Methodist College Today



NEthodist College Homecoming 1993

October 2-3, 1998 Methodist College Has The Golden Touch!

Friday, October

6:30 p.m.

The long-awaited Methodist College Athletic Hall of Fame inducts its first class with an inaugural dinner at the Clarion Hotel. Join us for this very special event! \$20 per person.

7:00 p.m.

Women's Volleyball faces Peace College in a home contest on the Riddle Center Court.

8:30 p.m.-midnight

Early arrivals get together at Homecoming Headquarters-Clarion Hotel I-95. The 4th Floor Hospitality Suite is open for you through the evening. Hors d'oeuvres, cash bar. The perfect spot to talk with Hall of Fame Honorees after the dinner.

Tee off in the 6th Annual William Lowdermilk Golf Tournament on the challenging 18-hole Methodist College course. Carts are provided. Arrive early for a continental breakfast. Prizes for 1st and 2nd place teams. \$30 per person.

9:00 a.m.

The Methodist College Department of Education hosts its annual breakfast in the Alumni Dining Room. Special guest speaker will be the N.C. Teacher of the Year. \$5 per person.

9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Stop by the Registration Tent to pick up FREE MC cups, buttons and other surprises. Sign in so your friends will know you're here. You may also pick up schedules, dinner tickets, and Homecoming t-shirts.

10:00 a.m.-3 p.m.

Check out the hot new looks in the Methodist College Bookstore or the Player Center Pro Shop. Both locations offer alumni a 10% discount.

11:00 a.m.

The Women's Soccer team battles Savannah College of Art and Design.

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Enjoy the sounds of the MC Stage band during tailgating on the Central Mall. The grill will be cooking up favorites for alumni, faculty, friends, and students at \$5 for adults, \$3 / 12 and under.

1:00 p.m.

Methodist Football season against Ferrum. Last year the tough Panthers handed the Monarchs their only loss. Now we're out for revenge! Alumni tickets are \$3.00. General admission is \$6.00.

The Men's Soccer team faces Savannah College of Art and Design in a non-conference face-off.

6:00 p.m.

Here's a chance to get together with friends before dinner for hors d'oeuvres and conversation.

7:00 p.m.

Everyone has a good time with a terrific dinner and a chance to win door prizes. The Alumni Association Awards are presented and you're sure to make it to the dance on time! \$12 per person. Alumni Dining Room. Dress is casual.

9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m.

It's "The Golden Touch" playing the favorites of yesterday and tomorrow in the Grand Ballroom of the Clarion Hotel. The Hospitality Suite moves to the first floor, just across from the dance, for your convenience. Dress is casual.

Homecoming '98 Registration Form		Please help us in our planning by registering for events in advance.	
Register me (us) for "The Golden Touch"	— Homecoming '98.		
Name(s)			Class
	(please print)		
Address			
Street	City	State	Zip
Daytime Phone		,	
I (We) will be there for the following events:		,	

\$20 per person

\$30 per person

Dining Room #3

\$5/person-Alumni Dining Room

\$5/Adults, \$3/12 and under

Hall of Fame Dinner Golf Tournament

Education Dept. Breakfast

Tailgating on the Central Mall

Alumni Pre-Dinner Gathering

Alumni Dinner \$12/person - Alumni Dining Room Homecoming Dance featuring "The Golden Touch"

Official Homecoming '98 t-shirt \$7 each

Total Enclosed

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President Elton Hendricks and his wife Jerry welcome the Updegraff family af Amherst, N.Y. to a summer orientation breakfast July 12 at the President's Home. Left to right, Robert, Cody, and Fern Updegraff. Cody is a freshman planning to major in business/professional golf management.

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College Trustees Re-elect Current Officers

he Methodist College Board of Trustees met May 21 and re-elected its current slate of officers for 1998-99.

The officers, all Fayetteville residents, are: Mr. Ramon L. Yarborough, chair; Mr. Richard L. Player, Jr., vice chair; Dr. Frank P. Stout, secretary; and Mr. Vance Neal, treasurer.

The board re-elected the following trustees to four-year terms: Mr. Wade E. Byrd of Fayetteville, Dr. Loleta W. Foster of Fayetteville, Mrs. Jane Hook Johnson of Mebane, Mr. Michael Lallier of Fayetteville, Rev. Dr. William P. Lowdermilk of Pinehurst, Rev. Dr. William M. Presnell of Elizabeth City, Mr. Joe Walker of Fayetteville, and Mr. Ramon L. Yarborough of Fayetteville.

One new trustee, Mr. Edwin A. Hubbard of Sanford, was elected and the board passed a resolution of appreciation to Rev. Ted Carter, who rotated off the board after eight years.

In other actions, the trustees:

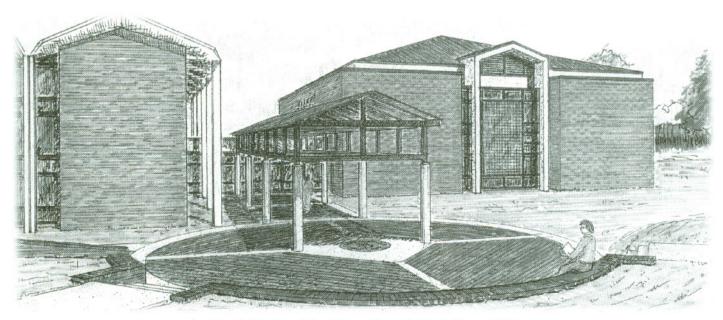
—were briefed by Mrs. Terri Union, chair of the Trustees Development Committee, and Mr. Jay Dowd, vice president for institutional advancement, on the status of the "Expanding the Vision" capital campaign (gifts and pledges now total \$8.6 million) and the Annual Fund Drive (with gifts and pledges of \$139,000 toward a goal of \$260,000).

The trustees were shown a design for the brick plaza/walkway that will connect the new annex and entrance to Davis Memorial Library to the existing library and the campus sidewalk on the east sed of the Trustees Classroom Building. Engraved bricks will be sold at \$100 apiece to finance this project.

—voted to rename East Hall, one of the new residence halls, Pearce Hall, in honor of Dr. Richard Pearce, who served as president of Methodist College from 1973–83.

—were informed by President Elton Hendricks that a Strategic Concepts Committee had been formed to discuss long—range planning issues such as the appropriate size of the college, and tuition and fees. He said a preliminary report will be given to the trustees in October, followed by a full report next May. Dr. Mary Lynn Bryan will be the trustees' committee representative.

—PLEASE SEE TRUSTEES, PAGE 3



Architect's Drawing of New Entrance/Annex to Davis Memorial Library

STUDENTS ELECT EDDIE PRICE SGA PRESIDENT

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

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

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

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

Felix Sarfo-Kantanka, vice president; a rising senior from Glen Allen, VA; Shawn Hartman, treasurer, a rising junior from Chambersburg, PA; Randy Blouin, chief justice, a rising junior from Turner, ME.

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

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







Chapbook Cover

MC's Longleaf Press Publishes Barbara Presnell's Chapbook

ongleaf Press at Methodist College is pleased to announce the publication of *Unravelings*, a poetry chap book by Lexington author Barbara Presnell.

Presnell's manuscript won the 1998 Longleaf Press Poetry Chapbook Contest, which drew 46 entries from five southeastern states. The chapbook contains 19 poems, including 10 previously published in various literary journals.

"The quality of entries was very high," said Dr. Michael Colonnese, associate professor of English at Methodist and managing editor. "We advertised the contest in the North Carolina Writers' Network publication *Network News* and *Poets and Writers*, a national journal."

Presnell teaches writing and literature at Catawba Collge and writes a column for *The Dispatch*, a daily newspaper in Lexington. The author lives in Lexington, with her husband, writer Bill Keesler, and 12-year-old son, Will.

A native of Asheboro, she received undergraduate and Master of Fine Arts degrees from UNC-G and an M.A. from the University of Kentucky. She has worked as an artist-in-residence for the North Carolina Arts Council and the Kentucky Arts Council.

Barbara Presnell's first chapbook, *Snake Dreams*, was published in 1994 and won the North Carolina Poetry Society's Zoe Kincaid Brockman Award. Her poems and short stories have appeared in over fifty journals and anthologies.

Robin Greene, instructor of English at Methodist and a poet herself, serves as press editor. Of *Unravelings*, Greene writes: "Presnell's poems create careful tensions between what can be held together and what cannot. *Unravelings* explores these precise intersects with attention to language and rhythm. These are poems that speak eloquently of our vulnerability and losses, of the unraveling of our memories and the fragility of our joys."

Greene said the author will give readings from her chapbook during Methodist College's Southern Writers' Symposium in September and at other venues in North Carolina.

Unravelings will sell for \$5 a copy and can be purchased by mail or at selected bookstores. Mail orders can be placed by phoning (910) 630-7065 or sending a check for \$6 to Longleaf Press, Methodist College, 5400 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC 28311.

CYNTHIA CURTIS WILL JOIN MC ADVANCEMENT OFFICE

Cynthia J. Curtis of Hope Mills has been named Director of Annual Fund and Parents Programs at Methodist College.

For the last two years, she has served as campaign director of the United Way of Cumberland County. In that position, she directed a campaign that raised more than \$2 million annually and involved more than 300 volunteers. She will assume her new duties in August.

"Cynthia Curtis will be a great asset to Methodist College," said Jay Dowd, vice president for institutional advancement at Methodist. "She is respected and well-known in the Fayetteville community, which will serve the Methodist College Foundation wonderfully."

Prior to assuming the United Way post, Ms. Curtis was associated with Smith Advertising & Associates in Fayetteville. She holds a B.S. degree in journalism from Bowling Green State University and is currently enrolled in a certification program in Non-Profit Management at Duke University.

She is a director of the Cape Fear Kiwanis Club and a graduate of the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Fayetteville Program.

TITLE OF DR. POTTS' PAPER MISSTATED IN LAST MCT

A news story in the Spring '98 issue of *Methodist College Today* regarding the B. F. Stone Lyceum contained an editing error. The paper presented by Dr. Michael Potts, assistant professor of philosophy, was entitled "Brain Dead Individuals are Not Dead," not "Brain Dead Individuals Are Not *Brain* Dead" as the article indicated.

TRUSTEES—CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

—approved tenure and promotion recommendations made by Dr. Loleta Foster, chair of the Academic Affairs Committee. Dr. Joan Bitterman, Dr. Robert Cooper, and Mrs. Theresa Clark were granted tenure. Promoted were: Dr. Peggy Batten, from associate professor to professor of mathematics; Dr. Peter Murray, associate professor to professor of history; Mr. Gary Hinson, assistant professor to associate professor of computer science; Mrs. Jennifer Rohrer-Walsh, assistant professor to associate professor of education and English; Mr. Lewis Walston, assistant to associate professor of mathematics.

—gave faculty emeritus status to Mr. Alan Porter and Mrs. Helen B. Matthews.

REMINDER: FAMILY WEEKEND IS SEPT. 18-20

Commencement Olay '98' 25'

ook after all your lives." That was Robert
H. Dedman's advice to the spring graduates
of Methodist College Sunday, May 10,
in an address entitled "Keeping Your Balance."

A lifelong Methodist, Mr. Dedman is the founder and chairman of the board of Club Corporation International based in Dallas, Texas. Club Corp operates 260 golf resorts and country clubs scattered around the world; its North Carolina hold-

Commencement speaker Robert Dedman evokes laughter with a humorous anecdote.

ings include Pinehurst Resort and Country Club, Capital City Club, and the Carolina Club. Mr. Dedman is also one of America's leading philanthropists and currently chairs the board of trustees at Southern Methodist University.

Using a wooden chair as a prop, Mr. Dedman let the chair legs represent four qualities which he said constitute a good plan for balanced living. He said a fulfilling life requires a

balance between one's family, job, church, civic, athletic, and cultural lives. He advised members of the college's 35th graduating class to: 1) PLAN to work and work to plan your lives, 2) Never stop LEARNING. 3) Keep a positive ATTITUDE and a sense of humor, and 4) Be NICE to others and cultivate long-term, win-win rela-

tionships with friends.

Finally, Mr. Dedman offered two bits of philosophical advice— quoting and interpreting the Yankee catcher Yogi Berra and the ancient Greek biographer Plutarch. He said Berra once said, "When you come to a fork in the

road, take it." In other words, be decisive.

The speaker then quoted Plutarch: "Only a fool learns from the mistakes of others." Mr. Dedman said Plutarch's words could be paraphrased, "People who want to succeed should look for good role models and learn what works."

The Reverend R. Carl Frazier, Jr., pastor of Hay Street United Methodist Church in Fayetteville, delivered the baccalaureate sermon Sunday morning, entitled "So. . .What Now?" The sermon was based on Romans 12: 1-2; 9-21.

He referred often to the second verse, which reads: "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

Rev. Frazier said the answer to the question "What now?" (after college) can be found in the values and beliefs of the Christian church. "You have been saved by grace through faith," he

said, "and no one can separate you from the love of God."

The preacher challenged the Class of 1998 to "do better than we baby boomers" by turning away from material concerns to what John Wesley termed "social holiness."

"Christians should be generous and caring," he said.
"Overcome evil with good."
He concluded his sermon by saying, "Go into the world for Christ's sake. Do your best not to fit in."



Rev. Carl Frazier, Jr., Pastor of Hay Street United Methodist Church, delivers the Baccalaureate sermon.

Dr. Elton Hendricks, college president, presented an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree to Robert Henry Dedman for his philanthropy in the field of higher education and a Methodist College Medallion to Alan Porter (retiring professor of music)

for 35 years of teaching excellence at Methodist College. He also presented the L. Stacy Weaver Award to Jason Anthony Williams, denoting his selection by the faculty as the senior who best exemplified academic excellence, spiritual development, leadership, and service.



Dr. Hendricks presents an MC Medallion and citation to Alan Porter for his 35 years' service.

In other commencement activities:

—Thirty-two of the 142 students in the spring class graduated with honors.

—Four Army ROTC cadets—Michael Crouse, Kelly L. French, Brian P. Wolford, and Maria Anne Young—were commissioned as second lieutenants.

Methodist College awarded degrees to the following May 10, 1998:

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Karen Bouvier, *magna cum laude*, Writing; Alexandra Nulle Dummer, English; Janet Kathryn Hassenplug, Sociology; Dana Paul Jumper, Business Administration; Caroline Frances Kearns, Art with a Concentration in Printmaking and Ceramic Sculpture; Sonya Sparks Murdock, English; Jorge Perez, Spanish; Tricia Riordan, *summa cum laude*, English; Robert Rodriguez, Spanish.

Fort Bragg: Gloria Jean Briglin, *cum laude*, Elementary Education.

Linden, NC: Martha Alexander Clarke, *cum laude*, Music. Cameron, NC: Clinton Richard Davis, *magna cum laude*, Spanish.

Other States

Medford, OR: Kelly L. French, *summa cum laude*, French. Sumter, SC: Georgette Goenell Singleton, Communications/Mass Media.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville, NC: Sayeh Saedi Araghi, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology/Cell Biology; Robert Allan Boyle, *summa cum laude*, Mathematics; Lori Lynn Bremer, *cum laude*, Business Administration and Marketing; Angela Rene Caramanno, Elementary Education; Michael Crouse, Criminal Justice; James Joseph Doucette, *magna cum laude*, History; Edwin O. Edwards, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf

Management; Charles Richard Emery, magna cum laude, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology/Cell Biology; Thomas Francis Esposito, Political Science; Scott David Evelyn, Criminal Justice and Sociology; Sean J. Gardner, Business Administration; André Ramone Gray, Physical Education; Eugene S. Hallock, cum laude, Criminal Justice; Valerie M. Hughes-Brannigan, Sociology; Janice Yvonne Jones, Educational Studies; Janie Lyn Jones, Elementary Education; Nathan Wayne Jumper, Business Administration; Lorenzo D. Lawrence, Sports Medicine; Heather J. Layfield, cum laude, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology/Cell Biology; Howard Anthony Loomis, Business Administration; Theresa Ann Graham Lynch, Biology with a Concentration in Zoology; Daniele Marie Malvesti, Criminal Justice; Dianne Carol Martin, summa cum laude, Biology; Mary Lynn Mercer, cum laude, Accounting; Joseph Edward Mullen,



Mrs. Elaine Porter, Graduation Marshalls, and the Class of '98 proceed to the Baccalaureate in Reeves.

Business Administration; Iris Smith Murphy, Accounting; Marshall E. Putnam, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology/Cell Biology; Sarah Rae Rapalje, Communications/Mass Media; James Alan Reaves, Political Science; Annette Lea Rochelle, *magna cum laude*, Elementary Education; John William Rochelle, Sports Management; Darla Rollins-Williamitis, *magna cum laude*, Special Education; Charles E. Routh, Criminal Justice; Christie Kennedy Scott, Sociology; Valerie Michelle Simpson, Accounting; Mia Smothers-Smith, Business Administration with a Concentration in Fashion Merchandising; Sherry Adler Sparks, *magna cum laude*, Criminal Justice; Eric F. Steen, *cum laude*, Biology with a concentration in Microbiology/Cell Biology; Halldor Steingrimsson, Sports Manage-

ment; Joy W. Thrash, magna cum laude, Accounting; Ruth E. VanOrman, Criminal Justice; Donald Murray Warren, Accounting; Elmer Ted Wilson, Business Administration; Brian Perry Wolford, summa cum laude, Criminal Justice; Tracy L. Wood, Sports Management; Russell F. Wyatt, Business Administration with a concentration in Professional Tennis Management; Amy Michelle Young, Sociology; Maria Anne Young, magna cum laude, Criminal Justice.

Hope Mills: Annette M. Shockley, *cum laude*, Accounting and Business Administration

Linden: Priscilla G. Hamilton, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care Administration

Pope AFB: Denise Daniel Rowell, Elementary Education **Spring Lake:** Anna Maria Popilock, Business Administration; Wilhemeina Ross, Criminal Justice

Autryville: Elizabeth Danielle Cashwell, Criminal Justice

Erwin: Rachel Elizabeth Ross, *cum laude*, Psychology with a Concentration in Human

Psychology with a Concentration in Human Performance

Pinehurst: Courtney Leigh McMillan, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology/Cell Biology

Roseboro: Sarah Kelli Bradshaw, *magna cum laude*, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology/Cell Biology

Sanford: Edwin Guzman, Mathematics; Brett A. Rutherford, Business Administration

Southern Pines: Timothy W. Adkins, Sports Management

Other Areas of North Carolina

Cape Carteret: Sara Ann Trout, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care Administration

Clayton: Christopher S. Eaves, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management **Danbury, NC:** Bradley James Hicks, Business Administration

Eden: Jeffrey Todd Purgason, *cum laude*, Accounting

Hillsborough: Lillian Michelle Yarborough, Accounting and Business Administration

Kitty Hawk, NC: Jason Michael Brown, Business Administration

Jacksonville: Joseph Scott Baile, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Tennis Management; Jeannette Kay Cox, Busi-

ness Administration

Kinston: Jamelle Kareen
Ushery, Business Administra-

New Bern: James Taplie Coile, *magna cum laude*, Political Science Raleigh: Michelle Lea Eury, Criminal Justice

Smithfield: Jason Walton Williams, Communications/

Mass Media

Snow Hill: Angela Kathleen Beaman, International Studies Swansboro: Virginia G. Elliott, Psychology with a Concentration in Clinical Counseling

Wilmington: Karen Michelle Bettencourt, Elementary Education

Other States/Countries

Robert Mark Acciardo, **Barrington**, **RI**, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Nelson Homer Barber, **Lakeland FL**, Business Administration; John Stewart Bentley, **Syra-**

cuse, OH, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Nathan Shane Blanchette, Putnam, CT, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Siobhan M. Cullen, Dublin, Ireland, Sports Management; Tracy Catherine Cunningham, Miami, FL, Physical Education and Sports Medicine; Heather D. Fisher, Middlefield, OH, Physical Education and Sports Medicine; Corey Page Fisk, Yorktown, VA, Marketing and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Daniel J. Garrison, Owego, NY, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Lisa Ellen Greenfield, Miami, FL, Physical Education and Sports Medicine; Michael Gene Gugliotti, Baton Rouge, LA, Business Administration and Marketing; Clifford J. Harris, Greenport, NY, Physical Education; Michael Terrence Hoban, Ocean City, NJ, Elementary Education; Scott Ri-

chard Jenkin, Penzance Cornwall, United Kingdom, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Tennis Management; Mark Andrew Kirsch, Falmouth, MA, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Seth Koch, Beverly, MA, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Jason R. Kupiec, Vero Beach, FL, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Kyle Alan Kuzia, Kensington, CT, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; F. H. Mark Lindner, Quantico, VA, Business Administration; Anthony Paul Maki, Hopedale, MA, Business Administration with a Concentration



MC's first class of Physician Assistants; l. to r.: Jason Williams, Robin Lincoln, Melissa Stout, Sayeh Araghi.



Todd Purgason receives congratulations from Theresa Clark.

Professional Golf Management; Jody May McIntyre, cum laude, Mt. Hope, Ontario, Canada, Psychology with a Concentration in Counseling and Human Factors; David Robert Moreshead. Alpharetta, GA, Business Administration; Casey Heather Nuckols, Annandale, VA, Business Administration: John

Donohoe Preusser, Garrison, NY, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Thomas J. Rozdilsky, Danbury, CT, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Scott Anthony Schwarzer, cum laude, Blythwood, SC, History; Telly Ray Sellars, Lynch, KY, Communications/Mass Media; Eric Christopher Shillinger, Oakridge, NJ, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Kennis Jason Sigmon, Chesapeake, VA, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Brian Matthew Spriggs. Jackson, OH, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Tiffany A. Sprouse, magna cum laude, Houston, TX, Sports Medicine; Eric Ian Stevens, Kinkutown, PA, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Christian Dominique Treney, Toms River, NJ, Business Administration: Lance Andrew Tucker, Littleton, NH, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Joseph W. Ulatowski, Norwood, MA, History and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Jason Anthony Williams, cum laude, Port St. Lucie, FL, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology/Cell Biology; Meredith Holm Wolter, Steeleville, IL, Sports Medicine.

BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville, NC: Travis Terrence Kornegay, Music Performance

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville, NC: Karen N. Nichols, Susan Jane Willis, Suzanne Rae Yarborough (Social Work and Sociology). Hope Mills: Brian Keith Ford, Lee Chester Turner II

Raeford: Alesia Bonita Burke, cum laude; Jennifer Rebecca

Cavill, cum laude

Spring Lake: Wilhemeina Ross Other Areas Of North Carolina Newton Grove: Mary Smith Cuevas

Other States

Sumter, SC: Cynthia Barbara Allen BACHELOR OF HEALTH SCIENCE

Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Sayeh Saedi Araghi, Physician Assistant; Robin

S. Lincoln, Physician Assistant

Other Areas

Garner, NC: Melissa Lynne Stout, Physician Assistant Port St. Lucie, FL: Jason Anthony Williams, cum laude, Physician Assistant

BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Teddy William Jernigan, Associate Degree Concentration in Respiratory Care Technology

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Carol D. Thompson, Sociology; Donald Murray Warren,

Music

Fort Bragg:

Edward C.

Thompson,

General Studies

Hope Mills:

Francisco Martin

Andujo III,

Spanish

Stedman: Alana

Womack.

Business Admin-

istration Other

States/Countries

Cindy Lynn

Dehoff, Glen

Rock, PA,

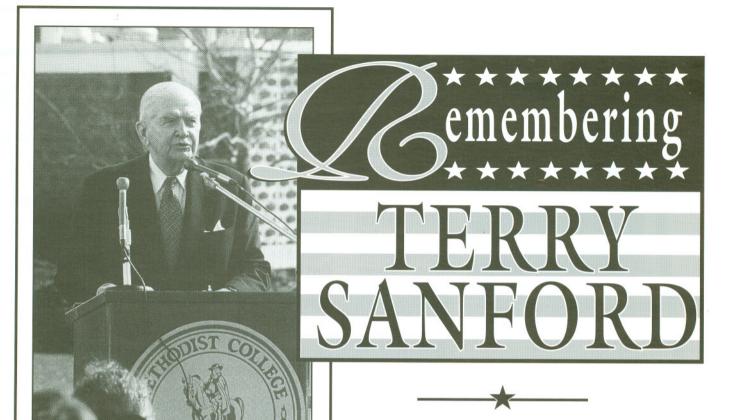
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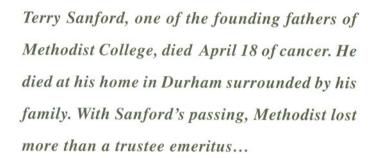
Mass Media; Karl Fitzgerald McFarland, Lansing, KS, Business Administration; Jody May McIntyre, cum laude, Hope, Ontario, Canada, Accounting; Christian Dominique Treney, Toms

River, NJ, Accounting.



SEIZE THE DAY!!!!





n the mid 1950's, Terry Sanford was instrumental in persuading Bishop Paul Garber and the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church to locate a new college in Fayetteville. In the summer of 1956, Terry Sanford was elected the first chairman of the Methodist College Board of Trustees and held that position until 1967; he remained a trustee until 1993. Sanford was present November 1, 1956 at the State Capitol when North Carolina Secretary of State Thad Eure signed the charter creating Methodist College, Inc.

In a comment to the *Fayetteville Observer-Times* after learning of Sanford's death, Dr. Elton Hendricks, the current president of Methodist College, said there would be no Methodist College in Fayetteville had Terry Sanford not stepped in and helped sell the idea to Bishop Paul Garber and a committee of Methodists from eastern North Carolina charged with choosing two sites for two new four-year colleges.

Local residents familiar with the history of the college remember well that Fayetteville first made a bid for the new Presbyterian college (what is now St. Andrews Presbyterian College) but lost out to Laurinburg (Sanford's hometown). Undaunted, Sanford and other far-sighted business and civic leaders in Fayetteville then took their package—over \$1 million in pledges and nearly 600 acres of land on the northern fringe of the city—to the Methodists. It was a fine piece of salesmanship and one that began a long and warm relationship between the Fayetteville community and the church.

Coming a year and a month after the death of Methodist's first president, Dr. L. Stacy Weaver, Sanford's death was a sad reminder that most of those responsible for the establishment of Methodist College have now passed from this earth. But Sanford's funeral at Duke Chapel was a celebration of a life well-lived and a person who advanced the cause of education on many fronts. This we know: Terry Sanford was proud of his role in founding Methodist College and fully cognizant of the tremendous positive impact it and its 6,500 graduates have had on Fayetteville, the Sandhills region, our state, and our world.

In February, 1996, he came back to help kick off the college's "Expanding the Vision" capital campaign (he was the honorary chair) and to deliver the keynote address on leadership at the first annual Lura Tally Leadership Forum. In the fall of 1996, when the Methodist College Alumni Association held a 40th birthday celebration, Terry Sanford was the guest of honor and seemed to thoroughly enjoy the show.

In March 1997, he was one of three persons who spoke at Stacy Weaver's funeral at Hay Street United Methodist

Church, In December 1997. when he was diagnosed with cancer, and again in February of this year, Terry Sanford made major gifts to Methodist College.

Students who attended Methodist in the 1960's knew Terry Sanford was a mover and a shaker-a progressive, full of new and innovative ideas. While he was very busy as governor of North Carolina (1961-65), he was always present for Methodist College Board of Trustee meetings, commencements. and Founder's

Sanford Condolence Book in the Berns Student Center. Methodist College honors a true patriot.

SGA President-Elect

Eddie Price signs the

Day convocations. His sales tax proposal which the N. C. General Assembly adopted in 1962 gave impetus to the state community college system and allowed him to make good his promise to North Carolina youngsters: "If you have the will and the skill, we (the state) will help you find a way to attend college."

It was at a Methodist College Founder's Day convocation in 1966 that Sanford first proposed state grants to assist North Carolina residents who wanted to attend one of the state's independent colleges or universities. The first such grants were awarded in 1972-73. In fiscal 1998, North Carolina residents attending Methodist or one of the state's 36 other independent colleges or universities on a full-time basis received North Carolina Legislative Tuition Grants worth \$1,450 per academic year; many also received state-funded contractual scholarships from a companion fund.

Terry Sanford was generally revered in the Fayetteville community where he practiced law from 1949-1960. At a Cumberland County Democratic Party dinner/tribute held March 30, 1993 at the Charlie Rose Agri Expo Center, 1,000 of his friends saluted him. On that occasion, Rev. Bill Lowdermilk presented him with a gift from Methodist College—a large framed collage with old photos of major events in college history at which he held center stage. It was entitled "Portrait of a Visionary" and an exact replica of it now hangs in the Archives Room of Davis Memorial Library.

Some of Sanford's political stands were not popular. In the late sixties he encouraged college students across the state as they sought repeal of North Carolina's infamous "Speaker Ban

> Law." While president of Duke University (1969-84), he made Affirmative Action in hiring a modus operandi. In 1991, the former U. S. Army paratrooper, then a U.S. senator, opposed the deployment of U.S. forces in what came to be called Operation Desert Storm.

The former governor was especially proud of Methodist College's first graduating class, the Class of 1964. In May 1989, then U.S. Senator Sanford came back to Methodist for the 25th reunion of that class and delivered the commencement address. From 1986-89, he served as honorary chair of the College's "Come of Age" capital campaign to build a physical activities center.

Last March, when he returned to Fayetteville to deliver a eulogy at Stacy Weaver's funeral, he said he had driven through the campus that morning and reflected with

pride upon what Dr. Weaver had built. Dr. Weaver and Terry Sanford were a good team and Methodist College was really their joint legacy to the Sandhills region.

Terry Sanford's life of public service, his devotion to education, his compassion for the less fortunate, and his "can do" philosophy were extraordinary and inspired others to do great things.

He clearly knew and practiced John Wesley's Rule:

"Do all the good you can, By all the means you can, In all the ways you can, In all the places you can, At all the times you can, To all the people you can, As long as ever you can."



- Bill Billings

Financial Prospects Looking Good



Enrollment projections for the fall indicate Methodist College will begin its 39th academic year in "a very strong financial position." That's the prediction of Gene Clayton, vice president for business affairs.

Although the final budget is not set until September, Clayton said the preliminary

budget for 1998-99 totals \$20,291,405, based on a projected fulltime equivalent (day) enrollment of 1,185. The new budget is four percent higher than last year's \$19.5 million.

"We ended the 1998 fiscal year in the black," he said, "and our endowment grew to \$8.8 million. If we exceed enrollment projections this fall, we will be able to fund some additional capital and program needs."

Tuition and fees were increased six percent, so the college could fund three percent pay raises and increased operating costs associated with new buildings. But in terms of total expense for a resident student, Methodist has yet to make the "top ten" among the state's 36 independent colleges and universities. For the last decade, the college has ranked 11th or 12th in total cost.

Continued growth in enrollment is the reason Methodist

College's finances are in good shape. This fall looks even better. Deposits from new students are up five percent compared to the same time last year, applications have topped 1,700 (a new record), and preregistration figures (for both new and continuing students) are up four percent.

Rick Lowe, vice president for enrollment services, projects Methodist will enroll 570 new students-370 freshmen and 200 transfers-this fall. He

says there is still room and the number could top 600 for the first time.

As College President Elton Hendricks has stated on many occasions, Methodist is tuition-driven. In the fiscal 1999 budget, student tuition and fees will generate about 82 percent of the college's revenue, auxiliary enterprises (cafeteria, bookstore, camps and facility rental) will generate 12 percent, and the remaining six percent will come from the United Methodist Church (N.C. Conference), gifts, and endowment earnings.

Where will Methodist spend its \$20.4 million in the 1998-99 academic year?

Here is the breakdown:

General Administration—\$3,250,292, 16 percent Academic Program—\$4,680,827, 23 percent Business Affairs—\$5,787,770, 29 percent Athletics—\$337,585, 2 percent

Salary Increases/New Staff—\$450,000, 2 percent Institutional Advancement—\$219,450, 1 percent

Student Life-\$872,097, 4 percent

Financial Aid/Admissions—\$4,689,250, 23 percent

In 1996, Methodist sold \$10 million in tax-exempt revenue bonds; \$6.3 million was used to refinance existing debt and \$3.5 million was used for needed capital projects. In the last two years, the college has reduced its long-term debt to \$8.9 million. Annual debt service payments for 1998-99 will total \$980,000, about 4.7 percent of the college's operating budget.

No one knows better than Gene Clayton how much Methodist's financial picture has improved in the last decade. During at least fifteen of his 35 years at Methodist, the college struggled financially. Declining enrollment in the 1970s forced the college to cut personnel, defer needed repairs and maintenance, and borrow from its endowment.

"Twenty-five years ago, our total budget was about \$1 million," he noted, "and we began the year with a six-figure deficit. I would not want to go back to those days."

Clayton said the greatest challenges he faces as the college's chief financial officer are: 1) collecting the revenue as projected, 2) keeping expenditures within allocated amounts, and 3) keeping up with deferred maintenance.

Asked what he would recommend if the college received an unrestricted \$5 million gift in the near future, he said he would suggest putting \$2 million in cash reserve and using the remainder to complete renovation of the four original residence halls, to

> redo the science labs, and to resurface campus streets and parking lots.

Aside from continued enrollment growth, there are two other trends that bode well for Methodist's financial future.

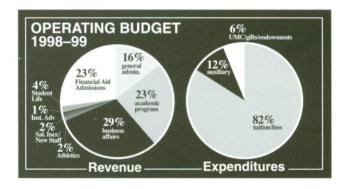
First, lease revenues from College Centre Office Park started two years ago by the Methodist College Development Corporation could generate significant revenue over the next decade. A master plan for Phase II shows twentyone buildings on the 22-acre tract.

The first tenants are Heritage Family Physicans (first floor of the Medical Science Building) and Branch Banking & Trust Co. Construction of a new entrance connecting with Stacy Weaver Drive (scheduled for completion in 60 days) may spur develop-

Second, increased giving by friends and alumni bodes well for the future. Methodist's "Expanding the Vision" capital campaign surpassed its original goal by more than \$2 million. In calendar 1997, the college received a record \$2.7 million in gifts and pledges.

Methodist still has many needs, however. A Facilities Master Plan drafted last February proposed that seventeen improvements be made to the campus between 1998 and 2000. They include: a 6,000- square-foot performing arts center; a resurfaced outdoor track; new furniture for 250 rooms in Garber, Sanford, Cumberland, and Weaver halls; and a much-needed renovation of the original science labs.

Building projects proposed for the distant future include: a new field house and athletic training facility, a new residence hall area, a student fitness center, an alumni house, a United Methodist conference center, and additions to Horner Administration Building, Berns Student Center, and Hensdale Chapel.







hen we last heard from Jim and Lynn aboard DIVA, they had safely made the trip from Florida to the Bahamas. The 25 hour sail was not without its tense moments. First, there was the SOS from the GREAT WHITE. Their gas tank had

exploded and two people were injured. DIVA, and her sailing

friend LA ESMERELDA, circled the boat after calling the Coast Guard. They stayed with her until the Coast Guard arrived and transferred the passengers.

They continued on their way in the 4-8 foot seas. At 1 a.m., with the lights of Freeport and Lucaya on Grand Bahama Island in sight, Lynn spotted a large ship in the far distance which looked like it may be on a collision course with DIVA. Sure enough, it was DIVA who slowed down to allow the ship to pass. Since the ship was approximately 735 feet long and DIVA only 37 feet, it seemed the prudent thing to do. Later in the morning, another ship bore down on DIVA. Lynn altered

their course 20 degrees to get out of his way. He never acknowledged DIVA or gave any leeway which would have indicated he was aware of their presence. Sunrise was a welcome sight.

The Bahama winds are great for sailing. With DIVA happily gliding along at 6-7 knots we can enjoy what we came here for. Of course, the high winds of late January and early February were more than we bargained for.

Friday, February 6th and the winds finally stopped. We got on our bikes and headed for the 'town' of Bullocks Harbour. There are maybe 200 residents in Bullocks and things are pretty poverty stricken. There is a local school full of beautiful Bahamian children all dressed in matching red plaid uniforms. There are a few little grocery stores, but since the mail boat hasn't been able to get through the rough waters, the shelves are

bare. We did find 'Coolie Mae's Takeaway'. She's the lady who bakes bread and will also cook you dinner and deliver it. We knocked on the front door and were sent 'round back' to the kitchen. We entered an immaculate 6x9 room with a big refrigerator, two electric stoves, small kitchen sink and a few feet of counter top. She had two huge homemade pizzas lying on the counter that Jim about attacked. We were told we couldn't

buy those because they were for the school children. We bought two loaves of warm just-out-of-the-oven bread and ordered a pizza to be delivered the next day. The bread was \$3 a loaf, which may seem high, but we had just paid \$2.75 for a loaf of Wonder bread at the little grocery.

In mid-February we left behind the Devil Hoffman anchorage and the Berry Islands and headed south for Nassau. We had a glorious day with the southwest breeze. Nassau was fun and the shopping great, but after a week in the "city" we were ready to leave. It's a beautiful city, but not what we really

ready to leave. It's a beautiful city, but not what we really came to see. We're ready to get into the clean water in the Exuma chain of islands. The guidebooks tell us the Exumas are notorious for the clearest, crystal blue water in the Bahamas.

We planned to leave February 21, but Mother Nature had other plans. We're glad to be in Nassau Yacht Haven with its protected slips, but waiting out gale warnings wasn't what we had in mind. The bad weather has become tiresome.

Our new plan is to leave on the 25th for Allan's Cay if the wind stops blowing in time for the seas to settle. The trip to Allan's is only 26 miles,



Jim does some "serious" restocking in Nassau.



but there are some pretty shallow coral heads on the way so we need a calm sea when we pass over them. Once we get to Allen's Cay we will anchor out and take our old vegetables to shore to feed the large population of iguanas. We are looking forward to being away from the big city at last!

The Allan's Cay anchorage is a large oval cove surrounded by several large cays (means Island and is pronounced 'key'). There is deep water right to the edge of the rocky cay, but a shallow sandpit in the middle of the cove. We anchored in 14 feet of beautiful crystal clear blue water in the northwest edge, just to the east of Allan's. The sun set and night fall brought about a show from the heavens. We saw more stars than either of us had ever seen. There were tropical birds on the cay who sang all night. We went outside and shone the flashlight into the water and were amazed to see light blue luminous fish swimming near the surface. When the light hit them, they looked like blue neon. Incredible!

We took the dinghy over to Leaf Cay and fed the 50 or so

"It's quite a sight to step on a white sandy beach and have 50 large lizards come running towards you."

Rock Iguanas that live there. We took some old cabbage leaves and they really seemed to enjoy them. We had to be careful, because the iguanas have gotten use to people coming on the beach and feeding them, so they run down to you as you get out of your dinghy. Because they have poor eyesight, they have been known to bite people thinking they are food. It's quite a sight to step on a white sandy beach and have 50 large lizards come running towards you. They are actually beautiful animals, with maroon and irides-

cent purple skin. They remind us of small dinosaurs. We took some neat pictures and hope they come out, especially the ones with the miniature lighthouse we put next to an iguana. If it turns out the way we think, it should look like a real lighthouse and a huge iguana! One guy on the beach said we should be filming a monster flick!

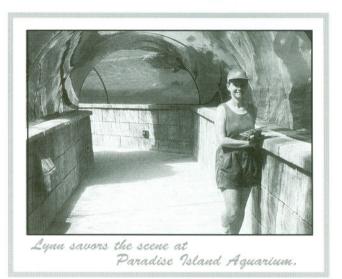
Jim and Lynn left Allan's Cay March 3rd. Getting out wasn't easy. They had to risk going through the Northern Allan Cay cut to Exuma Sound, where the seas were much calmer. The Exuma Island chain is a straight line of cays with the Bahama Bank (shallow water, 10-13 feet) on the western side and the Exuma Sound (opening to the Atlantic Ocean, 40 to 6,000 feet deep) on

the eastern side. There are a small number of places

that boats can safely 'cut' through the islands to get from the eastern side or the western side. The cuts are always narrow and not very deep and it takes some alertness and good navigational skills to safely pass through.

> Later that day we reached our destination of Wardewick Wells Cay and headed into the entrance of the Exuma Land and Sea Park. As we entered the cut, the current and the wind were in

opposition and things were going quite rough. Lynn was on the bow looking for deep water and as we came through the cut and entered the park anchorage, we were both speechless with the beauty. The anchorage is a long U-shaped cove with a horseshoe beach in the middle. There is no anchoring here, you must rent a mooring buoy. We took buoy #9 right in the middle of the horseshoe beach and at the base of a mountain called "Boo Boo Hill".



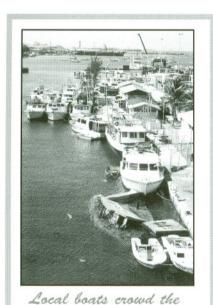
The Exuma Land and Sea Park was established in 1958 to preserve a portion of the Bahamas as nature intended it to be. The park is the first of its kind in the world and covers 176 miles of spectacular sub-tropical waters, coral reefs and cays with a full spectrum of natural vegetation. The taking of any animal or plant matter, alive or dead, either above or below the water, is prohibited. There are many coral reefs to snorkel or dive on and miles of trail on the island to explore. The park headquarters is located at the middle of the mooring field in a big house on top of a cliff. The headquarters is the only house on the island and the only place with electricity, which they make themselves with solar panels and a generator. The only phone service is a cellular phone and they charge \$3 a minute just for airtime. There is no facility for garbage (you must take it away with you) and no fresh water is available. No Holiday Inns or Club Meds here!

We got in the dinghy to explore the south end of the island and discovered Wes' Trail which led us to the middle of the island. It was a rough walk through low lying trees and over limestone. There were huge caverns and caves below us that we had to be careful not to fall in. As we were coming back down the trail we saw our first 'Bananaquit', which is a bird seen only in the Bahamas and is known to be quite tame. It is a beautiful small yellow bird which likes to eat sugar out of people's hands. It's was a shame we didn't have any sugar because this little guy just sat on a tree limb about two feet from us and sang like crazy. He was obviously asking us "where's the sugar?". Ok, so tomorrow when we go hiking we'll be carrying a zip lock bag of sugar. Apparently, since no one ever harms any of the wildlife here, they have no fear of man.

March 9th and we sat through yet another cold front with high winds, rain, lightning and thunder. We have officially named this cruise the "El Nino Tour '98!. After the front passed, the winds came from the north and we spent Tuesday preparing DIVA to leave and head south.

We reached our destination on the western shores of the island Big Majors Spot at 2:30 and anchored with 10 other boats just opposite a white sandy beach complete with a wreck of a native sailing schooner and a wild pig!

Staniel Cay could well turn out to be our favorite community in the Bahamas. We tied the dinghy at the Staniel Cay Yacht Club and went in for lunch. What a great place. It consisted of a restaurant in an aqua, one-story building with a big porch with rocking chairs where you can rock your day away looking out



dock at Potters Cay

in Nassau Harbor.

over the banks and all the beautiful boats anchored in the bay. After lunch we went off to explore the town. We found two grocery stores - the Blue Store and the Pink Store - side by side and identical in inventory. We later found out they were owned by brothers. There was fresh produce waiting for us and even homemade Bahamian bread. What a treat.

Monday we headed towards Thunderball Cave to go snorkeling. Yes, that's thunderball as in the James Bond movie. But no go.

The bay was so rough we didn't make it into the cave. Instead we snorkeled on the reefs behind the southwestern point of Big Majors. The reef was beautiful and Lynn saw a huge porcupine fish hiding under a coral rock. He would peek out at her then hide his face. He looked like 'ET'. They played peek-a-boo for 10 minutes. Then he decided he could trust Lynn so he came out and showed himself. His ET face was smiling and he must have been 2-3 feet long and his head a foot wide. This species of fish inflates into a big spiky balloon if harassed. Lynn also saw a large Smooth Trunkfish, which is listed in the fish guide under 'Odd-Shaped Swimmers.' Odd he was - like a large triangle because the bottom of his body was flat and the top pointed. He had a dark body covered with white spots and a honeycombed pattern in the middle. His tail looked like a feather quill.

With another front approaching, it was time to move again. We searched our charts and discussed heading south. The problem with going south was that we did not have many options. Anchorages were few and far between and we were hesitant to travel to the unknown with no safety backup. We

checked out a small cut between the north end of Big Majors Spot and Fowl Cay. The cut was extremely narrow (the guidebook says that catamarans should check to make sure their wide beams would fit before entering) and the current was ripping through at about 2-3 knots. On the other side of this cut was a gorgeous anchorage between North Gauliant Cay and several small islands. It looked like the place to be in a storm.

The decision was made and we slipped through the narrow cut at slack high tide. It was very narrow with sharp rocks and we had about six feet clearance on each side. We went through perfectly and wound our way around several sand bars to anchor in about 10 feet of water. With our friends, John and Barb from ALFRAN, we had the anchorage to ourselves. It was beautiful crystal clear blue water, white sandy beaches all around, huge white rock mountains on the eastern sound side with water crashing over them and lots of reefs to explore while snorkeling.

We went reef exploring and found the most gorgeous reef off a small island near the white rocks on the sound. There were six

foot purple fan coral, huge coral that looked like reindeer antler (and actually called elk horn coral), a five foot barracuda and endless schools of fish of all colors. It was an easy dive too, because it was shallow and we could hold our breath. dive down five feet and be right next to our favorite fish. After the second reef we explored the white rocks on the sound. We felt like we were on the moon as we walked through a garden of

"We felt like we were on the moon as we walked through a large garden of boulders."

large boulders. We climbed to the top of the tallest rocks and had an incredible view of the ocean. We climbed down and explored some swimming pools where the water washed in during high tide and then remained after low tide to form the pools. There were lots of spiny black sea urchins clinging to the rocks and we also found some nice shells.

March 23rd we went through our narrow cut again to return to Big Majors Spot. We had a storm coming out of the southeast (pretty unusual) and the forecast was for strong winds. We anchored off the middle of the island opposite two huge caves. The wind clocked around as forecast but we were quite comfortable with the island protecting us. Our week progressed calmly with snorkeling and visiting our friends each day. It was too rough to get into the dinghy and go into town, but we were content to stay where we were enjoying the company and our hoard of provisions The

Next issue... George Town, Great Exuma Island

wind was howling for days on end at 30+

knots. Nobody was really moving anywhere!

-Summer Brock



College Dedicates Fannie Farmer Memorial Park

ethodist College dedicated Fannie Farmer Memorial Park Wednesday, April 1, honoring a special lady who worked at the College for 33 years.

Fannie came to Methodist in the mid 1960s, working several years in the dishroom in the college cafeteria. In the early 1970s, she joined the housekeeping staff, where she remained until her death in February 1997 at the age of 65.

Fannie Farmer Memorial Park covers several acres between the Berns Student Center and the residence halls and consists of a large gazebo, picnic tables connected by walkways, a variety of flowering shrubs and trees, and an arbor. Rev. Mike Safley '72, former vice president for student affairs,

proposed building the park to Dr. Hendricks shortly after Fannie's death.

At a morning dedicatory service in Hensdale Chapel, friends remembered Fannie for her sunny disposition, her pride in her work, her deep faith in God, and her genuine concern for others. Speakers included former college staff members—Rev. Mike Safley and Rev. Bill Lowdermilk—Matthew Perkinson, director of housekeeping services; Rev. Dr. Thomas Jones, Fannie's pastor at Mt.



L to R.: Janis Farmer, Rev. Mike Safley, Mrs. Kim Dowd, Felix Sarfo–Kantanka, Dr. Elton Hendricks.

Hebrew A.M.E. Zion Church; and Fannie's son, Delton Lee.

A committee of students and staff chaired by Wilford Saunders, assistant dean for student services, planned the dedication. The service opened with the congregation singing "Morning Has Broken." Venessa Mathis, a friend of the Farmer family, sang "May the Work I've Done Speak For Me." The Methodist College Concert Choir performed two hymns, "Sing Joyfully," and "You Are the Light."

The congregation moved to the park site for a ribbon-cutting and unveiling of the dedicatory plaque. The dedicatory prayer offered thanks to God for his gifts of natural beauty and a pledge by those present to preserve and enjoy those gifts.

A gold ribbon was cut by: Janis Farmer, Fannie's daughter; Mike Safley, former dean of students; Mrs. Kim Dowd, vice president for student affairs; Felix Sarfo-Kantanka,

S.G.A. president; and Dr. Elton Hendricks, college president.

Ms. Farmer and Dr. Hendricks unveiled the dedicatory plaque which acknowledges Fannie's 33 years of devoted service to Methodist College.

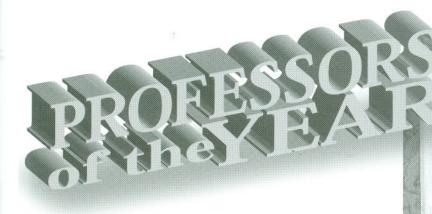
The dedication service concluded with Rev. Carrie Parrish leading the celebrants in the hymn, "Surely the Presence of the Lord Is In This Place."



Delton Lee Farmer thanks the college for honoring his mother.



Volunteers work on park at Show You Care Day.



Ms. Silvana M. Foti and Mrs. Peggy A. Hinson were named Professors of the Year at the college's awards convocation April 17.



he award is presented annually to a professor who has "made a distinct difference in the teaching climate of the college in such areas as model classroom teaching, campus leadership, pioneering teaching methodology, creative course development, and/or instructional support." The two tenured professors of art were chosen for this honor by a faculty committee.

Ms. Foti, head of the Department of Art, joined the Methodist College faculty in 1980. She is a native of Youngstown, Ohio, and she holds a B.F.A. from St. Mary's College in Indiana and an M.F.A. from the University of Notre Dame.

Ms. Foti teaches basic design as well as all levels of art courses in printmaking and ceramic sculpture. She also trains future art teachers for the public schools. Her professional memberships include the College Arts Association of America, the North Carolina Art Education Association, Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society in Education, the Fayetteville Museum of Art, and the Arts Council of Moore County, North Carolina.

An accomplished artist, Ms. Foti is currently represented by galleries in Winston-Salem, Chapel Hill, Raleigh, and Fayetteville. Her pieces are one of a kind collaged prints, many of which are enhanced with brass composition. The prevalent imagery in Ms. Foti's prints is based on her interest in architectural details such as the textures of doors, windows, and walls.

Her latest works contain imagery influenced by the structures of Venice, Italy, which she visited last summer. Ms. Foti's research for these pieces was funded in part by a 1997 Summer Faculty Development Grant from Methodist College.

Under Ms. Foti's guidance, the Methodist College Art Department has recently undergone a complete cosmetic transformation in the form of freshly painted walls and newlyhung posters of well-known artworks. Previous departmental improvements resulting from Ms. Foti's leadership include two highly successful fund-raising projects which were undertaken in the 1996-97 school year. The production and sale of hand-painted Christmas ornaments as well as the organization of an art auction resulted in the purchase of a Raku Kiln and of numerous components of the department's new computer system.

Professor of Art Peggy A. Hinson was also honored at the awards convocation. Mrs. Hinson joined the Methodist College faculty in 1983. She is a native of Charlotte, North Carolina, and she holds a B.A. from Pfeiffer College, a B.V.A. from Winthrop College, and an M.F.A. from East Carolina University.

Mrs. Hinson teaches survey of art, upper level art history courses, and all levels of drawing and painting. Her professional memberships include the Fayetteville Museum of Art, the Charlotte Art League, Art Enthusiasts of East Carolina University, and the Smithsonian Institution.

As an artist, Mrs. Hinson is affiliated with galleries in Fayetteville, Wilmington, and Charlotte, North Carolina, and in Rock Hill, South Carolina. Trends in Mrs. Hinson's most recent pieces involve the creation of mixed-media experimental constructions. Thematically, her current body of work encompasses the issues surrounding endangered and threatened animal species, as seen in her Summer 1997 show at the Fayetteville Museum of Art.

Mrs. Hinson is married to Gary Hinson, assistant professor of computer science at Methodist College. Her current research involves collaborating with her husband on the merging of his computer skills with her artwork.

—Caroline Kearns



early 300 persons gathered Saturday evening May 2 in the Methodist College

Cafeteria to honor Alan M. Porter upon his retirement as professor of music and director of the college chorus. He had just completed his 35th year at Methodist.

Organized by Jane Gardiner, chair of the Music Department, the event was music-filled from start to finish. Words of praise were offered by Dr. Sam Womack, Rev. Bill Lowdermilk, and at least a dozen of Porter's chorus alumni.

Sixty chorus alumni returned to sing Gabriel Fauré's "Cantique de Jean Racine," directed by Betty Neill Parsons '64, who will succeed Mr. Porter as Choral Director.

The Methodist College Concert Choir sang "Do You Hear the People Sing?", "The Music's Always There With You," and "The Lord Bless and Keep You." The choruses

combined to sing the "Methodist College Alma Mater," with Mr. Porter conducting.

Dr. Elton Hendricks, college president, presented Mr. Porter with an engraved tray expressing appreciation for his

35 years of service to Methodist College.

Representing the Porter family, Greg and David Porter presented the college with a portrait of their father, to be hung in the Music Department.

Alan Porter was clearly moved by the whole experience. "It was an evening of great joy," he said. "To see so many former students and to hear them sing so beautifully was overwhelming."

Not since Bill Lowdermilk retired in the spring of 1994 have so many alumni returned to pay tribute to a college staff member. Many of the anecdotes shared by chorus alumni were both heartfelt and humorous.

Lynn Carraway, '71 recalled an incident that occurred in Vermont one winter when the chorus was on tour there. She said she and a fellow chorus member had de-

scended into a dark church basement to retrieve the chorus's string bass (Mr. Porter had recruited Lynn to play the bass) when they heard a strange growl and saw the bass case moving. They were terrified and made a hasty retreat.





The Porter Family & friends; clockwise: Gayle Svec, Greg Porter, David Porter, Alan & Elaine, Mary Ellen Frazier

The following are some of Porter's achievements mentioned in the citation which accompanied the Methodist College Medallion:

—Studied voice and sang professionally with the Pittsburgh Civic Light Opera Company in his teens. Spent four years in the U. S. Air Force. Graduated with honors from Mount Union College in Ohio and the University of Illinois.

—Directed the Fine Arts Division at Methodist, taught voice and conducting, established several vocal ensembles and a handbell choir.

—Served as clinician and adjudicator for the North Carolina Chapter of the National Association of Teachers of Singing.

More intrepid chorus members returned to find that humidity had caused the arm of the bass to warp and the strings to make a growling sound. "That was the end of the bass and my string bass playing," said Mrs. Carraway to howls of laughter.

Although he is leaving Methodist, Alan Porter will continue his musical activities in the Fayetteville community, as director of the Hay Street United Methodist Church Chancel Choir and Cumberland Oratorio Singers.

Elaine Porter, Distinguished Professor of French, will continue teaching at Methodist and chairing the Foreign Language Department. She is now the senior faculty member at the College, having just completed her 35th year.

The Porters are building a permanent home at Kure Beach and plan to eventually retire there.

Alan Porter received another honor at the May 10 commencement exercise, when College President Elton Hendricks awarded him a Methodist College Medallion for his service to the College and the larger community. Porter received a standing ovation after the Medallion was given.



Alan receives hand from Alumni Chorus after conducting the "MC Alma Mater."



Alan poses outside the "Wall of Fame" with pictures of all 38 MC Choruses.

—Has directed the chancel choir at Hay Street United Methodist Church for 35 years.. Served on the boards of the Fayetteville Symphony, Cape Fear Regional Theatre, and the Dance Theater of Fayetteville. Conducted many local performances of Handel's *Messiah* and served as music director for local musicals staged by the college and other groups in Fayetteville and at Fort Bragg.

—In 1991 he spent a sabbatical in Europe studying the life and work of Mozart. That fall he conducted a performance of Mozart's *Requiem in d minor* in Reeves Auditorium.

—In 1992 he organized the Cumberland Oratorio Singers,

—In 1996 he led the Methodist College Chorus on a concert tour of France that included a visit to Fayetteville's sister city of St. Avold. ■

Methodists Gather for 3—Day Welcome Delegates Conference

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The Annual Conference was held June 11, 12 & 13, 1998.



Hay Street UMC volunteers at registration, l. to r., Barbara Leudecke, Merle Reichle, Alice Smith.



Rev. Tryon Lancaster, MC Assistant for Church Relations, and Rev. Ray Gooch '72, Conference Register, answer questions.



Lunchtime in the Berns Student Center



Bishop Marion Edwards addresses conference members.



MC ministerial alumni have lunch with Dr. Hendricks at the President's Home.



Standing room only in Reeves Auditorium.



Jack Harmon of Havelock (r.) visits with his new minister, Rev. Eric Lindblade, Jr. (l.).



Rev. Ted Carter's collection of John Wesley prints on display in Davis Library.





he Reverend Glenda Johnson, immediate past president of the Clergy Friends Association of Methodist College, was recently named superintendent of the Durham District by the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church.

In her new position, she will supervise 70 churches in the Durham District and will serve on Bishop Marion Edwards' Cabinet. The former pastor of St. Andrews United Methodist Church in Garner is a native of Lenoir County and a lifelong Methodist.

She attended Woman's College in Greensboro, majoring in home economics. She later earned a master's in counseling education at N. C. State University, where her husband Bill is a professor of biological and agricultural engineering. The Johnsons and their two sons were active members of Edenton Street United Methodist Church in Raleigh for 20 years.

Mrs. Johnson entered the ministry in 1981, after earning a Master of Divinity degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest. She was first appointed to Wynnwood (now Avent Ferry) United Methodist Church in Raleigh. After five years there, she was appointed associate pastor at Highland United Methodist in Raleigh. From there she went to St. Andrews in Garner, her last pastoral appointment.

Reverend Johnson is a strong supporter of Methodist and the two other colleges—Louisburg and N. C. Wesleyan—in the North Carolina Conference. She has invited Dr. Hendricks and Methodist College choral groups to her church, has championed conference

support of campus ministries, and has helped recruit students.

During her tenure as chair of Methodist's Clergy Friends Association, membership grew to forty. To provide a more meaningful experience for the college's "clergy friends," she scheduled the group's meeting dates to coincide with the Samuel J. and Norma C. Womack Lectures in the fall and the Pastor's Day Lectures in the spring.

Dr. Tryon Lancaster, assistant for church relations at Methodist, said he was delighted by Rev. Johnson's new appointment. "She has a wonderful leadership style that will facilitate her work as district superintendent. She is also loyal to the colleges and other functions of our conference."

Reverend Johnson believes the United Methodist colleges in North Carolina must work hard "to remain competitive with the state institutions and maintain their focus on campus ministry."

She believes the church is becoming more important to young families, but acknowledges that "temptation is everywhere" in today's society, particularly in the mass media. Like many other parents and grandparents, she is alarmed at the growing incidence of violence among young people. She feels the church "needs to be there with trained counselors" for troubled youth.

Reverend Johnson is proud of the United Methodist Church's record on social issues, saying, "We can't have peace without social justice." She believes the greatest challenge facing the Church today is "to maintain our focus on Jesus Christ and be in mission together—to recognize that we can't all think alike, but we *can* love alike."

Walter Brueggemann, Professor, Columbia Theological Seminary will deliver the

Annual Samuel J. and Norma Womack Endowed Lectures October 19th in Hensdale Chapel.

For more information, call Dr. Richard Walsh at (800) 488-7110.

Monarch Golfers Maintain Reign

Coach Steve Conley's men's golf team ran away with its fifth consecutive NCAA-III Championship and eighth in nine years May 15 at Jekyll Island, Ga.

Methodist (295-292-277-279—1143) easily outdistanced the rest of the 23-team field, led by runner-up Otterbein College (1179), while setting a 72-hole NCAA-III Tournament record.

MC also surpassed its own national tournament record for the lowest round (284 last year) twice, firing a third day 277 and a final day 279.

Freshman Chad Collins (75-71-68-69—283), senior Brett Carman (73-72-71-68—284) and sophomore Brion McLaughlin (74-70-71-70—285) took the top three individual finishes for First Team All-America accolades.

Collins became the seventh Methodist individual champion, the most of any Division III program. He was named the NCAA-III National Player of the Year and Freshman of the Year.

Senior team co-captain Chris Eaves (82-80-67-72—301) battled back spasms with the tournament's lowest round (67) to tie for 32nd place in the 120-golfer event. Senior Pete Barron (73-79-74-78—304) tied for 40th.

"I don't know where you go from here," said Conley. "We're used to winning, but this is something. The way we finished was special. We led by only three strokes after two rounds. We knew it was time to get after it. They did it. They responded."

Altogether, the Monarch turf warriors won seven of their 11 tournaments during the 1997-98 campaign, including the Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Championship, April 18, for the 15th time in 18 years.

Methodist won the seven-team, 27-hole event 441-445 over host Greensboro. Eaves (73-34—107) was the top Monarch finisher at second, missing medalist honors by one stroke.



National Champions: L-R, Front: Brion McLaughlin, Brett Carman, Chad Collins; Back: Assistant Coach Allan Terrell, Pete Barron, Chris Eaves, Head Coach Steve Conley.

BASEBALL NABS BANNER YEAR

Methodist's men's baseball team made its 15th NCAA-III Tournament appearance in 17 years, going 2-2 at the 1998 South Regional, May 16 at Rocky Mount, NC, for runner-up honors.

Coach Tom Austin's second-seeded Monarchs suffered an opening round loss to third-seeded Emory University 7-6.

The Green and Gold bounced back to eliminate fourth-seeded Greensboro College, 4-1, and Emory, 5-1, to advance to the championship game.

MC fell to top-seeded host North Carolina Wesleyan, 3-2, in the final to end the year with a 32-13-1 slate.

For Austin's eight-man senior class it was the end of an impressive 134-51-2 run with three Dixie Conference championships over four years. That class also notched Austin's 500th and 600th career coaching victories.

Shortstop Neil Barwick, second baseman Starsky Norman, leftfielder Kevin Kinel and designated hitter Pat Seccafico will all be missed, as well as pitchers Chris Qually, Jason Dorsett, Sean Gardner and Nathan Jumper.

"Those seniors have been model citizens," Austin said. "They're good young men and they're good players. I've been here 19 years and I just don't know if I've ever been around a better group of seniors."

The Monarchs ended up ranked 10th in the nation, according to the final NCAA-III poll. They won the Savannah Art and Design Classic and the DIAC regular season titles.



Sophomore pitcher T.R. Plank became MC's 30th All-American.

Sophomore pitcher T.R. Plank hurled his way to a 9-0 record and a 2.13 ERA on his way to NCAA-III Third Team All-America accolades. Plank became MC's 30th All-American in the baseball program's 30th season.

Barwick and junior utility man Billy Chapman earned First Team All-DIAC honors. Qually and sophomore third baseman Scott St. Clair made the Second Team.

Plank, Qually and Chapman were selected to the First Team All-South Region, while Barwick landed on the Second Team and sophomore centerfielder Jeff McLamb was an Honorable Mention pick.

New Lady Monarchs Claim Gold

After settling for the silver trophy in 1997, the Lady Monarch golf team returned the Methodist trophy case to its more typical gold status as MC claimed its second NCAA-II/III title in three years and 11th overall national championship in the program's 13-year history.

In her second month as the Lady Monarchs' mentor, Coach Kim Kincer directed the Green and Gold to a 1254-1259 victory over Division II Florida Southern, May 15, at Allen, Mich.

Despite having only two members back from last year's runner-up squad, seniorless Methodist shattered its own two-year-old NCAA-II/III Tournament 72-hole record by 32 strokes.

Junior co-captain Tracey Gage (73-78-73-79--303) led the Lady Monarch charge, earning runner-up status in the 63-golfer, 10-team field.

With her finish, the highest in the three-year-old tournament by a Division III golfer, Gage earned NCAA-III Player of the Year honors. Her National Tournament average (76.5) smoked her regular season average (78.1).

Normally Methodist's number four and five golfers, freshman Carol Brogan and junior Christina Arriola came in second and third at Nationals. Brogan (78-79-76-79--312) tied for fourth while Arriola (78-82-80-82--322) tied for 13th.

Sophomore Stacey Smith (83-81-81-79-324) tied for 18th and junior cocaptain Tanice Nilson (86-79-77-83-325) tied for 20th.

Prior to the tournament, Gage was named an NCAA-II/III First Team All-American. She was chosen to the Second Team a year ago.

Smith was picked to the Second Team while Nilson was honorable mention.

The Green and Gold stretched a fourstroke second-day lead into an 18-shot advantage entering the fourth and final round via a third-day 306.

"All in all, it was a great week," said Kincer. "They just performed terrifically and it was incredibly exciting."

Jody McIntyre ended her successful



National Champions: L-R: Coach Kim Kincer, Tracey Gage, Stacey Smith, Tanice Nilson, Christina Arriola, Carol Brogan.

McIntyre Makes All-American Throw

four-year track and field career at Methodist with a sixth-place finish in the javelin at the 1998 NCAA-III Championship, May 23, in St. Paul, Minn. The Mt. Hope, Ontario native hurled the javelin a program-record 132-6 to earn All-America honors.

McIntyre entered the event ranked 18th in the nation, but needed to place in the top eight for All-America accolades.

"I was very confident that if anyone could have a cool head and improve upon their throws at nationals, it would be Jody," said Coach Jennifer Jacobsen.

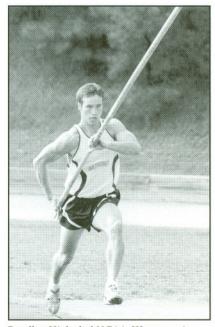
"She's that kind of athlete."

McIntyre won both the javelin and the hammer at the Mason-Dixon Conference Meet, at Newport News, Va. May 2, while finishing second in the shot put.

The MC men had league champions in junior William Ray, in both the long jump and triple jump, and senior Bradley Hicks in the pole vault with a meetrecord 16-6. That leap ranked Hicks first in the country before an ankle injury kept him from scoring at Nationals.



Jody McIntyre finished sixth in the nation in the shot put.



Bradley Hicks led NCAA-III at one time.

Coile Honored

In recognition of his outstanding service as an Athletic Department student support staff member, James Taplie Coile has been selected as one of the recipients of the 1998 Sears Directors' Cup Postgraduate Scholarship Awards and the accompanying \$5,000 scholarship.

An assistant in the MC Sports Information Office and the men's basketball manager the past four years, Coile was honored June 16 at the annual convention of the National Association of College Directors of



Athletics in Marco Island, Fla.

Coile graduated in May *magna cum laude*, with a 3.89 cumulative GPA. A four-time President's List selection and a three-time Dean's List honoree, he earned his B.S. in political science.

In addition to his contributions to the athletic program, Coile also represented Methodist as the secretary of the Student Government Association and as a resident advisor in Garber Hall.

He was also a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes' Leadership Team, Omicron Delta Kappa, Sigma Omega Chi, Pi Gamma Mu, the Residence Hall Association and the Commencement Exercise Marshals.

Coile received another honor this spring when the Fayetteville Rotary Club presented him the William P. Lowdermilk Student Achievement Award.

YOUMAN IS MEN'S TENNIS COACH

Farley Youman has been named the new head men's tennis coach and the director of the professional tennis management program at Methodist.

Youman comes to MC after a year as the head men's tennis coach at Campbell University.

Certified at the highest level by the U.S. Professional Tennis Association, Youman earned a B.S. degree in health and physical education from Mercer University in 1988. He received an M.Ed. degree in health and physical education from Valdosta State University in 1992.

MONARCH SPORTS BRIEFS

West, McIntyre Named Athletes of Year

DeCarlos West and Jody McIntyre have been named the 1997-98 Methodist College Senior Male and Female Athletes of the Year.

A four-year team offensive MVP, West helped the 1997 Monarch football team to a program-best 9-1 record and a number 20 finish in two national polls. He is MC's all-time leader in rushing, kickoff returns and scoring.

McIntyre was a two-year team MVP, an 18-time all-conference honoree and a five-time Mason-Dixon Conference champion between indoor and outdoor track and field the past four years. She was a 1998 All-American in the javelin and owns school records in the weight, javelin and hammer.

Other 1997-98 team MVPs are junior Montrell McNair (men's basketball), junior Amy Todd (women's basketball), freshman Kurt Fisher (men's cross country), senior Randal Webster (co-offensive football MVP with West), junior Trayfer Monroe (defensive football MVP), junior Darrien Tucker (special teams football MVP), freshman Chad Collins (men's golf), junior Tracey Gage (women's golf), junior Paul Smith (men's soccer), senior Casey Nuckols (women's soccer), senior Janie Jones (softball), senior Jeremy Plumley (men's tennis), sophomore Erin Updegrove (women's tennis), senior Bradley Hicks (men's indoor and outdoor track and field) and junior Torrie McNair (volleyball).

Jenkin, Saltmarsh Win All-America Honors

Senior Scott Jenkin and freshman Nick Saltmarsh finished among the nation's top eight men's tennis doubles teams at the NCAA-III Championships, May 19, at Williamstown, Mass. The 1-1 showing and top eight finish earned the 22-3 pair All-America status.

Jenkin and Saltmarsh beat Evan Hornbuckle and Scott Zinober of host Williams 6-4, 6-4, in the opening round. The Monarch duo dropped its second round match, 6-2, 6-0, to the eventual national runner-up team of Peter Gladkin and Josh Goodley of U.C.-Santa Cruz.

Saltmarsh also advanced to the singles competition, being eliminated in the opening round by fifth-seeded Todd Bowlby of Gustavus Adolphus 6-1, 6-1.

Lady Monarch Netters Capture DIAC Title

The MC women's tennis team claimed its sixth DIAC crown in 10 years and second in a row, in Raleigh, April 18. The Lady Monarchs served up 38 points to Averett's 32 in the six-team tournament.

Junior Ivana Janciarova, senior Isabel Barcelo, junior Kristine Broadwell and sophomore Erin Updegrove were named to the First Team All-DIAC while sophomore Lauren Caulder made the Second Team. Updegrove was also named to the GTE First Team Academic All-District.

The Methodist men's tennis unit finished second at the conference meet. Senior Scott Jenkin and freshman Nick Saltmarsh claimed the number one doubles title for First Team All-DIAC honors.

Senior Jeremy Plumley, junior Jonathan Bennett and freshman Eric Potthast all established Second Team All-DIAC status.

Softball Team Ties for Third in the DIAC

Young and plagued by injuries, Methodist's softball squad swept double-headers from Averett, Ferrum and Shenandoah to finish 6-4 in DIAC play, tying with Ferrum for third place in the six-team conference.

The Lady Monarchs' lone league losses were to North Carolina Wesleyan and Christopher Newport, who finished second and third in the region.

Sophomore pitcher Heather Hugus and sophomore outfielder Connie Francis were selected to the Second Team All-DIAC.

1998 METHODIST COLLEGE ATHLETICS

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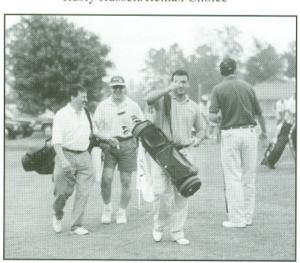
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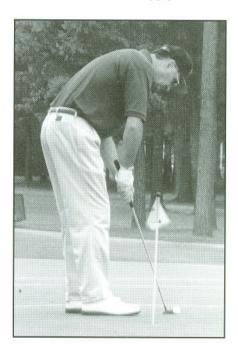
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1969

Steve Harden is the recipient of the Silver Medal, the highest award presented by the Fayetteville Area Advertising Federation. Steve is sales manager at WFNC radio station. He has been with Cape Fear Broadcasting for 24 years.

1970

Trudi Jaber Waters is a centerfold! Of course, it's in *Wildlife in North Carolina* magazine and she's wearing camouflage and hip waders while standing in the middle of a river fly fishing. Check out the April '98 issue! The article was for the Becoming an Outdoors Woman workshops.

1971

Lynn Moore Carraway was one of six Cumberland County volunteers recognized at the "Making a Difference" awards banquet in April. Lynn works with the homeless and disadvantaged.

1972

Charles Hartsell is now a grandfather!

Granddaughter Samantha Elizabeth Hartsell was born Jan. 5. He also says hello to the 1970 varsity wrestling team and hopes everyone is well.

1973

Nell Thompson married Yates Palmer Nov. 23, 1997 at Waldensian Presbyterian Church in Charlotte. It was the first marriage for both! Nell is an employment specialist with Carolinas HealthCare System in Charlotte. Yates is a retired pharmacist and is now a real estate developer.

1976

Philip Jones is the senior pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Maumee, Ohio. He and his wife, Susan, a school psychologist, have two sons, Joshua (12) and Benjamin (10). Philip would love to hear from old MC friends. His e-mail address is PSIBJones@aol.com.

1977

Roger Braun recently received his Doctor of Ministry degree from United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio. His doctorate was in the field of Pastoral Supervision as it is presented by the Center of Supervisory Studies, United Theological Seminary.

FACULTY AWARD

Nominations are now being accepted for the Outstanding Methodist College Faculty Member. Nominations may be made by alumni, faculty and students. The criteria for this award should include excellence in teaching, involvement in the College and local community and loyalty to Methodist College. Please send your nominations to: Alumni Office, Methodist College, 5400 Ramsey St., Fayetteville, N.C. 28311 no later than Sept., 1, 1998.

He and his wife, Susan, have four children and live in Lebanon, Ohio, where Roger is the pastor of the 1,200 member Otterbein-Lebanon United Methodist Church.

1984

Shelia Yates has been included in the fifth edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 1998.* To be included, one must be nominated by former students. Shelia is making all sorts of changes this year. On May 23 she married Michael Mattingly in Hensdale Chapel with Dr. John Sill officiating. June 1 she began her new job as Director of Student Life for Raymond Walters College in Cincinnati, Ohio, where she and Michael will make their home.

1988

Kevin Johnson, his wife, Debbie, and daughter, Tori, have recently bought a new house in Smithfield, N.C. Debbie has just completed her undergraduate degree in K-6 Education at Barton College in Wilson and is planning to begin work on her master's next year. Tori who will be 5 July 29 will be attending kindergarten at Selma Elementary this year with her mom, who will be teaching fourth grade there.

Miranda McCall Brand and her husband, Dave, now reside in Atlanta, Ga. Miranda is an assistant principal with Gwinnett County Schools. Dave is a major in the US Army, stationed at Fort McPherson.

1989

Gregg Coleman and his wife, Amy, announce the birth of their son, Jacob Fielding, on April 3.

1990

Margi Young married Bob Wertz of

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Eureka, Ill. Feb. 21 at the Division Memorial Chapel at Fort Bragg. Margi is with Kelly & Kelly Investment Co. in Fayetteville. Bob is a sergeant in the U.S. Army.

Kelly Dickerson and Mike Smith were married April 25 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Alexandria, Va. Kelly is a flight attendant with American Airlines in Washington, D.C. Mike is owner of S & S Properties in Falls Church. They will live in Fairfax.

Janet Carter has been named the Fayetteville Area Advertising Federations member of the year for her dedication and hard work during the past year. She is now the first vice president of the organization.

1991

Eric Sayer and his wife, Tiffany, proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Chloe Alexis, April 5, 1998.

Tim Belflowers is now associate director of music and organist at Myers Park United Methodist Church in Charlotte N. C.

1992

Tony McGriff is working for KLAS-TV in Las Vegas. He and his wife, Mary, are expecting their second child in June. He, or she, will join sister Alisha. While Tony was good-spirited about the "joke" note someone submitted for the last issue, he appreciates the correction. We apologize for the error.

Rob Foreman married Susan Cherry May 16, 1998 at St. Patrick's Church in Fayetteville. There were many Monarchs in the wedding party and many others joining the celebration. Rob is currently working at the College as a Residential Area Coordinator and the RHA Advisor. He was awarded the NCARH (North Carolina Association of Residence Halls) "Advisor of the Year" in February. Susan will graduate in December from Methodist with her degree in elementary education. Rob would love to hear from some of his former college buddies. They can e-mail him at robfor@methodist.edu or call him at 910-482-5415.

1993

Valerie Harel is now an information systems specialist at Tulane University in New Orleans, La. In addition to the visual resources duties, she is in charge of all computer activities of the department: upgrading systems, maintaining web sites and creating image archives on the Internet.

Greg Cox and his wife, Julie, celebrated the birth of their first child, Christopher Neil, on Nov. 7, 1997. Greg is vice president of Jodie's Frameworks and Julie, a former Carolina Panthers cheerleader, will be staying at home with Christopher.

Michael Lake has completed his M.D. at East Carolina University. He has been accepted to a residency program in general surgery at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

The Methodist College Alumni Association Board of Directors is currently seeking nominations for the Distinguished Alumni Service Award for 1997. Nominees will be judged on their individual achievements in their profession or for service of the highest order to their community. Please include all background information possible on nominee. Nominations will be accepted until Sept. 1, 1998. Send your nomination to: Alumni Office, Methodist College, 5400 Ramsey St. Fayetteville, N.C. 28311.

Holly Provost has been "matched" into a highly competative residency in obstetrics and gynecology. She will receive her M.D. from Louisiana State University - Shreveport.

Cathy Flores has been promoted to accounts receivable manager for ADS Publisher Services and H & S Media. She and her husband, Jesus, along with the kids, Ashley (5), Ryan (3) and Cameron (2), recently bought a house in northern Chicago. Drop her an email at CFlores@ADSPUB.COM.

1994

Tiffany Allen DeCarlo and her husband, Mike, welcomed the birth of their daughter, Baylee Allen, on Feb. 7. Tiffany is a teacher with Cumberland County Schools and Mike is an operations manager with RPS.

Lynley Asay has taken on a new role at Methodist College. She has left the Registrar's Office to serve as Director of Career Services. She's very excited about the challenges the new position offers.

Carole Elrod has earned a masters of divinity degree from Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Ky. She will be ordained and receive a pastorate within the North Alabama Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Todd Johnson is engaged to marry Jamie Parker of Stedman, N.C. The wedding is set for May 30 at Stedman Baptist Church.

Stephen Fann has graduated from East Carolina University with his M.D. He has been accepted to the residency program in general surgery at the University of South Carolina School of Medicine.

Michael Rocheleau has received his masters in divinity from Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Ky.

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He and his wife, Mary, plan to enter into full-time parish ministry.

1995

Julie Dais married Alfred Barefoot March 1 at Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church in Fayetteville. Julie is teaching in Cumberland County Schools. Alfred is the general manager of The Barbeque Huts in Fayetteville.

Pamela Strickland has successfully completed the Certified Public Accountant Examination and has been awarded CPA designation. As the accounting manager at a private non-profit organization in Fayetteville, and the accountant for her husband's business as well as several others in town and in Hope Mills, she's happy and busy. She and her husband are expecting their second child in July.

David Leach is the computer network administrator for Sidwell Friends School in upper NW Washington D.C. His wife, 1st Lt. Sherri Carl Leach, is currently assigned to Ft. Meade, Maryland and heads a special computer security team for the U.S. Army.

1996

Lisa Rogers has successfully defended her thesis, "Modern Man's Quest for Salvation in Franz Kafka's The Castle." She passed her oral defense on March 24 and now holds a MA in English. Lisa is grateful for the graduate preparation she received at Methodist, particularly from Drs. Christian and Walsh. She plans to teach college courses for another year before tackling her Ph.D.

Ivonne Pruss O'Dell and her husband, Aaron, have a nine-month-old son named Brandon, born Sept. 3, 1997. Ivonne has been a GNC manager in Spring Lake for the past year. Aaron is in the Army.

Jodie Owen Bullard is working in property management as marketing consultant for Cameron Lake Apts. in Raleigh. She and her husband have purchased their first home and are settled in with their two cats.

1997

Chad Dockery is getting married August 15 to Mandy Ramsey in Illinois. Chad is currently employed at H.E.S.S. Caulking & Restoration, Inc. as a manager trainee. Mandy is an administrative assistant with the firm. He and Mandy have made their home at 1123 Pickwick Dr., Rochelle, Ill. 61068. His e-mail address is hessco@rochelle.net. He'd enjoy hearing from friends.

Elizabeth Greathouse was honored as Fort Bragg Schools' 1998 Outstanding Elementary Mathematics Teacher. Her innovative teaching techniques have allowed second graders at Pope Elementary School to experience math success. Congratulations!

Eric Rhew and Erin Hawkins will be married Oct. 24 in Concord, N.C. Mike Safley '72 will officiate.

Corrections (Spring Issue)

In Class Notes for the Class of 1991, Joe Castner's name was misspelled.

Obituary

Brian Caco '94 died June 21 as a result of injuries sustained in a car accident. A business administration graduate, he worked in production planning at Manco Industries in his hometown of Avon, Ohio. He is survived by his parents: William C. and Carol A. Caco of Avon; two sisters: Nadine Wearsch of Avon and Tiffany Caco of Avon. Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD

The Methodist College Alumni Association Board of Directors is currently seeking nominations for the Outstanding Alumni Service Award for 1997. Nominees will be judged on their support for and participation in the activities of Methodist College. Please submit your nomination by Sept. 1, 1998 to the Alumni Office, Methodist College, 5400 Ramsey St., Fayetteville, N.C. 28311. Include as much background information as possible.

WHAT'S NEW WITH YOU?

College faculty, administration, and alumni enjoy reading about MC alumni in the "Class Notes" pages of METHODIST COLLEGE TODAY. If you would like to share some good news (marriage, births, promotion, civic or professional honor) please return this form.

ALUMNI NEWS

(Please include Name and Class Year)

Send your news or change of address to: Alumni Office, Methodist College, 5400 Ramsey St., Fayetteville, NC 28311 or call 1-888-221-4826

GRANT TO AID MC POLICE

Methodist College's Police and Public Safety Dept. received a federal grant of \$11,961 June 8. U.S. Rep. Mike McIntyre made the announcement at a Fayetteville press conference.

Dave Reece, MC's director of police and public safety, said the grant will finance the purchase of a network computer system to facilitate automated record–keeping and maintenance of Uniform Crime Reports. The multi–user network with server and five work stations will give campus officers 24–hour access to crime records and vehicle information, including state and federal databases.

Captain Ted Brazell of the college police department prepared the grant application for Methodist. With the new system, he said the college will soon be in compliance with "Year 2000" requirements for Uniform Crime Reports. The new system will go on line in August.



L. to r., Capt. Ted Brazell, Dave Reece, Jay Dowd, Elton Hendricks, Kim Dowd, Mike McIntyre, Moose Butler, Cumberland County Sheriff.

McIntyre Dons Green & Gold For Congressional Game

In June, Seventh District Congressman Mike McIntyre donned a Methodist College baseball uniform for the annual congressional ballgame between the Democrats and the Republicans.

McIntyre played second base for the Democrats in a charity game played June 23 before several thousand in Bowie, Md.



Although he did not score, he did fulfill his promise of last February to give the college some good public exposure.

The Republican team beat the Democrats 4–1, extending their lead in the annual series to 27–16.

Congressman McIntyre has coached little league teams, was manager of Lumberton High School's baseball team, and reportedly won the 1971 Most Valuable Player award at St. Andrews College's baseball camp.

McIntyre was playing in his second congressional baseball game.

20 X 2000

A Challenge

to the Alumni of Methodist College

What is the College's 20 x 2000 Goal?

On July 25, 1998, the Board of Directors of the Methodist College Alumni Association endorsed an ambitious goal: reaching 20% alumni participation by the year 2000. Currently at 15%, the goal set will help position MC for a new century of growth.

Contact the Alumni Office 910-630-7167 or 1-888-221-4826

What will 20 x 2000 Accomplish?

Alumni participation is one of the most widely used measures of alumni allegiance to their alma mater. No other factor holds as much power in terms of institutional quality in the eyes of charitable foundations, corporations and other individuals. The overall growth of Methodist College—enrollment, new majors, new and renovated facilities speaks well for the College's position among its peer institutions. Sustaining, and continuing, this growth requires the support of those who know best the quality of the Methodist College experience.

What is the College's 20×2000 Goal?

Each alumnus and alumna can help MC reach 20 x 2000. The size of the gift doesn't matter—each gift made and maintained between now and the year 2000 puts MC one step closer to reaching its goal. Each gift counts as a symbol of alumni loyalty and each gift helps make larger gifts possible.





Robert and Mason water shrubbery.



Science Campers



Mrs. Pulsipher helps Dave Cooley.



New students have breakfast in the President's back yard.



Members of MC's Laity Friends Association donated several days' labor in July to paint rooms in Garber Hall. L to r., MC's Tryon Lancaster, Helen McDonald, Eddy McDonald, Norma Aaron, Lynn Aaron, and Tom Walden.

SECOND GENERATION WEB SITE DESIGNED BY STUDENTS

Methodist College installed a new and expanded Web site on the Internet May 14. The new "www.methodist.edu" was designed by Clint Edwards, a junior computer science major from Garysburg, N. C.

Because the new site was developed at the end of the last academic year, many sub-sections have yet to be developed or updated. "This will always be a work in progress," noted Bill Billings, MC Webmaster. "After the new school year begins, each college department and academic division will have an opportunity to weigh in with new material."

The site now totals 81 pages and is growing daily. APCNET, a local Internet service provider, and two recent graduates of South

View High School—Greg Parsons and Tim Bowling—have been assisting the Public Relations Office in updating the site.

MC's new site is divided into eight major sections: Academics, Academic Resources, Alumni and Development, Athletics, Campus News, MC Parents, and Student Life. Many photos have been added and the Campus E-mail Directory has been moved up front to the main home page.

"Academics" now includes the academic calendar for 1998-99, a list of current majors, and complete schedules of fall classes (both day and evening). Also featured here are profiles of the college's seven major academic divisions.

"Academic Resources" profiles Davis Memorial Library, the

KEITH HARTSTEIN SEES CONTINUATION OF BULL MARKET

he keynote speaker at Methodist College's 21st Stock Market Symposium April 2 reviewed the current bull market in relation to several decades of market performance.

"We think the market will roar ahead because of demographic trends," said Keith Hartstein, senior vice president for national accounts and sales development for John Hancock Funds, Inc. He predicted that aging "baby boomers" will save and invest record amounts in the next decade to secure their retirements.

He said mutual funds continue to drive the stock market and noted that a record 37 percent of U. S. households now own stocks worth a total of \$4 1/2 trillion. He said the Dow Jones Index had soared from 2,365 in October 1991—the low point for the '90s—to 8,986 at its close April 2.

"In the last three years," he added, "the market's average annual return has grown 31.15 percent, with a cumulative return of 125.6 percent over the three years."

Hartstein said economists and stock analysts expect the U. S. stock market to produce annual returns averaging 17 percent over the next 10 years.

For 1998, Hartstein said investors should: 1) reallocate (buy some small cap and foreign stocks), 2) increase bond exposure, 3) continue or start dollar cost averaging, and 4) be patient. "Above all," he said, "get invested and stay invested."

The symposium began with MC's Center for Entrepreneurship presenting business awards to the following:

—Outstanding Woman Entrepreneur Award to Jan Johnson and Pat Wright, co-founders of Moonlight Communications, a video production company.

—Small Business Excellence Award to Judy Cashwell, president of Cashwell Appliance Parts, Inc.

—Fellowship of the Silver Spoon Award to David Allen Martin, founder of Sigma Construction Company.



L to r., Award Winners: Jan Johnson, Pat Wright, Outstanding Woman Entrepreneurs; Judy Cashwell, Small Business Excellence; David A. Martin, Fellowship of the Silver Spoon.

Sister Jean Rhoads Urges Students To Do For Others

"Your way of life should be the same as your way of work."

With those words, Sister Jean M. Rhoads, founder and outgoing director of The Care Clinic in Fayetteville, challenged MC business students to muster the courage and passion to do for others.

Speaking at the spring Charles M. Reeves, Jr. Entrepreneurship Luncheon, she defined spirituality as "a way of life that lives beyond the natural and the self." She cited *Brave Heart*, the story of William Wallace, as "a wonderful synopsis of what spiritual entrepreneurship is."



Quoting from Henri Nouwen's book, *Life of the Beloved*, she said all human beings are: *chosen* for something and should believe that, *blessed* through the affirmation of others, *broken* by accepting their weaknesses, and *given* to each other so they can share their talents.

The R.N. ended her remarks by thanking the local volunteers and physicians, who had helped The Care Clinic to provide health care to the needy by donating their services. She will be leaving Fayetteville this summer to accept a new assignment by her order.

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Tally Center for Leadership, and the Academic Development Center.

"Admissions" includes admission requirements for most student groups—freshmen, college transfers, evening students, international students—an on-line application, and detailed information about financial aid and scholarships. An on-line campus tour will be added soon.

"Alumni & Development" includes an address-change form, the by-laws and directors of the Methodist College Alumni Association, a Homecoming '98 schedule, and a form for alumni to use to submit news.

"Athletics" includes general information, current news, profiles of coaches in all 18 sports, fall schedules, and information about the new MC Hall of Fame and Monarch Booster Club.

"Campus News" includes the latest annual report, recent press releases, a tribute to Terry Sanford, and news of MC's upcoming Southern Writers Symposium. An updated Calendar of Events for the fall will be added soon.

"MC Parents" includes a schedule for Family Weekend, a list of important phone numbers, and the latest news about the MC Parents Association.

"Student Life" includes a wide range of information under fifteen subject headings. Here students or prospective students can learn about the college's 50 clubs and organizations, residence life, religious life, intramurals, community service, counseling and health services, dining services, and Internet/e-mail services, to name only a few topics.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS REFLECT ON THEIR EXPERIENCE

In May 1996, four students entered Methodist College's fledgling physician assistant program. They expected a challenge and they got it, but all four graduated and now have good jobs.

Sayah Araghi of Fayetteville, Robin Lincoln of Durham, Melissa Stout of Garner, and Jason Williams of Port St. Lucie,

Florida use adjectives like "rigorous," "productive," "informative," "fascinating," and "full of surprises" to describe the P.A. program, a six-semester regimen of medical studies that leaves little time for leisuretime pursuits.

All four P.A. grads said they enjoyed the second year of clinical rotations more than the first year of didactic studies. In the clinical year, each developed a special interest: for Sayeh, primary care; for Robin, internal and family medicine; for Melissa, obstetrics and gynecology; and for Jason, surgery (he did a clinical rotation at Yale).



L. to r. Robin Lincoln, Ron Foster, Jason Williams, Sayeh Araghi, Melissa Stout

Two of the four members of MC's first P.A. class took jobs with Heritage Family Physicians of Fayetteville and Hope Mills. Heritage operates a family medicine clinic on the first floor of MC's Medical Science Building, and Robin Lincoln now works at this office. Sayah Araghi works at the Hope Mills clinic.

Melissa Stout went to work for Blue Ridge OB-GYN in Raleigh, and Jason Williams works for Cape Fear Orthopedics in Fayetteville.

Dr. Sekhar Kommu of Heritage Family Physicians and Mr. Peter Stanford, assistant director of the M.C. program, were named by two grads each as their favorite instructors. Dr. Kommu was described as "a mentor and friend," while Mr. Stanford was described as "a great teacher with a caring personality."

All four P.A.s will take the national licensing exam in October; two plan to take a pre-exam review course for that. All say their

MC prerequisite courses in science prepared them well for their PA studies. The first class has been followed by a second class of eleven students and a third class of fourteen.

In early July, an accreditation team visited Methodist and reviewed the P.A. program. Mr. Ron Foster, program director, said the team "had only a few suggestions for improvement." The

Commission on the Accreditation of Allied Health Ecucation
Programs granted "provisional accreditation" in February 1996 and a "full accreditation" decision is now expected in October of this year.

"Our program has received strong clinical and teaching support from the local medical community," said Mr. Foster. "In addition, the Florence Rogers Charitable Trust has awarded our students more than \$27,000 in scholarships and the Kate B. Reynolds Trust gave us a \$59,000 grant for equipping two electronic classrooms."

What advice do MC's first P.A.'s have for their successors and P.A. "wannabes"?

"Learn to deal with your inhibitions and fears, because you will gain tremendously from trying," said Sayeh Araghi.

"Do it because you care about the patients and the profession, not for selfish motives," said Robin Lincoln.

"Take time for yourself in the midst of chaos," said Melissa Stout. "You still have to be a whole person when P.A. school is over."

"Keep smiling," said Jason Williams. "It gets better!"

At a post-graduation reception May 10, Dr. Chris Aul, medical director; Mr. Ron Foster, program director; Dr. Margaret Folsom, chair of the MC Science Department; and College President Elton Hendricks commended the members of the first P.A. class for their hard work and dedication and said they were proud of them.

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KELLI BRADSHAW CROWNED MISS NORTH CAROLINA

elli Bradshaw, a May graduate of Methodist College, was crowned Miss North Carolina June 23 at Memorial Auditorium in Raleigh.

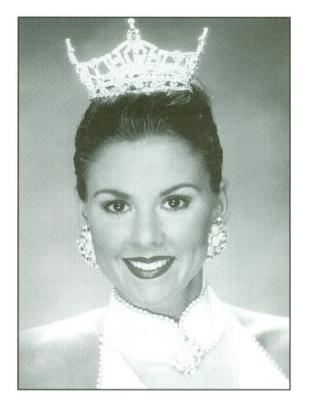
The 22–year old biology major from Roseboro competed as Miss Western Piedmont, winning a \$10,000 scholarship and the right to represent the Tar Heel state in the Miss America Scholarship Pageant September 13–19 in Atlantic City, NJ.

Kelli was First Runner–Up in the 1996 Miss North Carolina pageant, competing as Miss Spivey's Corner. She described this year's pageant experience, starting with the Miss Western Piedmont competition in Albemarle, as "wonderful."

"I'm different from 1996," she said. "Working as an EMT (Kelli is a volunteer with the Clement Rescue Squad), I have to keep my emotions in the background. But this year I wanted people to know the real Kelli—a plain country girl from Spivey's Corner."

Because this year's pageant was not televised, most of Kelli's college friends learned of her achievement on the late TV news or when they read about it in the June 24 edition of the Fayetteville Observer—Times. The FOT carried a photo of her being crowned in the June 25 edition. Her hometown papers—The Daily Record in Dunn and The Sampson Independent in Clinton—interviewed her and ran feature stories.

She said the phone at her parents' home rang almost nonstop for several days after the pageant. When the college PR director reached her by phone July 2, Kelli was preparing to move to Raleigh. As part of her personal appearance contract, she receives an apartment, a car, and a full–time chaperone. She said her first official appearance was in Rocky Mount during the Fourth of July weekend.



Kelli's long-range goal remains the same-to earn a graduate degree in microbiology or medicine at East Carolina University. When she begins graduate school—in 1999 or 2000—may well depend on what happens in Atlantic City!

CHEERLEADERS TAKE THIRD

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

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

In addition to a Third Place



Cheerleaders celebrate Third Place Finish.

award for the team, Sarah Rapalje and John Cooper took Fifth Place honors in the partner stunt competition. The championships were videotaped by the CBS and USA television networks; part of the Methodist cheerleaders' routine was shown on USA Network May 2.

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





Jane Cherry Retires

ane W. Cherry, director of international services at Methodist College for the last ten years, retired in June. She and her husband, retired District Court Judge Sol Cherry, have moved to Boone, N. C.

Mrs. Cherry was "a second mom" to nearly 400 international students during her tenure at Methodist. She also made three trips abroad—first to Japan, then to England and Ireland, and finally to Iceland—to promote Methodist and visit the families of MC students and alumni. All three trips were made at her expense.

A native of Rose Hill, N. C., Jane Cherry joined the college staff in the summer of 1989. She was previously employed as an elementary school guidance counselor with Cumberland County Schools and as an English and history teacher at Fort Bragg. She holds a B.A. in history and French from The Woman's College of UNC (now UNC-G) and an M.A. in history from George Washington University.

Mrs. Cherry began working with foreign students in the Fayetteville area as an East-West Foundation volunteer (host family) in 1979. "In November of that year, I had 34 Japanese students over for Thanksgiving dinner," she recalled.

Her interest in foreign students originated with her parents, who hosted foreign students through the UNC School of Public Health and belonged to the Cosmopolitan Club in Chapel Hill. "I also had an aunt who was in the foreign service," she said.

Although she is leaving Methodist College, Mrs. Cherry said she intends to keep in touch with MC's former international students through e-mail and traditional channels. "I am grateful to have had the trust and friendship of so many international families and colleagues at Methodist," she said. "I will remain editor of *FOCUS*, the newsletter of the N. C. Association of International Educators, and hope to maintain professional contacts through that organization."

She is leaving a quality program that has grown from 22 students to as high as 60 over the last decade. Mrs. Cherry said Methodist's English as a Second Language program started out as two courses, but has recently evolved into a multi-course, year-long curriculum skillfully directed by Nancy Alexander and Elaine Porter.

During the Spring 1998 semester, Methodist was home to 38 foreign students holding student visas. The United Kingdom and Japan accounted for seven students each, followed by Korea with four and Canada with three. Countries supplying smaller numbers were: Belarus, Cyprus, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Ireland, Jamaica, Nicaragua, Panama, Philippines, Russia, Slovakia, Taiwan, and Thailand.

"I'm proud of our diversity," said the outgoing director, "and the involvement of international students in so many different aspects of campus life. I'm proud that Kyoko Okumura, a wheelchair-bound student from Japan, has been successful here. I'm also proud that the Fayetteville community now considers us a great resource for international understanding. Last fall, a large group of our international students helped with the International Folk Festival."

Mrs. Cherry said she is also pleased that Methodist was one of 22 schools in the four-state Atlantic District chosen by the U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service to test CIPRIS—a new computer program for handling immigration documents. That program was installed last summer in the Student Life Office.

She regards Methodist's long-term prospects for recruiting more international students as good, saying the college's best selling points remain: its small college atmosphere with lots of nurturing, and its high quality academic and athletic programs.

Improvements she would like to see in the MC program include more scholarships for international students and more study abroad opportunities for the traditional MC student. She said Asian students are finding it increasingly difficult to afford an American college or university, but said a recent INS decision to allow foreign students to work full-time may help.

In a farewell letter to current and former international students, Mrs. Cherry gave her new address and phone number and said, "Please know that you will always be important in our hearts, in our lives, and in our memories. Come to the mountains! There'll be plenty of room, a warm fire, a warm welcome, and we can always put more water in the soup."



Methodist College Milestones: 1997-98

- ◆ Methodist began its thirty-eighth academic year with an enrollment of 1,701—1,291 day students and 410 evening-students.
- Dr. Elton Hendricks began his fifteenth year as college president.
- ◆ The second nine holes of the college golf course were completed.
- ♠ A Methodist College Parents Association was organized.
- Fiber-optic cable was laid between the major academic and administrative buildings to create a campus computing network.
- The College received a total of \$2,627,719 in gifts and grants during calendar 1997—a new record. The endowment grew to \$8 million.
- Methodist awarded degrees to 248 students in 1997, bringing the total number of graduates to 6,539.
- ◆ The College graduated its first class of four physician assistants.
- ◆ Gifts and pledges to the "Expanding the Vision" capital campaign reached \$8.3 million, exceeding the original goal by almost \$2 million!
- ♦ An Academic Development Center and a new microbiology lab were completed.
- Construction of Walter B. and Margaret T. Clark Hall (a classroom building) and an annex to Davis Memorial Library began.
- ◆ Dr. Mary Wheeling White, assistant professor of English, published an biography entitled Fighting the Current: The Life and Work of Evelyn Scott. Dr. Richard Walsh, professor of religion, published a textbook entitled Reading the Bible: An Introduction.
- Fannie Farmer Memorial Park was built.
- ◆ A Monarch Booster Club and Athletic Hall of Fame were organized.
- David Charpentier and Greg Thomas, freshmen members of the Methodist
 College DebateTeam, won the National Debate Association Novice National Championship.
- ♦ The Methodist College Cheerleading Team finished third in the National Cheerleaders Association's Collegiate National Championships.
- The men's golf team won its fifth straight NCAA Division III national championship, the eighth for MC in the last nine years.
- ♦ The women's golf team won its eleventh national championship.
- All residence hall rooms were connected to the campus computer network and the Internet.



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Workers install the steel framework for the annex to Davis Memorial Library.

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