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Welcome Kevin Page, Our Next SGA Pres

Kevin Page, pictured left with residential coordinator Joey Harris, is the next student body president. Photo by Melanie Gibson

Sarah Davenport Staff Writer

Most students at Methodist College are thinking about the end of the semester, but Kevin Page, the new Student Government Association

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Big 20 page issue. Have a great summer! (SGA) President, is thinking about what he can do to make next year better for the students.

Page has many concerns about the lives of students at Methodist. His biggest concerns are parking, student involvement in activities, and the way the student body views Methodist College. He said that he was encouraged this year by the SGA's organization and its ability to coordinate events and get things accomplished. He's happy with his executive board, but he is concerned about the lack of student involvement in SGA.

"Out of twenty-two senators, I only have nine slots filled," he said. "People come to me and always say that they like this or don't like that, but they aren't willing to take time to talk to the powers that be or to come up with ideas on how to fix the problem. I want the student body to understand that there is no certainty, only opportunity."

The new student body president is concerned about how people view Methodist College. He was disappointed by factors such as the less than satisfactory food service and lack of parking with sophomore residency being enforced next year. Factors like those mentioned don't

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Passport to Europe

Ashley Genova Opinions Editor

For a few hours on April 6, Berns Student Center was no longer U.S. property. The International Club hosted European night, featuring a multitude of countries.

Students were given a passport as they entered Berns. If this passport was signed or stamped by every booth, the students were entered in a prize drawing for a coffee maker or a stereo. Earl Gray tea, homemade shortbread, and tea biscuits. Italy gave out spaghetti and bruschetta, which is garlic toast topped with cheese and tomatoes. Ireland displayed a beautiful handmade sweater.

Amid many pieces of Russian artwork was a box of Russian chocolates. Poland had perogies, which are similar to raviolis stuffed with cheese and potatoes. However, France's booth was the most generous with food.



Gosia Jarema shows off her knowledge of her home country Poland. Photo by Ashley Genova

Featured countries included France, Italy England, Poland, Russia, Scotland, Ireland, and Portugal. Each booth displayed information about the country. Many of the booths showcased art or offered free food.

England provided

The table was covered with plates of sausages, cheese, cookies, bread, and spreads.

"The whole point is to get people exposed to different cultures," said Kent Culmer, president of the International Club.

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NEWS

Saving Lives One Pint at a Time

Will Montoya Editor in Chief

"I give blood because I might be able to save someone's life."

~Brittany Hutchinson





"It's the good thing to do." ~Daniel Rosser

"I do it every time they come. I'm a universal donor and anyone can take my blood." ~Tim Evans



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Ashley Genova Opinions Editor

SGA will soon induct its new members.

On April 24, new members

will be sworn in at the final SGA meeting of the year. *...The exam breakfast will be Tuesday, 25 at ten in the Green and Gold Café. Steak and eggs will be served..."

The new senators are Ashley Price, Kandice Nickel, Jacqueline Hunt, Tiffanny Mills, Samantha Gamble, Shrestha Deepak, Ashley Genova, Stacie Canady, and Cameron McLaughlin.

Norma Bradshaw is returning as chief justice. Gosia Jarema will be treasuer, Laura Beth Lester will be secretary, and Drew Ginther will be vice president. The new SGA president will be Kevin Page.

There are several events happening on c a m p u s

> b e f o r e e x a m s
> start. The k e x a m breakfast will be Tuesday,

25 at ten in the Green and Gold Café. Steak and eggs will be served.

The Student Development Awards will be April 26 in Berns Student Center at 11:30 a.m.

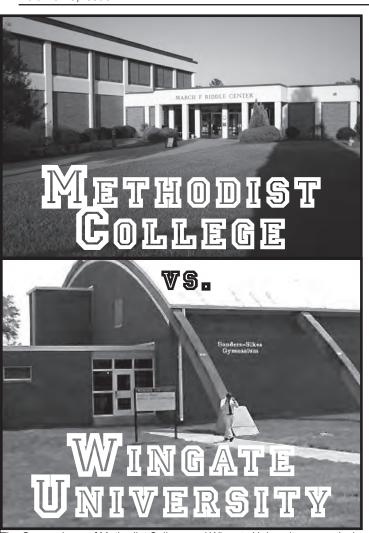
All students who have excelled in any department underStudentDevelopment will be recognized.



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The Gymnasiums of Methodist College and Wingate Univesrity respectively. The photo of the Riddle Center is by Melanie Gibson. The Sanders-Sikes Gymnasium is courtesy of www.wingate.edu

Norma Bradshaw Staff Writer

Some of the most common complaints from Methodist College students are the alcohol policy the visitation policy. Let's see how other schools measure up.

Now up is Wingate University in Wingate, North Carolina.

General Stats

Methodist

Enrollment: 2100 Student/Faculty Ratio: 1:15 Cost: \$24,620 Wingate Enrollment: 1500+ Student/Faculty Ratio: n/a Cost: \$24,400

Visitation Policy

Methodist

The residence halls are open for visitation from 11:00am to 1:00 am Sunday through Thursday nights and 11:00am to 2:00am Friday and Saturday nights.

No person may have more than two guests of the opposite sex at any one time. For special permission regarding Wingate Traditional Residence Halls Sunday through Thursday has the visitation

Thursday has the visitation hours of 12 noon to 12 midnight and on Friday and Saturdays from 12 noon to 2:00 a.m. The Apartments however have visitation hours beginning at 12 noon and extending to 2:00 a.m. each day (http://www.wingate.edu/

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NEWS Thursday, April 20, 2006 • smallTALK 3 Green and Gold, Your Money and You More Ways to Save

DeMario Campbell Staff Writer

College can be an extremely rough time financially. If it is not tuition, it is the lack of money you have in college, or both. Certain things that others enjoy, like eating out at restaurants, going to the movies, and other fun things, many students don't have the opportunity to enjoy. Also, without having a car, students can't get jobs off campus and work study is not always guaranteed. With all of this, however, there are ways to acquire money and save the little that you may have in college.

First, use any money that you may have wisely. For example, if a relative sends you \$40, only use it on absolute essentials.

Essential meaning in this case, things that you just can't live without. Try and stretch this money as far as possible. Also, when making purchases, don't think that name brand items are the best. Some times generic brands are just as good or better than the name brand items. Clothes are the same. Although name brand items are in style, you have to think about your financial situation.

Second. another college concern for students are credit cards. Credit cards can be dangerous for college students because of the lack of responsibility that many college students have and their financial situation. Credit cards can ruin your credit and cause you to

have problems in the future with big purchases if they are not used properly. Do notunderany circumstances use your credit card for non-essentials such as expensive clothes or other things. Only use the card for essentials and when you use it, try to make a plan to pay off your balance as soon as possible.

Third, believe it or not, there are ways to make money in college. Students with special skills such as arts, crafts, cosmetology, and other skills can use these to put a little money in their pocket or even make them wealthy.

Finally, if you do have a job, try and put away money from each pay check so that by the time you graduate, you can start your life with a substantial amount of money.



NEWS

Tore Plans for RHA *Amber Smith Co-Sports Editor Co-Sports Editor Co-Sports Editor*

The Residence Hall Association is ending the year with a slew of activities, including the Redneck Olympics which are scheduled for Thursday, April 20.

Elections for RHA executive board positions are also just around the corner. Nominations were placed the 17, and the new officers will be voted on and announced at the final

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help the student morale, but Page believes that students also have to help themselves and going through organizations, like SGA, that can get the job done. There are many "things" that he can accomplish as president of the SGA, but what it really comes down to is the fact More vending machines are scheduled to come to campus next semester, and cigarette receptacles will also appear shortly.

Garber Hall will be revamped a little with the addition of some new furniture for the basement.

One of RHA's last events will be a garage sale, with more information to be announced to the students and community.

that he just wants the students to care.

"I might not change one physical thing about this campus, but if I can change how the student body feels about this campus then I have done my job," Page said.

He invites anyone to talk to him if he or she has any problems and to join SGA if interested. *Will Montoya* Editor in Chief

I'm not lost I'm on a journey" is what some people may find stuck on the backs books. The phrase is part of a world-widephenomenonknown as "Bookcrossing."

"Bookcrossing is a way to track books as they travel the world", said Nancy Alexander, the Associate Professor of English at Methodist College.

"Some of my books have traveled to Asheville, Asheboro and Wilmington, NC and others have traveled to Abilene, TX and Birmi Alabama," Alexander.

Love 'Em and Leave 'Em

Birmingham, added



To track your books all you have to do is register you book online at bookcrossing.com.

Once you register, you will receive a special number called a BCID

> number. This number is written on a sticker that is placed on the book and left somewhere for a fellow reader to pick up.

When someone picks the book up, they can log onto to site, put the BCID number in, and write a brief journal entry on where the book has traveled.

So if you ever see a lonely book, pick it up, read it, and log it on bookcrossing.com, then release it again.

Who knows, the book may have traveled around the world.



Kim Genova Contributing Writer

Beginning with the 2006 Fall Semester, any student requesting services with the Office of Career Services and Student Employment is required to register with College Central Network.

This feature is found on the Career Services homepage, ww.methodist. edu/careerservices. All

"...any student requesting services...is required to register with College Central Network..."

students planning to do work study are required to register prior to obtaining a student employment form.

Anyone planning to seek an internship for the summer of 2007 should

begin planning now. Deadlines for applications begin in October and most are complete by

January.

The Office of Career Services will remain open during the summer months.





Around the World



Magda Baggett, Director of International Student Program travels to Thailand and Vietnam to recruit students for Methodist College. Photos contributed by Magda Baggett



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family members, see the Resident Coordinator. 50, Methodist (p. College Handbook).

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Alcohol Policy

Methodist

The possession or consumption of any alcoholic beverage is prohibited on the Methodist College campus. Possession is defined as having alcoholic any beverage or its commercially produced container on the student's person, in the student's room, in the student's' automobile, or among properties owned or being used by the student (p. 80, Methodist College Handbook).

Wingate

The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages on campus is prohibited. Drunkenness or related intoxicationinduced misbehavior on campus is prohibited....

...The unlawful possession of paraphernalia associated with the use, possession or manufacture of alcoholic beverages, prescription drugs, or any controlled substance for any purpose, including decoration, is prohibited (http://www.wingate.edu/ Student Affairs/Student Handbook/images/).

Thursday, April 20, 2006 • smallTALK 5 NEWS **Baggett Recruits** An Ultimate Creator After All?

Dave Santiago Staff Writer

In an age when science and religion are seemingly at odds with

each other, William "...Yet he also proclaimed that Lane Craig came to Methoidst College on April 10 to speak on the issues of our origins and the end of the universe.

In his lecture, he talked extensively on ultimate creator ... " the expanding nature

of the universe and the theories of other universes.

He made it clear that most scientists believe that the matter in our all

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members of the club were friendly and excited to share their knowledge of Europe.

"The best thing about Poland is the landscape because we beautiful have mountains, beautiful seaside, and me!" Gosia Jarema informed those who stopped at Poland's booth.

Kate Skripova and Shusha Nikolaeva described beautiful winters in Russia, where it snows from October until May. Though it may be very cold, Skripova assured that "You are always universe had a beginning, and is destined to cave in and come to a stagnate state.

Yethe also proclaimed

if there is a beginning and an end, then the universe is not eternal and it is possible, even within the discipline science, to say there is an

> that if there is a beginning and an end, then the universe is not eternal and it is possible, even within the discipline of science, to say there is an ultimate

welcome (in Russia)." Steven Magnusen informed students on



Kate Skripova and Shusha Nikolaeva show artwork depicting the cold Russian winters. Photo by Ashley Genova

Scotland's most famous feature: the kilt. "It's a tradition of representing your family in Scotland... you wear your family creator

His point was that it is possible to massage the tension between theism and natural science.

This speech was the sixth annual Templeton lecture on science and religion at Methodist College.

Craig is a research professor of philosophy at Talbot School of Theology and is a sought after speaker by churches and universities alike.

He has participated some noteworthy ın debates such as "God? A debate between a Christian and an atheist," and "Does God exist: the Craig-Flew debate."

colors on your kilt. You're not supposed to (wear anything underneath the

kilt), but most people do.

Previous International Club Nights were Russian Night, Latin Night, Night, Asian and African-Caribbean Night.

The next theme night has not been decided yet. However, Baggett, Magda

director of the International Student Program, and Evy Houng, assistant director, joked that Antarctica Night was a possibility.



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Remille's Ramblings: Goodbye

Remille Shipman Co-Sports Editor

Oh Yes, Oh Yes... Remille's year-in-review and final thank-yous.

Now it is Åpril 2006, and in approximately two weeks I will return to my home in West Fayetteville for at least a brief period. On May 6th, a boatload of seniors will graduate from Methodist College and move on to graduate school, the world of work, or employment in the town of Fayetteville, NC. Many of you will go to your PGM



internships at some nice locale around the country, summer school, or back home. And sorry to say this, but some of you will turn in your room keys and never return to Ramsey Street for school. This happens.

But overall, I think that we as a college community had just an okay year in 2005-2006. For example, Student

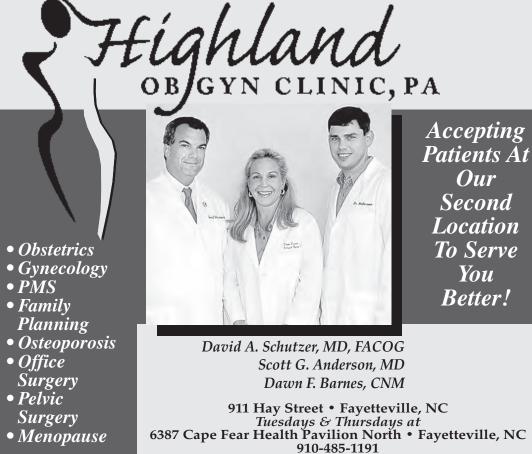
Activities improved greatly this year. Duane Grooms and crew really made an overall effort to give the students what they wanted in terms of student entertainment, and it looks like we will have a Spring Fling this year (no rain, please). Our football team was really successful this year. Female enrollment increased so much that fifteen girls had to be importinto Cumberland. ed Homecoming always provides good moments for everybody. And our Powder Puff football game went pretty well despite the fact that we had to struggle to find participants.

But I've had trouble trying to remember anything that was really memorable. And not everything was perfect around Methodist-in fact; I apologize right now if I offend anybody with my following comments. For starters, the cafeteria hasn't shown any improvement in my eyes at all from last year. I pray to God that this changes in 2006-2007, but I feel the one thing that needs to change is the consistency of the cafeteria selection and service. You never know when the food there will be good or bad.

I also feel that our Residence Hall Association and Student Government Association took a minor step back this year. Attendance dwindled for RHA meetings this year, and a lack of continuity among both clubs' executive boards plagued both groups despite the honest efforts of its core members. And I don't want to get into how our bonfire turned out. Plus, SGA senators in particular have been quitting left and right this semester. Still, both organizations did well with their annual events-RHA with their Oktoberfest, and SGA with their blood drives-and a new year always brings new enthusiasm.

Most of all, I'd like to thank the students, faculty, and staff for their loyal support of my column and of the sports section. Your pats on the back and congratulations have been a great inspiration to me this year. I'd like to thank Lindsey Hanson and Tiffany Nabors for giving me the opportunity to do this at all. And most of all, I'd like to thank all of my friends, associates, and fraternity brothers for everything this year-there are too many to name here, but you know who you are.

I'll end with a salute to the class of 2006. This class holds special meaning to me being I would have been a part of this class if I wouldn't have transferred from Fayetteville State and came to Methodist out of high school in 2002. They should be given a stage bigger than the Riddle Center to commence on May 6th.



Most Insurance Plans Accepted.

President Hendricks Unplugged

Justin Morehead Staff Writer

President Elton Hendricks: I have wanted to read either an article about or feature him for quite a while. I hope some of your own questions and concerns will be answered.

The President was more than happy to participate in this interview and provided me with a very pleasant atmosphere and experience. Apparently we have family from a lot of the same places.**JM:** All right, we'll just start from the top. Where did you go to school?

EH: I did my undergraduate work at Wofford College in Spartanburg, South Carolina, where I was a history major. Then I flew in the Navy for four years because back in those days everybody got drafted or volunteered. So since I was going to get drafted, I volunteered, went to the Navy, and flew with an air intercept officer, a backseater, if you've ever seen "Top Gun." Then I went to Divinity School at Duke University. I was very much interested in the relationship between science and religion. After divinity school, I asked the bishop if he would appoint me to - well, going back to be a Methodist minister 1n South Carolina – would he appoint me either to the University of South Carolina or to Clemson. He appointed me near the University of South Carolina. I went back and got a degree in physics. So Wofford, Duke, and the University of South Carolina. Then I spent a summer at the Institute for Educational Management at Harvard.

JM: What degrees do

you hold?

EH: A Bachelor of Arts on history, a Masters in theology, and a Ph.D. in physics.

JM: How long have you been the President of Methodist College?

EH: I'm in my twenty-third year.

JM: I've heard that you did a lot to get the school back onto its feet when you first arrived. Could you tell me about that?

EH: Well, I have to say this carefully that a lot of people worked to get the school back onto its feet. In my early years at the college, people used to say to me, "Is the college going to make it?" Nobody's asked that question in ten years. The question now is not are we going to survive, but how good are we going to become? How did we do this? We improved our admissions staff. We have very qualified people there. We developed a much stronger financial aid program both with external funds and with internal funds. We put into place a lot of new majors, communications being one that wasn't in place. Things like our Golf Management Program, our P.A. program, and we developed a lot of things that were just attractive to students. We built new facilities on the campus--residence halls, academic buildings, student life facilities. Those are the kinds of things that we did. We had three successful capital campaigns raising money for things.

JM: Next, students have said they feel your age has caused problems with your relationship to our much younger student body. How do you feel about that?

EH: Well, you are the first person who has ever mentioned that to me, so I'm not sure exactly what is meant by that. I don't play as vigorous a game of handball as I used to. When I first came to the college, I could defeat most of the students at the college in ping-pong. That is probably no longer the case. I'm not sure what is meant by that.

JM: Moving right along, in recent issues of SmallTalk, Methodist College's alcohol and visitation policies were compared to the policies at other schools of our size and nature. Why are the rules so strict at Methodist?

EH: Well, as I've read the articles in the newspaper, it's not clear to me that our rules are much stricter than what I read about High Point, and uh – there was one other school about two weeks ago – was in Gardner Webb? Not Gardener Webb, uh –

JM: Wofford.

EH: Well, I missed the Wofford one.

JM: Barton College.

EH: Barton College! Well, between Barton and High Point, I don't think that our rules were that much stricter. I noticed that the rules in regards to visitation – we actually have a more liberal visitation policy than many colleges. The alcohol policy, to some extent, is set by the policy of the state. There is in North Carolina a requirement that you must be twenty-one to purchase or consume alcohol in North Carolina. We can't and shouldn't provide a sanctuary where people can find a place to violate, with impunity, the laws of the state.

JM: Do you feel that

the school's affiliation with the Methodist Church has left us with a certain image to uphold?

EH: That's a difficult question to ask. I think the answer on one level is no. The college isn't owned by the Methodist Church. It's not controlled by the Methodist Church. We do have, what I like to say, a 50 year friendship with the Methodist Church. Up until 1992, when our bylaws at the urging of the church were re-written, the annual conference of the church did elect our trustees. That's not been the case since 1992. Our relationship to the church is not one of control; it's one of friendship and historical relationship. The Methodist Church is still our largest single contributor each year. Now it's a small fraction of our total budget, on the other hand, about \$150,000 a year. But no one else in the world gives us \$150,000 year in and year out.

JM: In every institution there is a certain amount of bureaucracy and politics to rummage through. Do you feel that the school's relationship to its trustees and to the church has put us in a position where that has become a problem?

EH: Well, in institutions there's a certain amount of bureaucracy and politics to rummage through? I guess in any organization of any size you have to deal with bureaucracy and politics. In my opinion, Methodist College has less bureaucracy and less politics than the overwhelming majority of schools. I don't understand a concern about the relationship to the trustees and the church. It's never been suggested to me that any of those things were problems, and I don't know what someone would mean when they ask that question.

JM: What is your vision for the future of Methodist College?

EH: People have been asking me that question for 23 years. That's a good question. My standard response is I want Methodist College to be an outstanding small college. We are not going to be a 50,000body school, but I expect to see us continue to add academic programs from time to time. We are continuing to grow. We are adding 92 new residential spaces for next fall. So, we'll have the capacity for more residential students. We are continuing to expand academic programs, both in adding new programs and in upgrading and expanding some of the programs that we have. For example, just prior to your interview, I interviewed a candidate to help in expanding our Health Care Administration program. While I don't know what programs we will be adding and what the size will be five years from now, I believe we will continue to add new programs from time to time and that we will add new facilities from time to time. I think we will grow.

JM: Will you talk about the rumored university status that seems to be headed our way?

EH: Yes. There are two issues I think. Issue one has to do with the word college. When we were established in 1960, most small institutions called themselves colleges. Now a days the word college has

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sort of been taken over by the community college two-year market, the school market, and many of the previously small four-year schools have now begun to call themselves universities. They have adopted the label of University as a more apt description of who they are. We now have three graduate programs at Methodist, we'll add some more, and in my view it is probably time for us to look at aligning ourselves with those institutions that call themselves small universities rather than, on the other end, aligning ourselves with the community colleges for whom the word college is increasingly the label that they use. Ultimately the decision will rest with the Board of Trustees, but I think there's a good chance we will become a university. The other aspect is the whole name of the college. The name Methodist College is believed by many people to have been suggested by one of our Jewish trustees in the early days of the college when he said, in those days, the Methodists are putting up the bulk of the money; therefore, until we find a better name we should call this place Methodist College. So Methodist was viewed from the very beginning as sort of a temporary name. Is it time for us to look for a different name for the institution? The challenge, of course, is what different name? That matter is still in my mind, and I think in the minds of many people, an unresolved issue. We are looking at changing the name, and that is a little different in changing the status. I haven't heard anyone who's suggested that the change from college to university is not an appropriate change. I have been a part of a lot of discussion trying to decide what is the appropriate name. If not Methodist, then what?

JM: What would you like to say to the students of Methodist College?

EH: Well, what would I like to say? College, as I remember from my own experience and from observing many of the students at Methodist and

President Hendricks speaks at a Town Hall meeting a K. during the 2005 Fall semester. Photo by Will Montoya

other colleges - it's a wonderful time to explore, to learn, and you should have a balance. You should have a serious commitment to your academic work because that is going to form the foundation of the rest of your life. But you should also enjoy the relationship with your friends and take advantage of the cultural and entertainment opportunities that a college's community provides. You should develop good habits--like staying in shape and taking care of yourself, all those things. The habits you get into during college are, to a large extent, the habits you will have for the rest of your life. So take your studies seriously, allow time for recreation and entertainment, eat well, exercise appropriately, etcet**OPINIONS**

era.

JM: Now to the more fun questions: What is your favorite sport?

EH: I'm not a sports fan in the sense that I don't like to watch sports events on TV. I participated in my small high school in football, baseball, and basketball. And I suppose I enjoyed baseball more than any of the others...one reason being, we won the state championship when I was a junior, and I had four hits

night the we won-base-SO ball.

JM: Good pick, that's mine too. What is your favorite fastfood restaurant? **EH**:

food restaurant. What's that sandwich place? It

O00, fast starts with

J M :

Quiznos? No that's a Q.

- um - well, places that

make good Reuben-type

pretty eclectic views; I can

listen to almost all music

except rap. And there may

be a few Christian rap

groups that I can identify

with. Excluding that, I like

a lot of music, but I find

that the station I normally

turn to when I'm driving

down the road is a classical

station. I like Beethoven

particular television show

the nature channels and the

history channels. No par-

ticular show, whatever is

on the History Channel

that you like to watch?

JM: Do you have a

EH: I generally watch

vorite type of music?

sandwiches.

and Bach.

EH: No, not Quiznos

JM: What's your fa-

EH: Well, I have

when I have an opportunity to watch TV, that's what I watch.

JM: What are your thoughts on our nation's current situation concerning immigration reform?

EH: Well, I agree with the folks who say we are a nation of immigrants, and I recognize why people would want to come to our country. If I lived in a Third World country, I'd probably want to live here also. On the other hand, we don't want people to become law breakers and criminals just as a process of becoming residents in our country. I would probably favor some tighter border controls and better ways to get into the country. I don't mind admitting immigrants. Not too many generations back, my family immigrated here from Holland, so I appreciate immigration. We should make it easier to immigrate, but we should discourage people, and have limitations on violating the law.

JM: What is your favorite movie?

EH: Oh goodness, there are a lot of movies that I like. The one I've probably watched more times than any other is "The Search for Red October." And the reason, I guess, is that I spent my Navy career looking for Russian submarines, and so that sort of takes me back to those days.

JM: Where is your favorite place to travel?

EH: I like to travel almost anywhere. If I had all of the resources and the time, I would probably travel half the time in my life. I've been to Bolivia four times on a medical mission, and that was a wonderful experience. I've been to Europe a few times. If someone were to ask which I would rather go to: Bolivia, a Third World country, or Eng-

Well, it's hard to land? commit. Both of them have their attractive features.

JM: What is your fondest childhood memory?

EH: Well, you know I grew up in a small southern town in rural South Carolina and everybody knew everybody and was kin to everybody. I got interested in electronics when I was very little. I remember when I built my first radio and heard the signals coming off the air through the headphones with a piece of equipment that I had built. I wouldn't have traded places with anybody in the world. I had taken the article out of the magazine, bought the parts, put it together, and it worked!

JM: What is your favorite book?

EH: Well, I guess I'm supposed to say the Bible (laughs) which is gonna be way up their on my list. I'm not a fiction reader very much. I like biography, history, and poetry, but I don't tend to read novels. One of my favorite books and one that I go back to very often is the collected poems of T.S. El-10t.

JM: If you could meet anyone, dead or alive, who would it be, and why?

EH: Well, one person that's always fascinated me is a – well, I'm an experimental physicist by academic training, and I would like to meet Michael Faraday, a man who did a lot of the wonderful physicist experiments and a man of deep, devout Christian faith. That's not the only person that I'd like to meet, but that's a person with whom I'd like to have a conversation. I'd like to know about his work as a physicist, and I'd like to discuss with him his Christian faith.

JM: That wraps it up.



A Voice From Dirtbag in Durham: theWilderness

A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord" Isa 40:3

David Santiago Staff Writer

We're all on the search for truth I guess. We tend to think of truth as the opposite of falsehood. What I mean and what Jesus meant by truth was something much higher. God cannot be contained in a list of facts or one book. The Bible was given to us as a guide to help us connect to the spiritual, not a how to manual or legal document. While certainly on occasions it may serve well in this function, if you try to contain God within the translated words of the Bible you will find that just as often it cannot provide the answer we want.

But try not to think of it in terms of being factually right or wrong, (truth be told, there ARE contradictions in the Bible, but this is only because of that slight problem of trying to contain God in human language I talked about) The Bible is a record of man crying out to God, and God trying to show us the way. But if we think of it in overly humanistic terms we end up with many of the problems we see today (i.e. massive divination in the church, over literal readings that cause the churches to waste energy on such stupid things as the creation v. evolution debate and debate over women in the ministry)

We should refer to scripture for guidance, but

God cannot be fully contained in any human expression. One must truly seek to find, not just study. I believe the truth is something so great it cannot possibly be contained in words. I feel I have had many experiences that have shown me this kind of truth, and yet I seek more, and that's what a true life of faith is, always seeking and questioning interpretations and the status quo.

One thing I am sure of, there is a God, and he is reaching out to us in some way. Jesus showed us a perfect way and opened up our hearts with his death and resurrection, but to this day we don't fully understand it still. That's faith; it's the search for something beyond our flawed human existences.

There is still much I question, but it is in these questions that I find where true religion lies. We are undoubtedly called to seek the Kingdom of God in our hearts and in each other as we help others and try to make this world a better place. So I am just a little bit further down road than I was in September when I asked "What is truth". The road is still long ahead of me, but something keeps me going, God gives me the strength to keep going so I can continue to seek. With that, have a great summer and may God bless you all and guide you to the knowledge in the mystery of faith.

The Duke Rape Case

Will Montoya Editor-in-Chief

There's a Durham dirt bag on the loose and they may end up on a noose.

The controversy involving the Duke Lacrosse team and a stripper who said she was raped has gained national attention. But the question still lingers who is telling the truth: the stripper who says she was raped, or the 46 members of the Lacrosse team who all say they did not have sexual relations with that stripper. Regardless of the current fiasco going on in Durham, there is still a dirt bag on the loose. The Durham dirt bag is either the falsely accusing stripper or the rapists and members of the Duke Lacrosse team.

If you have been following this case then you are probably aware of the DNA tests that all came back negative. You probably have also noticed the arrogance surrounding the attitudes of the attorneys protecting the white Lacrosse players and a protective father who believes his black daughter was raped. But, regardless of the circumstances someone is not telling the truth. Race couldn't possibly have anything to do with it!

To say that race has nothing to do with the case is like saying the U.S. is no longer segregated. But stop and think... if the situation was opposite and the accused rapists were all black and the accuser was a white female don't you think the accused black rapists would already be in jail? I do.

I also think there is lots of money involved; whether it's Duke paying off the DNA lab for negative results, or the accusing stripper trying to earn a big payoff in a civil suit. But only time will tell who the Durham dirt bag really is.



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Princess Leia is the rebel's strongest leading woman. Set in her ways, Leia will help defeat the empire.

Shauna Bunn is the Student Government Association President and will help the student body overcome the bureaucracy of the administration.



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WARNING!

The contents of this spread are purely for entertainment purposes only and are in no way meant to offend those of the galaxy far far away or those of the Methodist College campus.

The comparisions made between the fictional characters and the real life campus students, faculty and staff are based on their job positions or their role in the student body.

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#### LUKE SKYWALKER IS COREY ROSE



Luke Skywalker is the rebel's only hope in defeating the evil empire.

Corey Rose is the only person worthy enough to be crowned Mr. Methodist.



#### BEN OBI-WAN KENOBI IS DR. MURRAY



Obi-Wan is Luke's mentor, teaching Luke in the ways of the force.

Dr. Murray is a professor of history, teaching students of the past to prepare them for the future. He is also Corey Rose's adviser.



#### CHEMBACCA IS ERIC STALEY



Chewbacca is Han Solo's right hand man and plays a vital role in the rebel alliance.

Eric Staley was crowned homecoming king and plays a vital role in the Methodist College sports program.



#### LANDO CALRISSIAN IS ASSISTANT DEAN WALKER



Lando Calrissian is a good friend of Han Solo, however the empire reaches him first. Through his mistakes he hopes to make things right and help the rebels.

Assistant Dean Walker may work for the administration, but hopes to help the students as much as possible.





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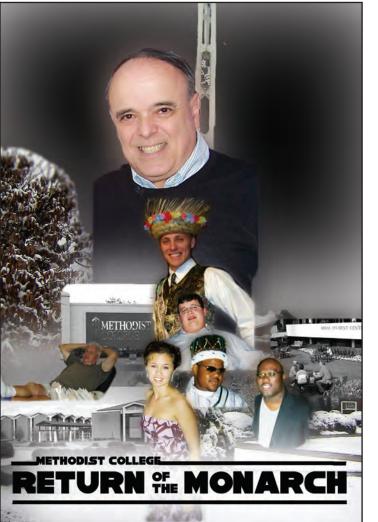




#### COACH SINK IS JABBA THE HUTT

Jabba the Hutt, like Coach Sink, doesn't choose sides, instead he has his own objectives and spends his time in the comfort of his hideout.





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say more?



SGA President elect, Kevin Page, willingly fights the just cause on the student's side, just like Han Solo who, although a rebel, fights for the light side.





#### DEAN BLANC IS DARTH VADER

Darth Vader has high hopes for crushing the rebels and controlling all the universe.

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The Emporer has the overall control of Darth Vader and the evil empire. President Hendricks

oversees the deans and ultimately controls the college.





#### DR. CHRISTIAN IS YODA

Yoda is wisest of all the Jedi. His mentorship is of great value to the rebels.

Dr. Christian is a wise professor whose wisdom is passed on to each new student.



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#### Melanie Gibson New Editor

Mangoes restaurant brings the freshest tastes of the Caribbean to Fayetteville. Located in the Andrews Shopping Center, Mangoes serves everything from mango juice to oxtail to Bailey's Irish Cream pie.

The apricot colored walls and jukebox in the corner offer an inviting atmosphere for good friends and intimate conversation.

Owner Cecilia Antoine, from Saint Croix, opened Mangoes about three weeks ago. Along



with owning the restaurant, Antoine prepares the meals in the kitchen as well. She is more than happy to make a dish as spicy as the customer wishes.

I ordered Mangoes jerk chicken nachos from the appetizer menu, which was meal enough for two. The rich flavors of melted jack cheese and jerk chicken pulled straight from the bone were a delight to the tongue.

The shrimp with roasted corn chowder was

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thick and creamy, filled with sweet corn and whole shrimp.

The menu offers a variety of Caribbean foods including roti, a "Caribbean wrap made with soft flat bread, mild spices and filled with chick peas." Roti can be ordered with curry chicken or beef, lamb or shrimp.

The Caribbean specials on the menu, Bahama ribs and shrimp in spicy coconut sauce, come with two sides such as fried plantains and garlic mashed potatoes. The entrees like curry chicken, oxtail seasoned with peppers and spices, and curry shrimp, are served with fried plantains and curry potatoes.

While fairly moderately priced, the portions will fill you up. Desserts like black

rum cake, chocolate lovin'



| Location:<br>150 Andrews Rd                                         |  |
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| Hours:<br>Mon-Thurs-<br>10 a.m 10 p.m.<br>Fr-Sat -<br>11 a.m11 p.m. |  |

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spoon cake, and Bailey's Irish Cream Bash pie are shipped in directly from Pennsylvania.

Mangoes will deliver if requested and students are given 10% off with their Methodist College ID. o trying to

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#### **Remille Shipman** Sports Editor

With the 2006 fall sports season already underway, here are brief looks at each fall team: Football

Head Coach: Jim Sypult (15<sup>th</sup> season) Last year's record: 8-2 (6-

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1 in USA South, tied for first in USA South standings)

Key returnees: HB Mike Hill (Jr., set Methodist singleseason rushing record with 1,054 yards), WR George Sands (Sr.), WR Patrick Doleman (Jr.), WR Jonathan Mularski (Jr.), WR Jonathan Mularski (Jr.), Chuck Howard (Sr.), OG Rhyan Breen (Sr.), OG Max Dinges (Sr.), NG John Northern (Sr.) LB Daryl Lawrence (Jr.), DB Antwin Shuford (So.), DB Chris Gauntlett (Sr.), DB Mitchell Collier (So.)

Preseason prediction: Selected to finish in a tie for third place in the USA South Athletic

Conference Other team notes: Coach Sypult's Monarchs

opened the season with a 27-11 loss against nearby rival Guilford. Sophomore Tony Bartee passed for 112 yards and rushed for 51 yards in his first career start, while Hill rushed for 82 yards on 22 carries.

Men's Soccer Head Coach: Justin Terranova (5th season)

Last year's re-cord: 7-12-1 (3-3 in USA South)

Key returnees: GK Jeremy Belnap (Sr.), MF Dustin Breckinridge (Jr.), F Andy White (Jr.) MF Sean Gregory (So.), F Evan Monteiro (So.) D Jimmy Izaguirre (Sr.)

Preseason prediction: Fourth in USA South

Notes: After a preseason

**Fall Sports Are In Full Swing** 



Photo by Spencer Hardwick

trip to Brazil, the Monarchs have gotten off to a 3-1 start as of Sept. 11. Freshman Ime Umoh has made an early impact with four goals in four games.

Women's Soccer

Head Coach: Tony Tommasi (1<sup>st</sup> season)

Last year's record: 9-11-1 (3-2-1 in USA South)

Key returnees: F Chrystal Bradley (Jr.), MF Teresa Futrell (Jr.), MF Ashley Sloan (Sr.), D Marie Finley (Jr.)

Preseason prediction: Tied for second in USA South

Notes: The Lady Monarchs have compiled a 2-2 record as of Sept. 11. Bradley has picked up where she left off with six goals in four goals. Freshman Whitney Roberson was chosen as the USA South Rookie of the Week for the week of Sept. 4

Volleyball

Head Coach: Eddie Matthews (6<sup>th</sup> season) Last year's record: 17-13

(6-8 in USĂ South) Key returnees: OH Sara Yeatman (So.), DS Caryn More-

land (Sr.) OH Lauren Holton (Jr.), MB Taylor Powers (So.) Projected finish: Fourth in USA South

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Notes: Coach Eddie Matthews welcomes 15 newcomers to a team that had its first winning season in 13 years last season. The Lady Monarchs are 3-4 as of Sept. 11.

Men's and Women's Cross Country

Head Coach: Tim Ryerson (1<sup>st</sup> season)

Key returnees: Husein Nasiro-Sigo (Jr.), Krystal Patton (Jr.)

Projected finish: Men-tied for fourth in USA South, women-third in USA South

Notes: Coach Ryerson's Monarchs will have their first meet on Sept. 16 at the Adidas Raleigh XC Invite in Cary, N.C. 2005 USA South Runner of the Year Husein Nasiro-Siro leads a young Monarch club in 2006.

## **Got Sportsmanship? Methodist Does!**

#### **Remille Shipman** Sports Editor

o do, so I will Methodist College athletping me, but I ics fans have seen signs to have their reading" be loud, be proud, and be positive."

The USA South Athletic Conference hopes to make the ason goes on 2006-2007 athletic campaign a ave their own banner with the announcement

passionate of its new sportsmanship initiarv ecially soccer. tive, simply titled "GOT Tennessee SPORTSMANSHIP!" The iniand women's tiative, backed by an NCAA was thrilled grant, aims to educate fans and ds UT game in grant, anns to cutcate rans and billed over Cal participants of athletic events wesome. The about expectations and emphallmer) was on size a code of spectator conduct. ning into the The following six elem stepped up ments will be displayed all

around Methodist's indoor and er at the s, stop by and outdoor playing venues, in game programs, and websites: "Cheer loudly and proudly for your team, not against the opponents, No profanity, vulgarity, racist or sexist remarks, No personal remarks toward players, coaches or officials, Show that you know the game, Stay away from the

playing area and team bench areas, Zero tolerance for alcohol use at all con-

tests." Methodist athletic director and USA South president Bob McEvoy and conference's other athletic directors have made their expectations for good sportsmanship clear to fans, players, and coaches as the NCAA's Division III level has made sportsmanship its primary banner for the 2006-2007 year.

McEvoy stated that although the display of sportsmanship in the USA South



USA South posters with this logo adorn buildings around campus to support the sportsman initiative.

hasn't been poor, he and the conference's other athletic directors "wanted to kick it up another level" and make the USA South the banner league for sportsmanship emphasis.

According to McEvoy, Division III took the banner for sportsmanship due to the level's rather personal environment. While the lack of sportsmanship in NCAA Division I athletics can often be drowned out by huge crowds and other background noise, Division III athletics traditionally draw fewer crowds than their larger counterparts, meaning that sportsmanship violations could possibly be more personal than usual.

McEvoy assured that Methodist College will enforce its long-standing policy against degrading comments and boorish behavior with security offi-

cers and other personnel from the athletic department; however, no major violations have occurred so far in 2006.

Methodist's athletic teams have had their share of awards for their stellar sportsmanship.

Last year, Methodist's baseball, men's golf, and volleyball teams were voted by their student-athlete peers for exhibiting the most sportsmanship as a team

Sophomore Clarence Baker, a wide receiver on the football team, also exhibits the sportsmanship values that Methodist expects.

"We basically want to have a good attitude," Baker commented. "Whether (you are) winning or losing, you want to keep everybody (upbeat)."

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## **The Y Factor**

Byron Lowe Staff Writer

Put the Barbie Dolls away, because these women are for real!

Over the weekend the Lady Monarch volleyball team opened its season with a bang, winning three straight games, while taking no prisoners. Feeling its presence were the visiting Sweet Briar (two games), and Spellman.

First up was Sweet Briar (September 1), who lost in three straight sets 19-30, 22 -30, and 26 - 30. Then again in the rematch on September 2, Sweet Briar lost to Methodist again in three straight sets 30-28, 30 - 19, and 30 - 18.

The Lady Monarchs continued their streak later that afternoon when they played the Spellman Jaguars. In the Spellman game, the Monarchs showed up to play, taking the first two sets; 30-6, 30-9, and then pulled off the sweep with the third set 30-24.

For the first two sets the Monarch girls seemed unstoppable. They had an excellent game plan: play together as a team, use three plays each time (bump, set, spike), and play hard. The plan worked, and the women found themselves up two sets to none.

The visiting Jaguars would not be deterred and put forth an applauding effort in the third set. Spellman started the set by going up five to zero, and then kept it close tell the end of the set.

Sara Yeatman turned the game around with solid spike to make the score 5-1, and then the Monarchs turned the gas back on. Coming up big in the third set was Jordan Grady who led the team down the stretch with 7 clutch aces. The Lady Monarch girls pulled things

Photo courtesy of Monarchs Online.

together to finish off the game in three sets.

Yeatman stated; "That while it was a good game, the girls will continue to work on improving chemistry, communication, and ball movement skills to improve the team's overall game."

The next home game for the Lady Monarchs is September 20 against Averett University. Game time is 7 p.m.



## Sports Teams Honor 9/11

David Aldridge Philadelphia Inquirer (MCT)

On this day, in a stadium that's not a half-hour from the Pentagon, and closer still to the White House and U.S. Capitol\_ into one of which United Flight 93 would likely have crashed if not for the actions of true American heroes \_\_\_\_it's difficult to concern oneself with sports.

Throughout the morning and afternoon, in and around nearby Washington (the Redskins opted a decade ago to build FedEx Field in suburbia, instead of in the city), there were wreaths and solemn speeches and remembrances of those who died, both here and in New York. The scars are, if not fresh, right beneath the surface, a shuddering memory triggered by the slightest impulse. People died this day five years ago because of a twisted idea, held in the hands of madmen.

In the midst of terror, in the middle of a war not yet won and seemingly years from completion, it was fair to ask what possible role a game between the Redskins and Vikings \_ in a stadium ringed with security because it's considered such a prime target for terrorists \_ could play.

It was hard to look at the pregame pomp, the hype generated by the season's first Monday night, with the dozens of cameras and hundreds of personnel on hand, and not feel just a little uneasy. Was this the right day for ESPN to roll out the Next Big Thing? (With apologies to my friend Tony K.) In Washington, the own-

In Washington, the owner's box is always filled with the famous and the powerful. So here came an Academy Awardwinning actor, Jamie Foxx; there went Tom Cruise, with Katie Holmes \_ Holmes inexplicably wearing three-inch heels so that she towered even higher over the already-diminutive Cruise.

Here came Redskins defensive coordinator Gregg Williams, normally quite the condescending one with the media, out of Washington's locker room before the game, his hand around the shoulder of ... Bernard Shaw, the former CNN anchor.

And here came new NFL commissioner Roger Goodell, at his third game in five days, having taken in the season lid-lifter in Pittsburgh on Thursday and the Manning Bowl at the Meadowlands on Sunday night.

"I'm not sure I can keep it up," Goodell said with a laugh before kickoff.

True story: In 1987, Goodell, already a rising executive in the league, called a justout-of-college kid and offered him a job in public relations in New York. The kid thought about it and said, "Thanks, but no thanks, I'm going to stay on this side of the fence and work in newspapers." Goodell, of course, went on to become one of the two or three most powerful sports people on earth. The kid, who could have been, at the least, at the right hand of that most powerful man, is now writing what you're reading. What a doofus, that kid.)

Nor was it settling to have a normal pregame fireworks display. The last thing you needed to hear this day was any kind of explosion.

But then, the 90,000 or so fans in attendance, including those with painted bodies and those sporting pig snouts, began to wave the American flags handed to them as they entered, and the marching band began playing "You're a Grand Old Flag," and a quintet composed of one singer from each of the five services sang the national anthem, and the crowd chanted, "USA, USA."

Do you smell the old chestnut coming about sports being a healing balm for a grieving nation? Well, like most cliches, it's at least a little true. It's silly to argue over whether sports are too important in our culture; the debate is over. Sports won. That train has left the station. The NFL has twice been in the middle of this argument; it once made an egregious mistake, in 1963, when it played games the weekend after President Kennedy's assassination. After 9/11, then-commissioner Paul Tagliabue called off that weekend's games. It wasn't the right time.

Five years later, it would be progress if our national tragedy had made this a more serious country, one that didn't need its games as much. But it didn't. And we do. No one has enough gravitas to decide for others when it's OK to care again about what may seem trivial to them.

"You separate football from 9/11," Vikings quarterback Brad Johnson said after Minnesota's 19-16 victory. Volume 46





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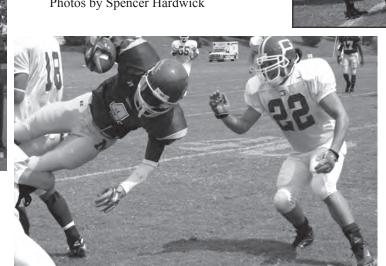
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Steven Magnusen Managing Editor

Methodist College hosted the fourth annual "Cup of Life Soccer Showcase" on Saturday, Apr. 8. Tickets were \$2 and the proceeds went to the Methodist Home for Children.

Despite several peri-

ods of rain, the Methodist College soccer team played against UNC Pembroke, UNC Wilmington, and a professional soccer team from Wilmington called the Hammerheads. All four teams played each other, each team playing three games in all.

The Monarchs finished 1-1-1, beating Pembroke, drawing against UNC-W and losing to the Hammerheads. The Methodist defense held strong, but the offense had trouble breaking through the strong competition to score.

Nevertheless, the Monarchs played three close games, finishing within one point of their opponent in all three matches. "I can't believe we're doing so well against UNC-W," commented one Methodist fan during their 1-1 tie with the Seahawks. The Monarchs' hard-

est opponents were the Wilmington Hammerheads, the professional team that plays in the United Soccer Leagues Second Division. The USL Division 2 is considered two leagues below the MLS. The Monarchs lost 1-0 against the Hammerheads.

#### What's Happening at Methodist College **April 20 - June**

#### **CAREER SERVICES**

- April 20 Career Fair Fayetteville State University 9:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m.
- April 21 Emory Research Job Fair Emory University 9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.
- April 22- Cumberland County Teacher Job Fair FTCC 9:00 a.m. Noon
- April 22 Instructional Job Fair Vance High School, Charlotte 10:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.
- April 26 Gaston County JobLink Career Fair, Gaston Adult Rec Center, Gastonia 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- May 10, 11 & 12 Office of Career Services Closed
- May 20 Wake County Teacher Job Fair Knightdale High School, Raleigh 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
- May 24 Lincoln County Job Fair Lentz Rec Center, Lincolnton 9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.
- June 2- Southeast Education Alliance Teacher Recruitment UNC Wilmington 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

June 3 - Teacher Job Fair - Northside High School, Jacksonville 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

#### **SAC EVENTS**

April 22 - Spring Fling (DJ and Live bands, food and fun) 12pm The Sink April 26 - Exam Breakfast 10pm Berns

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

April 20 - English 325, student poetry reading 7:00 p.m. Mallet Rogers House April 26 - Student Development Awards banquet 11:30 a.m. Berns May 6 - ROTC Commissioning Ceremony 5 p.m. Clark

#### **CAMPUS MINISTRIES**

Every Wednesday - 11:00-11:30 Service of Midday Prayer in the Chapel Every Wednesday Night - 7-8 p.m. Vespers in the Chapel

#### **COLLEGE RELATIONS & MARKETING**

- April 22 Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra Concert 8 p.m. Reeves Auditorium April 25 - Methodist College Concert Choir Concert 7 p.m. Reeves Auditorium April 26 First Annual Methodist College Guitar Night Featuring MC Guitar Ensemble, William Smith, and Sharon McNair 7 p.m. Hensdale Chapel April 26 - Cumberland County Schools Evening of Dance 7:00 p.m. Reeves Auditorium
- May 2 North Carolina Symphony Orchestra Concert 8 p.m. Reeves Auditorium
- May 6 Baccalaureate Service 10:30 a.m. Reeves Auditorium
- May 6 Graduation 2 p.m. March F. Riddle Center
- May 20 Kerry's Dance Beat Performance 7 p.m. Reeves Auditorium

#### Take the ultimate study break this reading day by participating in the First Annual Sports **Fest 2006**

Jennifer Rhoads Contributing Writer

The Sport Management Club proudly presents the first annual Sports Fest '06. The events will provide students with "the ultimate study break" by allowing everyone to remove their heads from their books on reading day (April 26th) and participate in the event of their choice.

Events include a three basketball three on tournament, a flag football tournament, and a five kilometer run/ walk. Signups for each event will begin on April 24th. For more information on how to get involved, contact Rhoads Jennifer at JRhoads2460@aol.com extension 5354.

> Sports Fest '06 events includes:

3 on 3 Basketball, Flag Football, 5 KM run and walk, Capture the Flag, and Water Balloon Fights.



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Volleyball: Methodist volleyball hasn't had a long tradition of winning, but the fortunes of Coach Eddie Matthews' team changed in 2005 as the Lady Monarchs posted a 17-13 overall record and a 6-8 conference record. Methodist's 17 victories and overall winning record were the most for the program since 1992.

Methodist's best season in 13 years was fueled by the stellar play of record-setting senior Jennifer Ellis and a full season of health from senior Megan Friend after she had missed parts of the last two seasons due to injury.

Cross Country: Coach Halcyon Blake's final season at the helm of Methodist's cross country program saw another stellar season from sophomore Husein Nasiro-Sigo. Nasiro-Sigo won his second straight USA South individual conference championship, only to top that effort by winning the Division III Southeast regional championship on November 12. He became the first Methodist runner to win a regional since John Storms did so in 1989.

Nasiro-Sigo's Division III national efforts weren't as successful as he fell with a mile and a half remaining in the race and failed to finish. At the time of the accident, Nasiro-Sigo was among the race's leaders.

Men's Basketball: A third straight USA South conference tournament championship and third consecutive NCAA tournament appearance wasn't to be as Methodist struggled to an extremely disappointing 10-17 overall mark in 2005-2006. The Monarchs surely missed USA South Player of the Year Sam Porter this season as they lost seven in a row at one point while navigating through a hellish non-conference schedule.

The season wasn't all negative for Methodist as the team played well enough in the second half

of the conference portion of the season to finish with a 7-5 conference record. And seniors Seth Thomas and

Eugene Grant as well as head coach David Smith both reached the 1,000 point and 100 win plateau, respectively. But Methodist's disappointing season came to an end with a conference tournament semifinal loss to Averett on February 24.

Women's Basketball: Coach Dee Dee Jarman's squad enjoyed its first nonlosing season since 2002-2003 with a 13-13 overall record and 8-6 mark in USA South play. However, Methodist could not match the 2004-05 team's run to the USA South tournament finals this season as their year ended relatively quietly with a 57-50 firstround tournament loss to Peace College.

Methodist didn't go empty handed in the postseason awards category as freshman Kristen Whitehurst was named USA South Rookie of the Year after averaging eight points and five rebounds per game.

Lacrosse: Head Coach Beth Brundage led a Methodist team that ended its fall season short handed due to injury to its best record in school history with an 11-4 overall record and a 3-2 conference record. However, the postseason wasn't as kind to the Lady Monarchs as Christopher Newport University pulled out a 15-12 victory in the USA South semifinals on April 14 en route to winning the entire USA South conference tournament.

Methodist also set records for consecutive games won (nine in a row from March 1-25), and senior Lindsey West became Methodist's all-time leading goal and point scorer.



She finished the season with 182 career goals.

Men's Golf (Spring Season): Methodist continued its dominance of the USA South in men's golf when they captured their 13<sup>th</sup> straight conference championship in Burlington on April 15<sup>th</sup>. The Monarchs won three other matches this season while the veteran trio of fifthyear senior Adam Horton, junior Nick Bova, and senior Cory Schneider continued to produce. Horton finished in first place in both the Jekyll Island Collegiate Invitational as well as the USA South championships.

The Monarchs will attempt to capture their first national title since 1999 when they travel to Nebraska Wesleyan in Lincoln, Nebraska from May 8-11.

Baseball: Coach Tom Austin's squad managed to battle back from an 8-10 start to capture another USA South regular season championship in 2006. The Monarchs won 11 straight regular season games to finish 22-11 overall and 13-5 in USA South play.

But Methodist's hope for an NCAA Tournament bid is currently not in their hands after failing to win the USA South tournament in Burlington last weekend. A 16-10 loss to eventual champion North Carolina Wesleyan followed by a 3-2 ninth inning collapse against

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Greensboro makes the Monarchs' remaining games more crucial than ever.

Tennis: Men's Coach Eddie Luck's Monarchs garnered another USA South regular season championship and also managed to make a dent in the South region as they were ranked as high as seventh during the regular season. But pesky Christo-Newport pher ruined Methodist's opportunity to capture a USA South conference title in the tournament final in Burlington last weekend. The Monarchs finished the year with a 17-6 record and 4-1 record in conference play, and senior Keith Criscoe and sophomore Matthew Siegel won Player and Rookie of the Year, respectively.

Women's Tennis: Head coach Francie Barragan had a fine debut season at the Lady Monarchs' helm as she was named the USA South coach of the year in 2006. Her 15-6 Lady Monarchs went 7-0 in conference play as they advanced to the finals of the USA South conference tournament final in Burlington before losing to Christopher Newport.

Women's Golf: Coach Vici Pate's Lady Monarchs are still in search of their ninth consecutive national title at press time as they await the NCAA Division III nationals at Oglethorpe University on May 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>. The Lady Monarchs' biggest season highlight was a victory at **SPORTS** 

the High Point Spring Invitational on April 4. Methodist managed to make an excellent showing in defeating Division I programs such as Western Carolina, Elon, Gardner-Webb, and Wofford.

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Head coach Matthew Hayes made the best of what he had in 2006 as the Monarchs performed well during a transitional year. Freshman Patrick Thornell had an exceptional rookie season with three wins in the javelin this season,

while Kawesi Darby, Krystal Patton, Tia Imel, Todd Sackewitz, and Chelsale Hester had stellar moments as well.

Up next for Methodist is the Mason-Dixon Conference Championship on May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.

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