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## What A Great Time To Be A Monarch

By: Ryan Bowyer

Assistant Director of Campus Life

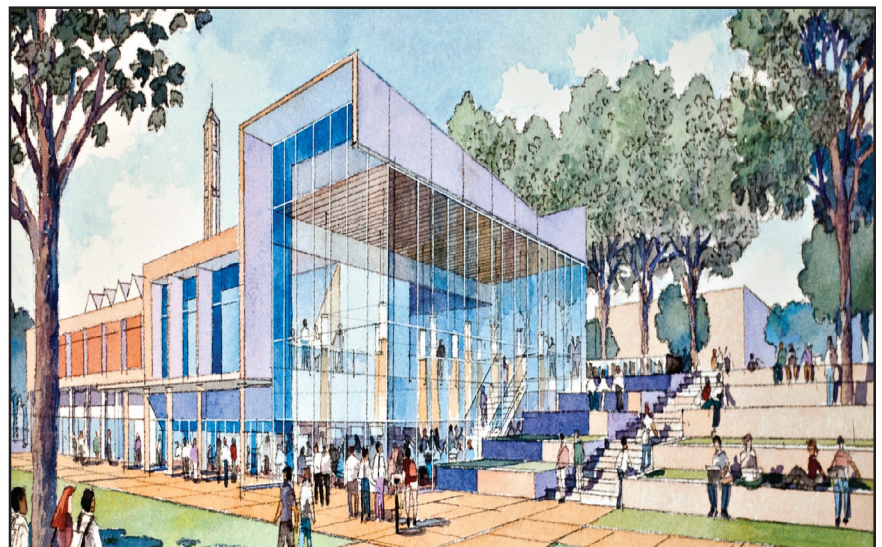
Welcome to the Methodist University class of 2016. What a fantastic time it is to be a new Monarch here. There is excitement in the air as new staff has been hired, new buildings have been built, and a president has been inaugurated.

Currently, Methodist University is undergoing a massive renovation plan for some of the major buildings. Headed by the Vice President for Business Affairs, Gene Clayton, Methodist University is currently in the midst of a three stage Master Plan that was drastically change the look and feel of this campus. In phase one, renovations have been planned and implemented on a primarily sophomore residence hall, know as North Hall, massive beautification projects on Ramsey Street, Stout View Drive, and Lowdermilk Drive, as well as concrete pavement in the main quad.

In phase two, which is a 10 year phase, a new health and science building, new parking lots, and a renovated chapel. A massive library renovation and Trustees Classroom building renovation are also in the works. Further, two steering committees are meeting for signature buildings, the Berns Student Center and the Reeves Auditorium, in order to facilitate massive renovations. According the Clayton, the Berns Student Center is renovating 43,000 square feet with an addition of 29,000 square feet, and will include a new game area, a new snack bar and outdoor dining area. It will also include a new bookstore, and a completely renovated cafeteria.

In phase three, which is a bit farther down the road, we can expect to see fantastic graduate housing for the health and science students, a Riddle Center expansion, and a Nimocks Fitness Center renovation. However, to put the immense growth that Methodist University has went through since 1990, there have been 25 new buildings that have been added to this campus. Fantastic growth!

However, Mr. Clayton is quick to remind new students that, at the end of the day, what makes a great institution is not the buildings or the trees or the flowers. Rather, he says, "signature people make this a great University. We are one family going in the same direction, providing students what they need, not to make a living, but to live a life. We are teaching team values and students always come first." Being here at Methodist, with individuals who truly believe in Gene Clayton's philosophy, is what being a Monarch is truly all about.



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On behalf of the entire Methodist University community, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to our campus. You will often hear us talk about a “culture of excellence” as a way of communicating our commitment to the success of each student during his or her time at MU. Because of our signature people, we believe we can deliver not only the best education, but also the best quality of service.

I invite you to get involved, take advantage of all that is available to you here at the University, and to share all of your talents with the new friends you will be making. Please also know that I look forward to getting to know each and every one of you. We are all part of the Methodist journey and will learn from one another.

My best wishes to you for a great year!

*President Ben Hancock*

I am delighted to welcome you to Methodist’s orientation, and I hope that you, the Class of 2016, are as excited to be here as I am.

I am at Methodist because of the challenging opportunities being created here as the school transforms from a mid-sized liberal arts college to a growing university. Another reason I am here is that I embrace the school’s liberal arts education, outstanding academic programs, core values, and relationship to the Methodist Church. I assure you that you will receive a quality education from an array of strong academic programs and extra- and co-curricular activities.

I encourage you to take advantage of all that MU offers -- from meeting with your advisors and professors to working with the professional staff throughout the University. We are all here to help you succeed!

Methodist University is alive with a vibrant spirit which, I hope, excites you! In the last few years, we have opened the Hendricks science annex, fitness center, Bethune Art Building, football locker rooms, two new physician assistant buildings for our growing graduate program, and five sorority and fraternity houses. This year, we open our new nursing building and new sophomore residence hall. Last spring, the University created a new Center for Student Success designed as a “one-stop” resource for all Methodist University students, and President Hancock announced the MU Journey which includes the following four Centers: Leadership, Community Engagement, Global Education, and Undergraduate Research and Creativity.

Welcome to Methodist University! I urge you to stay focused during your freshman year so you can build a strong foundation for your sophomore, junior, and senior years at Methodist!



*Delmas S. Crisp, Executive Vice President and Academic Dean*



Welcome to Methodist University! The campus is alive with anticipation as we prepare for the semester ahead. As you settle in to your residence hall, you can look forward to many exciting opportunities to engage you in our campus community.

The University’s faculty, staff and administrators are a resource for students. We want to help you to achieve the maximum educational benefit from your time at Methodist University. I strongly encourage you to actively participate in University life by seeking out opportunities to be involved both in and out of the classroom.

Our staff is available to answer questions, advocate on behalf of students, or to simply point students and their families in the right direction. Please do not hesitate to contact your Dean of Students by phone at (910) 630-7152 or by email at [wwalker@methodist.edu](mailto:wwalker@methodist.edu).

*William H. Walker, Vice President of Student Development and Services and Dean of Students*



# New Face to Student Development and Services

By **Todd Harris**  
*Associate Dean of Students*

**G**reetings Methodist University! My name is Todd Harris. I am very pleased to serve as the new Associate Dean of Students. Having grown up in Raleigh, I am familiar with the wonderful reputation that Methodist holds in the state and beyond. I am delighted to be here at such an exciting time in the history of this institution.

I began my student affairs career at NC State University as a residence hall director. After completing my master's degree at State, I moved to Washington, DC. I spent seven years at Georgetown University in different roles within the Office of Residence Life. I met my wife, got married and had both of my sons in the District, so I consider Washington a second home.

My career took my family and me to Lake Forest College in 2005 on Chicago's North Shore. I served as the Associate Dean of Students and Director of Residence Life.

Lake Forest has a residential population similar in size to Methodist. I thoroughly enjoyed the high level of visibility afforded me on that small campus and expect to have the opportunity of easily meeting many of you.

Two years ago, we moved to the Atlanta suburbs where I led the development of a new student housing program at Georgia Gwinnett College. It was an exciting time for that institution. I found it a privilege and joy to have planned and executed the first move-in day for their new residents.

My office is located in the Berns Student Center. I welcome your stopping by at any time to visit. I want to get to know you and learn how I can help make your time at Methodist more meaningful and engaging. It is my goal to support students in developing their gifts so that they can share them with others. Look for me at many events on campus this year. It won't be hard to find me as I will likely have my eight and ten year old sons tagging along on the weekends!

## Greetings from Student Body President

By **William Patton**  
*SGA President*

**M**y name is Will Patton and it is my pleasure to welcome all of our new students as well as our returning students to Methodist University. We, as a student body, have the opportunity to establish a firm foundation and to create our own unique experiences. As your SGA President, I encourage you to get involved in our campus life. The year will go by fast, so make sure you take in every moment as we work together as a committed, unified student body.



### Want to win **FREE STUFF** from the Department of Student Media?

Each publication, there will be some type of game and/or trivia contest. Correctly play the game or answer the trivia and turn in your answers to Ryan Bowyer at Chris' House. A week after the distribution date, we will enter all correct entries into a drawing for awesome prizes. Students only can play.

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What was the first building built on campus?

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# Student's Orientation Schedule

## Friday, August 17th, 2012

Time	Event	Place
7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	-> Green and Gold Café is open	
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	-> All campus offices are open	
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	-> Bookstore is open	Berns
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	-> MU Golf Shop is open	Player Center
8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	-> New student check-in	Riddle Center
8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	-> Move into residence halls	
8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	-> IDs and vehicle registration	Riddle Center
3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.	-> Transition to college for students with disabilities	Pearce Lobby
4:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.	-> Welcome Rally	Reeves Aud.
5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	-> Orientation Group Meetings	Various
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	-> Family cookout	Bell Tower
8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	-> Residence halls meetings	Hall Lobbies
9:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.	-> Family fun with	Reeves Aud.

*Nate Stainforth, Mentalist/Magician*

## Saturday, August 18th, 2012

Time	Event	Place
7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	-> Green and Gold Café is open	
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	-> Business and Financial Aid Offices Open	
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	-> SD&S, Res-Life, and Post Office Open	
8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	-> IDs and vehicle registration	Berns
8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	-> Orientation Group Meetings	Various
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	-> Bookstore is open	Berns
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	-> MU Golf Shop is open	Player Center
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.	-> University Fair	Riddle Center
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	-> Transfer Student Meeting	Hendricks 222
1:30 p.m. - 1:50 p.m.	-> Dr. Delmas Crisp Dean of the University	Reeves Aud.
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	-> Mandatory Academic Meetings	
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	-> Additional Academic Meetings	
3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.	-> Mandatory Academic Sessions	
4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	-> Additional Academic Advisement Meetings	
4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	-> Foreign Language Placement	Trustees 109
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	-> Dinner on your own	Around Town
8:15 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	-> Family Fun with <i>Recycled Percussion</i>	Reeves Aud
10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.	-> Monarch Madness <i>Carnival PARTY with Games, DJ, Food, Prizes, Mechanical Bull, and MORE!!</i>	Bell Tower



## Life is about to Change

By Ryan Bowyer

*Assistant Director of Campus Life*

Orientation is the time for our newest Monarchs to have the ability to become completely aware of all the possibilities, services, and academic expectations. At our orientation activities, you have the ability to meet many new people - come into this experience with a positive and open mind and you might find your new best friend. I did in 2006 at Emory & Henry College.

Students, be good to your parents. This is a joyous moment for them, but it is also an incredibly tough moment. Tell them you love them and appreciate all they have done, and will continue to do, for you to get you to this point. This is a journey that they want to embark on with you. Let them. And finally, enjoy this experience. College is amazing. This is the start of your journey.

## Sunday, August 19th, 2012

Time	Event	Place
7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	-> Green and Gold Café is open	
8:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.	-> Mandatory Freshman Testing	
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	-> University Offices are open	
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	-> Bookstore is open	
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	-> IDs and Vehicle Registration	
10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	-> MU Golf Shop is open	
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	-> Chapel Service	Chapel
2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.	-> Mandatory M.A.A.P. Meeting	
2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	-> Academic Advisement Meetings	
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	-> Campus Recreation Greek Life Open House	Sink Field
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	-> New Monarchs Banquet	Riddle Center
8:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	-> SGA Interest Meeting	Hendricks 222
9:15 p.m.	-> Monarch Madness	Berns

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# Parent's Orientation Schedule

## Parent's Guide to Orientation

By Ryan Bowyer,

Assistant Director of Campus Life

While Orientation is the time for students to begin their journey here at Methodist, it is also the perfect opportunity for parents to learn about all the important opportunities and services that are available to their student. Meet and speak with the President, Ben Hancock. Talk to the Vice President of Student Development and Services, William Walker. Talk to your Residential Coordinator. Talk with anyone that works here at Methodist.

These individuals will be instrumental in the success of your son or daughter. The individuals that will present this weekend are dedicated to ensuring our student's success. Many of us have dedicated our lives to Methodist and bleed 'Green and Gold.' We love this place, and want your students to have the best possible journey these four years. Make sure you sign up for the Parents Association.

## Saturday, August 18, 2012

Time	Event	Place
7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Green and Gold Cafeteria is open	
8:00 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.	Breakfast for Parents	President's Home
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Move into Residence Halls All University Offices are open	
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	University Fair	Riddle Center
1:30 p.m. - 1:50 p.m.	Dr. Delmas Crisp, Academic Dean	Reeves Aud.
2:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.	Dr. Ben Hancock President of the University	Reeves Aud.
2:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.	MU Academics 101	Reeves Aud.
2:45 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Substance Abuse University Environment	Reeves Aud.
3:45 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	The Essential Guide to Student Life	Reeves Aud.
4:45 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Intercollegiate Athletics Overview	Reeves Aud.
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Dinner on your own	
8:15 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Family Fun Recycled Percussion	Reeves Aud.

## Friday, August 17, 2012

Time	Event	Place
8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Move into Residence Halls All University Offices are open	
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Welcome Rally	Reeves Aud.
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Family Cookout	Belltower Quad
9:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.	Family Fun	Reeves Aud.

with Nate Staniforth

## Sunday, August 17, 2012

Time	Event	Place
8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Green and Gold Cafe is Open	
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Universities office and bookstore are open	
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Chapel Service	Chapel
1:30 p.m.	Parents Depart Campus	

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The cost to purchase this plate is in addition to the annual \$28 license renewal fee. Methodist University will receive \$15 for every MU plate purchased.

#### QUESTIONS?

Call Krista Lee at (910) 630-7200 or e-mail [klee@methodist.edu](mailto:klee@methodist.edu).



# Monarchs Say What?

- Allison- Allison Hall is where Math and Computer Classes are held.
- Berns- Berns Student Center is the central hub on campus.
- Café- Short for Green and Gold Cafeteria.
- Clark- Clark Hall is where majority of the business classes are held.
- Commons- Cape Fear Commons, upperclassman apartments
- Cumberland- Cumberland Residence Hall
- Dean- Short for Dean of Students, William Walker, or Academic Dean, Del Crisp.
- Drop/Add Period- Time you have to drop or add a class, anything after will count against you.
- Downback- Lower part of campus. Where baseball field, softball field, tennis courts, and golf course are located.
- Ford- Sanford Residence Hall
- FYE- First Year Experience Program
- Garber- Garber Residence Hall
- Hendricks- Hendircks Science Building is where all science classes are held.
- Hoopla Frenzy- Kick off to basketball season, usually held in late October.
- IPO- International Programs Office
- King- Methodist's AWESOME School Mascot
- Lions Den- Location for Bookstore, Post Office, Sub shop, Grill, and Coffee shop.
- Mane Spot- Recreational equipment check out location in Berns.
- Monarch Madness- Wednesday Night ENTERTAINMENT, every Wednesday night!!!
- Monarch Zone- Tailgating area during football games. Parking lot next to the football field and Berns Student Center.
- Nimocks- Nimocks Fitness Center.
- Officer Joseph- Friendliest man on campus, he is always working the security gate in the mornings
- Pearce- Pearce Residence Hall
- Quad- Bell Tower Area
- RA- Residential advisor
- RC- Residential Coordinator
- Res Life- Housing and Residence Life Office
- Reeves- Reeves Auditorium is where theatre classes and all music classes are held.
- Riddle- Riddle Center
- Sink Field- Intramural Field, named after Mike Sinkovitz past Director of CRIMP.
- Trustees- Trustees Building, this is where majority of your classes are held.
- Village- Greek Village surrounds Sink Field and North Hall.
- West- West Residence Hall
- Weaver- Weaver Residence Hall



# Faculty and Staff Participate in Show You Care Day

By Ryan Bowyer

*Assistant Director of Campus Life*

On June 28th, 2012, over 50 staff and faculty members participated in the third annual summer Show You Care Day. Show You Care Day is a beautification program that occurs twice during the school year and once in the summer.

Show You Care Day started approximately 20 years ago simply as a way to make our campus more attractive. The summer 2012 Show You Care Day was the third annual Faculty and Staff day, created by Dr. Delmas Crisp, Dean of the University.

The Vice President for Business Affairs, Mr. Gene Clayton, is the mastermind behind each Show You Care Day. Clayton identifies a need on campus, creates a plan to make that area more aesthetically pleasing, and puts the process in place. While the summer project was done by faculty and staff, students have the opportunity to take part in Show You Care Day each April. Clayton stated that the program serves two purposes: "First, it gives the students ownership in their campus and university. They can come back in forty years and show their grand kids the brick on the sidewalk they laid. Second, Show You Care Days beautify the campus."

Recent projects have included the landscaping surrounding the Bell Tower, 300 azaleas south of Pearce Hall, the Sand Volleyball Court by the Commons, the landscaping, planter, and trees behind and in front of Horner Administrative Building, painting in Trustees Academic Building, the alcove in front of Berns Student Center, and the deck area by the old volleyball court. An incredibly important Show You Care Day project was all of the flowers and trees along Ramsey Street. Without the effort of those students, the separation between the busy Ramsey Street and our beautiful campus would be nonexistent. The 2012 summer project included painting in the Riddle Center and the beautiful stone sidewalk in front of the Horner Administrative Building.

These projects have contributed to the absolutely beautiful campus that we see today. Imagine this campus with trees, flowers, or brick sidewalks. That's what the campus was like before Show You Care Days. Every brick sidewalk that has been laid, every tree that is on our campus, and every flower has been the result of the hard work and dedication to Methodist from you. Continue to tradition by volunteering at upcoming events and earn community service hours! Let's keep it up the excellent tradition of Show You Care Day during the 2012-2013 Academic Year.



*"Imagine this campus without trees, flowers, or brick sidewalks. That's what the campus was like before Show You Care Days."*

-Gene Clayton, Vice President for Business Affairs

## A Note from the English Department

When your child arrives at MU, he or she will purchase textbooks and course material. In order to help your child be as successful as possible, The English Department has published "The Yellow Book," a booklet which explains everything students need to know about the English Department. Because the information is crucial to students' success, we ask that students purchase "The Yellow Book" as part of the required course material.

One of the most frequently asked questions is "Why does my child (or why do I) have to take English 100?" Students are placed in ENG 100 or ENG 101 based on their ACT and/or SAT scores, AP credit, and the grades they earned in high school. The specific guidelines are in "The Yellow Book."

Although some students may think they do not need to take English 100, our experience in the English Department has been that students who want to skip English 100 often fail or make a D in English 101. Often they do not succeed in their other classes because they lack the necessary writing skills. Students who take English 100 have a greater chance of passing English 101 and succeeding in their other classes, which require writing.

The composition classes that students take will lay the foundation for the writing they will be required to do in the remaining years at college and throughout their life.

Students will continue to practice the skills they learn in their 100-level English classes. Over the course of their four years at Methodist, students will continue having to deal with issues such as how to structure a clear essay, how to avoid the worst grammar errors, and how to cite Internet sources. We are looking forward to working with your child and giving him or her the best experience possible.

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# Housing and Residence Life Overview

By **Amanda Vosloh**,  
Residential Coordinator

**G**reetings from the Housing and Residence Life staff! We are ecstatic to be a part of your college experience and look so very forward to working with each of you. As professional staff members, we will be available to answer any questions you may have and to assist you in any way possible throughout the year. Please take a moment to review our position descriptions and staff bios below. Also, follow us on Twitter @MUHousing for updates!

## Tavares Hunter Coordinator Sanford Hall

Tavares received his B.S. degree in Education from Methodist University. After working as an educator, he returned to the university as a Residential Coordinator in 2010 and has been working in Sanford Hall ever since. Tavares loves working in housing. Connecting with students, helping them through trials, and supporting them unto their successes are his heart's passions.



Like sports? Tavares is the man to talk to! Tavares is a die-hard sports fan and loves every professional sports team based in North Carolina. He is also partial to the Boston Celtics and Atlanta Braves. Tavares's wife is Cannie Hunter and they both love their dog, Bailey.

## Jill M. Rogers Coordinator North Hall



Jill received her B.A. in English at Meredith College and her M.Ed. in Student Personnel Administration in Higher Education from UNC Greensboro. She has previously worked at Wofford College in the Residence Life, Salem College in Student Activities, and at UNC Greensboro in Career Services. Jill joined Methodist University as a Residential Coordinator in 2011 and is located in the new North Hall.

Jill is a super organized individual, labeling every binder, box, and drawer she can get her hands on and she has an unlimited supply of label-maker tape. She also has a Chihuahua (who thinks she is a Rottweiler) named Ellie.

## Jananne Fiebig (Nan) Coordinator Garber Hall

Nan began her career in Student Affairs as a Resident Assistant and then spent three years working as an Area Coordinator at Waldorf College in Forest City, Indiana before joining the Methodist University Housing staff in 2010. She is now the Residential Coordinator for Garber Hall.



Nan credits the wonderful students at Methodist for keeping her young and states that she "wouldn't know all the bumpin' music without them." She loves flamingos and would like to extend a challenge to all of those reading this edition of the SmallTalk. Nan has one favorite book that she reads again and again but you will have to ask her what it is! Your only hint: you have probably never heard of it. Good luck!

## Amanda L. Vosloh, Coordinator Weaver, West and Pearce Hall



Let's also welcome Amanda Vosloh to the Methodist University Housing staff! Amanda received her B.A. degree in Secondary English Education and a minor in Theatre from Greensboro College and worked temporarily at Northwest Guilford High School. She then worked in Residence Life at Radford University while attaining her M.S. in Curriculum and Instruction. Amanda is the Residential Coordinator for Weaver, West, and Pearce.

Amanda's passion is, and always has been, developing students. She loves to work through difficult issues, provide academic support (especially in writing), and assist with long-term career planning. She identifies as a classic geek – if you want to talk comic books, gaming, or science fiction and fantasy, she is your gal!

## Charlotte Brown, Coordinator Cape Fear Commons

Let's give a hardy welcome to Charlotte Brown! Charlotte comes to us from the University of Alabama, where she received her B.S. in Marketing and Management. Roll Tide! She has only recently joined the Methodist University Housing staff and will be the Residential Coordinator for Cape Fear Commons.



Charlotte enjoys working with students because of their enthusiasm for learning and excitement for life. She loves traveling, exploring new places, and experiencing new things. Charlotte is also thrilled that Cheerwine is readily available in Fayetteville. Look for her at all of the Methodist University sporting events this year – Go Monarchs!

## Marcus Faison Graduate Assistant Coordinator



Marcus graduated from Methodist University with a B.S. in Business and Administration in 2011 and is currently working towards his M.B.A. on campus as well. He is the Graduate Assistant over the McLean Apartments and is responsible for many of the same tasks that the RCs are.

Marcus is very passionate about basketball and he is the Assistant Coach for the Methodist University men's team. Previously, he worked as the head basketball coach for the JV team at Fayetteville Academy. As an aside, Marcus loves his mom and is an avid shoe collector. Seriously, you should ask him about his shoes.

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# Housing and Residence Life Central Staff

Clifton Bobbitt

Director

Cliff received his B.A. degree from the University of North Carolina – Wilmington and his M.A. from North Carolina Central University. He came to Methodist University in 2003 and served as a Residential Coordinator. Last year, Cliff became the Director of Housing and Residence Life and the department has been getting better ever since!

Cliff's love for working with students comes from watching them grow from their freshman year through graduation. He lives for student development and couldn't imagine being in another profession. Cliff loves to watch and play sports – his favorite, however, is basketball. The softer side of Cliff: he played violin for 10 years and was happily married to Kelly in Maui, Hawaii.

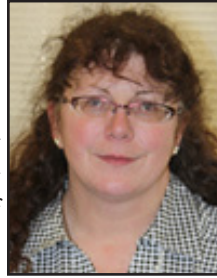


Barbara Morgan

Assistant Director

Barbara received her B.A. degree from Montana State University. She came to Methodist University in 2011 as the new Assistant Director of Housing and Residence Life and has become known as a mover and shaker on staff. Barbara has worked in Housing and Residence Life for over 20 years and has held a multitude of positions on campus at the University of Montana and the Colorado School of the Mines.

Barbara has two beautiful daughters, two cats, a dog, and a husband – sometimes in this order...sometimes not. She loves to read and makes some of the best chocolate chip cookies in the world. Take our word for it; they are fantastic!

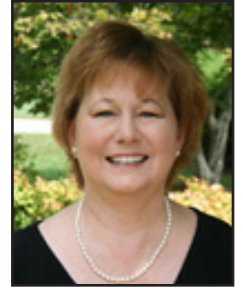


Susan Hall

Administrative Assistant

Susan is the Administrative Assistant for the department. In a nutshell, Susan is what keeps it all together! She joined the Methodist University Housing staff three years ago and is responsible for maintaining appointments, budgets, supervising student workers, and providing support to all of the Residence Life staff.

Susan has experience in education, accounting, marketing, and advertising and even owned and operated her own coffee shop. She has two children and a grandson whom she adores. Susan also enjoys puzzles, walks on the beach, cooking, and spending time with her family, church, and friends. Susan loves to laugh and to make others smile.



## RHA... Wha!?!- Residence Hall Association

RHA is a way for students to:

- meet leaders from other areas of campus
- become actively involved in the campus residential community
  - develop leadership skills
  - communicate ideas from the hall council level
  - plan campus-wide events
- serve as an advisory council regarding policy issues affecting campus residents

### Unique Opportunities

#### ***Birthday Cake Surprise***

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### Contact Information

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 August 29th- Mind vs. Magic with Chris Carter and Daniel Martin  
 September 4th- Poster Sales  
 September 5th- DANCE OFF Competition and Late Night Bowling  
 September 12th - National VIDEO GAME DAY  
     DIY Night, Video Game Fananza, and Dueling Pianos  
 September 14th- These are our stories  
 September 17th- Words that Hurt  
 September 19th - PIRATE DAY (Activities to be announced later)  
 September 20th- Hispanic Heritage Night in Green and Gold  
 September 24th- Words that Hurt TEAR DOWN  
 September 26th - Movie and a Meal (Movie to be announced later)  
 September 27th- Movie reshowing (Movie to be announced later)  
 September 28th- Movie reshowing (Movie to be announced later)  
 October 1st- Red Flag Campaign  
 October 3rd- HEALTH and SAFETY DAY  
 October 3rd- Up All Night at Chick Fil A  
 October 10th- Stevie Starr the Human Regurgitater  
 October 12th- These are our stories  
 October 13th- Fall Festival Pig Roast  
 October 15th- Clothesline Project  
 October 24th- Stop Hunger Now  
 October 24th- MU Style Family Feud  
 October 26th- Fall in Love with Study Abroad  
 October 29th- Hoopla Frenzy  
 October 31st- Zombie Prom  
 November 2nd- Homecoming Bon Fire  
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 November 9th- These are our stories  
 November 14th- Womanless Beauty Pageant  
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*Student Activities Committee meets every Tuesday at 9:00pm in Chris House.*

*This is an open organization for anyone who likes to have fun, meet new people, wear free T-shirts, and eat lots of food!*

# Do You Have The Voice To Be A Leader At MU?

By Harriet Stevenson,  
Center of Personal Development

I'm sure you've watched "The Voice", a vocal competition show, with Team Adam, Team Blake, Team Ceelo and Team Christina. The concept is for each team member to select singers who have the voice and the potential to be top-selling artists. The Team Captains develop the singers, give them advice through mentoring, and share their secrets of success. After weeks of competition, a winner is selected as "The Voice".

Are you the "Voice" of leadership at MU? Will your "Voice" be heard? Will your "Voice" make a difference and affect positive change at MU? Leaders can have many different voices. Find your leadership voice and make a difference.

**\*Voice of Service** – You seek to lift the human spirit through gifts of time and talent. If you focus on others first, you will gain recognition and you will motivate others to follow you. The satisfaction of serving others feeds your passion for servant leadership.

**\*Voice of Influence** – You are looked to by others for guidance and you recognize your ability to make a significant impact on others. You can alter opinions and sway perspectives

You use your talents to empower and develop fellow leaders.

**\*Voice of Hope** – You believe that a better outcome is always within reach. You inspire others and your light shines brightest during the darkest times. You encourage those around you to not just wish for but to plan for and expect an outcome better than anyone could have imagined.

**\*Voice of Innovation** – You are a pioneer and change excites you. You are always planning for the future. Your enthusiasm for discovering new and better ways to seize opportunities and tackle challenges allows you to help others realize their dreams.

Student Leaders at Methodist (SL@M), a freshman leadership program, looks for students with leadership potential who want to make a difference. Through leadership workshops, you will receive advice from other student leaders and speakers who will mentor you and share their secrets of success, just like "The Voice". For more information on SL@M, contact Harriet Stevenson in The Center for Personal Development at 910-630-7150 or email [hstevenson@methodist.edu](mailto:hstevenson@methodist.edu).

## Can Freshman Really Make a Difference at MU?

By Harriet Stevenson,  
Center of Personal Development

Were you a leader in high school and want to continue your leadership at Methodist? Do you think you have the potential to be a leader at Methodist but need to improve your leadership skills? SL@M (Student Leaders at Methodist) is just for you!!!

**\*HAVE FUN!** You can meet students like yourself who are also up and coming leaders on campus and get engaged in activities that are interesting, challenging and fun. Enjoy yourself while learning new skills!

**\*BE SOMEBODY IMPORTANT!** You will have opportunities to step up to leadership positions in student government, residence halls, and academic and athletic clubs. You are on your way to becoming someone students and college professionals look up to.

**\*MAKE A DIFFERENCE!** Your university experience will change you, but will you change your university? Make MU a better place. Leave your mark behind! Freshmen really can make a difference at MU!

SL@M is a leadership program for first year students sponsored by the Center for Personal Development and the Monarch Leaders of the 21st Century student organization. Our objective is to identify first year students who have potential to become leaders. Students will be nominated in December 2012 by faculty, staff, coaches and peer mentors. Beginning in January 2013, we will provide training and support through leadership workshops and activities on campus and in the community. We recognize successful participants at a dinner in late March 2013. If you would like to be a part of SL@M, be sure that a FYS faculty member, staff, coach or member of Monarch Leaders knows your desire to be nominated. For more info, contact Harriet Stevenson in the Center for Personal Development at 630-7150.

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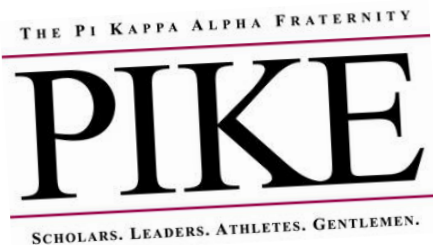
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# It's GREAT to be GREEK!



## Pi Kappa Alpha

By Patrick Hamel  
President

The history of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity is proof that young men can take a set of values, shape those values into an institution and perpetuate that experience from generation to generation, so that the power of the values encapsulated in the Fraternity could bridge the years of older and younger men. Those values have lasting meaning and positive guidance.

Being Greek means you hold yourself to a standard that sculpts you into a better citizen, student, competitor and asset to your community. It helps guide you in the path of success, resulting in effective time management, managing others, and budgeting. Which all connects to enhance the college experience and give you memories for a lifetime.

Pi Kappa Alpha, unlike other Greek Life organizations, does not have one philanthropy that they raise money for. We believe that each Colony/Chapter should find a charity in their community that is close to their hearts that they would like to lend a helping hand to. We believe this makes for a more meaningful and successful philanthropy project.

We plan to attend all sporting events, tailgating before and showing our Monarch Pride every chance we get! We also plan on hosting on campus events for students to enjoy and socialize with one another. Finally, we plan on having mixers with the sorority's and fraternity's, having cookouts on the intramural field, formal's each semester and we hope to visit other Chapter/Colony's in the Carolina's region.

## Fraternity Life



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## Lambda Chi Alpha

By Dylan Pussey  
President

Being Greek is an awesome opportunity that only a select few college students have the pleasure to enjoy throughout their four years in college and beyond if they so choose. The key being that these students chose to be Greek. There are many advantages of going Greek and honestly it does not matter what organization you join as long as it is the right fit for your morals and personality.

In the fraternity of Lambda Chi Alpha we live by seven core values that resemble those of the military, LDRSHIP, which helps each man within our organization to grow and become the person they want to be through the education and leadership training we provide for our brothers. If you haven't figured it out yet this organization only allows guys to join, so sorry ladies, but that doesn't mean the women can't hang out with us, we always enjoy the ladies company around our house. The main things our brotherhood does throughout the year are the philanthropies such as pumpkin bash, adopt-a-highway, campus clean up, and others that the guys come up with throughout the year that either help our local community or help collect can food for our national philanthropy the N.A.F.D., North American Food Drive. We also have our brotherhood events once a week, study sessions for those who may need help, and random nights that end up to be memories you will never forget.

This year is our biggest year yet with many great ideas and events planned for all who want to be a part of something that will change their life and others that want to come along for the ride. So stop by the house anytime and talk to the members that are always there and are ready and willing to answer any questions anyone may have. I will leave you with some advice if you want to be Greek which is Matthew 7:7, "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."



## Kappa Sigma

By John Elms  
President

Welcome to our University incoming Freshmen! These might be troubling times for you while you make the transition but don't worry! This University is small in size but the community is amazing! My name is John Elms and I am the President of the Pi-Mu Chapter of Kappa Sigma here at Methodist. We are a small chapter that is known for our passion for community service.

Our main Philanthropy is the Military Heroes Campaign. We hold fundraisers for the Military Heroes and all proceeds goes to the Fischer House as well as the Wounded Warrior Project. The Fischer House is a special house that houses wounded soldiers and their families while the wounded service member goes through rehabilitation.

Being a Greek Life member has been the best opportunity for me while in college. The sense of brotherhood (although having a twin brother also in the chapter) has been absolutely amazing. I couldn't have ask for a better group of men. They're my brothers and I'm proud to be a Kappa Sigma and their president. I can't wait for my senior year and all of the socials planned with our GREAT fellow Greek Life Organizations.

For more information and updates on Greek Life follow us on Twitter: @MU\_Greklife and 'Like' us on Facebook: Methodist University Greek Life

## GREEK RUSH WEEK - August 26th-September 1st

## It's GREAT to be GREEK!

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Sorority LifeBeta Sigma Phi

By Nicole Hamilton

President

Being Greek is indescribable. It is about meeting others, learning to be a leader and learning that people can be completely different, while sharing a common goal. Beta Sigma Phi is a unique organization that challenges you to grow in a family environment while helping others in need. While the girls in Beta Sigma Phi focus on philanthropies such as Relay for Life (fund-raising for cancer research), The City Rescue Mission (local women's shelter) and Fayetteville's Children's Museum, Betas learn who they really are and learn to stay true to themselves as they partake in many different campus activities and the greater things in life. Beta Sigma Phi's learn that "You are never alone when you're a Beta," (Devon Wilson, Senior).

Alpha Delta Pi

By Kaitlyn Leger

President

Alpha Delta Pi, first known as The Adelphean Society, was founded May 15th, 1851 and is acknowledged as the oldest secret society for women. The Theta Epsilon chapter at Methodist University was founded in October of 2008, the first of the Greek Life Organizations to receive their charter at the university. The classy ladies of Alpha Delta Pi hold themselves and each other to a high standard to better their character as well as to create life-long relationships that will last well beyond the college years. Our members continue to strive for academic excellence while being involved all over the campus. Alpha Delta Pi's national philanthropy is to support the Ronald McDonald House. Our chapter raises money, collects pop tabs, and prepares meals for the families staying in the houses located in Durham and Chapel Hill. Alpha Delta Pi is a wonderful way to get involved on campus, build character, gain leadership opportunities, and network with people all over the country. For more information or to address any unanswered questions, find a sister in letters or click on the Alpha Delta Pi link through the MU website and contact us! We have many exciting events and socials planned for this year and would love to have new faces as a part of them! "We Live for Each Other." First. Finest. Forever.

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## Football Coach Seeks to Build Consistently Elite Team



By Ryan Bowyer

*Assistant Director of Campus Life*

Methodist University is one of the leading institutions in the southeast for a variety of programs, such as the Physicians' Assistant program, nursing program, and its stellar liberal arts program. If it were up to Methodist University head football coach, Dave Eavenson, the Monarch football team would be in the conversation of elite football programs in the southeast as well. Thankfully, through a variety of mottos and belief systems, Coach Eavenson understands how to build a successful program.

Further, Eavenson seeks to instill a great work ethic and establish loyalty among his players. He believes that by establishing those skills and laying those foundations that football success will, with hard work, naturally come.

As Eavenson enters his second year at the helm of the program, he quickly points out that he has been blessed with an excellent opportunity. He quickly gives praise to his coaching staff, stating that they are quality assistants who perform incredibly. Further, he states that he has the best student-athletes in America.

"I want everything for these kids. I want them to be unbelievable students, unbelievable football players, and I want them to succeed in life. I want them to be great husbands, fathers, and employees," stated Eavenson.

The 2012 Monarch Football Team is entering the season with endless amounts of optimism. Although the 2011 Monarch Football Team finished a disappointing year as the team lost quite a few close games, Eavenson believes that this year's team has the potential to be one of the best football teams in the conference. Eavenson seeks for his players to be fundamentally better than their opponents, mentally and physically tougher than their opponents, and to outwork their opponents each and every day.

It is refreshing to see a coach truly believe in his players, in his coaching staff, and his university. In an era where our coaches first talk about the amount of career wins one has had or the accolades one has received, to listen to Eavenson speak so highly of his players, coaching staff, and university is quite an amazing experience. Under Eavenson's leadership, the 2012 Monarch Football Team is looking quite good, indeed.

## Golf Program Epitomizes Excellence

By Ryan Bowyer

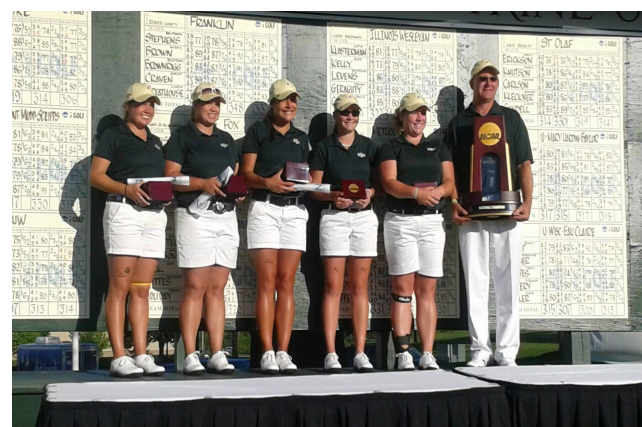
*Assistant Director of Campus Life*

When one thinks of the great intercollegiate athletic programs in the nation, we often think of schools such as the University of Alabama's football program, Sanford baseball, and Duke basketball. However, one of the most dominant programs, at any level of intercollegiate athletics, rests here at Methodist University. The Men's and Women's golf program can easily be considered one of the best and most dominant intercollegiate athletic programs in the history of the NCAA.

The Methodist University Men's program has made every NCAA Golf National tournament since 1981, including being crowned the best program in the nation a total of 10 times, with the most recent national title coming in 2010. It is not uncommon for the men's team to regularly receive numerous First-Team All-American honors. This year should be no different for the team. With an experienced returning core, a national championship should be within the sights of the men's program. Coach Steve Conley stated, "The culture of our program is a culture of excellence and winning. We have won 114 tournaments including 20 conference championships and 10 national championships for the last 25 years. Our players graduate and are successful in the classroom." As fantastic as the men's program here is at Methodist, the Methodist University Women's Golf Team is even better.

Allow me the opportunity to introduce the 2011-2012 National Championship Lady Monarchs. The women have been the pinnacle of excellence at the collegiate level. The women have won the last 15 national championships. No – that's not a typo. The last 15 national championships have been won by the women here at Methodist University. It is tough to imagine a team in the history of NCAA that has been as dominant as our Monarchs. Coach Inczauskis stated that over the last few years, a number of mottos have been developed in order to facilitate this continued excellence, including, "this is our moment" and "play like a champion." Further, he stated that a national championship is again the goal.

Golf is not one of the money-making spectator sports. However, I would encourage each individual to support the golf program here at Methodist as fully as one can. Here at Methodist, we have the unique opportunity to participate in true intercollegiate greatness.



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# Reeves School of Business Debuts New Programs

By Joel Thomas

*Coordinator of Recruitment and Internships*

Two new minors have been added in the Reeves School of Business for 2012-13: Human Resources and Entrepreneurship. The Entrepreneurship minor will be the first academic program offered in partnership with Methodist University's Center for Entrepreneurship and will be open to students in any major. The CFE's new Director, Marty Cayton, will teach BUS 465: New Venture Capital in the program. Cayton, a 1990 Methodist University graduate and owner of Amerizon Inc., replaced retired Director, Dr. Sid Gautam, in July.

"Having the Entrepreneurship Minor at Methodist University is a great milestone of achievement for the Reeves School of Business and the Center for Entrepreneurship. Since the vast majority of this country's jobs are created by small business owners, we should be all about fostering, developing and training aspiring entrepreneurs. We should be encouraging them to take creative and calculated risks in areas where they have strengths and academic interests. Having this focus on Entrepreneurship is so very important. It is not only strengthening and preparing the individual student for possible future business ownership and job creation, but it is strengthening the surrounding community, our state and our great nation, as well". Marty V. Cayton, Director, Center for Entrepreneurship

The Entrepreneurship minor is designed to teach students from any area of study the skills necessary to successfully start and operate a business. Cayton and the Reeves School of Business Dean, Prof. Joe Doll, expect the minor to be a catalyst for great student and alumni success stories moving forward.

Human Resources is another great addition to the options now available in RSB. Like many of the specialty programs offered, the minor was created in response to the growth in the Human Resources industry and the need for qualified graduates. It is expected that the need for HR professionals in the United States will continue to grow by 20% in the next eight years. Much of the growth can be attributed to companies' increasing reliance on HR to provide innovative cost saving solutions and increased efficiency. Students who graduate with a minor in HR will be prepared for positions in corporate recruiting, training, compensation, and labor/ union relations. It is a great program for people who enjoy solving problems and working in a people focused environment.



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### Entrepreneurship

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BUS 301  
BUS 343  
BUS 465

### Human Resources

BUS 343 or PSY 310  
BUS 376 or LSS 325  
BUS 375  
BUS 377  
BUS 378  
BUS 391

## CJFSA TRAVELS TO PHILADELPHIA AND ATTENDS HOMICIDE COLD CASE REVIEW



Left to right: Professor Dave Pauly, MU Student Serena Hare, Cofounder of the Vidocq Society Richard Walter, and MU Student Alysa Freeborough.

By Serena Hare

CJFSA members Serena Hare and Alysa Freeborough traveled to Philadelphia with Professor Dave Pauly for a monthly cold case briefing with the Vidocq society. The Vidocq society is a pro-bono organization of elite professionals of the criminal justice and forensic science world. Each month these professionals gather together to hear the most unique and difficult cold cases from around the world. Methodist University is very proud to have two of the approximately 100 members of the Vidocq society as professors, Professor Pauly and Professor Kathy Brown. We are very pleased that we have had other members to include Criminal Pro filer's Richard Walter and Mark Safarik, and best-selling author Michael Capuzzo lecture here at Methodist. It is very fortunate that our students have the opportunity to attend these meetings and interact with the many professionals of disciplines of interest within the Criminal Justice and Forensic programs here at Methodist.

# A Welcome from the Writing Center

By Allison Bennett

Assistant Director, Writing Center

Before those looming paper deadlines start sneaking up on you this semester, take some time to familiarize yourself with the Writing Center. Located in Room 101 of the Trustees' building, the Writing Center is a specialized, cross-disciplinary facility dedicated to individual instruction in writing. The Writing Center offers both face-to-face and online consultations tailored to help you improve your writing skills. In addition to reserved appointments, the Writing Center also offers walk-in consultations. Look for the "Walk-ins Welcome" sign hung outside the Writing Center's door, letting you know when this service is available. Also, make sure to mark your calendars for the Writing Center's Dirty Dozen Workshops starting in September, and be on the lookout for additional writing workshops presented throughout the semester.

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## Happy and Healthy with Health Services

By Sandy Combs

Campus Nurse for the past 45 years

Methodist University Health Center would like to welcome you to MU and share some important information with you. Did you know that our Health Center is staffed by a registered nurse and a physician assistant? They are located in West Hall next to the Nimocks Fitness center. Their services are free and they can assist you with various health care issues. Do you have a cold, cough or just feeling stuffy? Come and see Nurse Sandy Monday through Thursday anytime from 8am until 5pm and on Friday from 8am until 1pm. If our nurse is unable to help you she will make an appointment for you to see the pa as he is here on a limited schedule.

Certain problems that need to be addressed off campus will be handled by Lori French, our immunization and insurance coordinator. She will assist you in filling out the necessary paperwork to be seen off campus. Ms. French is also located in the Health Center and is there Monday through Friday from 8am until 5 pm. She would like to remind you to always keep your insurance card in your wallet with your driver's license.

Did you know that as a full time day student you are automatically enrolled in our student health insurance program? Information on student insurance is available on line or by speaking with Ms. French. Remember stay happy and healthy. We hope you have a great year and welcome to Methodist University!

## These Are Our Stories

By Sharonda Pugh

Director of Multicultural Affairs

**These Are Our Stories** is a series dedicated to spotlighting the personal identity-based stories of members in the Methodist University community. In line with the University's mission of respecting diversity and recognizing the dignity and worth of all human beings, this program will involve faculty, staff and students from the university community. On occasion, we will have presenters from off-campus.

**Sept 14- 11am in Berns Student Center**

**Oct. 12- 11am in Berns Student Center**

**Nov. 9- 11am in Berns Student Center**

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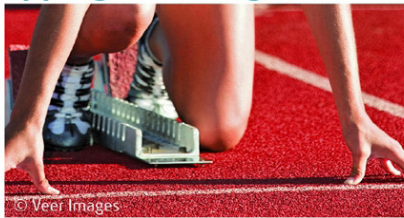
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# Multicultural Affairs: What is the New Office at Methodist?

By Sharonda Pugh

*Director of Multicultural Affairs*

## What's New?-

Change and innovation are what's on the menu at Methodist University as we start the 2012-2013 school year with our continuing efforts to Engage, Enrich and Empower. Adding the new Office of Multicultural Affairs, Methodist is definitely providing a space for empowerment, among other things. Through this newly formed office under the umbrella of the Center for Student Success, Methodist is striving to identify the academic, cultural, economic, and social needs of minority students and to provide programs and services that will enhance the personal, social, educational, and cultural development of all students.

Exciting right? Well of course it is and I am sure you want to know a little about the person who will be taking the lead for this new and exciting office located in the Berns Student Center. My name is Sharonda Pugh and I hail from Chicago, IL. Actually, I have lived in quite a few places with the Windy City being my most recent---at heart I am a southern girl, raised in a small town called Thomasville, Alabama. My professional background has been in Student Affairs and Education. I have worked in the areas of Residence Life, Multicultural and Intercultural Affairs. My Bachelors is in Education from Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, Illinois and I have a Master of Arts in Education from Hamline University in Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Now on to my passions and some of my motivations—I am motivated by the idea of the personal voice and individual story. I believe that everyone should have a voice at the table and that everyone's personal narrative is valuable in the contribution to our knowledge. What I have found in both my professional and personal life is that when every person is able to contribute and be heard the meal is just that much more rich and enjoyable. I have also learned that individual stories have an impact on us and make it easier to battle judgments and discrimination. When we begin to see each other, truly see each other, we begin to change the ways in which we relate to each other, and ultimately treat each other.

## History of Multicultural Affairs:

It is also important to provide some context for why multicultural offices and multicultural affairs emerged and what impact they have today. The 1960's and 1970's saw an increased enrollment of Black students to predominantly white institutions with the advent of federal funding and legislation. This was a politically charged time in our history, heightened by the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the Civil Rights Movement—this was an era of general instability and unrest on many college and university campuses. Many Black students (and later other students of color) found predominantly white campuses to be hostile and unfriendly places for them. While financial support and access were more readily available, Black students and other students of color inhabited an environment that was not quite ready for them their unique histories and their stories. Thus, multicultural services through programs such as Upward Bound, TRIO, culturally-focused student organizations and other student support offices began to emerge.

Over time the face of multicultural offices have evolved and while they continue to provide support and advocacy to students of color, their services extend to individuals from identities that are historically oppressed such as gender, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic status. The goals of most Multicultural Offices are similar in that their purpose is to create an inclusive environment that supports, empowers and encourages all students to develop an appreciation for the social and cultural backgrounds of others. These goals ultimately create a space where students are willing to understand the unique histories and stories of others. A place where students feel safe and welcomed where cross-cultural dialogue and interactions can occur. And finally a space where students can continue to grow personally and develop skills that will allow them to thrive post graduation.



## My Hope for the Office of Multicultural Affairs

What I am most excited about in this new position at Methodist are the opportunities that exist to promote awareness of culture and diversity through programming and events, serve as an advocate for under-represented students, promote a culture of inclusion, and build community with everyone in the campus community.

## What You Can Expect to See From OMA

The first thing you can expect is an open door! I am very eager to get to know the Methodist University community. You can expect cultural and diversity related programs and events such as an MLK Celebration, heritage month celebrations, an individual identity based story telling series, organizational support, an ally program, educational events such as guest speakers, panels, symposiums, and social programs like an OMA Karaoke Night and Bowling.

Please feel free to stop by my office in the Bern Student Center to discuss ideas you may have about how to enhance our services or just to say hello or feel free to invite me to your office to chat. I am looking forward to meeting all of you and to a successful year!

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# The Honors Program Travels Abroad

By Jennifer Rohrer-Walsh  
Faculty

The Honors Program awards its eligible students travel grants in order to further their interest in not just the Great Books, but also the art of host-guest relationships. This year several Honors Program students packed their bags and headed abroad, taking advantage of the program's funding.

Maeve Harper traveled with Dr. Mary Kirchner to Guatemala over spring break. This trip afforded business majors insights into how a different economy works, as well as numerous hospitality experiences. Honors Program students, like Maeve, were invited to consider that hospitality exceeds the etiquette of the dinner table to encompass the ethic of acting appropriately as a stranger and welcoming the stranger in one's midst.

Rebecca King joined Professor Robin Greene on her spring break trip to Oaxaca, Mexico for a women's writers' conference. Rebecca found Teotitlan del Valle, a small village outside of Oaxaca, the perfect place to observe "the practice of hospitality" while improving her journaling skills and yoga techniques. Rebecca still praises her hosts: "There seems to be an awareness and understanding among the people of Teotitlan; their code of hospitality is as much a part of their history, culture, and traditions that define them as the wool that is painstakingly hand-dyed and the mole that is slowly ground in outside kitchens. The art of hospitality has been passed down from generation to generation and is practiced with the same patience and purpose in which the rugs are woven and the meals are made. The slow, rhythmical, and purposeful practice of kindness that I witnessed and received expanded my awareness of the necessity to integrate mindfulness in my daily life and to practice the art of hospitality with an open heart, an open hand, and an open mind."

After graduation, Honors Program students Rebecca King and Madyson Cooper experienced a rapid trip from Rome to the Bay of Naples and onto Assisi, Venice, Verona, the Italian Lakes, Pisa, and Florence before returning to Rome. Much gelato was consumed, art and churches were admired, and amazing scenery was appreciated.

Along with the program's Co-directors, Dr. Mark Bowman, Professor Brenda Bowman, and Professor Deborah Murray (plus friends) rounded out the MU cadre who joined other Trafalgar travelers.

As we travel, we not only learn about another's culture but we learn to reflect upon our own culture and our individual values. Rebecca reflects: "When I consider the kindness and the generosity of the people I met, I am ashamed of the cynicism and suspicion our society imparts on other cultures. Ours may be the land of opportunity, and the land of freedom, but ours is not the land of hospitality. More often than not we seem to have the mind-set that what's mine is mine and what's yours is mine. What has happened to our cultural code and practice of hospitality?"

The Honors Program thanks Dr. Kirchner and Professor Greene for sponsoring their trips; Michelle Garayua, Director of Study Abroad Programs, for guiding us; and Dr. Crisp for constantly supporting our students. The Honors Program proudly joins Methodist University's expanding globalization commitment, encouraging all MU students to become cosmopolitans—citizens of the world.



Jessie Heath shares smiles with girls in a Guatemala school where she studied Spanish for a week with the abroad program.

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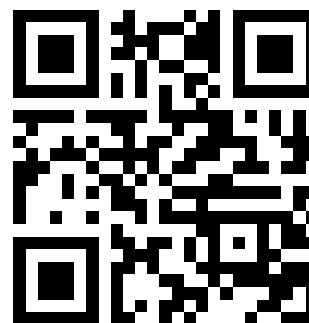
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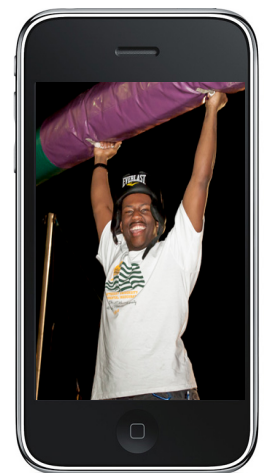
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# Get Ahead Through Quality Internships

By Alexandra Winters and Joel Thomas

Famous American author, Mark Twain, once said, "A man who carries a cat by the tail learns something he can learn in no other way."

My name is Alexandra Winters and over the summer I worked as an intern in the Marketing and Client Services department at ESPN980 – Home of the Washington Redskins. It wasn't until I began getting my feet wet and hands dirty in a real working environment such as ESPN980 that I truly understood the cat-tail reference made by Mark Twain. There is truly no greater way to gain experience and work ethic than rolling up your sleeves and being active in the work environment.

As a Sports Marketing major at Methodist, I knew that ESPN 980 was the perfect place to build upon my three years of experience in customer service and sports marketing. My familiarity with athletic teams, groups, and clubs allowed me to achieve the solution-driven leadership skills that I wanted to develop. However, it wasn't until working for ESPN980 that I truly gained insight and took the marketing skills that I learned in the classroom and applied it to the real world.

I've learned so much from the Redskins organization, such as the importance of keeping consistency in my work habits and I have developed my leadership skills along with a greater customer service approach. Outside of the office, ESPN980 has offered me opportunities to work multiple events that help promote ESPN radio; all of which involve the use of creativity and team work.

"I am blessed to have been given the opportunity to work for such a successful organization and gain experience that I would not have otherwise obtained. I cannot wait to see what the future has in store for me. My main priority now is to learn all I can and to be of great assistance to my employer, but to also remember to never be afraid to carry a cat by the tail in hopes of finding a better way." Alexandra Winters, Senior

Alexandra is one of many students who took advantage of the summer break by doing an internship and has already reaped the benefits in the form of great experience and a serious resume boost. When she graduates, she will already have work experience in her field and be prepared to hit the ground running in her career.

In today's highly competitive job market, college students need to find ways to differentiate themselves from other applicants when looking for that first job in "the real world". Internships are one of the best ways to do so. But not only does internship experience help you get the job, it helps you earn more money in your first job. Graduates who have at least one internship while in school, get significantly higher salary offers than those who have no experience. In many cases, as much as \$10,000 or more above what non-interns are offered. Internships also often serve as a gate

way into permanent positions. Over 60% of interns get full-time job offers from their employers and in the last few years, nearly 40% of all entry level hires came through internship programs. The key to success is finding the right internship for your career goals. In Alexandra's case, working for ESPN Radio was a great internship because it allowed her to get experience in marketing and promotion that directly relates to her interests. While internship opportunities are plentiful, it pays to start your search early (many internships have deadlines for application). The effort and time spent searching will be worth it when you find the perfect fit.

So how should you get started on finding the perfect internship? First, make sure your resume is up to date and well prepared. If you don't have a resume yet, you need one. Second, consider what type of internship will best support what you want to do after graduation. Think about the experience and skills that an employer in your desired field is going to be looking for and what internships would provide you with those skills. If you know what industry you want to work in, look for something in that industry.

Once you have an idea about what kind of internship you want, it's time to find it. Thankfully there are now a lot of resources available that make the internship search easier. Some programs at MU are prepared to help their students find internships and many offer credit for doing them, so check with your program faculty or advisor about the resources they might have to help you in your search. If your program doesn't have resources for internships, the Career Services Office, located on the bottom floor of the Berns Student Center, is eager to help. There are also websites like Internships.com and others that post thousands of openings. Using these tools you should be able to find a great internship. Don't let four years go by without doing an internship. When graduation day comes, you will be glad you did.



## It's You, Me, and Everybody!

By Michelle Garayua

Director of Study Abroad Programs

Looking back in time there is always something that marks a generation. It could be the way people act, dress, or even that really bad hair style that at some point they will regret. Well, you are part of a generation shaped by the shadows of past generations as well as current events. This generation, known as the Millennial Generation, is shaped by one of the biggest events in American history- 9/11. One of the outcomes of this event is the increased awareness of global issues. As a result, this generation has a great desire to explore the world, to be in contact with different cultures, and to understand what the word globalization actually means.

Because of the way our world has been reshaped by current events and technological advances in communication, we have great opportunities to remain "connected." Having access to communication technology has made our great big world much smaller through instant messaging, Skype, texting, smart phones, social media, blogging, etc. It's no surprise, with this new found "connectedness" through technology and access to people and ideas around the globe, that the Millennial Generation's curiosity about the world may take them further than past generations.

At MU we understand the shifting trends among "Millennials" and are committed to provide you with the tools to fulfill your curiosity of the world and diverse cultures. We offer several different options such as faculty led courses abroad, internships abroad, exchange and study abroad programs. These programs feature great places from Guatemala, all the way to France, Iceland, and South Korea. For most of the programs you can take your courses in English while learning about different cultures and countries. In addition, here at MU there are over 100 international students representing more than 55 countries, all bringing with them the opportunity to share more about their own culture and values. If what you're reading here makes you excited, you should not wait any longer to learn more about your options and how you can take full advantage of your time at Methodist. Do not hesitate to contact the study abroad office at 910-630-7149 or at mgarayua@methodist.edu. "Millennials" – it's your time, my time, our time!!!

*The question is no longer whether a young person will get their 15 minutes of fame; it's what they'll do with it*  
–Actual Tweet about Millennials!

# The Center for ~~Student~~ **YOUR** Success

By Sam Morrison

Assistant Director of Student Success

Every Monarch has a Journey, a unique and meaningful experience that defines your time at Methodist University. The Center for Student Success was created to assist you on your Journey. Several new offices and programs have been developed to connect you to the resources Methodist University offers all students.

First-year students have already been immersed in the new First Year Experience (FYE) program. The FYE program combines social programming with classroom learning focused on the four elements of the MU Journey: Community Engagement, Undergraduate Research & Creativity, Globalization, and Leadership. In addition to the FYE program, the Center for Student Success is proud to announce the opening of a Multicultural Office in the Berns Student Center. Under the direction of program Director, Ms. Sharonda Pugh, the Multicultural Office will provide programs and services designed to challenge your perspective on the power of living in a diverse community.

If at any point during your time at Methodist, you have a question and are uncertain where to go, the Center for Student Success offers the Student Solutions Office, under the direction of Mr. Derrick Soellner. The Student Solutions Office is a one-stop information and resource center located in the Berns Student Center. For more information regarding the services offered through the Center for Student Success, please visit [www.methodist.edu/success](http://www.methodist.edu/success).

## The Scoop on MU's Reading Nooks and QEP



By Nancy Alexander  
English Faculty

The free book bookshelves and reading nooks are courtesy of MU's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP). Reading nooks are located in almost every building on campus. The free book bookshelves are located in the Trustees' Building, Davis Memorial Library, Clark Hall, and the Science Building. New books are added to the

shelves on a regular basis, so stop by on your way to class and pick up a book for your reading pleasure. The free book table in Trustees' has new books every morning. Each week, there is a question about reading and a chance for you to write your response on the dry-erase board. Once a week, a type of book is highlighted for the "weekly special." (Sometimes the special will include candy.)

Each book is labeled with a bookcrossing.com identification number (BCID). Bookcrossing.com is an international "catch and release" book program. If you want to write a quick review of the book, the information is on the bookcrossing label. We have released almost 8000 books since we joined bookcrossing in January of 2009. If you have books to donate, please give them to Mrs. Alexander in T-334 so she can register them. Get caught between the covers!

## Accessibility Resources

By Linda Szulc

Accessibility Resources

Methodist University is dedicated to providing equal access to a quality education. Many students are challenged by a unique learning style, or a physical or psychological situation. At the Center for Personal Development we offer accommodations for classroom modifications, alternative format text books, assisting technology, and extended time for exams and/or a reduced distraction environment for testing. If you have used assistance in high school there is a good possibility that we can continue some of those services. Students who have used our program have graduated and gone on to graduate school and rewarding careers. We invite you to schedule a personal consultation to determine how we can help you to achieve success at MU. Email [lszulc@methodist.edu](mailto:lszulc@methodist.edu) or check our website for further information. Stop by Pearce Hall and make an appointment to discuss any accessibility issues you may have. Also keep an eye out for the beginning and reorganization of the Access Alliance, formerly known as the Abilities Club.

## Prepare for the Future with Career Services

By Meagan McCabe

Associate Director Career Services

The Office of Career Services welcomes you to Methodist University!!! We are here to guide students and alumni in the development of the skills necessary to obtain employment, succeed in a diverse and rapidly changing workforce, and manage life-long career strategies. The Office of Career Services provides the resources for students who need assistance in choosing a major, developing career plans, creating a resume, networking to find internships and full-time jobs and making successful career transitions. We also are in charge of Work Study. We are located on the first floor of the Berns Student Center and we are open from 8-5 Monday- Friday. We are excited to meet you and help you succeed in all of your career goals!

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# University to Add New Leadership Fellows Program

By **Dr. Andrew Ziegler**

*Director Tally Center for  
Leadership Development*

Students committed to making a difference in their community and the world will have a new avenue for personal development this year in the Leadership Fellows Program. Monarchs who are driven to acquire the knowledge, values, and skills that will empower them for extraordinary leadership should learn what this program has to offer and consider applying.



Leadership Fellows will be selected primarily from the class of first-year students entering MU in the fall. Selection is based on exceptional character, academic excellence, and a commitment to engage in a rigorous multi-year program of personal leadership development. Returning students can also apply.

Students selected as Leadership Fellows will participate in a range of leadership activities and experiences throughout their time at the University. The first level in the program is preparation for leadership, which consists of learning opportunities such as workshops, guest speakers, off-campus conferences, leadership courses, and even community-based leadership academies and institutes. The second level is practical leadership experience, which students gain when they serve as campus leaders for student organizations and intercollegiate teams, resident assistants, and peer mentors. These lists don't cover all of the opportunities available. There are many more.

Progress in the Program is measured by a point system. Students earn points for various activities toward the goal of accumulating the 1,000 points needed for successful completion of the Fellowship. For example, attending a two-hour Leadership Workshop will earn 25 points; each Leadership Course taken will earn 50 points; and attending off-campus leadership conferences will earn 75 points each time. Practical leadership experiences such as serving as a club president or an intercollegiate team captain will earn 100 points each; and serving as a Resident Assistant is also worth 100 points per year.

Leadership Fellows have opportunities to select those activities and experiences best suited for their interests and schedules. Some Fellows may pursue multiple off-campus opportunities such as conferences, internships, and leadership academies. Other Leadership Fellows may choose a more academic track through leadership courses and even one of the Leadership Minors available. Others may focus on student organizations. The program is sufficiently flexible to accommodate everyone.

Students who successfully complete the Leadership Fellows Program will receive a co-curricular transcript documenting their achievement as well as a high quality certificate, graduation honor cord to be worn at commencement, and recognition at the annual campus-wide Awards Ceremony.

Methodist University believes preparing students for effective leadership is one of its most important responsibilities. The Leadership Fellows Program offers students multiple pathways to obtain the leadership preparation needed for their specific career choice and their personal leadership development needs.

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## CAMPUS MINISTRY

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Some of our fall semester upcoming events are:

Campus Ministry Welcome Back Event  
 Monthly Community Service Outreach Events  
 Fall Break Mission Trip  
 Worship Nights Unplugged  
 Common Ground Performances  
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 Moravian Love feast  
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## Managing Stress in College

By Heather Herring

Counselor

College is an exciting new journey in your life. It is filled with new adventures, new friends, new fun, new expectations and potentially lots of new stress. What are some of the top stressor you might face in college?

**1. Social Stress:** While one of the main challenges is leaving your family and friends from home behind, creating a new social network, having less familial support and being away from your home for possibly the first time can all add a significant amount of social stress.

**2. Academic Stress:** The workload of college academics is considerably more than it was in high school. It also comes with less hand-holding from parents and teachers. You will now have challenging assignments, different schedules to coordinate, and many exams and papers can lead you to extra long hours of studying which can lead to another huge stressor of lack of sleep.

**3. Stress on the Body:** As mentioned above, crazy studying hours (we know you aren't out partying, right?) and mom not having dinner on the table each evening can lead to a lack of sleep and lots of junk food. This can lead to what is often called the "Freshman 15" and the lack of sleep can impact every area of your life up to and including your emotional health.

So, now that we have reviewed a few of the top stressors you may encounter in college, what are some of the best ways for you to take care of yourself and prevent stress from significantly impacting you?

**1. Create a Schedule:** When planning your activities, be sure you allow yourself the time you need to study and get work done. You may require more time than you realize at first, so it's best to over-estimate when it comes to study hours, so you don't have to pull all-nighters and end up paying for it the next few days.

**2. Create a Space:** As you set up your new room and meet your new roommate, make sure there is a private and quiet space for you to be able to focus and take some time to yourself. If your roommate is loud or ever-present, then find a nook in the library or the nearest coffee shop that you can make your own.

**3. Stay Connected to Home:** Whether you're down the street or across the country, being away from home can be difficult at times. Don't forget to use the phone, email and even video conferencing from your computer to stay in touch with family and friends at home. A quick chat with mom can go a long way!

**4. Get Plenty of Sleep:** Many college students find it difficult to get enough sleep because of busy schedules, late-night excitement, or stress. However, to stay healthy, it's important to commit to getting as close to a full 8 hours as you can. If you stay up late, don't schedule morning classes, or if you must get up early, go to bed at a reasonable hour.

**5. Eat Right:** While fast food and junk food are cheap, convenient, and plentiful, they don't set you up to do your best. Be sure to keep your dorm room or apartment stocked with a few fresh fruits and veggies, and high-protein snacks, and be sure that your main meals are healthy and balanced. Also, don't forget to exercise!!!!

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