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Methodist's original campus was completed in approximately 1960 and at that time there were no laws for those with disabilities.

"Our first students enrolled here in 1960 and our first class graduated in 1964," said Jean Clayton, vice president for Business Affairs.

It was would be another 30 years before those with disabilities would see substantial change to their rights in the United States.

In the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, "The Congress finds that (1) some 43,000,000 Americans have one or more physical or mental disabilities, and this number is increasing as the population as a whole

is growing older; (2) historically, society has tended to isolate and segregate individuals with disabilities, and, despite some improvements, such forms of discrimination against individuals with disabilities continue to be a serious and pervasive social problem; (3) discrimination against individuals with disabilities persists in such critical areas as employment, housing, public accommodations, education, transportation, communication, recreation, institutionalization, health services, voting, and access to public services; (4) unlike individuals who have experienced discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, or age, individuals who have experienced discrimination on the basis of disability have often had no legal recourse to redress such discrimination; (5) individuals with disabilities continually encounter various forms of discrimination, including outright intentional exclusion, the discriminatory effects of architectural, transportation, and communication barriers, overprotective rules and policies, failure to make modifications, to existing facilities and practices, exclusionary qualification standards and criteria, segregation, and relegation to lesser services, programs, activities, benefits, jobs, or other opportunities;..."

However Methodist architects did consider those in wheel or power chairs. They constructed Trustees with a ramp out front. The ramp was not a later addition.

"We really didn't start placing emphasis on handicap accessibility until the early 1980s," said Clayton. "Our first attempt was with the ramp that attaches North end of Berns to Bell tower level then we tried a ramp from the fountain area by cutting through the retaining wall. We then a built ramp at Reeves on the North side, then we built a ramp at Horner on the East side. Then we built a sidewalk connecting the Horner building by going by Reeves and down that sidewalk. We also made inclines so that people in wheel or power chairs would not have to jump the curb,"

Clayton also said that Linda Szulc's office needed more wheel and power chair accessibility and that he is working to do everything he can to get something done about that. Also as far as automatic door openers go Clayton says that the new art building, which will be going under construction soon,

will have automatic doors.

As far as getting an elevator put into Trustees goes, Clayton says it would be very costly. An internal elevator or one on the side of Trustees would be anywhere in the range of \$75-100,000.

"You can get to all the spaces in Trustees, you just have to go a round about way to get there," said Clayton.

Clayton said that without question there are many improvements that Methodist can make for wheelchair accessibility and he again points out that Methodist was not originally designed for the handicapped.

Any new structures built on campus must legally be handicap accessible.

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Womack Speaks on Medical Challenges

Daniel Lee Staff Wrtier

Listeners came from near and far to hear Col. Terry J. Walters, M.D., Commander of Womack Army Medical Center speak in the Yarborough Auditorium in Clark Hall. Dr. Andrew Ziegler, Assistant Director of the Tally Center, opened the forum by welcoming students and naming some of Walter's various accomplishments.

Walters received the Meritorious Service Medal which is worth four oak leak clusters, she was chosen to be a White House Fellow National Finalist in 1994, she received the Captain Hooper Award for Outstanding Research in Public Health in 1995, and she published articles for prevention of injury, telemedicine and military health care.

Walters graduated from West Point military academy in 1980 and she was part of the first female class to graduate from West Point. In 1995, Walters received a Masters of Public Health and Health Care Administration. Her latest assignment was as the Deputy for Health Policy for the Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Walters began her speech with a history lesson on Dr. Jonathan Letterman, field medic at the Battle of Antietam on Sept. 17, 1896. Letterman's wartime experiences led

him to revolutionize military medicine.

According to Walters, a modern American soldier has less than three in 500 chances of dying of combat-inflicted wounds.

Walters then began her discussion on leadership. The first kind of leadership Walters discussed was what she described as heroic leadership.

"In Somalia, I had to be forceful and direct," she said, "Lives hung in the balance. This is heroic leadership that only works well in crisis situations."

"My style of leadership uses persuasion and nuance," she said. "True leaders use systematic consensus. I need to grab their hearts rather than kick their bottoms."

Walters operates four major clinics on Ft. Bragg. Unpredictable things come up at the last things come up at the last second.

"If I don't make assumptions, things will fall apart." Walters said.

Walters went on to discuss a book entitled <u>Blake</u>, about a complex internal computer that evaluates everything. She compared this to how humans make internal evaluations subconsciously and how such evaluations can be misleading.

"I often have to work with external entities such as the media



Col. Terry J. Walters. Photo courtesy of Dr. Ziegler

and figure out their agenda," she said. "I cannot let my internal evaluations and judgments disrupt my ability to work with such entities."

Walters concluded her speech with a quote by Harry S. Truman that evaluates leadership, "What makes leadership is getting people to do what they don't want to and like it."

At the closing of the forum Dr. Ziegler presented Walters with a leadership coin and a small gift of appreciation.

The Tally Leadership Development Program was begun in 1996 by the Laura S. Tally Center for Leadership Development and has been held annually ever since.

Spring Prayers for Safety and Midterms

Ashley Young News Edtor

Today's world is full of violence. It is displayed through the media, in games, and in real life. But a thing which many turn to find peace is prayer, which is exactly what Dionne Drakes did before spring break.

"I am saved and I go to church a lot," said Drakes. "When I look on the news and see all of the students that go away on Spring Break and don't come back I just don't want to see any Methodist students like that,"

"Never stop praying," said Drakes, quoting 1 Thessalonians 5: 17 from the New Life Version Bible. "Persistent prayers get answered," said Drakes.

Drakes lead a prayer session which was held at 11 a.m. on Mon. Feb. 25 in Bern's.

While this particular session was a "trial run" there will be another

held just before the end of the school year prior to summer.

This prayer session was Drakes' first opportunity to share her faith in God with a large group of people. She usually prays alone or with one other person.

According to Drakes people can exalt, glorify and praise God through prayer and in return receive God's guidance, advice, assistance, and leadership.

"Prayer helps Father God to provide for us, it helps God to forgive us, it helps God to protect us, and it helps to bring us closer to Father God," said Drakes.

After mid-terms, Drakes plans to start a female Bible group called "FOCUS."

Outside of Methodist Drakes attends Covenant Love Family Church on Dunn Rd. in Fayetteville. When she was in high school, Drakes was the President of Christian Youth Movement.

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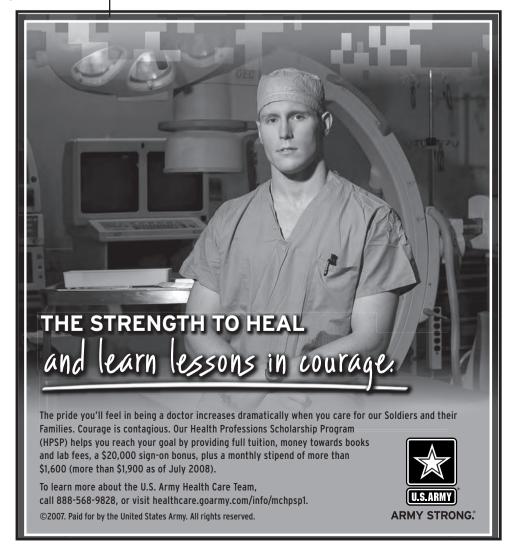
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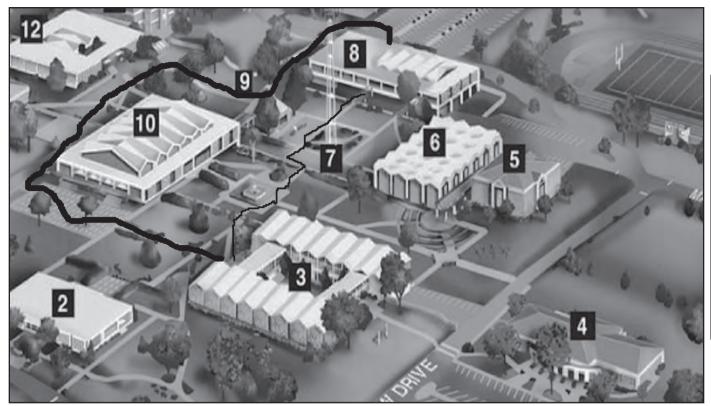
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MAP KEY

Path of wheelchair

Path of walking person

3 Trustees Building

10 Reeves

9 Chapel

8 Berns

This graphic shows the shortest available paths from Trustees to the cafeteria that both a walking person and a wheelchair user take.

Graphic concept by Ashley Young. Graphic by Ashley Genova

Stairs are a challenge for wheelchair users

Ashley Young News Editor

The Methodist University website promotes the fact that "students can actually get to know their professors, who are approachable." But for students in power chairs who must use wheelchair ramps access to a professor's office, or anywhere else on campus, may be a problem.

While Methodist is handicap accessible, it is not handicap convenient. Methodist students who use power chairs include Tina Faircloth, Frank Moses, and Stacey Milbern.

Faircloth, a senior and social work major, uses a power chair which is kept in Linda Szulc's office in the Center for Personal Development located in Pearce Hall. Szulc is the coordinator of Disability Services. There is only one way for Faircloth to get to Szulc's office and avoid the stairs. She enters from the right side parking lot, which forces her to circle the entire hall.

Faircloth must then get the power chair, exit through the front door, and then circle the building once again. She then rolls down the sidewalk towards the Trustees building for her classes.

However, Faircloth cannot take the short route to Trustees from Pearce Hall. The short route would be walking up the steps to Trustees after traveling up the ramp by Bern's on foot. Instead,

she must go up the wooden ramp by Berns and take right to head the concrete ramp at the back of Reeves. The way can become even more complicated. For example, if a van parks by the wooden ramp, Faircloth has difficulty getting past it in order to get to class.

"There's been a few times I've had to go off into the grass and I've gotten stuck." said Faircloth.

Weather is another obstacle for Faircloth must travel. If it is raining, she is soaked by the time she gets to class.

Faircloth said professors do not look kindly upon her when she is late for class despite the great distance she has to travel in order to get there. She lost five points on a paper because she arrived to class late due to the distance she had to travel across campus.

Getting to her classes, though, are not the only issues Faircloth faces with M campus and the buildings on it.

"If you ever have to go to security, there is no way to get in there because there is no ramp down there," said Faircloth.

According to Faircloth the ramp inside Reeves is so steep that she has to be pushed by someone else in order to get up it. Then, when she travels back down it, she said she feels as if she is going to fall out of the chair.

Faircloth also said the doors on campus are very heavy and often times extremely difficult to open. She wishes they were handicap accessible with buttons that open the doors.

"If a person hasn't been in this situation they do not stop to think or realize there's a problem," said Faircloth.

Moses also uses a power chair. This semester Moses has classes in Trustees, and the Math and Science buildings. Moses, a junior and social work major, faces his own difficulties.

"There's really nothing that's convenient for a person in a wheelchair," Moses says. "A person has to go around and about to get from one place to the next. For example if you're coming from Trustees to Berns, you have to go all the way down to Reeve's ramp just to get there."

This semester Moses has classes in the Trustees Building, and the old Math and Science Buildings. In the Science Building he had to use the fire entrance because he cannot get in through the regular entrance.

"Methodist can make campus more handicap accessible. When coming in door at Trustees, you can have push-open button for automatic doors. [They] need to readjust some of ramps around campus so that a person in a wheelchair doesn't feel like an outcast because they have to go all the way around campus," said Moses

Moses also stated that even though Methodist was an older

campus, it needed to modernize so that it could be equal for those with disabilities.

Milbern, a senior and political science major, also runs into difficulties with Methodist's older buildings with her power chair.

"There are so many efforts taking place right now to have more students with disabilities pursue higher education. I'm amazed that we still haven't tapped into these efforts, especially when keeping students enrolled is currently such a big issue at Methodist," said Milbern.

Milbern said that when it rains she often has to skip class due to the fact she can easily catch pneumonia and being in the rain increases her chances of getting sick

"What makes it most frustrating though is knowing it only takes other student one minute to go from level-one to level-two and that all my problems would be irrelevant if the school invested in an elevator. What are they doing with all these tuition raises if not making the pursuit of higher education easier for young people?" said Milbern.

Milbern also said that students with disabilities are a big recruiting pool and it would be beneficial to the school in the long and short run if the school was more handicap-accessible.

Brice Lott uses a wheelchair, but can wheel himself over curbs and other obstacles. "It'd be nice if they had an elevator in Trustees so I wouldn't have to go all the way out and around. That really sucks!" said Lott.

Lott plans to be an accounting major. While he is extremely independent, he struggles with various parts of campus.

"The ramp behind Bern's is the worst ever, but at least there's one there." said Lott.

Lott also said that the worst kind of walkways for him were the ones that were made of brick because they are uneven and the most difficult to travel across.

Most people without disabilities do realize what students like Faircloth, Moses, Milbern, and Lott go through in their day to day lives.

Among a few students interviewed across Methodist's campus, the majority had no idea of the specific details to how students in power or wheel chairs get from the upper to the bottom levels of Trustees Building. So how do most students think people in power chair and wheelchairs get around?

Gina Penrod, a junior and an elementary education major, responded, "That ramp in front of Trustees."

Tina Varnell, a sophomore and a business administration major, said, "They have to go outside."

Currently, there are no plans to revnovate older buildings for easier handicap access.

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Opinions'

Ashley Asks... Ashley Young News Editor



"I would invent calorie-free chocolate!" – Jessi Harris, sophomore, biology major.

If you were a scienist and you could create anything what would it be?



"A tonic that you could apply daily to your head to make your hair to be restored and stay dark. I would split the cost with the Reverend Safely." -George Blanc, Dean of Students.



"I would create a hydrogen efficient motor engine and it would be used to repoace gas and oil based transportation." —Mohamed Elaasar, junior, biology major.



"One would be a time machine that would allow people to go to the past and interact with other people but not change the course of history since that seems to be the only theoretical problem with time machines.

"Another would be a video recorder that could record dreams so you could watch them and not have to try so hard to explain them to other people." - Caroline Thomas, sophomore, English major.

To-do list for the next U.S. President

McClatchy-Tribune
News Service
(MCT)
The following editorial appeared
in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram
on Monday, Feb. 25:

Running for president is no stroll in the park. It requires stamina to survive the bruising travel schedule, a thick skin to ward off the taunts of political opponents, a constantly extended palm in search of campaign contributions, a nimble mind to quickly explain positions on complex issues and a steely acceptance of a loss of privacy.

But that's the easy part.

The winner of the Nov. 4 presidential election will face awesome challenges in attempting to keep America safe from terrorism, its military strong, its deficit-riddled government solvent, its economy in the black, its massive entitlement programs for the elderly intact and its 303 million people happy or at least no more than mildly upset.

From Day One, a president must set priorities. Otherwise, the to-do list becomes crushing.

Here are some crucial issues that President Bush's successor must tackle:

IRAO

The next president, while seeking the counsel of military leaders, must scale back U.S. forces in Iraq

as circumstances dictate. Deadlines should be established to put the Iraqi people on notice that they must take the lead in restoring civility to their violence-wracked nation.

BUDGET DEFICITS

The national debt has zoomed to nearly \$9.3 trillion _ that's more than \$30,000 for each American. The Bush administration is projecting near-record budget deficits of \$410 billion this year and \$407 billion for 2009.

A combination of tax increases and spending restraints is needed to stanch the red ink. A sizable chunk of the Bush tax cuts adopted in 2001 and 2003 should be rescinded. Congress and the new president must restrain spending by returning to the pay-as-yougo principle that helped produce budget surpluses in the late 1990s. Under "pay-go," new spending requires offsetting spending cuts or tax increases, or a combination of both.

And the bloated tax code needs to be greatly simplified.

IMMIGRATION

Stronger enforcement against illegal immigration is imperative both on our borders and in the workplace. But reform legislation also is needed to give more immigrants the opportunity to work here legally and have a shot at citizenship.

Beefed-up border patrols and heightened technological surveillance can reduce illegal border crossings. But fencing along the Texas-Mexico border should be limited to minimize negative economic, environmental and diplomatic impacts. That could require amending previously passed legislation.

HEALTH CARE

Nationwide, 47 million people lack health insurance. Texas has a higher portion of uninsured residents, 25 percent, than any state.

The White House and Congress must work together in uncharacteristically bipartisan fashion to find innovative, affordable approaches to dramatically reduce those numbers. Th State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) must remain well-funded unless healthcare reforms produce a better alternative.

SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE

Both Social Security and Medicare face long-term funding crises as a horde of baby boomers heads into retirement. A variety of modifications will be needed to put both programs on a sustainable long-term financial footing.

EDUCATION

On this vital issue, the nation is simply adrift. The new president will face a tremendous challenge in determining and then re-establishing the federal government's role in education.

Bush came out of the gate strong in 2001 with the No Child Left

Behind law. Although it passed with bipartisan support, NCLB's programs have been chronically underfunded and its initiatives plagued by conflicts with state standards. Now NCLB renewal languishes in Congress.

Even if NCLB's congressional logiam clears before the November election _ and that seems unlikely

_ the new president will have to start from scratch on budget priorities for education. Congressional Democrats roundly rejected the Education Department budget that Bush submitted in early February.

ENERGY AND ENVIRON-MENT

Congress finally adopted higher fuel economy standards for passenger cars and trucks. U.S. energy and environmental policy should continue shifting toward expanded conservation programs, greater diversification of energy sources and less-polluting technologies.

More wind, solar and nuclear power could be part of the future energy mix, as well as "clean-coal" plants, provided that technological advancements are made.

On the automotive front, plug-in hybrids, totally electric cars and hydrogen-powered vehicles eventually could greatly reduce our reliance on gasoline. Expanded bus and rail transit systems could provide new alternatives for many Americans.

More domestic oil and natural gas production should be encour-

aged by allowing drilling in a limited portion of Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and some additional areas offshore from the continental United States.

Congress should pass legislation sharply reducing emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases believed to contribute to global warming. A significant focus should be put on developing power plants that can sequester carbon dioxide rather than release it into the atmosphere.

FOREIGN POLICY

The next president must work harder to reach diplomatic solutions to international problems and be less prone to enter into costly misadventures such as Iraq. We can enhance our global image and better the world through noble humanitarian efforts such as Bush's initiatives to thwart AIDS and malaria in Africa.

A FINAL THOUGHT

A president who successfully deals with most of the difficult issues we have outlined might be remembered as among the greatest in U.S. history.

The next president must be what Bush promised in 2000 that he would be but decidedly was not: a uniter, not a divider. If ever bipartisan cooperation were needed from both the White House and Congress, it is now.

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Entertainment Punkstock 2008 Rocks Out at the Rock Shop

Alicia Secord Staff Writer

The Rock Shop was the site of the second annual Punkstock in Fayetteville, held on Feb. 22. Three native Fayetteville bands: After 11, Gasoline, and Schmegma, were there along with a Raleigh band, The Shotdowns. A Durham band, Dead to Society, and Kyle from the band Richlands. Though the times the bands played were only half hour sets the quality of the music was much higher than most shows in the Fayetteville area.

The show started with a young garage band called After 11. The members of the band were all under 14 years old, but were all very talented. With prac-

tice they may learn how to play together. Their songs were all of what can be expected from young teenage boys. They spoke of failed relationships, pet cats, the school library, and a catchy tune, "Don't Drop the Soap in Jail.

While not the best band present, this group got a lot of respect from the other musicians. When asked how such a young band was invited to play at this event, lead singer and guitarist Josh Tears replied,

"We play a lot of open mic nights here and Shawn (Adkins, the owner of The Rock Shop) liked us."

Kyle had the most energy of the six groups that played. The vocalist interacted with the crowd and there were a lot of fans present that knew their songs. Interesting lyrics and a bagpipe player made this band entertaining to say the least. However they were far from musically inspir-

When The Shotdowns took the stage things really got interesting. Despite unintelligible screaming vocals, amateur stage play, and an unoriginal drummer, the crowd started getting excited. Led by the members of Kyle, the crowd started moshing and dancing. The most exciting thing about this band was their guitar players, who were very talented.

Dead to Society, the oldest band in age, was the best of the night. It was interesting to see a band in which all of the members. including the drummer, are vocalists. They were very melodic and highly talented. Their Black Sabbath cover was actually better than the original version. Lead singer "Ill" Bill was probably the most stereotypically punk of all of the musicians that performed, with a green mohawk and tattoos down both arms. The great thing is none of that keeps him from being a good musician as it does with so many younger musicians.

Gasoline and Schmegma are both much like other Fayetteville bands. Gasoline is a southern style rock band. They sing about heartache and hangovers but were mainstream enough that they may have actual radio potential. Most intriguing was their version of "Fools Rush In," originally performed by Rube Bloom. Schmegma is the opposite extreme of Fayetteville rock bands, the hardcore, metal style. They

play songs such as "Obestiality" and "Fast Food Fiend" which are comical satires of popular culture. These are the songs that few in the mainstream society want to hear, however, so Schmegma will likely never be heard on the radio.

With good bands, a great setting, and an interesting crowd, Punkstock 2008 was easily one of the best local shows in the past several months.

This variety of bands appealed to a large crowd of people and made for a fun group. Also the respect and brotherhood that the musicians showed for one another was unique. More than simple respect, these bands truly enjoyed playing together and their positive energy was infectious.



McClatchy Newspapers (MCT)

The mammoths are wooly, the humans are shaggy and the cliches are thick in Roland Emmerich's "10,000 B.C."

The cheesy prehistoric epic might have been fun if anyone involved displayed the slightest sense of humor.

D'Leh (an uncharismatic Steven Strait) grows up in a camp of hunters and gatherers who live in lodges constructed of mammoth bones on a snowy mountainside. His people wear skins, grow their hair in long dreadlocks and hunt their mighty prey with only sharp-

Then one day a far superior bunch of humans arrive. These folk have domesticated the horse, grow grain and make cloth, have developed the bow and arrow and know how to fashion metal into weapons.

Further proof of their advanced civilization can be found in their taste for rape and pillage.

D'Leh watches helplessly as his friends and especially his betrothed, the blue-eyed Evolet (Camilla Belle, wearing big contact lenses that make her look like an alien), are taken away in bondage. Then he sets out in pursuit with Tic Tic (Cliff Curtis), the tribe's master hunter.

D'Leh is destined for great

stentorian narration by Omar Sharif. Unfortunately, Sharif so mangles his English pronunciation that only every fifth or six word is intelligible. Still, we get the drift. D'Leh is the chosen one spoken of in prophecy. Yadda yadda yadda. On his journey D'Leh battles

huge voracious chickens, befriends a saber-toothed cat, crosses jungles and deserts and builds an army of warriors from other tribes savaged by the marauders.

Finally they come to the bad dudes' city, where all those captives are used as slave labor to build pyramids. Except that these aren't Egyptians- apparently this civilization is what's left of Atlantean culture.

10,000 B.C. has cliches as ancient as the title

Steven Strait as D'Leh is threatened by a saber-tooth tiger in a scene from Warner Bros. Pictures' and Legendary Pictures' epic adventure "10,000 B.C.," distributed by Warner Bros. Pictures. (Warner Bros. Pictures/MCT)

This idiocy _ an amalgam of caveman flick, "Androcles and the Lion" and territory covered more coherently in Mel Gibson's "Apocalypto" is served up with a straight face by the players. Too bad; a strong camp sensibility is just about the only thing that might

have saved this lumbering beast.
But Emmerich ("Star Gate,"
"Independence Day," "The Day
After Tomorrow") delivers the patented foolishness as if it were

the Arthurian legend. "10,000 B.C." looks pretty good and the computer-animated beasts are OK (the killer chickens are even better than that), but there's not an interesting character to be seen, and the dialogue by Emmerich and Harald Kloser is like the awful stuff they used to make Indians speak in old Westerns. Better to have D'Leh and his fellows converse in gutteral grunts.

Makes me think I was too hard on "Clan of the Cave Bear."

D'Leh? More like Homer Simpson's "D'oh."

> 10000 B.C. 1 star

Director: Roland **Emmerich**

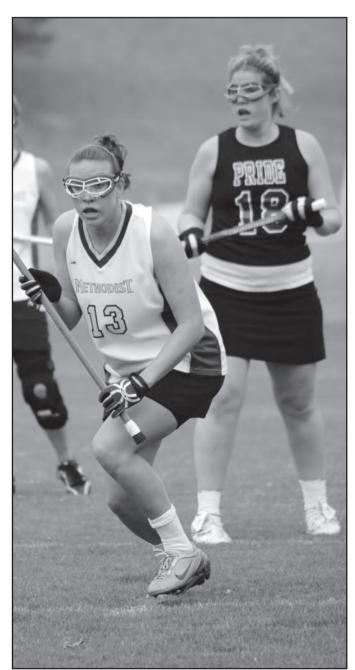
Cast: Rick Steven Strait, Camilla Bell, Cliff Curtis, Omar Sharif

Rated: PG-13 for sequences of intense action and violence.

Running time: 1:49

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What's up with Methodist Sports?



Above, Chrystal Bradley senior mid-fielder drives in.

Right, Diane Doroftei junior mid-fielder.

Photos by Matt Bietzel.

Danielle Levine Sports Editor

Monarch Baseball Guilford Guilford L February 27 6-7 (10 innings) Shenandoah March 1

Fayetteville L 3-7 March 2 Shenandoah

Fayetteville

March 4 Alderson Broaddus Fayetteville L 4-7

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March 5 Virginia Wesleyan Fayetteville

March 8 Ferrum Fayetteville W 3-1

March 9 Ferrum Fayetteville W 6-2

March 11 Bridgewater Bridgewater, Va. W 6-5

Hampden-Sydney March 12 Fayetteville W 8-4

Monarch Lacrosse

Lynchburg March 1 Lynchburg, Va. 4-16

of Art & Design Savannah, Ga. W 20 - 7

March 4 Wilkes Hilton Head, S.C.L

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March 9 EmersonRichmond, Va. L

March 11 Greensboro L 12-19 Favetteville

March 1 Frostburg W 5-1 Virginia

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Rochester Institute of Technology Kissimmee, Fla.

Swathmore Mar. 11 Fayetteville W 5-0; W

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Oglethorpe

March 2 at University of the South L

March 3 at Piedmont W 8-1

Monarch Women's Tennis March 2 Misericordia Orlando, W 9-0 Fla.

St. Mary's Orlando, Fla. W 8-1

March 3 King's Orlando, Fla. W

March 6 College of St. Scholastica Orlando, Fla. W 9-0

March 11 Elon Elon L

The season was concluded for the Monarch men's basketball team with a tough loss in overtime to Averett during the semifinals of the USA South Conference Tournament. The final score was Methodist with 68 points and Averett had 70. The leading scorer for the Monarchs was LeuMichael Smith who was 8-10 (1-1 from behind the arch) from the floor, 0-1 from the free-throw line for a total 17 points, five rebounds and four steals. The Monarchs finished out the season with a record of 16-10 (8-4 within the USA South Conference). The Lady Monarchs also concluded their season in the USA South Conference semifinals. The women had a strong finish against Christopher Newport and lost by a score of 68-70. Leading scorer for the Monarchs was Dezzire Gilliard who shot 5-9 from the floor and 5-6 from the freethrow line for a total of 15 points and four rebounds. The Lady Monarchs finished out the season with a record of 19-8 (14-4 within the USA South Conference)

Congratulations to both the Men's and Women's basketball teams for a wonderful season.



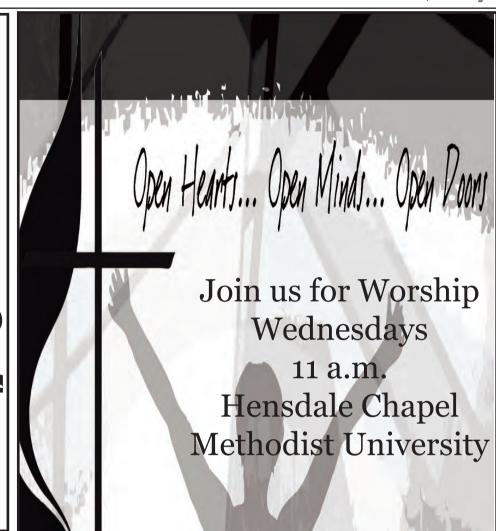


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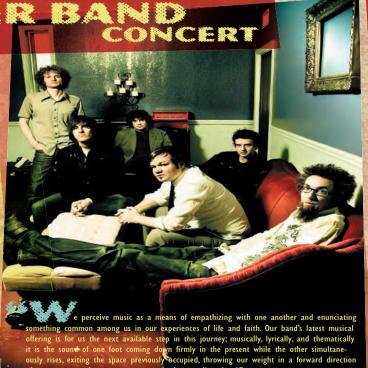
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DAVID CROWDER BAND

In this life, it's not uncommon to feel the weight of sadness. People in the proximity of our affections die. Grief resides in our chest as a result of loss, or tragedy, or some other pain. Yet by some miracle, God pours Himself into us. He shines in our deepest despair, and somehow repairs what's been torn apart.

David Crowder Band's newest offering, Remedy, combines their trademark unique and energetic style with band leader Crowder's inventive self-production. Remedy features ten tracks in perpetual motion, from opener, "The Glory of It All," to closing track, "Surely We Can Change," hope and a call to action are consistently present. Tracks "Can You Feel It" and the first single, "Everything Glorious," convey that God is everywhere – even during times when we can't feel Him. Title cut, "Remedy", accentuates the wounded human condition, while simultaneously challenging people to be the remedy in a world that is broken.

With the belief that it is people who evoke change in the world and not just songs themselves, the band's most recent project dares their audience to look outward, so that the songs they sing are more than just words, but instead are momentum toward change. "It seems like from the moment we get here, we breathe in individualism," Crowder says. "And so, this record is, for us, an answer to the question of how we interact with something much broader than ourselves. It's to provoke change in ourselves, and to export that change to others."

Building on this idea, touring will start to take on the responsibility of exporting change, providing an opportunity for immediate action, leveraging each night with a chance for fans to put legs to the message that is thread throughout the album: Individuals can, and do, change the planet, and the Church can, and should, be at the front of that change.

Whether leading in the church they call home, University Baptist Church, in Waco, Texas, or playing in sold-out clubs and auditoriums, David Crowder Band is fully embracing the opportunity to help move people from despair to hope, and from words to action.

where there is pain...let us bring grace. where there is suffering, bring serenity. for those afraid, let us be brave. where there is misery, let us bring relief.

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