SIKORYAK-ROBINS
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**PROFESSOR FROM DUKE DIVINITY SCHOOL TO SPEAK AT THE
THIRD ANNUAL WESLEY HERITAGE CELEBRATION**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Randy L. Maddox, Ph.D., professor of theology and Wesleyan studies at Duke Divinity School, will be joining the Methodist College community for the Third Annual Wesley Heritage Celebration on Monday, Oct. 23, 2006.

Maddox will present two lectures during the celebration titled “Wesley’s Wisdom on Holistic Salvation.” His first lecture is called “The Whole Wesley’s Mission of Holistic Salvation: A Model for Today” and will be at 11 a.m. in Clark Hall at Yarborough Auditorium. His second lecture is on “A Heritage Reclaimed: John Wesley on Holistic Health and Healing.” The second lecture will take place at 2 p.m., also in Yarborough Auditorium.

Maddox, an ordained elder in the Dakotas Conference of the United Methodist Church, is also the North American secretary of the Oxford Institute of Methodist Theological Studies. He serves as general editor of the Kingswood Books Imprint of Abingdon Press and associate general editor of the Wesley Works Editorial Project. He has served as president of the Wesleyan Theological Society and co-chair of the Wesley Studies Group of the American Academy of Religion.

Maddox earned his bachelor’s degree from Northwest Nazarene College, his M.Div. from Nazarene Theological Seminary, and his Ph.D. from Emory University.

The celebration is **free and open to the public**. For further information, please call (910) 630-7090.



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**ELIZABETH YOUNG AND ALLISON GAGNON TO PERFORM AT METHODIST
COLLEGE**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC – The first concert in the Friends of Music at Methodist Performing Arts Series is scheduled for October 10, 2006 and will feature Elizabeth Young—a violinist from New York City with Methodist College roots—and Allison Gagnon, a pianist who will accompany Young.

The concert will be in Reeves Auditorium on the Methodist College campus at 7 p.m.

Young received her first violin lessons from Mary Frances Boyce and she continued studying with Boyce throughout high school. As an orchestra leader, she has worked with conductors such as Lawrence Leighton Smith, Joseph Silverstein, and Kurt Masur. A member of many different orchestras, Young has performed in Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, Radio City Music Hall, and Meymandi Hall. She has performed with Josh Groban, Amy Grant, and Il Divo.

The full Performing Arts Series lineup is as follows:

October 10, 2006

Elizabeth Young, violin

7:00 p.m.

Reeves Auditorium

November 28, 2006

8th Annual Christmas Concert

7:00 p.m.

Reeves Auditorium

January 20, 2007

Firedrill!

(a capella pop group)

7:00 p.m.

Reeves Auditorium

March 22, 2007

The Borealis Wind Quintet

7:00 p.m.

St. Patrick's Church

April 24, 2007

50th Anniversary Celebration

7:00 p.m.

Reeves Auditorium

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Information is also available at www.methodist.edu/music.



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**ANASTASIYA CARNEY AWARDED THE 2006 NORTH CAROLINA ACADEMY
OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS ENDOWMENT**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC – John Sallstrom, P.A.-C., president of the North Carolina Academy of Physician Assistants (NCAPA) Endowment, and Ronald Foster, P.A.-C., director of the Physician Assistant (PA) Program, presented Anastasiya Carney, a clinical student at Methodist College, with a \$2,000 scholarship on Sept. 15 at 1 p.m.

Carney, from Russia, accepted the endowment in the form of a \$2,000 check. She is the daughter of Vladimir Baturlin and Svetlana Baturlina. The state-wide organization recognizes students on the basis of five areas: financial need, academic achievement, community involvement, leadership, and career goals. “[Carney] maxed out all of our scores across the board,” said Sallstrom.

After thanking Sallstrom and Foster, Carney encouraged students to apply for the endowment. “It’s probably the easiest application you will fill out for a scholarship,” said Carney.

The mission of the NCAPA is to promote the future of the physician assistant profession in North Carolina by granting educational scholarships and supporting philanthropic and research activities. To accomplish this mission, the NCAPA Endowment supports the goals and projects of the NCAPA as its philanthropic arm, develops and provides philanthropic resources for the support of physician assistant students enrolled in North Carolina-based PA programs, and assists the advancement of the physician assistant profession in the areas of education and research.

“You guys have picked a great career,” said Sallstrom. “If no one has said so before, welcome!”

For information about the NCAPA Endowment, visit <http://www.ncapa.org>. To learn more about the Physician Assistant Program at Methodist College call (910) 630-7495.



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**METHODIST COLLEGE EXPERIENCES LARGEST
DAY AND GRADUATE ENROLLMENT**

Fayetteville, NC – Methodist College experienced a significant growth this fall in both its day program enrollment and its graduate enrollment.

The day enrollment group grew from 1,530 in 2005 to 1,585 in 2006.

“This is an outstanding enrollment year for Methodist College,” said Rick Lowe, vice president for Enrollment Services. “I’m particularly pleased that our freshman class is one of the largest in our history.”

Of the 425 enrolled freshman, 171 (40% of the class) are Presidential Scholars. Recipients of this honor are eligible for renewable scholarships ranging from \$4,500 to \$14,000 per year for up to four years. The average scholarship amount this year is \$7,716. This year’s class of Presidential Scholars had an average grade point average (GPA) of 3.73 and an average SAT score of 1113. The overall average GPA for incoming freshman was 3.24 with an overall average SAT score of 998.

“It’s exciting to see that so many talented students have decided to take advantage of the opportunities available at Methodist College,” said Lowe.

Additionally, Methodist College has experienced a 34% increase in its graduate enrollment. “We’ve experienced record growth in our graduate enrollment increasing from 86 students last year to 120 students this year,” said Michael Hadley, assistant dean for Institutional Research and Effectiveness.

For more information, contact the College Relations Office at (910) 630-7114/7043.

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors...
...Especially Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.

Campus Ministry at Methodist College maintains the philosophy that every person is on his or her own spiritual journey; it is the responsibility of Campus Ministry to support and nurture these individuals as they pursue their unique spiritual journeys.

“Campus Ministry creates great opportunities for all students,” said Ben Gray, a sophomore at Methodist College. “It allows students to participate in many Christ-centered activities while—at the same time—providing an influential pathway to enhanced spirituality.”

Worship is held in Hensdale Chapel every Wednesday at 11 a.m. Students, faculty, staff, and friends are reminded in the weekly bulletin that “everyone is welcome to participate in Campus Ministry for worship, fellowship, study, support, pursuit of justice, and service to our neighbor.” It is a time for members of the Methodist College community to share their concerns, offer thanks, listen to moments of inspiration, and even share their talents. *One Spirit*, Methodist College’s scholarship vocal ensemble, Jane Gardiner, dean of the School of Arts and Humanities, and Larry Wells, director of Instrumental Activities, have all shared their musical talents at Worship this semester.

“It is a privilege for me to be able to pause in the middle of a busy week at Methodist College and attend the weekly chapel services,” said Dr. Robert Christian, professor of English. “We sing, enjoy special vocal and instrumental music presented by various individuals and performing groups on campus, share prayer concerns, pray, and enjoy a good message given by Mike Safley, our chaplain.”

“It is important to practice acceptance as we struggle and discover our various paths on our journeys,” said the Rev. Dr. Mike Safley, minister to the College and vice president of Church and Community Relations.

“Frequently, Mike encourages us to share reasons why we are grateful, which is such a good way to examine our lives, relegate life's problems to a position of strictly secondary importance, and give thanks for all of the blessings that God has showered upon us,” said Dr. Christian.



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**CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP'S 33RD ANNUAL ECONOMIC
OUTLOOK SYMPOSIUM SET FOR NOVEMBER**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—The Center for Entrepreneurship at Methodist College is pleased to announce its 33rd Annual Economic Outlook Symposium, Wednesday, November 1 at the Holiday Inn Bordeaux. Guest speakers for the Symposium include Kirk deViere, owner of deViere Management Group and chair of the Cumberland County Business Council, and Walter McDowell, chief executive officer, Carolina-Virginia Banking for Wachovia Bank, N.A.

Both deViere and McDowell are experts in their respected fields and will speak on topics that will enlighten guests on the economic outlook for 2007.

McDowell, keynote speaker, will discuss economic trends for the state and the nation. “McDowell lives day to day with the facts and figures, and effectively assesses their impact on consumers, businessmen, and industrialists,” said Dr. Sid Gautam, director of the Center for Entrepreneurship. “With his keen insight on the economy, he will reveal his preferences for global economic trends,” said Dr. Gautam.

According to Dr. Gautam, the Federal Reserve Board has increased the interest rate 17 times in the last two years. “It appears that they have paused for a moment, but our speaker will discuss whether this is a pause that refreshes or if it is a calm before the turmoil,” said Dr. Gautam.

DeViere will speak predominantly about the impact BRAC will have on the economic outlook in Cumberland County.

Along with these prestigious speakers, several awards will be given at the Symposium including Entrepreneur of the Year Award, Business Person of the Year Award, and Greater Good Award. The event includes dinner and tickets can be purchased for \$50 per person or \$375 for a table seating eight. For more information, or to purchase tickets, please call the Center at (910) 630-7642 or e-mail sgautam@methodist.edu.



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October 3, 2006

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**METHODIST COLLEGE THEATRE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS
*ANTIGONE***

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— The Methodist College Theatre Department will present French playwright's Jean Anouilh's adaptation of Sophocles' timeless tragedy *Antigone* in Reeves Auditorium, October 5-8. Show times are at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, October 5-7, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, October 8.

In the aftermath of a civil war, Creon, the King of Thebes, has decreed that the body of the leader of the rebels, Polynices, will be left on the battlefield for the vultures and hyenas to devour. Polynices is to be given none of the honors normally accorded to the dead and anyone who defies Creon's decree is to be put to death.

But Polynices' sister, Antigone, defies the king and gives her brother the funeral she feels he deserves. Complicating matters is the fact that Antigone is also the daughter of the former king, Oedipus, Creon's niece and the fiancée of Haemon, Creon's son. The conflict, then, is not only between Antigone and Creon, but also between the individual moral imperative and the political necessity of preserving the state. Anouilh wrote his adaptation while Paris was under Nazi occupation during World War II, and the original modern-dress production pointed up the parallels to what was happening under the Occupation.

Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$4 for students and seniors, and \$2 for children. Methodist College staff and students are free with ID. Seating is by general admission and tickets will be available at the door. For further information, call (910) 630-7483.



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**METHODIST COLLEGE HOSTS BISHOP ALFRED GWINN AND 12
SUPERINTENDENTS**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Bishop Alfred W. Gwinn, Jr. of the North Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church joined the Methodist College community for worship service on October 4 at 11:00 a.m. in Hensdale Chapel.

Methodist College hosted Gwinn and 12 district superintendents of the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church for meetings October 3-4. As a part of their agenda at the College, they attended the service.

“As far as we know, this is the first time that this has occurred in the history of the College,” said the Rev. Dr. Michael Safley, minister to the College and vice president of Church and Community Relations.

Terry Jordan, Jane Gardiner, Larry Wells, Betty Neill Parsons, and *One Spirit*—the College’s scholarship vocal ensemble—offered their musical talents at the service. Safley’s meditation addressed “The Power of Sharing.”

“The reality is that sometimes you will share what you have and sometimes it will work out—and sometimes it will not,” said Safley. “The reality is we share *anyway*. That’s our call, that’s our responsibility.”

Gwinn, a graduate of the University of Kentucky and Asbury Theological Seminary, offered the benediction at the end of the service.

For more information about worship, campus ministry, or community service projects, contact the Church and Community Relations Office at (910) 630-7157.



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October 13, 2006

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**METHODIST COLLEGE AND CONGRESSMAN BOB ETHERIDGE ANNOUNCE
\$600,000 FEDERAL FUNDS**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— U.S. Rep. Bob Etheridge will join Methodist College President Elton Hendricks and the Board of Trustees to present \$600,000 in federal funds that will support the Occupational Environmental Management and the Forensic Science academic programs. The announcement will take place on October 20, 2006 at 11:00 a.m. in Yarborough Auditorium in Walter and Margaret Clark Hall. These are the first federal funds awarded to Methodist College in 10 years.

Etheridge requested and secured the funding in the *Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 2006* and the *Science, State, Justice, Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006*.

“Methodist College truly appreciates Congressman Etheridge’s efforts to bring federal funds to the campus to establish the Environmental Simulation Center and expand the Forensic Science Education and Training Program,” said President Hendricks. “Both of these programs educate our students for the professions of tomorrow and provide excellent resources to our community.”

Environmental Simulation Center

Congressman Etheridge is presenting Methodist College with \$500,000 from the U.S. Department of Energy to fund an Environmental Simulation Center for its Occupational Environmental Management Program. To date, Methodist College has the only program in the southeastern U.S., and one of two programs in the country that is responding to the need to develop and train professionals who are prepared to serve as compliance managers in helping industry and governmental agencies meet Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations. Local businesses such as DuPont, MJ Soffe, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., and government offices such as the Public Works Business Center of Ft. Bragg, Environmental Health of Cumberland County, N.C. Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, N.C. Department of Transportation, and the N.C.

Department of Agriculture are members of the Advisory Board for the Occupational Environmental Management program.

When the Center is complete, students will enter a three-dimensional holographic simulation of potential environmental hazards and determine best management practices while meeting the requirements for occupational and environmental safety regulations. In addition, the Environmental Simulation Center will offer a training site for employees of industry and government to increase awareness in occupational and environmental management and decrease preventable incidents.

Forensic Science Education and Training Program

Etheridge is also presenting Methodist College with \$100,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice to support the Forensic Science Education and Training Program to purchase specialized forensic lab equipment and advanced technology to prepare professionals to be crime scene investigators and analysts. The College is responding to the needs of the local community and the State of North Carolina to increase advanced technology used in the field and meet the needs of the criminal justice system.

Methodist College is Fayetteville's only independent, four-year institution of higher education, and is in the final stages of completing the largest capital campaign in the history of Cumberland County raised with private dollars. The College has raised more than \$14.7 million for the Science Building addition, the new Fitness and Wellness Center, and the College's endowment. The College also recently completed four state-of-the-art apartment-style residence halls to meet the needs of the growing student population. The new federal funds will support fast-expanding academic programs in science, math, technology, and criminal justice. To date, the College enrolls 2,147 students from 41 states and 30 countries, with 66 percent of the students from North Carolina. The capital campaign and federal funds contribute new opportunities as the College begins the celebration of its 50th anniversary in November 2006.

For more information, please call the Development Office at (910) 630-7200.



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**METHODIST COLLEGE WILL BECOME METHODIST UNIVERSITY
*TRUSTEES VOTE TO CHANGE NAME***

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— The Methodist College Board of Trustees voted October 28, 2006 to change the name of the institution to Methodist University. The unveiling of the name took place at the College's 50th Anniversary Founders' Day Convocation on November 1 in Reeves Auditorium at 11:00 a.m.

"The truth of the matter is that the name change is something that has been talked about by the Board of Trustees for at least two years," said Al Cleveland, chair of the Board of Trustees. "It is coincidental that it is happening at the 50th anniversary, but I think it is very appropriate that we are taking this action in our anniversary year."

"Words in higher education are used differently today," said Dr. M. Elton Hendricks, president of Methodist University. "A word that signaled something in 1956 does not necessarily send the same signal today. The label that was appropriate in 1956 is not necessarily appropriate today."

The institution will operate as Methodist College until it is officially registered with the North Carolina Secretary of State. Dr. Hendricks appointed the Rev. Dr. Michael Safley, vice president of Church and Community Relations and minister to the College, to chair the marketing committee, which will manage the transition to the new name. "Implementing such a significant change will take some time, but we are excited that we will have the opportunity to do so," said Safley.

Although this is the first time Methodist College has changed its designation, it is the tenth independent institution in North Carolina to make the transition from college/institute/academy to university.

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History of North Carolina Independent Colleges Name Changes

2006 Methodist University

1956 Methodist College

1979 Campbell University

1961 Campbell College

1926 Campbell Junior College

1887 Buies Creek Academy

2006 Chowan University

1992 Chowan College

1937 Chowan Junior College

1910 Chowan College

1867 Chowan Baptist Female Institute

1850 Chowan Female Collegiate Institute

1848 Chowan Female Institute

2001 Elon University

1889 Elon College

1993 Gardner-Webb University

1942 Gardner-Webb College

1928 Boiling Springs Junior College

1991 High Point University

1924 High Point College

1932 Johnson C. Smith University

1867 Biddle Memorial Institute

1996 Pfeiffer University

1954 Pfeiffer College

2002 Queens University of Charlotte

1912 Queens College (Seminary for Girls and Presbyterian join together)

1995 Wingate University

1978 Wingate Senior College

1923 Wingate Junior College

1896 Wingate Academy



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METHODIST UNIVERSITY HOSTS INTERNATIONAL FOOD FESTIVAL

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— Methodist University will host its sixth annual International Food Festival on Thursday, November 9 at 6:30 p.m. in Berns Student Center.

There will be dancing, henna painting, and cuisine from over 10 countries. Tickets may be purchased at the door. Admission is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under.

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METHODIST UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCES 2007 MR. METHODIST PAGEANT

FAYETTEVILLE, NC— Student Media at Methodist University will be hosting the 2007 Mr. Methodist Pageant on Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2007 at 8 p.m. in Reeves Auditorium. All proceeds will benefit Operation Homefront, a nonprofit organization that supports soldiers and their families during deployments.

Students interested in competing in the pageant must be sponsored by a club, organization, sports team, residence hall, campus department, or local business. An entry fee of \$25 (paid by the contestant's sponsor) is due by 4 p.m. Dec. 6, 2006. Sponsoring organizations may sponsor as many contestants as they choose. A rehearsal will be held at Reeves Auditorium on Monday, Jan. 29, 2007 at 8 p.m.

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**METHODIST UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AND VOLUNTEERS
HELP CHILDREN PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS
*...One Box at a Time***

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist University students and volunteers donated their time and effort Nov. 10-20 packing gift-filled shoeboxes into shipping boxes, and loading the boxes on tractor trailers as a part of “Operation Christmas Child - A Project of Samaritan’s Purse.” About 34,000 shoeboxes were loaded on tractor trailers outside of Reeves Auditorium and taken to the processing center in Charlotte, N.C. — one of six processing centers in the United States.

“We collected about 6,000 more shoeboxes this year than we did last year,” said the Rev. Dr. Mike Safley, vice president of Church and Community Relations at Methodist University.

“Students at Methodist University are out to change the world,” noted David Santiago, a student at Methodist University. “Or at least make a small donation of time and effort.”

The program provides an opportunity for people of all ages to be involved in a simple, hands-on missions project that benefits children in desperate situations. Gift-filled shoeboxes can be delivered or mailed year-round. Last year Operation Christmas Child packed and delivered over 7.6 million shoeboxed gifts for children in 95 countries worldwide.

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December 5, 2006

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**METHODIST UNIVERSITY TO CELEBRATE
WINTER COMMENCEMENT**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Methodist University will celebrate its 34th winter commencement ceremony on Saturday, Dec. 16, 2006 at 2 p.m. in the March F. Riddle Center. There are 185 candidates for graduation.

The day's events will begin with a baccalaureate service at 10:30 a.m. in Reeves Auditorium. The Rev. Dr. John H. Tyson, minister at Hay Street United Methodist Church, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon. This year's commencement speaker is Brian Whitcomb, president of The Professional Golfers' Association of America.

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METHODIST UNIVERSITY LAUNCHES NEW WEB SITE

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—Since the Oct. 28, 2006 decision to change the name of the institution to Methodist University, the Marketing Committee has been meeting weekly to establish new branding policies and procedures.

One of the first tasks included a re-design of the University's Web site. The new Web site was launched by Webmaster Michael Molter on Dec. 3, 2006 and includes the following features:

- A "Featured Program" section that randomly highlights one of 17 academic programs.
- The most recent University news and upcoming public events in a more prominent location.
- A link to MU's GroupWise Web Access e-mail program.
- A search box in a more prominent and accessible location.
- "Popular Links" has been added in deference to the things the public asks for often, such as graduate programs and online programs.
- "MU Downloads," which offers a myriad of campus and athletic images sized suitably for desktop wallpaper. Also, the Alma Mater is featured here as an audio download.
- An infusion of recent photography.

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FRIENDS OF MUSIC AT METHODIST RECEIVES GRANT SUPPORT

FAYETTEVILLE, NC—The *Friends of Music* at Methodist was the recipient of a grant from the Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County to support in part the expenses of a concert by the Grammy-nominated Borealis Wind Quintet. The Borealis Wind Quintet has been acclaimed as one of America's preeminent chamber ensembles. The highest musical integrity, irresistible energy, and five-fold charisma distinguish Borealis in the chamber music field. Audiences love their exquisite programming that includes the finest of the classics, engaging commissions, opera arias, and works for piano and winds.

The concert is one of the presentations in the 2006-2007 *Friends of Music* at Methodist Concert Series. It will be held on Thursday, March 22, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary of St. Patrick Catholic Church. Admission is free of charge, but charitable donations are encouraged and will be accepted. Proceeds will be designated to a local charitable organization. The event is co-sponsored by St. Patrick's Concerts for Charities. Call (910) 630-7100 for more information on this and other Methodist University musical offerings. Information is also available at www.methodist.edu/music.