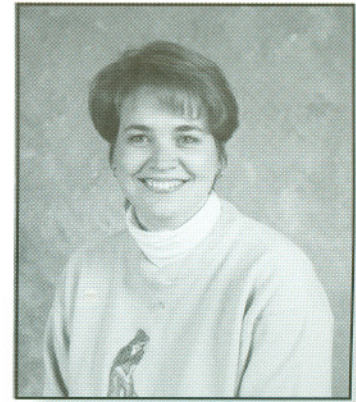




Be A FRIEND IN COURT



A Guest Editorial by Allison Collier '93

A two year old dies at the hands of a biological mother, a convicted felon, one month after returning to his mother's care and five days after a report of abuse had been investigated at their home. The mother has been charged with murder.

A four year old dies at the hands of an adoptive mother two months after an older sibling had been removed from the home due to abuse.

A three month old infant dies at the hands of a biological father by asphyxiation.

These cases are not horror stories we will read about in *The New York Times*, as we did the case of Lisa Steinberg, the child from New York City who endured brutal abuse and eventual murder at the hand of her adoptive father. These are actual cases of child deaths in North Carolina. Some occurred right here in Cumberland County.

These are real cases which occur all too often. The children of our community, state and nation continue to suffer extreme abuse at the hands of the very people charged with their love, nurture and care. Child abuse is real, present and ongoing, not only in your local community, but across the nation.

As a Program Supervisor with the Cumberland County Guardian Ad Litem Program (GAL), my position exposes me to a wide range of child abuse. The Guardian Ad Litem, which means Guardian of this Action, becomes involved in the life of a child after the abuse has occurred, hopefully before a death occurs, and the Department of Social Services has filed a petition alleging said abuse. The GAL represents the best interest of the child in juvenile court. We cannot do it alone. We need your help. You can help ensure that the voices of the abused and neglected children in your community are heard. The children need a voice and yours will do nicely!

Let us together explore what you can do to assist the abused and neglected children in your community.

If you are an employer, you could allow time for your employees to volunteer as a Guardian Ad Litem Volunteer. It is through the information our volunteers gather in the course of their independent investigation that our Attorney Advocate represents the children in court. Without our volunteers, our program would have no information to provide to the court for the child.

Many political leaders are encouraging companies and organizations to allow time for employees to "give back to the community." Establishing an employee incentive to give of their time to this, or any volunteer agency, would improve not only the child's sense of self and safety but also your employee's sense of doing something that matters. Emotionally healthy and happy individuals make better employees.

As an individual or business owner, you can make donations to the Guardian Ad Litem, or Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), program in your area. In Cumberland County, the non-profit organization "Concern for Children" receives donations/contributions for the local program to be used for the Cumberland County GAL. For example, children represented

by a local business man donated a "retired" computer from his office when he upgraded the computer system in his business. Bill Bowman, owner and publisher of Fayetteville's *Up and Coming Magazine*, and Bo Thorp, Cape Fear Regional Theater's Artistic Director, provided theater tickets for GAL represented children to attend CFRT's December 1997 production of *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*, to include a pre-show Christmas party and a post-show visit from Santa Claus.

Several local citizens and businesses donated stuffed bears for GAL volunteers to give to the children on their caseload as Christmas gifts. These are just a few examples of creative means to assist the abused and neglected children in the community, all tax deductible.

As a member of the religious community, you can provide opportunities within your church to educate the congregation by inviting a GAL/CASA representative to speak on the signs of abuse and neglect and to share information about volunteer opportunities. Providing information in the official publications of your organization will also assist in spreading the knowledge of the GAL/CASA programs and the reality of abuse and neglect. Prompting persons of faith to assume an active role in the life of an abused or neglected child would be a natural outgrowth of a person's faith and commitment to God. It would also provide for a child a type of influence they very likely do not currently experience in their lives.

As an individual, the CASA/GAL program in your area would welcome your involvement in the local program as a volunteer. The GAL volunteer gathers and assesses independent information, from any identified source, about the child in a thorough manner which would allow the volunteer to recommend a suitable resolution to the court case that's in the child's best interest. While this may sound like an overwhelming job, no volunteer is alone in this process. All volunteers consult with local program staff for support and guidance.

Volunteers undergo a thorough training program conducted by the local GAL staff. Volunteers learn about courtroom procedure, as well as effective advocacy techniques for children. They are also educated about specific topics ranging from child sexual abuse to early childhood development and adolescent behavior. These volunteers come from all walks of life with varying experiences and interests. The only requirement is they have no criminal record, no inappropriate involvement with Child Protective Services and a heart for children.

The examples provided here of what can be done to help the abused and neglected children of our community are just a few. To identify the local CASA/GAL program in your community, you may call 800-628-3233. In North Carolina, you may call 1-800-982-4041 to obtain more information about the Guardian Ad Litem program in your area. Cumberland County residents may call (910) 437-1873. The first step in becoming a child's voice would be to make a phone call.

—Allison is Program Supervisor of the Guardian Ad Litem Program in Cumberland County. The program is administered by the state Administrative Office of the Courts.

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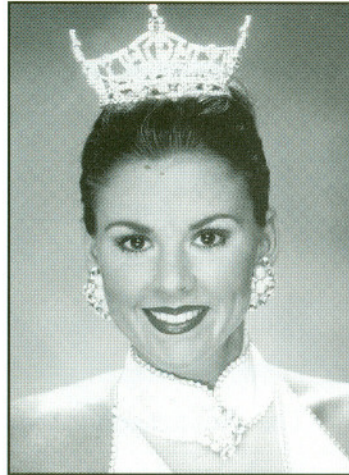
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Home Grown Beauty

Kelli Bradshaw represents NC in the Miss America pageant...and we couldn't be more proud.



ATLANTIC CITY, NJ—Kelli Bradshaw, Miss North Carolina and a May 1998 graduate of Methodist College, wowed the judges in the Miss America Pageant Sept. 16-19 and finished as First Runner-Up to Nicole Johnson, Miss Virginia.

The 22-year-old biology major from Roseboro also won the swimsuit preliminary and earned \$35,000 in scholarships. Kelli graduated from Methodist with honors (*magna cum laude*) and hopes to enter medical school and become a physician.

She described this year's pageant experience, starting with the Miss Western Piedmont contest in Albemarle, as "incredible." Appearing before her largest audience to date, she performed a contemporary ballet entitled "Deborah," in which she portrayed the Old Testament prophet preparing for battle.

After she was announced as one of ten semifinalists, Kelli was featured in a film clip that showed her on her parents' farm and working as an Emergency Medical Technician with the Clement Rescue Squad. When the five finalists were interviewed, Kelli told the story of how she had helped save the life of a heart attack victim.

Her parents, David and Pat Bradshaw, and nearly eighty other "homefolks" made the trip to Atlantic City to show their support. Meanwhile, her friends on campus were glued to the TV and were screaming and shouting when the emcee announced that the field had been narrowed to Kelli and Nicole.

Kelli's showing in Atlantic City came as no surprise to those who know her, and state pageant officials said she made them very proud. Her adopted hometown of Spivey's Corner, located near Roseboro, held a Kelli Bradshaw Day in her honor and has erected a sign proclaiming the crossroads "Home of Miss North Carolina."

Although her schedule as Miss North Carolina is very crowded, Kelli still found time to come back to campus for a dinner meeting Sept. 30. (College President and Mrs. Hendricks had scheduled a reception in Kelli's honor for Aug. 26, but Hurricane Bonnie forced its cancellation.)

After her reign as Miss North Carolina ends next summer, Kelli plans to enter graduate school, with the goal of becoming a physician or a microbiologist. Her friends at Methodist, particularly her former teachers in the Biology Department, believe she will attain her goal. ■

Our Cup Runneth Over

Enrollment is up for the Fall semester.

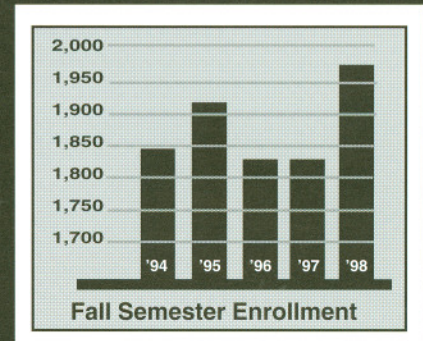
Methodist College enrolled a record 1,972 students for the Fall 1998 semester, an increase of 7.8 percent over Fall 1997's 1,828 students. Fall enrollment was up 144 students over last year and beat the previous all-time high of 1,848 students (Fall 1994) by 124 students.

Day enrollment increased 3 percent over last fall's 1,291 to 1,332, while evening enrollment grew by 19 percent, from 537 to 640. The college set new records for day enrollment, number of freshmen, and number of residential students.

Rick Lowe, vice president for enrollment services, reported that the college enrolled 587 new students, seven more than last fall. The new students include: 398 freshmen (41 more than last fall), 163 transfers, 23 re-admits, and three visiting students. The number of returning students was 745, up 34 from last fall.

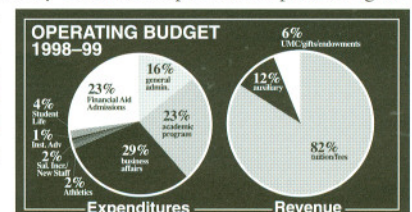
A record 701 students are living on campus this fall, compared to 645 on Drop/Add Day last year. There are 511 male resident students and 190 females.

Methodist College set another record this summer by enrolling 825 students, 6 percent more than the preceding summer. The total unduplicated headcount for 1997-98 (fall, spring, and summer semesters) was 2,135 students.



CORRECTION

The Summer Issue of MC Today contained a pie chart representing the Revenues and Expenditures for the College's fiscal year. The pie chart showed the Revenues and Expenditures in reversed position. The corrected pie charts are shown here.



A Well Deserved Tribute

In a ceremony held October 15, Methodist College named a residence hall for Dr. Richard Pearce.



Dr. Richard W. Pearce

The Methodist College Board of Trustees honored Dr. Richard W. Pearce and his wife, the late Neva Brock Pearce, Oct. 15 by naming a residence hall at the college in their honor. Dr. Pearce was the second president of Methodist College, serving from 1973-83. Before coming to Methodist, the Deland, Florida resident served as academic dean and vice president at Florida Southern College. Born in Illinois, but reared in Hendersonville, N. C., Dr. Pearce

earned B.A. and M.A. degrees in history from Stetson University and a J.D. degree from Stetson Law School.

The residence hall that honors Dr. and Mrs. Pearce was built in 1994 and houses 56 women. It was formerly known as East Hall.

Dr. Pearce, now 74, was present for the naming ceremony, as were his brother Bill, his son Richard, daughter Karen, and other family members and friends. He has visited the campus periodically in recent years and received an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree from the college in 1991. His wife Neva died in 1993.

The Reverend Dr. Bill Lowdermilk, a Methodist College trustee and former vice president who worked closely with Dr. Pearce, offered a brief tribute. Dr. M. Elton Hendricks, college president, read the inscription on a dedicatory plaque and assisted Dr. Pearce in unveiling the letters "Pearce Hall" recently installed over the main entrance.

In his tribute, Dr. Lowdermilk said Dr. Pearce decided to forego

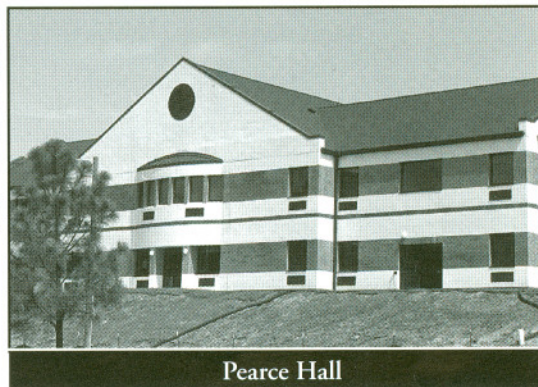
a formal inauguration as president and went without a pay raise for five years because Methodist College finances were very tight. Under Richard Pearce's tenure, he said the president's home was built on campus, government construction loans were renegotiated, enrollment doubled, and major energy conservation measures were undertaken to reduce operating costs.

Dr. Lowdermilk said Dr. Pearce had helped many students financially, had established three scholarships at Methodist, and had made generous gifts to the college's "Come of Age" and "Expanding the Vision" capital campaigns.

He said Dr. Pearce was especially proud that he was able to present Methodist

College degrees to both his wife and his mother while serving as president. He said his former boss was also an active and highly regarded United Methodist lay leader, and made quality residential life a top priority of his administration.

Dick Pearce embodied truth, honesty, and integrity," said Dr. Lowdermilk. "He taught me that money is only as good as the use to which you put it." ■



Pearce Hall

A Hole In One

MC's Professional Golf Management Program is sanctioned by the PGA.

The Professional Golfer's Association of America has added Methodist College's Professional Golf Management Program to its list of PGA-sanctioned programs.

In a Nov. 12 announcement issued from its headquarters in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., the PGA announced that Methodist's 13-year-old PGM program and programs at three other institutions will be included in the PGA's 600-hour Golf Professional Training Program (GPTP) starting in the fall of 1999. The four-year college program teaches students about the golf industry and management through classroom studies, internship programs and player development.

The PGA announcement states that Methodist College and the three other institutions with newly-sanctioned programs, "offer an excellent academic environment for students interested in pursuing a career in the golf industry." Will Mann, PGA of America President, said the PGA felt that the accreditation of four new programs

would increase the talent pool of aspiring PGA Professionals and elevate the standards of the PGA to a new level.

Jerry Hogge, director of Methodist's PGM program since 1987, was delighted by the PGA announcement. "Heretofore, only four institutions of higher learning — Ferris State, Mississippi State, New Mexico State and Penn State — had PGA-sanctioned golf management programs" he noted. "We are now part of an elite group and we deserve to be there."

"We are very proud of our PGM program, our golf course and practice facilities, and the staff that has worked tirelessly to achieve this recognition," said Dr. Elton Hendricks, president of Methodist College. "We believe the PGA and our PGM graduates will enjoy substantial benefits from this new association."

Methodist's PGM program is a business administration or marketing major with a concentration in professional golf management. It already has the largest enrollment of any academic program at the college — 301 students. Since 1989, the program has graduated 229 students. Methodist's PGM alumni now work and teach at some of America's finest golf clubs, including Pinehurst, Chevy Chase, Seminole, and Oakmont. Several also work for Titleist Corporation.

Mr. Hogge asks that PGM alumni fax their current mailing address to him at (910) 630-7254 so he can keep them informed of program developments and job opportunities. ■

Our Famous Authors

Local bookstore to feature five Methodist authors.



L to R: Dr. Jordan Parkerson, Dr. Lloyd Bailey, Dr. Richard Walsh, Dr. Norman Wilson, Dr. Mary Wheeling.

Portraits of the Past will be the theme for a January book signing featuring five Methodist College professors. The signing will be held Jan. 30, 1999, from 1-3 p.m. at Barnes & Noble's Fayetteville store in Glensford Commons.

Dr. Elton Hendricks, college president, will introduce the authors who will then talk briefly about their work. The authors will also entertain questions from those in attendance.

Dr. Lloyd Bailey, professor of religion, has published *The Heritage of the Toe River Valley*, the second in a series of regional histories about an area consisting of Avery, Mitchell, and Yancey counties in western North Carolina. The 667-page book includes sketches of historical events from the 1700s to the present, along with genealogical sketches of families and individuals. It was published by Walsworth Publishing Co. of Marceline, Missouri.

Dr. JoAnn Parkerson, professor of education, is co-author with Donald H. Parkerson of *The Emergence of the Common School in the U. S. Countryside*. This book examines the social and historical roots of the primary school movement in the rural North during the mid-19th century. It contains 196 pages and was published by The Edwin Mellen Press of Lewiston, New York.

Dr. Norman J. Wilson, assistant professor of history, has written a textbook entitled *History in Crisis? Recent Directions in Historiography*. Published by Prentice Hall, the 160-page book offers a general overview of standard intellectual history, a survey of historical writing, and an analysis of contemporary trends in history.

Dr. Richard Walsh, professor of religion and head of Methodist's Religion and Philosophy Dept., is the author of *Reading the Bible: An Introduction*, a text for use in introductory Biblical literature courses. Using a literary critical approach, the book examines the literary aspects of Bible narratives and relates them to both ancient and modern literature. The 620-page book was published in January 1998 by Cross Cultural Publications, Inc. of Notre Dame, Indiana.

Dr. Mary Wheeling, assistant professor of English, is the author of a critical biography entitled *Fighting the Current: The Life and Work of Evelyn Scott*. Her book examines Evelyn Scott's legacy as an author and her reputation as both an expatriate of the South and an

American modernist. Born in Tennessee, reared in New Orleans, and educated at Tulane, Scott is best known for her autobiography *Escapade* (1923), and her novels *The Narrow House* (1921) and *The Wave* (1929). Dr. Wheeling's biography of Scott is 280 pages long and was published by Louisiana State University Press. ■

RHA's Big Birthday Bash

Along with fun and games, RHA celebrated its first birthday by giving to others.

The Residence Hall Association celebrated its first birthday April 21, 1998 by holding a block party. The party attracted more than 600 students, faculty and staff to the outdoor basketball courts. Marriott hosted a cookout, complete with watermelon and birthday cake.

A variety of events were sponsored by RHA, including three-on-three basketball tournament, tug of war, bobbing for apples, relay races, and Twister. RHA gave out certificates in drawings held randomly throughout the evening.

The big draw for the evening was the "Dunk Tank." RHA solicited members of the community to sit in the tank during the block party. Those who got dunked included: SGA members Felix Sarfo-Kantanka and Eddie Price, Police Officer Steve Haire, Men's Soccer Coach Adrian Blewitt, Women's Basketball Coach DeeDee Jarman, Registrar Dave Rice, Football Coach Jim Sypult, VP for Business Affairs Gene Clayton, Director of Residence Life William Walker, Area Coordinator Brian Rodgers, and Dean of Students Kim Dowd. RHA charged one dollar for three throws.

All profits generated were donated to Catholic Social Ministries here in Fayetteville. Along with the \$200.00 raised, the organization also donated many bags of clothes and toys. The check was presented from RHA to Catholic Social Ministries this summer. ■



L to R: Shawn Hartman, Cynthia Allen, Dorothy Pyle, Rob Foreman.

Making The Grade

**MC's Physician Assistant
program becomes
one of only three
accredited programs in NC.**

The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs has granted full accreditation to the Methodist College Physician Assistant Program. Dr. M. Elton Hendricks, college president, received a notification letter and certificate of accreditation from the commission Oct. 29. The Methodist program becomes the third accredited P.A. program in North Carolina. In July, an Accreditation Review Committee conducted an on-site inspection and evaluation of the program, which was granted provisional accreditation in April 1996. "This action validates what we already knew," said President Hendricks, "that our physician assistant program meets or exceeds the training standards established for this profession. I commend Mr. Foster, the P.A. faculty and medical staff, and our P.A. students for all the hard work that made this possible."

Methodist graduated its first class of four students in May 1998. Three of the four graduates are practicing in Cumberland County and one is working in Wake County. Three are involved in primary care — two in family medicine and one in obstetrics and gynecology. One graduate works in orthopedics.

"Accreditation of our program is the culmination of five years of intense dedication by so many," said Program Director Ron Foster. "The board of trustees and President Hendricks saw a need and had the courage to commit the resources needed to meet that need for the region Methodist serves. Dr. DeLapa, the academic dean, and other members of the staff also helped in the development of the program. Finally, we received tremendous devotion, support and commitment from every facet of the local medical community."

The Methodist P.A. program has eleven students in the second-year clinical phase and fourteen students in the first-year didactic phase. Applications are currently being accepted for the Class of 2001. Persons interested in the P.A. program should contact the Methodist College Admissions Office (910-630-7027) or visit the Academics section of the college Web site—www.methodist.edu—where the Methodist College Physician Assistant program is described in detail. ■

Officers Elected

The Methodist College Board of Visitors elected officers for 1998-99 Sept. 22 and welcomed twenty new members.

On the recommendation of the Development and Nominations Committee, David Wilson, retired Fasco Industries executive, was re-elected chair. Cam Stout, vice president of Stout Properties, Inc., was elected vice-chair. Mrs. Lynn Breeden, former Spanish teacher and civic volunteer, was named vice-chair-elect. All the officers are Fayetteville residents.

New members of Methodist's Board of Visitors include:

From Fayetteville: Keith Allison, president and CEO of Systel Business Equipment Co., Inc.; Larry Bass, Jr., CPA with Buie, Norman, and Co.; Lynn Breeden; Dr. Malcolm Fleishman, chief of occupational medicine at Womack Army Medical Center; Randy Gainer, president of Cavin's Business Solutions; Mac Healy, president of Healy Wholesale Co.; Dr. Joel Hedgecoe, dentist with Cape Fear Valley Dental Center; Lee Hedgecoe, broker with A. G. Edwards & Sons, Inc.; Arthur Ingalls, retired DuPont executive; Sarah Johnson, retired chemist and certified biofeedback therapist; David Little, senior vice president and city executive for BB&T; David Martin, president and CEO of Sigma Construction Co.; Charles Morris, financial consultant for Morris, Colyer & Associates; Richard Player III, vice president of Player, Inc.; Cam Stout; George Tatum, Cumberland County Register of Deeds; Clinton Weaver, assistant administrator for marketing and public relations, Cape Fear Valley Health System;

From Autryville, NC: Judith Cashwell, president of Cashwell Appliance Parts, Inc.;

From Holden Beach, NC: Alan Holden, owner of Alan Holden Realty;

From Lumberton, NC: Dr. Harold "Mac" Teague, chemistry professor at UNC-Pembroke.

Five of the new board members are Methodist College graduates: Dr. Harold "Mac" Teague '64, Lynn Breeden '69, Alan Holden '71, Charles Morris '86, and Richard Player III '91.

Celebration!— (Cover photo story)

Methodist College students join with volunteers and Dr. Hendricks to mark the end of the largest campaign in the College's history. The \$8.5 million raised will pay for three much-needed buildings. The Math and Computer Science Building opened in Summer 1997. Walter B. and Margaret T. Clark Hall will provide classrooms, offices, and a 150-seat auditorium for the Reeves School of Business. The addition to Davis Memorial Library will improve students' access to new information technology and add study and book space. Both buildings are now under construction. Clark Hall will open in January and the Library Addition will open by summer. A campaign celebration is planned for early 1999; more details to follow.

EXPERT ADVICE

Winning

Experts say: technology rules the land, but hard work is still king!

Life in the 21st century was the topic of the day Oct. 28, as Methodist College's Center for Entrepreneurship held its 25th Economic Outlook Symposium.

Dr. William Davidow, a venture capitalist, electrical engineer, and best-selling author from Silicon Valley in California, spoke at a campus luncheon and then addressed college and high school students in Reeves Auditorium. His keynote address at the evening awards dinner at the Holiday Inn Bordeaux capped off the Silver Jubilee symposium.

In his keynote address, Dr. Davidow said the Information Revolution will completely restructure society in the next one hundred years, replacing the physical assets of most businesses—plants and inventories—with intangible, information-based assets. He said mass customization of the sort employed by Levi Strauss in selling customized jeans and Amazon.com in selling books over the Internet is the wave of the future. He said this new way of selling requires virtually no retail space, but does require a wealth of information technology.

Disintermediation—getting rid of the middle man—is a trend that will accelerate in the next millennium, he said. He predicted that stock brokers, car dealers, those involved in print advertising, and travel agents will have to change their business practices to stay alive. Noting that change is the great ally of the entrepreneur, he said entrepreneurs who figure out how to replace a business's large physical assets with intangible ones will be most successful.

"Building a great business is 90 percent about commitment, dedication, and skillful execution," said the former Intel vice president. "Making money is not the reason that entrepreneurs give up a great chunk of their time. Greed does not create the commitment to customers, employees and shareholders that builds great businesses. People who put money first will lose their self-respect."

Dr. Davidow said Intel Corporation has an 85 percent market share of the microprocessor market today not because it developed better microprocessor architecture, but because Andy Grove and other Intel managers were committed to excellence, to beating back the Japanese assault on the U. S. semiconductor industry, and to rewarding employees. He said Grove developed the internal communication systems and processes and employee development and training programs that made Intel successful.

The speaker offered the following advice to those who aspire to be great entrepreneurs in the next century: "Develop a great idea. Look for places where information assets can displace physical assets. Then focus on implementation. Worry about excellence, winning, taking

great care of customers, creating great opportunities for employees, and being better than your competitors.

"Then do the right things to make these worries go away. When you've done all of that well, you will be a great entrepreneur and the world will take great care of you."

The Cumberland County Outlook

Billy Davidson, chairman of the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce, predicted that the Cumberland County economy will continue to grow in 1999 because of low inflation, low interest rates, and a low unemployment rate.

Although Cumberland County has experienced slight declines in retail sales and the number of building permits issued in 1998, Mr. Davidson said the following developments bode well for Fayetteville and Cumberland County:

—A one percent decline in the local jobless rate over the last year, to four percent.

—Construction of major new retail stores at Glensford Commons and on Skibo Road.

—Transfer of 473 persons from the welfare rolls to the labor force through the Work First program, a joint project of the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce's Work Force Development Committee and the Cumberland Co. Dept. of Social Services.

—Announcement of \$30 million in revitalization projects for downtown Fayetteville, including the Airborne and

Special Operations Museum.

—An increase in airline passenger traffic at Fayetteville Regional Airport during the first seven months of 1998.

—New construction projects and stable employment at Fort Bragg and Pope Air Force Base, which have combined payrolls of \$1.6 billion.



Dr. William Davidow of Silicon Valley gives the keynote address.



Billy Davidson predicts more growth for Fayetteville and Cumberland County.



Methodist College President Elton Hendricks announced two new initiatives at the conclusion of the symposium.

He said the college will establish an Entrepreneurial Wall of Fame in the new Walter B. and Margaret T. Clark Hall now under construction. Inscribed on the wall will be the

BUSINESS AWARDS

Ways



Methodist College honored four persons with awards at its 25th annual Economic Outlook Symposium Oct. 28. Wilson Yarborough, Jr., president of Yarborough Motor Co. in Fayetteville, received the Business Person of the Year Award. The Fayetteville native and Air Force veteran holds a B.S. in business administration from UNC at Chapel Hill.



L to R: Greg Stadermann, Entrepreneur of The Year; Wilson Yarborough, Jr., Business Person of The Year; Dr. Sid Gautom, Director of MC's Center for Entrepreneurship; Jurgen Stanley, Economics & Business Alumnus of the Year.

The business Mr. Yarborough now heads was founded by his father in 1934 and originally sold Dodge and Plymouth cars at its Russell Street location, later handling British Leyland, Volvo, Jeep, and Jaguar lines. He joined the firm in 1954. Today, Yarborough Motor Co. sells used cars and rents cars at its Raeford Road location; the firm also operates a second Continental Rent-A-Car outlet on Yadkin Road.

Wilson Yarborough, Jr. has been very active in business, professional, and civic organizations. A past chairman of the National Automobile Dealers Association, he has been president of the N. C. Cerebral Palsy

Foundation, the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce, the Fayetteville Jaycees, the West Fayetteville Rotary Club, and the Methodist College Foundation. He has also worked with the USO, the United Fund, and the Red Cross.

Gregory C. Stadermann, founder and president of SCS Direct Mail Marketing of Fayetteville, received the Entrepreneur of the Year Award. The Fayetteville native holds a degree in civil engineering from N. C. State University.

Twenty years ago, using an Apple computer in the basement of his home, he assisted a local businessman by developing a computer program to eliminate duplicate mailings to the same household. That was the beginning of SCS Direct Mail. The company experienced a breakthrough four years ago, when Mr. Stadermann acquired a Xerox system of highlight laser printing. This has led to a ten-fold increase in annual revenues for SCS, from \$1 million to \$10 million, over the last four years.

Today, SCS employs forty persons and generates and mails in excess of 36 million bills and notices per year for a diverse group of clients, ranging from international risk companies to county and municipal governments and major utility companies. SCS is currently working with Equifax, Xerox, CheckFree, AT&T, and EMJ Internet to handle expanded bill presentment via the Internet.

Greg Stadermann is a member of the Fayetteville Exchange Club and is an active sponsor of golf tournaments and little league teams.

Jurgen Stanley of Fayetteville, a 1977 graduate of Methodist, received the college's Economics and Business Alumnus of the Year Award. After graduating from college, he worked as a manager for Cape Fear Theatres and later operated a group of Bojangles restaurants.

In 1992, he founded J&S Pizza Express and became a franchisee for Papa John's Pizza. J&S operates eleven restaurants in nine eastern North Carolina counties, as well as seven stores in the Savannah, Georgia, and Hilton Head, South Carolina areas. J&S has annual sales of \$8.5 million and employs 400 persons.

Mr. Stanley helps public school students by sponsoring Honor Roll awards for perfect attendance and a scholarship program for high school students.

Alexis Parmenter received *The Wall Street Journal Award* for outstanding achievement as a business student at Methodist College. The senior from Hubbardston, Mass. has been on the Dean's List and the President's List, won a national debating award as a freshman, and is president of the Accounting Club and secretary of Delta Mu Delta, a business honor society. ■

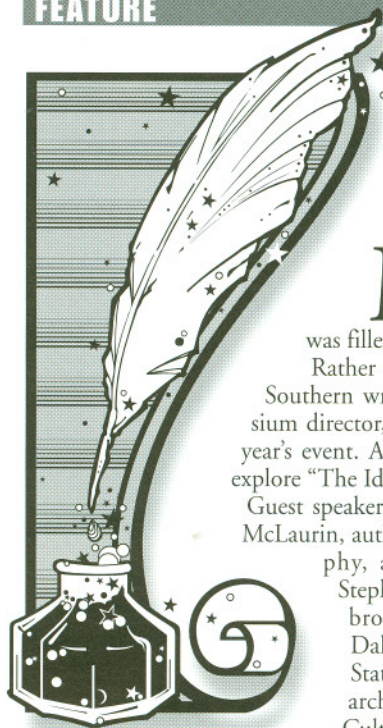


MC senior Alexis Parmenter won The Wall Street Journal Award.

names of entrepreneurs who have received business awards from the college's Center for Entrepreneurship, either at the fall Outlook Symposium or the spring Stock Market Symposium.

Dr. Hendricks also announced that starting next fall the College will establish one to four full schol-

arships for students from the former Soviet Union who wish to earn business degrees at Methodist. "Our hope is that after four years, they will be able to return home and establish networks with other entrepreneurs," he said.



Southern Writers Symposium

Methodist's fourteenth Southern Writers Symposium, held Sept. 18-19, was filled with local color.

Rather than focus on the work of a single Southern writer, Dr. Mary Wheeling, symposium director, took a thematic approach to this year's event. Approximately 80 persons came to explore "The Idea of Home in Southern Writing." Guest speakers included Fayetteville native Tim McLaurin, author of three novels, an autobiography, and a long epic poem; Shelby Stephenson, a professor at UNC-Pembroke; Sylvia Biershenk and Vickie Daley, professors at Stephen F. Austin State University; and Donna E. Kelly, archival editor at the N.C. Dept. of Cultural Resources.

A total of 48 papers were presented regarding how various Southern writers address the subject of home in their works. Dr. Michael Colonnese, associate professor of English at Methodist, conducted a fiction-writing workshop Saturday morning. The event closed Saturday evening with poetry readings by Barbara Presnell of Lexington, author of *Unravelings* (a poetry chapbook published by MC's Longleaf Press last summer), and Carole Weatherford of High Point, poet and author of several children's books who was runner-up in the chapbook contest.

In a Friday luncheon address entitled "Speaking from Down the Road: The Long Roots of Dixie," Tim McLaurin regaled his audience with tales of snake-handling and hip replacements. The former Marine and Peace Corps worker said his early novels were people with characters he had known growing up in rural Eastover in Cumberland County.

He said when he went to Tunisia with the Peace Corps, he read a lot of fiction and began to write more objectively; his first novel, *The Acorn Plan*, was written there. He said Max Steele, his former English professor at UNC-Chapel Hill, gave him good advice when he told him, "take your writing on the road and look at yourself from a distance."

"In *Cured By Fire*," said McLaurin, "I took my characters outside North Carolina and put them in an alien environment on the West Coast. When I was an alien in a foreign culture, it made me think about who I am."

"Home is internal and eternal," he continued, holding up a small packet of soil from the McLaurin farm which he carries in his wallet. He said his brother sent him the packet when he was living in Tunisia.

"I hate to see what's happening in our state," he added. "We're losing our rural way of life. I remember waking up to the cooing of mourning doves when I was a child, but today, my kids wake up to the sound of traffic on Airport Road (in Chapel Hill)."

McLaurin said he is a great fan of novelists Harry Crews and Clyde Edgerton, well-known Southern writers who have set their work in environments outside the South. He said he is often asked, "Why do we have Southern literature?" His answer: "Because more stuff happens here. Creativity comes out of conflict."

McLaurin closed his luncheon address with the tale of two hip bones — his, in fact. After having one hip replaced in May and the other in August, he said his surgeons gave him his old bones, which he placed in a cricket cage on his front porch.

"One night in August I woke up with both hips aching," he noted, "I heard a noise on the porch and went to investigate. A raccoon had gotten one of my hip bones and was gnawing it. I used my crutch to chase him off. As soon as I got the hip bones back in the cage, my hips stopped aching."



Writer Tim McLaurin greets a Symposium participant.

Legal Eagles

Methodist makes more options available for those interested in the legal field.




Paralegal Program Director Faye Couture.

This fall, Methodist College added paralegal studies as an academic minor and hired Faye Couture, an attorney, to direct the program.

The 21-semester-hour program is based in the History and Political Science Dept. and prepares students to take the National Legal Assistance Exam for certification. While licensure is not currently required of paralegals in North Carolina, the N. C. Bar Association and the American Bar Association are working on some form of regulation for paralegals and legal assistants.

Paralegals have varied duties and usually work for attorneys. They do title searches, conduct research and investigations, file court documents, and assist lawyers at trial. They are also employed by insurance companies, banks, real estate firms, government agencies, and publishers.



Remembering Rennes

Jamie Johnson reflects on studying abroad.

Jamie Johnson, a senior from Chapel Hill, N.C., holds the distinction of being the first Methodist College business major to study abroad at Sup de Co, part of France's Grand Ecole (a college) in Rennes.

Methodist entered an exchange agreement with Sup de Co, a school renowned for its M.A. program in international business, in 1996. In the spring of 1997, two Sup de Co students—Sebastian Canard and Nicolas Castel—spent a semester at M.C. taking courses in cost accounting, advertising, business writing, and marketing.

Johnson became interested in the Sup de Co program after meeting Canard and Castel when they were studying at Methodist. During his stay there, from March-June, he took courses in French, French culture, management information systems, and small business management. The business courses transferred to Methodist as business electives.

The small business management course was Johnson's favorite. "It was taught by a professor from England who had operated several small businesses," he noted. "In that class I developed and presented a business plan for opening a Dutch pastry franchise (Multi Vlaai) in the Latin quarter of Paris."

Johnson said the style of teaching at Sup de Co, where 65 percent of the students are French, is different from what he experienced here. "There are no textbooks," he explained. "The instructor may focus in-depth on only one chapter of a book. You have to do a lot of research outside of class and you have to make presentations in class. Some classes met eight hours a day for several weeks; then we had a week or two off."

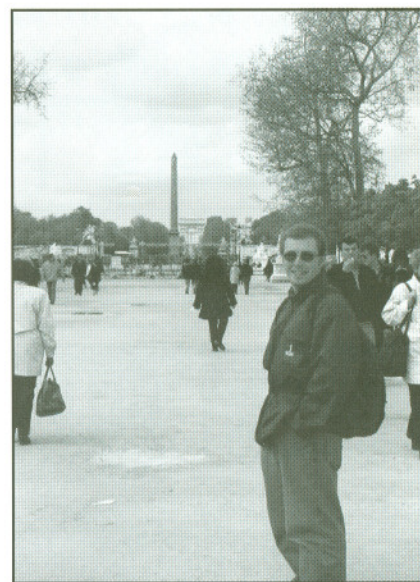
The MC senior lived in a rented house with three Italian students from Florence and said he was treated well by the other students.

After completing his studies at Sup de Co, he visited Mt. St. Michel and the Loire Valley in France, then toured five other countries—Spain, the Czech Republic, Germany, Switzerland, and Holland—on a Eurail pass.

He said his studies abroad gave him more self-confidence and improved his French-speaking ability. This was not his first trip abroad; during his junior year in high school in Geneseo, N. Y., he spent three weeks in France. He also took five years of French in high school.

"It was a challenge traveling on my own," he noted, "and 'Thank you' and 'Please' were the words I used most. Many American students are frightened by the prospect of studying abroad, but the benefits are great and I hope more students at Methodist will take advantage of this program."

Johnson is scheduled to receive his B.S. in Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management Dec. 18. After he finished his coursework this summer, he accepted a job at Treyburn Country Club north of Durham. "I analyzed my job options carefully," he said. "I went on four interviews and got four job offers. Treyburn had the best opportunity and benefits." ■



Jamie Johnson in France

"Our program is being designed to be certified by the American Bar Association," said Ms. Couture. "At present, Meredith College has the only ABA-accredited program in the state and that's a post-baccalaureate program."

Ms. Couture is currently teaching two classes at Methodist: "Introduction to Paralegal Studies" and "Legal Writing and Research." She is also trying to spread the word about the program so that more students will enroll. She said the national average salary for paralegals is currently \$34,514 and the job market is strong.

"I've talked to the Cumberland County Paralegal Association and the Cumberland County Bar Association," she said, "and asked the political science, criminal justice, social work, and business faculty to help me identify potential students. I had a table and gave out brochures at fall registration. I've done a Web page for the college's Web site."

Methodist's program director earned her law degree at Creighton University in Omaha and an M.A. in library science at the University of Missouri at Columbia. She also holds a B.A. in English and history from the College of St. Mary in Omaha.

For seven years, she was employed as a senior trial attorney and assistant district counsel by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Omaha. She also worked as a law librarian at Hamline University, Mead Data Central, UNC-Chapel Hill, South Texas College of Law in Houston, and Washington University in St. Louis.

Ms. Couture has published books about immigration law, civil rights law, a bibliography of admiralty law, and a cumulative index of government documents for the American Association of Law Librarians. She has written journal articles and book reviews and has lectured about copyright law and other issues related to the operation of law libraries.

For more information about M.C.'s new paralegal minor, write to Faye Couture in care of the college or call her at (910) 630-7194. ■

How can we ever THANK YOU?

Our generous friends once again come through for Methodist College.



Franklin Jones, Jr. (center) of Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Co., presents the advancement staff members, Jay Dowd and Cynthia Curtis, with a \$5,000 check toward the college's Expanding the Vision Campaign. The gift is from the Jefferson-Pilot Foundation.



John Elliott (right), community relations manager for Carolina Power & Light Co., presents a \$10,000 check to Jay Dowd (left), vice president for institutional advancement, for the college's Expanding the Vision Campaign. The check is an installment on CP&L's \$50,000 pledge.



Jeff Cobb (right), area vice president of First Citizens Bank, presents Methodist College President Elton Hendricks (left) with the first installment of a \$35,000 "second gift" to the college's Expanding the Vision capital campaign. First Citizens previously gave \$25,000 to the campaign.



The new scoreboard for the Methodist College Golf Course/Practice Facility was made possible by a \$4,000 gift from MC Golf Coach Steve Conley and his family in memory of his mother.

MEETING of the MINDS



Four Methodist College psychology graduates returned to campus Nov. 10 for a Graduate School Colloquium sponsored by the Psychology Club. Approximately eighteen current psychology majors listened intently as the alumni offered advice on how to gain admission to graduate school and how to succeed once there.

Two of the four participants, Mike Miller '94 and Zach Hambrick '94 are in the final stages of Ph.D. programs—Miller at Catholic University in Washington, D.C. and Hambrick at Georgia Tech. Charles E. Brown '91 earned an M.A. in counseling at Campbell University, while Shelli Nobles '93 earned her masters at Francis Marion University.

Charles Brown is a licensed psychological counselor at the Cumberland County Mental Health Center. He said he spends a lot of time counseling persons with bipolar and depressive disorders and does a large number of psychological assessments. He said the starting salary range for someone in his job is \$25,000—\$30,000.

Brown said he was well prepared for graduate work and had no difficulty at Campbell. To ensure acceptance for graduate school, he advised current majors to set realistic goals, practice for the MAT or GRE, and develop a specific research interest.

Mike Miller '94 said he applied to The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. primarily because it was close to where his wife is stationed in the Army. He said he originally wanted to attend law school, "but Dr. (John) Campbell at Methodist got me interested in personality theory."

Miller recently completed his oral comprehensive exams. His Ph.D. dissertation involves a study of human-computer interaction. He said

Four of MC's finest come home to lend advice to up & coming psychology students.

undergraduates can maximize their chances of getting into graduate school by taking a broad range of courses. Mastering statistics ("It's not regular math."), learning to write summaries of research described in current psychology literature, practicing for the GRE or MAT, and finding a mentor to help with acclimation to grad school.

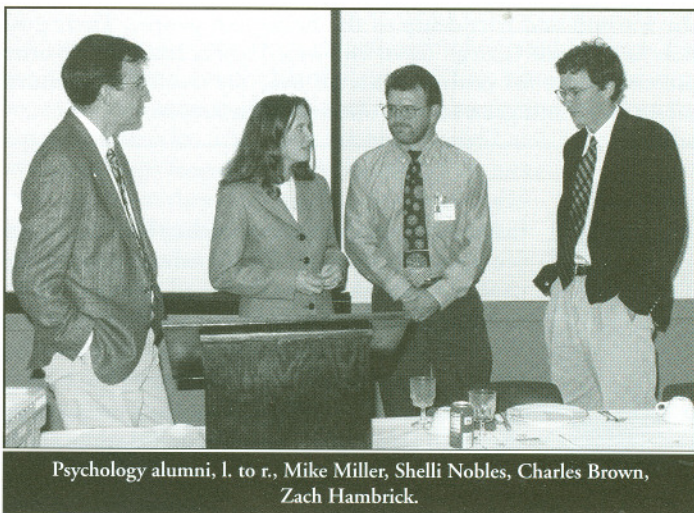
Zach Hambrick '94 said he came to Methodist intending to major in business with a concentration in professional golf management but switched to psychology his junior year. Since winning a graduate fellowship at Georgia Tech, he has earned his M.S. and expects to receive his Ph.D. in experimental psychology in 2000. For his doctoral dissertation, he is exploring the effects of socialized knowledge (expertise) on cognitive development (language skills).

Hambrick said those with master's or doctoral degree aspirations should learn to work hard, master statistics and research methods, narrow their research interest, seek out a productive mentor, and "work, not worry." Hambrick and Miller worked with Dr. Donald Lassiter their senior year on a federally-funded study of the effects of aging on the performance of general aviation pilots. Both said this taught them a lot about research methodology.

Shelli Nobles '93 is a clinical psychologist at the Dobbs Training School in Kinston, N.C. She said she worked as a receptionist for two years after graduating from Methodist, then entered an M.A. program at Francis Marion University in South Carolina. She received her master's in 1997; her thesis was based on a state-funded survey of college students' attitudes toward AIDS.

"Right now, I'm working with children and I enjoy it," she said. "I'm a licensed psychological associate. I do a lot of academic and personality testing and assessment. At Dobbs, we use behavior modification (rewards) to reduce the sentences of our clients."

Nobles advised current psychology majors to "be realistic and look at the program that will give you what you want." She said the book *Getting In*, an APA publication, is a good resource for researching graduate programs. ■



Psychology alumni, l. to r., Mike Miller, Shelli Nobles, Charles Brown, Zach Hambrick.

SAIL AWAY!




Jim and Lynn spent a month around the beautiful island of Eleuthera. DIVA is among the boats in the background.

Jim McFayden '78 and his wife, Lynn, left North Carolina on their sailing trip April 18, 1997. In spite of El Nino, they have enjoyed the remarkable beauty and serenity of the islands, and the warmth and friendship of the Bahamian people. Their goal now is to reach George Town on Great Exuma Island, a favorite meeting place for cruisers from all over the world, then return safely to Wilmington to wait out hurricane season.

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fter being at anchor for two weeks, there was lots to put away and clean up. After lunch we weighed anchor and headed out the bank and traveled 7 miles to Black Point. It was a short but exhilarating sail. We were traveling at 7 knots (about top speed for DIVA). We made it to the settlement of Black Point

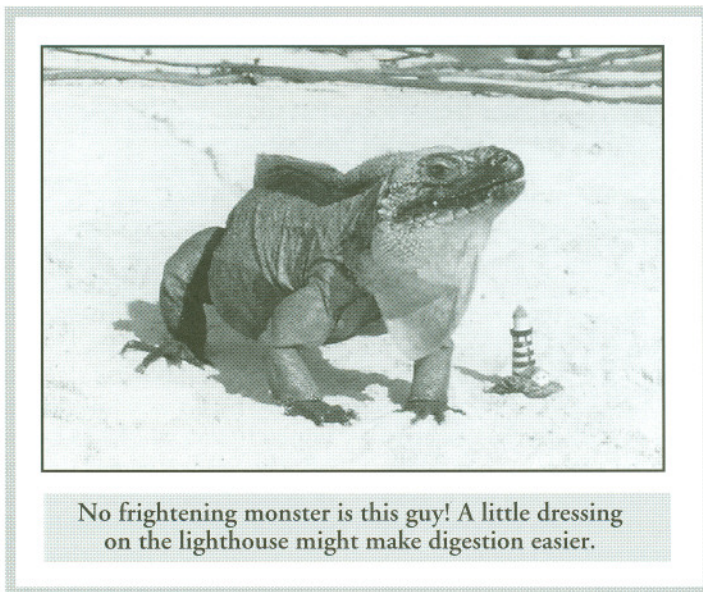
in about an hour. It is a beautiful little Bahamian village with a large shallow bay. On the south side of the bay is a beautiful white sandy beach with large palm trees which make it look like we're in Polynesia. The town is written up in the chart as "a real out island 'non-touristy' settlement just electrified in 1994."

Later that night, we had a radio conversation with our old buddy, Randy, on MARIAH. He was already on his way north out of George Town and hoping to meet up with us. We weighed anchor Sunday, March 29, and headed south on the Banks in strong NE winds. The scenery along the way was gorgeous with high hills and long white beaches reaching into the extra light blue water. We paralleled Great Guana Cay almost the entire way south. It's not inhabited except for Black Point on the northern tip and a few houses on the southern end. It is a big island, actually the longest at 12 miles, in the Exuma chain except for Great Exuma. As we passed Little Farmer's Cay, the sky looked dark and scary. We decided to anchor rather than try to travel the narrow cut in a storm. Just in time - the sky opened up and we washed down DIVA and collected 6 gallons of water. It was nice of Mother Nature to provide a bath for her!

After the storm, we headed out Galliot Cay Cut into the very rough Sound. Luckily, we only had two miles to go down the Sound to reenter the Bank side again through Cave Cay Cut. We had to go this way because the water was too shallow for DIVA to get through. Our reunion with Randy was timely as it was almost a year ago that we met him in Charleston, S.C. during our initial shake-down cruise.

On Wednesday, April 1, we took a dinghy ride over to Little Farmer's Cay to get some propane (the fuel we use to cook with) and gasoline for the dinghy. Little Farmer's Cay was a real experience. The population is 55 and they are all direct descendants of freed slaves from the days after the Revolutionary War when the British Loyalists living in the U.S. came and settled in the Bahamas. After unsuccessfully trying to start plantations like they had in the states, many gave up and returned to England. Their slaves were freed and many were given land. Little Farmer's Cay was one of the islands given to them. The extremely friendly residents live very simply and many of them are fishermen. The entire island was immaculate and well-cared for. There is no hotel, so boaters are really the only visitors.

On April 2, Jim and Lynn again attempted to reach George Town. They managed 12 miles before giving in to the S/SE 20 knot winds and 4-5 foot seas. Turning right into Adderley Cut, they anchored off Lee Stocking Island, home of the Caribbean Marine Research Center. The marine center takes up only a small section of the island and consists of about 10 homes for the scientists, several research labs, a dive center, huge tanks for coral and fish research, a 3-man submarine, a community center called the 'Lizard Lounge' and their own generator and water maker. Here they learned a lot about coral bleaching and the warming effects of El Nino.



No frightening monster is this guy! A little dressing on the lighthouse might make digestion easier.

Well, our patience paid off and on Saturday, April 4, Mother Nature finally gave us the weather window we had waited for. What a sail! Fantastic winds and the seas were only 1-2 feet. We reached Conch Cut at the northern tip of George Town Harbor at noon and took down our sails. Going through this cut was a challenge with breaking seas, rocky reefs and narrow channels. We were glad it was high tide because we saw some pretty shallow water as we passed Monument Hill. We followed the channel through the huge harbor to Regatta Point to anchor behind our best buddies on ALFRAN. They had already been here a week and knew the lay of the land. We anchored in 9.5 feet of water in beautiful white sand. We had finally made it to our southern most destination!

Great Exuma Island has the town of George Town and many beautiful homes scattered across the rolling green hills. Great Exuma is the second largest island in the Bahamas at 64 miles long and 2-5 miles wide. The population of the island is 3,000 so there is a lot of undeveloped land and very little tourism.

George Town is really a great place to visit when you're cruising. The whole town seems to revolve around the cruising community. Every morning at 8:15 there is the 'Morning Net' show which is like reading the local newspaper except it comes over VHF radio. It starts with weather, any emergency announcements, a list of who has re-

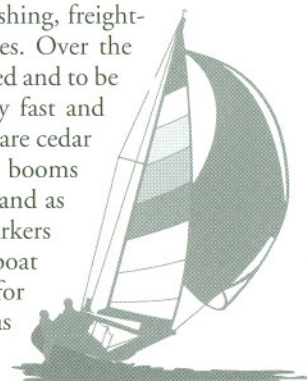
ceived faxes or mail and then business announcements (which are really commercials for the local businesses - some even sing jingles). It continues on into boaters announcements where cruisers can call in for help repairing things, to announce where the bridge club will meet, where the next volleyball game will be held, lost and found and even what time Bible study is. It's very organized and entertaining and takes about 20 minutes. We heard an announcement that there was a need for musicians for the Easter Sunday sunrise service.

Later that day we went to Volleyball Beach to rehearse for the Easter service. Lynn took her battery-operated keyboard and Jim his best singing voice. When the group found out Lynn was a former opera singer/music director, she suddenly found herself leader of the choir! The singers were all cruisers and sounded pretty good. We went through all the music and planned another rehearsal to polish them up. Words can't really express what it felt like to be playing keyboard and singing Easter hymns sitting on a white sandy beach under some thick palm trees with the beautiful aqua blue harbor behind us.

Easter Sunday, April 12

We were up at 4:30 and used the light of the full moon to dinghy over to The Beach House. We walked the trail through the bush in the moonlight. The beach was incredible and as the first sliver of sun appeared, we began singing. The wind was howling onshore 20-25 knots and we could barely hear ourselves sing, but the 60 or so people sitting on the beach (the congregation) really enjoyed the music. It was breathtaking when the sun finally started its ascent. Bright orange and pink hands reaching down to the ocean and the surf crashing on the rocks. What an incredible way to celebrate Easter!

Our visit to George Town turned out to be timed perfectly for the 45th National Family Island Regatta. These historic races were begun to encourage the building of these historic traditional working sailing smacks. The boats are hand-crafted and built like the working sloops found in the Bahamas 200 or more years ago when they were used for fishing, freight-ing goods and general work purposes. Over the years the boats were modified for speed and to be used solely for racing. They are very fast and extremely difficult to sail. The masts are cedar and the sails are heavy canvas. The booms are so long they hang over the stern and as the boats race around the turning markers in the course they often scrape the boat next to them. There is a crew of 12 for each boat and half of them are used as ballast and sit in long hiking boards



which hang over the side to keep the boat from tipping over as they heel. Each boat must be Bahamian designed, built, owned and sailed. When we look back on our week in George Town, we can honestly say that a good time was had by all and we're so glad to have been a part of this wonderful festival.

On Sunday, April 26 Jim and Lynn weighed anchor for the last time in George Town and headed out Conch Cut and north up into the sound. The seas were a bit rough at 4-8', but they did ok. DIVA is a heavy boat and sails well under such conditions. A few days later they were in Wardewick Wells, enjoying the company of their friends on ALFRAN and the beautiful scenery. They knew ALFRAN and DIVA would soon be parting ways so it was important to enjoy every minute.

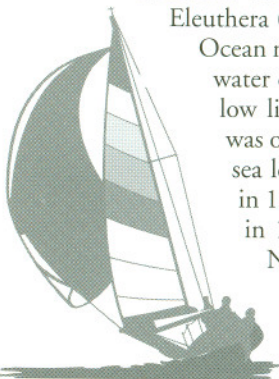
We exited out Wardewick Wells Cut and were surprised to find smooth seas in the Exuma Sound. Unfortunately we didn't have enough wind to sail, but we did manage to motor sail with full mail, staysail and genoa and the engine running only 1500 RPM. We crossed the sound to southeast Eleuthera, past Cape Eleuthera and into Davis Channel where we had to circle around a large cement obelisk which marked a huge sandbar. We rounded Sound Point and entered Rock Sound putting the anchor down in 8' of water tucked up in the NW corner.

May 3rd we weighed anchor and moved closer to the public dock at the town of Rock Sound. This town was different from others in the Bahamas. There were lots of hills and trees. Looking from DIVA onto land, it looked more like a New England village. The streets of the town were deserted since it was Sunday, but we had a lovely walk. There was a large white church right next to the public dock we were able to visit. It was beautiful inside and had a great view of the harbor. Across the street from the church was a very old cemetery. Most of the gravestones were so old we couldn't read a date, but the oldest we were able to decipher said 'Died 1820'. Methodist missionaries had settled here in the 1700's to have religious freedom. In fact, the name 'Eleuthera' means 'Freedom'.

The time in Eleuthera was even more special thanks to a visit with Jim's parents. They flew direct from Charlotte to Nassau, then Bahamasair to Eleuthera. After a year of sailing with only one visitor from home, it was great to see family.

Jim's parents, Dot and Ralph, looked tired but excited to be in the Bahamas. We had gotten them a room at the Rainbow Inn nearby. It was going to be fun to sightsee around the island with them. The first day we went to the Glass Window, which was the subject of a painting by the American artist Winslow Homer. It is a

beautiful tall rock formation where the bight of Eleuthera (the shallow bank side) and the Atlantic Ocean meet. To the east lies the dark cobalt blue water of the Atlantic and to the west the shallow light turquoise and bright blue bank. It was originally a natural rock bridge 85' above sea level. It was washed away in a hurricane in 1926 and replaced by a man-made bridge in 1960. The site was originally called the Narrow Passage and in 1872 an enormous wave rose without warning and washed over the arch and island carrying away several young couples who were pic-



nicking there. We crossed over the large concrete and steel bridge all the while trying to imagine a rage that on Halloween Day in 1991 spawned a rouge wave that picked up the bridge and moved the northern end 7' westward! We could actually see where it had moved. It was amazing to see the power of the ocean. In March 1996, the huge seas of a severe northeasterly hit the bridge and washed away two people, one of whom survived. The day we were there the ocean was calm!

Another day on Eleuthera found us searching for the ferry to the nearby island of Spanish Wells. After getting very lost trying to navigate with no road map, we ended up picking up two ladies who were walking down the long road between the towns of The Current and Upper Bouge. They couldn't believe how lost we were and pointed us in the right direction. We finally found the ferry and had a pleasant ride across the bay to Spanish Wells.

The history of Spanish Wells is quite interesting. It was originally occupied by Lucayan Indians, who were said to be the first inhabitants of the Bahamas and have since vanished due to the Spanish slavers who brought disease and germs which killed them off. The Spanish named the island Spanish Wells for its abundance of good drinking water. Some of today's inhabitants are descendants of the Loyalists who fled from the American Revolution, while others are descended from English Puritans who arrived in 1648 seeking freedom to work and worship God as they saw fit. As a result of John and Charles Wesley landing on Spanish Wells on their way to Georgia and the New World, Spanish Wells is the only Bahamian Island that is Methodist. The rest are Anglican.

Jim's parents visited for about a week. The time passed much too quickly. Jim and Lynn hope more family and friends will visit as they continue their seafaring journey. On May 13th they left Eleuthera and sailed northward to Royal Island - a 3 1/2 mile-long uninhabited island. It's a popular place for folks to spend a night on their way to the Abacos, Spanish Wells or southern spots.

May 15th we found ourselves still waiting for the wind to stop blowing from the north. Our heading into the Abacos was almost due north, so we needed the wind to clock around before we could leave. We hopped in the dinghy and explored Royal Harbor from one end to the other. There were mangrove trees growing at each end and lots of plant and bird life. We found some coral heads near the cement dock and Jim had a fisherman's dream day! He speared us dinner - a Trigger, a Nassau Grouper and a Grunt. Pan-fried in corn meal by Lynn made for a delicious feast.

Our crossing from Royal Island to Abaco was 57 miles in some pretty high seas. Jim's seasickness returned, but he was O.K. after Dramamine and a nap.

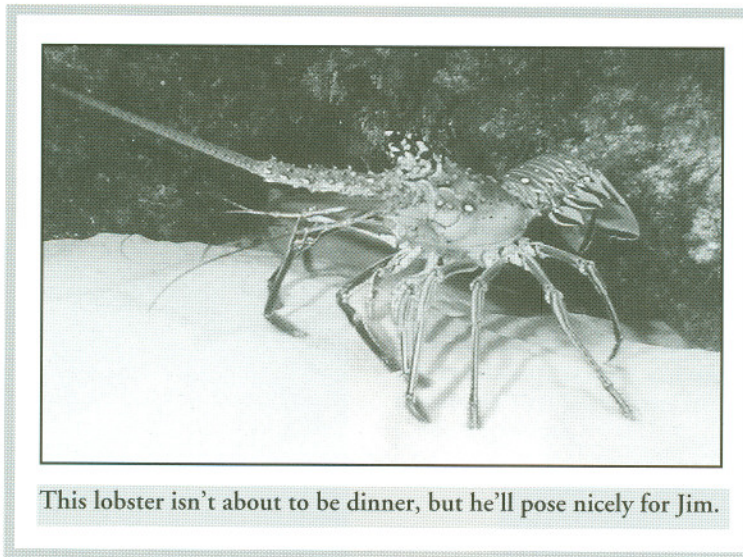
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Lynn was fine except when she had her head in the refrigerator digging out cold drinks. Suddenly the boat went down, but Lynn's stomach stayed 'up'. A quick break on deck in the fresh air and she was fine. After seven hours of motorsailing and rolling around in the high waves we got our reward. A school of whales greeted us into Abaco. There were 50 or more of these gorgeous creatures, some of which swam with DIVA and played in our bow wave. The majority stopped on the surface and watched us pass. At first we thought they were dolphins, as they were gray and about the same size as the Bottlenose ones we usually see. However, when one jumped over our bow wake, we realized their heads and faces were totally different. Lynn grabbed our 'Whale and Dolphin' guide and we determined they were Melon Headed Whales. Two days later two Scottish scientists, Alan and Colin, from the Whale Research Center in Marsh Harbor came to interview us about our whale sighting. We learned that Melon Headed Whales are rarely seen by man.

Friday, May 22nd we spent another day in paradise diving with friends. We did two great reef dives - The Tunnels and The Towers. On both dives we had to follow closely behind Keith, our dive master, who led us through caverns and tunnels, some of which were so narrow we could barely fit. The dark narrow tunnels opened into large 'rooms' with a hole in the top that let the sunlight stream through. It was incredibly beautiful and peaceful. There were schools of thousands of little silvery fish who barely moved as we swam through them. It was like swimming through the stars. Lynn completely overcame her fear of enclosed areas under water and enjoyed each and every tunnel! On our second dive we were accompanied by three shark. One was a nurse shark who was busy playing with a stainless steel shiny anchor chain from the dive boat's anchor. We couldn't quite understand why she had her nose under the chain when it kept beating her up and down as the boat rocked. Very strange behavior and we hope Jim's photos of her turn out. Then we were circled by a large lemon shark and a medium size reef shark. At first, Lynn hid behind Jim, but she soon realized these gorgeous creatures were very peaceful and just swimming through their territory.

On Wednesday, June 3rd, we said goodbye to our friends at Dive Abaco. We knew we'd spent too long in Marsh Harbor because there was growth on the anchor chain! Our hope is to travel northwest through the rest of the Abacos Islands to Walker's Cay (the most northerly island) and then turn right towards Wrightsville Beach and head home via the ocean. If we're successful in getting the appropriate weather window we could be home in 4-5 days (non-stop sailing). This will be a great experience for us. We've learned so much about sailing, cruising and life in general. We will never be the same.

June 9th, we bid the Bahamas a final farewell as we left Manjack Cut at 8 a.m. and headed into the big blue water of the Atlantic.



This lobster isn't about to be dinner, but he'll pose nicely for Jim.

Sea conditions were rough and the wind was howling pretty good. We took two hour watches and after the first few changes, we both found it pretty easy to sleep for two hours then steer for two. At 2:30, during Lynn's watch, the sky was lit up by an enormous light that turned out to be a rocket taking off from Cape Canaveral (about 150 miles away). It was beautiful and filled the sky with a huge bright yellow vapor trail which lasted even after the rocket was out of sight. We later learned it was an unmanned satellite. In addition to the spectacle NASA provided us, Mother Nature gave us a completely full bright moon to light our way.

At daybreak we listened to the weather report and learned there was a front off the east coast from Georgia to North Carolina. Rather than risk putting ourselves in the middle of nasty weather, we altered our course for Cape Canaveral.

We crossed the Gulf Stream without any problems and entered the inlet at Cape Canaveral about 7 p.m.

We decided to rent a car and play tourist while waiting for the weather to calm down. We spent one of our days at the Astronaut Hall of Fame. Now that we know everything about the space program we realize neither of us could ever fly in space.

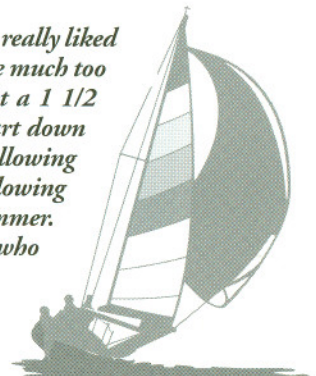
June 16th Mother Nature finally decided it was time for us to depart steaming hot Florida. Once out in the Gulf Stream we set our course for the Cape Fear sea buoy. Only 327 miles to go! We saw just about every sea condition be-

tween Cape Canaveral and Southport, from 6-10 foot seas to dead calm. It was a pleasant journey and a milestone for us because it was the longest we've ever been offshore.

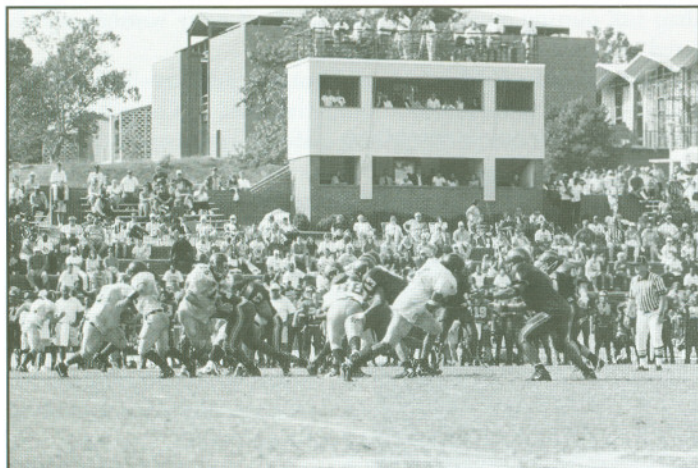
We reached the sea buoy at the Cape Fear Inlet at Southport, N.C. at 7:30 p.m. on June 18th. With darkness quickly approaching, we took a slip at Bald Head Island marina, called home to report our safe crossing and crashed for a full night's sleep. The next morning we headed up the Cape Fear River to the Masonboro Boat Yard. This will be DIVA'S home for the next few months as we paint, varnish and get her ready for the next long journey. Our plans are to return to the Bahamas. After that, who knows?

So, what to do this fall? Jim and Lynn really liked the Bahamas, and felt their winter there much too short. The Caribbean demands at least a 1 1/2 year commitment to see it properly (start down in November, be way far south for the following summer's hurricane season, stay the following winter, and return the second spring/summer. Today, the Bahamas win...tomorrow, who knows?

—Summer Brock



homecoming



The Monarch football team tackles Ferrum.



MC alumni Pat Quantz, Marsha Nardonne and Bob Nardone reminisce.



L. to r., Andrew Farriss speaks with Cumberland County Schools Superintendent Bill Harrison (MC Class of '74) at the MC Teacher Education Alumni Breakfast.

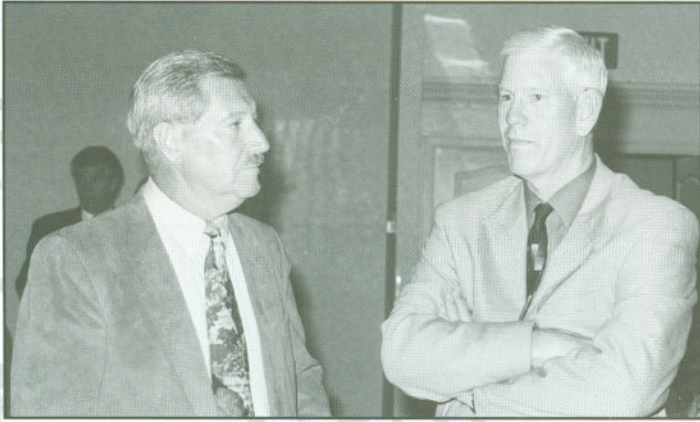


Lea Metz and members of the newly formed Student Alumni Association give out frisbees to MC Students.



Among those returning for the inaugural Hall of Fame Dinner were a number of former baseball players. The following gathered for a photo: Tommy Dent, John Donaldson, Larry Philpott, Phil Mullen, and Paul "Buster" Sanderford. Standing: Sam Tolar, Bobby Cobb, Howard Hudson, Earl Bunn, Donald Leatherman, Jerry Neal, Dick McInnis, Glen Hinnant and Wayne Spell.

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Former MC basketball players Carson Harmon '67 and Davis Bradley '68 visit at the Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet.



Bill Lowdermilk (center) and the winning foursome in the William P. Lowdermilk Golf Tournament, l. to r., John Donaldson, Dave Roller, Bobby Cobb, Wayne Spell.



The "Golden Touch" band from Atlanta made the dance a huge success.



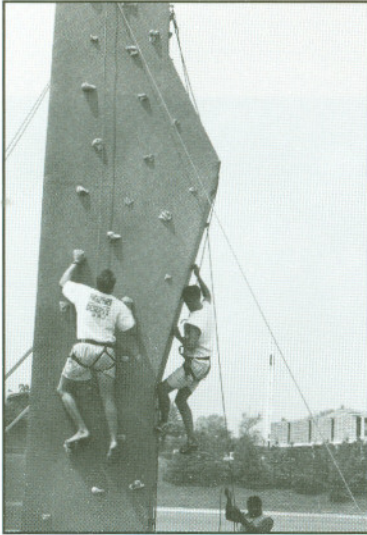
Homecoming Court (LtoR): Felix Sarfo-Kantanka, *king*; Brandi Byrd, *queen*; Summer Gilmore, *1st R/U*; Sigmund Platt, *2nd R/U*; Chere Marshall, *2nd R/U*; Trayfer Monroe, *1st R/U*.



Alumni Jeannie Denman and Cemishe Bell join MC students on the dance floor.



What's At Methodist College



Students try wall-climbing at the Back to School Bash.



President & Mrs. Hendricks greet their guests at a reception for international students Sept. 10.



The renovated press box at Monarch Field presents a striking backdrop for the balloon man on stilts at the Homecoming game.



Barbara Presnell reads from her poetry chapbook.



Members of Alpha Psi Omega and Monarch Playmakers in *Mild Mild West*, a mystery play/dinner theatre presentation Sept. 25

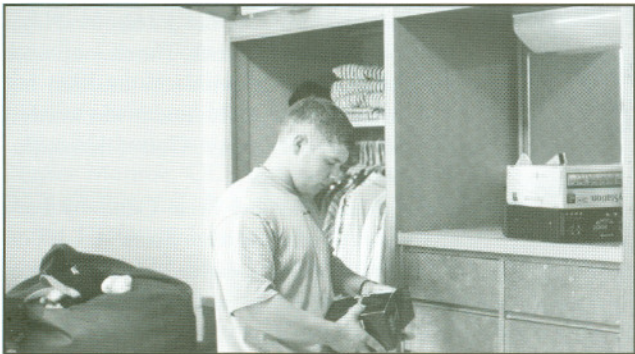


Candidates for office assemble in the Reeves Auditorium lobby prior to a Candidates Forum Oct. 27.

New?



Carole Ralston tutors a student in the new Writing Center.



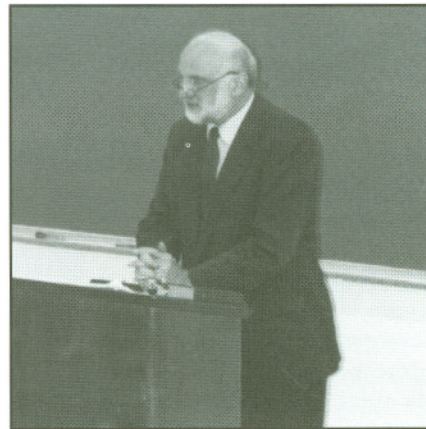
A freshman unpacks in Cumberland Hall.



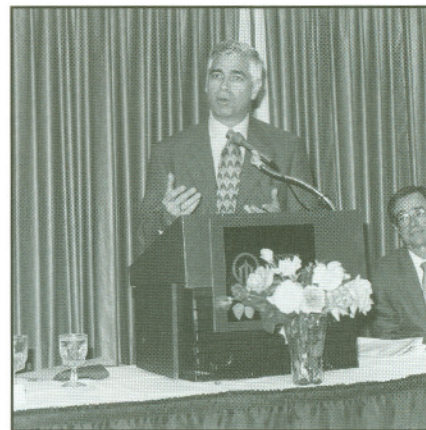
Students enrolled in the Lura Tally Leadership Development Program meet with advisory board members to discuss plans for 1998-99.



MC Laity Friends meet Oct. 3 in the Mallet-Rogers House; MC students Eddie Price and Shawn Hartman are guest presenters.



Dr. Walter Breuggemann of Columbia Theological Seminary gives the Womack Endowed Lecture Oct. 12, entitled, "Solomon and the Global Economy."



Harry Whalen, the new president of the Fayetteville Area Economic Development Corp., tells a Reeves School of Business luncheon audience Oct. 6, "Our aim is to be a winner in the race for new industrial projects."

An 18-member team from Methodist College spent fall break, Oct. 17-19, helping residents of Currituck, N. C. clean up after Hurricane Bonnie.

Fourteen students, two staff members, one parent, and one child of a staff member made the trip to Currituck, a small coastal community in the northeast corner of the state. They worked at eight different homes pre-selected by Mary Jane Wilson-Parsons, disaster response contact person for the N. C. Conference of the United Methodist Church.

The team slept and worked in the fellowship hall of Moyock United Methodist Church and a United Methodist Church at Grandy. On Sunday, Oct. 18 the team worshipped at Pilmoor Memorial UMC in Currituck and later visited the Currituck Lighthouse and the Wright Brothers Memorial. A few took a dip in the ocean.

Rev. Carrie Parrish, Methodist's campus minister and team leader, said the damage from Bonnie was still very evident six weeks after the hurricane passed. "We spent the bulk of our time cutting wood, gathering fallen limbs and other debris and then burning it," she noted. "We also mowed some grass. Our team achieved a real sense of community and worked very well together. Most of the team members acquired special nicknames during the mission."

The team showed slides of their work and shared anecdotes during a Wednesday chapel service Oct. 21. Since many of the residents they helped were elderly and unable to do yard work, the volunteers said they were greeted with great jubilation and gratitude. Their new-found friends included Grandma Louise, Shirley Hendrix, Helen Parfitt, Grandpa Dick



Methodist College students, parents and staff take on Hurricane Bonnie with a mission trip to Currituck N.C.

David Conover, the father of team member Brian Conover, drove 275 miles from Glen Falls, Virginia to help the team finish its work on Monday. Lynley Asay, Methodist's director of career services, brought her eight-year-old daughter Jessica along, who said of the experience, "Helping other people is helpful, and you'll get your work done!"

The Methodist College students who participated in the fall mission trip are: Andre Wisler, Stephanie Oldham, Jennifer Root, Shawn Hartman, Angela Pegram, Jessica Turnbaugh, Nick Picu, Lauren Cody, Priscilla Sellars, Jennifer Packard, Julia Best, Elizabeth McLeod, Sara Zender, Alaina Callahan, and Brian Conover.

Horn, and Grandma Marion, and Mr. Davis, to name just a few.

Mr. Davis, now 80, literally danced for joy because he was able to return to his house after spending several weeks with his daughter.

Grandpa Horn, who seemed to have the most damage, worked right beside the team members and told some great "Outer Banks" stories. Mr. Horn operates the only food pantry in Currituck, at Pilmoor United Methodist Church.

"I love every one of you!" said Grandma Louise as she hugged the departing team members.

"I don't have anything to give you," said Helen Parfitt, "but I sew, and if you ever need anything made, I'll do it for you."

The team did most of their work on Saturday and Monday and the weather was pleasant. They fixed their own dinner and breakfast, but ate fast food from McDonald's for lunch. The cleanup work left them dirty, with sore muscles, but most team members said it was worth it and they felt closer to God at the conclusion of the trip.



Repairing the Wrath of Bonnie.



Volunteers pause for a photo at Dick Horn's place.



Finding time for a smile in the middle of a long day.



The Monarch Pages

From football to basketball to track, MC athletes excel both on and off the field.

Monarch Football Snags 7 Wins

The 1998 Methodist College football squad made its 10th season an exciting one, registering a 7-3 record and finishing second in the new six-team Atlantic Central Football Conference.

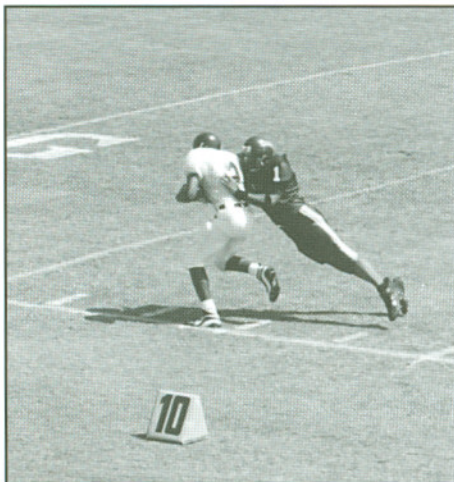
MC's 7-3 ledger is second-best in the program's history only to the 9-1 mark the Green and Gold posted in 1998. The Monarchs were a mere 12 points shy of going 9-1 for the second consecutive campaign.

Along the way, Methodist established a new single-season program record by scoring 257 total points, easily eclipsing the old mark of 246 set by the 1994 unit.

The Monarchs will also go down in history as the first Methodist team to finish undefeated on the road at 5-0.

MC topped Chowan, Apprentice, Jacksontonville, Greensboro and Frostburg State on the road while claiming home wins over Salisbury State and Hampden-Sydney.

For Methodist's eight senior starters - SS Trayfer Monroe, OG Andrew Mullis, WR William Ray, DT Rob Reimers, LB Chad Smith, DL Jimmy Summers, CB/PR Darien Tucker and QB Brian Turner - the seven wins meant a 27-13 (.675) career record, the best of any MC class.



Senior strong safety Trayfer Monroe (#1) dominated the ACFC with 116 tackles.



Senior quarterback Brian Turner (#19) was a triple crown winner in the ACFC.

In the ACFC's inaugural season, the Monarchs went 3-1 to finish behind Wesley (3-0), the one league team they didn't play. Methodist defeated Chowan (37-16), Salisbury State (21-7) and Frostburg State (20-14) while only losing to Ferrum (22-19 in OT) in ACFC action.

Turner was crowned the league's first individual champion in passing (179.1 yards per game), total offense (194.1) and pass efficiency (144.6 rating points).

For his swansong season, Turner hit 99 of 191 passes for 1,791 aerial yards and a program-best 16 touchdowns. He boosted his school-record career numbers to 5,538 passing yards and 44 passing touchdowns.

Turner was named the ACFC Offensive Player of the Week for his performances against Chowan and Ferrum. He was tabbed a *National Weekly Football Gazette* National Offensive Player of the Week for his game against Chowan.

Monroe became the ACFC's first tackles champion, tallying 116 in just nine games. His 373 career tackles narrowly missed Steve Burton's program-record 379 set in 1995.

Monroe was selected to three postseason All-America teams in 1997 and three pre-season All-America rosters in 1998. He was a *NWFG* National Defensive Player of the Week and issue cover feature for his dismantling of Hampden-Sydney.

Ray, a *NWFG* Regional Player of the Week against Apprentice, paced the ACFC in receptions (5.0 per game) and receiving yards (100.43).

Tucker led the league in punt returns with a 13.5-yard average. For the third-straight year, he dwelled in the NCAA-III's top 30, peaking at ninth after eight games.

In honor of superior community service and leadership excellence, Mullis was chosen to the American Football Coaches' Association "Good Works" Team for all NCAA and NAIA divisions.

A Decade of Monarch Football

| Year | W-L | Pct. | Coach |
|------|------|------|------------|
| 1989 | 0-10 | .000 | John Crea |
| 1990 | 0-10 | .000 | John Crea |
| 1991 | 2-8 | .200 | John Crea |
| 1992 | 0-10 | .000 | Jim Sypult |
| 1993 | 4-6 | .400 | Jim Sypult |
| 1994 | 5-5 | .500 | Jim Sypult |
| 1995 | 5-5 | .500 | Jim Sypult |
| 1996 | 6-4 | .600 | Jim Sypult |
| 1997 | 9-1 | .900 | Jim Sypult |
| 1998 | 7-3 | .700 | Jim Sypult |

Methodist Undergoes Athletic Staff Changes

The Methodist College Department of Athletics underwent many staff changes over the summer.



Bob McEvoy

BOB McEVOY became the school's fifth director of athletics, in August, replacing Rita Wiggs who resigned to pursue other interests.

Wiggs had served MC 12 years, including 11 as head women's basketball coach and seven as director of athletics.

McEvoy, the assistant director of athletics the past three years, is in his seventh year as the Monarchs' men's basketball coach. He previously coached at Cape Fear High School, UNC-Greensboro and Mount Olive College.

An assistant trainer the past three years, **JENNIFER WUYSCIK** has been promoted to head athletic trainer and director of the sports medicine program.

She replaced Jill Craig, who left after six years at Methodist to become the head athletic trainer at Texas Woman's University.

Wuyscik came to Methodist from Flowing Wells Junior High School in Tuscon, Arizona in 1995, where she was head athletic trainer.

She is joined in the training room by **CHRIS GARRETT** and Brandon Reynolds, who replaced Wuyscik and Erik Hayes as assistant athletic trainers.

Hayes left after one year to become an assistant athletic trainer at Taylor University.

Garrett comes to Methodist from Hargrave Military Academy, where he was the head athletic trainer. He earned a B.S. degree from Ferrum College in 1996 and an M.S. from West Virginia University in 1997.

BRANDON REYNOLDS was most recently an intern athletic trainer at Bridgewater College. He received his B.S. degree from Bridgewater in 1996 and an M.S. degree from Northwestern State University in 1998.



Jennifer Wuyscik



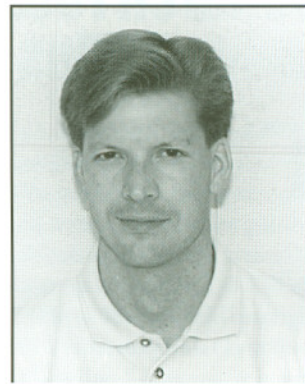
Chris Garrett

DOUG TABBERT was tabbed as the head women's volleyball coach, replacing Brenda Hillman who left MC after three years to pursue her doctorate degree. He is coming off of a two-year stint as a graduate assistant coach for Bluffton College in both volleyball and softball.

Tabbert earned a B.S. degree in psychology and business admin-



Brandon Reynolds



Doug Tabbert

istration from Baker University in 1989. He is completing an M.E. in developmental kinesiology from Bowling Green State University.

DAN ARNOLD has been chosen as the head women's tennis coach and assistant director of the Methodist professional tennis management program.

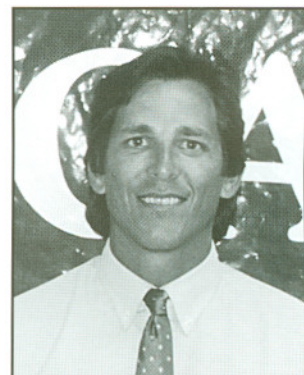
He joins MC following a two-year term as a graduate assistant in teaching and research for Appalachian State University.

Arnold earned an associate's degree in applied science in accounting from Cobleskill College in 1987 and a B.S. degree in business from Buffalo State College in 1995. He received an M.A. degree in health, leisure and exercise

science with a concentration in sport management from Appalachian State in May.

DAVID SMITH takes over a new full-time position as assistant men's basketball coach after volunteering his services the past three years. He was the head junior varsity coach at South View High School.

Smith earned a bachelor's degree from Methodist in 1981 and a master's degree from the University of North Carolina. While at MC, the three-year starter was his team's MVP for his senior campaign.



David Smith

Monarch Harriers Run To Second and Third in DIAC

For the fourth consecutive season, the Methodist College men's cross country team earned runner-up honors at the DIAC championship meet.

The Lady Monarchs finished third in the meet for their highest finish in the event's six-year history.

Junior Jon Adams finished ninth in the 46-runner race while freshman Thomas Swansey ended up 10th and sophomore Kurtis Fisher placed 13th as the Monarchs collected three Second Team All-DIAC finishers.

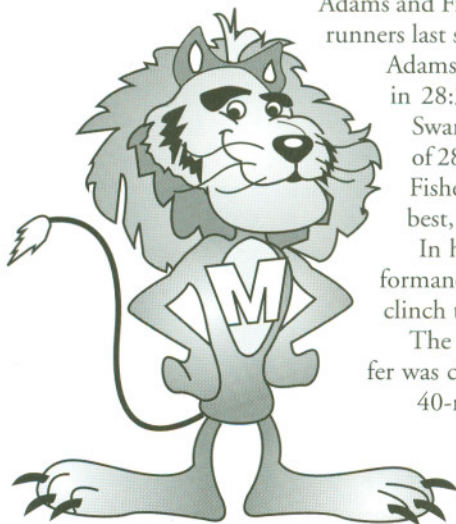
Adams and Fisher were also Second Team All-DIAC runners last season.

Adams completed the eight-kilometer course in 28:34, setting a personal record by 3:19.

Swansey established a new personal record of 28:36, surpassing his previous PR by 1:09. Fisher's time of 28:59 was also a personal best, improving his old mark by 41 seconds.

In her first-ever college cross country performance, junior Trish Smith placed 14th to clinch the last Second Team All-DIAC spot.

The Catonsville Community College transfer was clocked at 23:30 for the five-kilometer, 40-runner race.



Go Monarchs!



Freshman Thomas Swansey finished 10th for Second Team All-DIAC distinction.

Trisha Clinton Named Dixie Conference Player of the Year



Junior forward Trisha Clinton dominated the DIAC in scoring (26 goals, six assists, 58 points) on her way to Conference Player of the Year accolades.

At the conclusion of the regular season, the four-time DIAC Player of the Week was ranked seventh in the country in goals and 10th in points.

Clinton set a new school record with five goals in an 8-2 victory at Chowan.

Junior forward Jill Catron, senior back Corene King and sophomore midfielder Elizabeth McLeod all joined Clinton on the First Team All-DIAC.

Catron (16 goals, 13 assists, 45 points) was second in the conference to Clinton in scoring and 20th nationally in assists.

Marred by the loss of 21 seniors over the previous three years, Coach Phil Stephenson's fourth Methodist team possessed only two seniors; King and midfielder Rebecca Lynch.

The young Lady Monarch squad endured one of the region's top five toughest schedules to post a 7-10 overall slate.

Methodist outscored DIAC foes by an overwhelming 36-7 on its way to a 5-1 mark for conference runner-up honors.

MC fell a mere one goal shy of becoming the league's first-ever 6-0 team.

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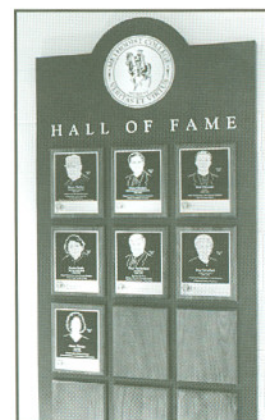
GENE CLAYTON

Currently Methodist College's vice-president for business affairs since 1985, Gene Clayton has played many roles for the Monarchs since becoming the director of athletics and the head men's basketball coach in 1966. His 19-year tenure as Methodist's director of athletics still ranks as the longest term of any Monarch AD in the 35-year history of the athletic program. Clayton was instrumental in the progression of the athletic program from three varsity intercollegiate sports to 18 while coaching three of his seven basketball teams to conference championships. He has also coached the Monarchs in men's and women's cross country, men's and women's tennis and men's golf.



ANN DAVIDSON

A 1998 inductee to the National Golf Coaches Association Hall of Fame as well, Ann Davidson guided the Lady Monarch golf team to five consecutive national championships during her five seasons as head coach from 1990-95. She also produced 17 All-Americans and four national champions. Since retiring from Methodist in 1995, she has continued to serve the golf industry at camps and tournaments as an LPGA teaching professional.



The Athletic Hall of Fame.



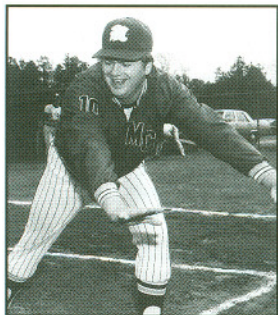
KAREN GRANT

The first national champion to don a Methodist uniform, Karen Grant excelled as a jumper and sprinter for the Monarchs in track and field during the 1985-86 and 1986-87 campaigns. She competed for Methodist for two seasons following a two-year stint for the University of Nebraska. Between indoor and outdoor competition, Grant was a four-time national champion in the triple jump and a three-time national runner-up in the long jump. She also earned top five finishes in the 55-meter dash and the 100-meter dash on her way to becoming a nine-time NCAA-III All-American; a feat unparalleled in MC history. The Monarchs' only four-time national champion in any sport, Grant formerly held two NCAA-III national records and currently holds five Methodist College records. Since leaving Methodist, she has coached jumpers for Sumter High School's men's and women's track and field teams in Sumter, SC. Her many coaching successes include eventual NCAA-I national champion triple jumper Nicole Gamble and national scholastic champion long jumper Maurice Engle.



ROB PILEWSKI

Still Methodist's only four-time All-American men's golfer, Rob Pilewski competed for the Monarchs from 1988-1992. The 1990 NCAA-III national champion, Pilewski was a four-time team MVP and the member of three national championships squads. A two-year team captain, Pilewski also collected the 1990 Sykes Cup, recognizing Methodist's athlete of the year. He also represented the United States in the 1992 U.S.A./Japan Matches. Pilewski is now a golf pro in Southern Pines.



PAUL SANDERFORD

A two-year All-DIAC baseball player, Paul Sanderford earned team MVP and honorable mention All-American distinction during his senior season in 1972. He has since gone on to a very successful coaching career.

After two years as an assistant coach for the Methodist men's basketball and baseball teams, Sanderford went on to serve as the head women's basketball coach at Louisburg College for six campaigns and at Western Kentucky for 15 years. While at Western Kentucky, he directed the Lady Toppers to 12 NCAA-I Tournament berths, including three Final Four appearances. This past year, Sanderford capped his inaugural season as the head women's basketball coach at the University of Nebraska with a trip to the 1998 NCAA-I Tournament.

Inductees (L to R),

Lori Stephenson
(accepting for
Anne Thorpe),
Ann Davidson,
Gene Clayton,
Paul Sanderford,
Karen Grant,
Rob Pilewski, family of
the late Bruce Shelley:
Marilyn Shelley Long,
Rubelle Shelley,
Becky Shelley Byrd.

1998 Methodist College ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME Inaugural Class of Inductees



GENE CLAYTON

Coach/Administrator (1966-1985)

- * Coached Six Sports *
- * Coached Nine Conference Champions *
- * Director of Athletics for 20 Years *

ANN DAVIDSON

Golf Coach (1990-95)

- * Five National Championship Teams *
- * 17 All-Americans *
- * Four individual National Champions *

KAREN GRANT

Track and Field (1985-87)

- * Nine-time All-American *
- * Four-time National Champion *
- * Two National Records *

ROB PILEWSKI

Golf (1988-1992)

- * Four-time All-American *
- * 1990 National Champion *
- * 1992 USA/Japan Matches *

PAUL SANDERFORD

Baseball (1970-72)

- * Two-time First Team All-DIAC *
- * Division I Women's Basketball Coach *
- (13 NCAA Tournaments, Three Final Fours)

BRUCE SHELLEY

Baseball Coach (1968-1977)

- * Founder of Methodist Baseball *
- * Two-time DIAC Coach of the Year *
- * Coached MC's First Two DIAC Champions
& First Two Tournament Teams National*

ANNE THORPE

Soccer (1987-1991)

- * Methodist's All-time Leading Scorer *
- * Four-time All-American *
- * Three-time Academic All-American *



BRUCE SHELLEY

The father of Methodist College baseball, Bruce Shelley founded the program in 1969 and coached its first nine teams. He also designed and built the Monarchs' baseball field, which is now known as Shelley Field. Shelley came to Methodist in 1966 as a physical education instructor, a cross country coach and an assistant men's basketball coach. Prior to that,

he had taught and coached at Angier High School. While at the helm of the Monarchs, Shelley guided MC to its first winning season (15-10 in 1972), its first four Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference titles (1972, 1974, 1976, 1977) and its first two NCAA-III tournament appearances (1976, 1977). His teams compiled a 153-118 slate (.564) and often battled the ACC's best. Shelley died, at the age of 60, on May 10, 1997 after a short but courageous battle with cancer.



ANNE THORPE

Still Methodist's only four-time NCAA-III All-American in a team sport, Anne Thorpe played for the Lady Monarch soccer team from 1987-1991 and started for three Final Four teams. Currently MC's all-time career leader in both goals and assists, Thorpe also earned Academic All-American status during three consecutive campaigns. The three-year team captain was also one

of only 12 athletes chosen from all divisions to receive an NCAA post graduate scholarship. Thorpe is currently a physical therapist in West Hartford, CT.

Monarch Sports Briefs

Monarchs Claim Another Top 25 Finish

Methodist College finished tied for 21st among the country's 373 NCAA-III institutions in the 1997-98 NACDA/Sears Directors' Cup final standings, recognizing the country's top overall athletic programs.

It marked the second time in the three-year history of the Division III Cup that the Monarchs landed in the nation's top 25. MC was 13th in 1995-96 and 59th in 1996-97.

In 1997-98, Methodist's 18-sport program boasted six postseason teams led by national championships in men's and women's golf.

Conley Captures Career Championship Number 50

Methodist men's golf coach Steve Conley earned his 50th career tournament title when the Monarchs successfully defended their Gordin Classic championship, Oct. 15, in Surfside Beach, SC.

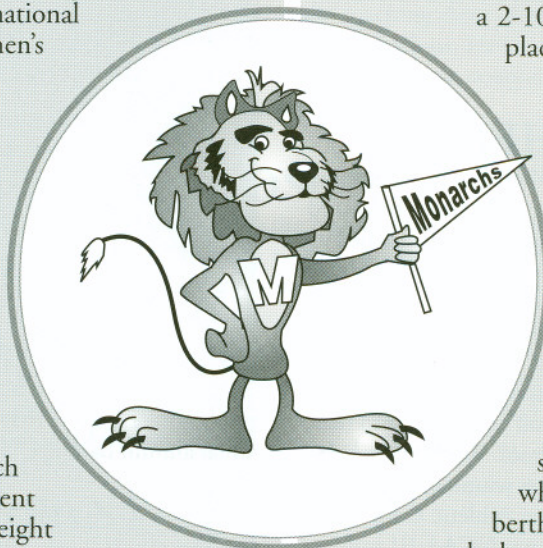
In his 12th campaign as head coach at Methodist, Conley's 50 tournament wins include nine DIAC titles and eight national crowns.

Smith Earns All-Conference Accolades Again

Senior forward Paul Smith was named to the First Team All-DIAC for the third consecutive season. The program's third all-time leading scorer, Smith (47 goals, 20 assists, 114 points) was the team's leading scorer (12 goals, six assists, 30 points) for the third-straight year.

Smith and defender Felix Sarfo-Kantanka were the lone seniors on the young 5-13-1 Methodist squad which lost six games by only one goal and two contests by two.

The team's season highlights include the program's first-ever road win (4-2) against Mary Washington, a returning Final Four team, and a Senior Day victory (3-2) over DIAC foe Shenandoah to close out the season.



Barnes Nabs All-Conference Volleyball Honors

Senior setter Julie Barnes has been named to the Second Team All-DIAC, becoming Methodist's first all-conference volleyball player in four years.

Barnes finished fifth in the DIAC in assists (6.61 per game), fifth in attack percentage (.278) and eighth in blocks (0.66 per game).

The four-year starter led the Lady Monarchs to a 14-18 record, their best in five seasons. MC swept the two-match series from Christopher Newport to post a 2-10 DIAC mark, good enough for sixth place in the league.

Lady Monarchs Ranked Number One

Coach DeeDee Jarman's second Lady Monarch basketball team is ranked No. 1 in the DIAC pre-season coaches' poll for the first time ever in the poll's 15-year history.

Jarman returns 10 of 11 letter winners, including four starters, from last season's 16-11 DIAC runner-up squad which missed an NCAA-III Tournament berth by two points in an overtime loss in the league tournament's championship game.

Returning starters senior center Amy Todd, a two-time First Team All-DIAC player, junior forward Erin Updegrove, junior guard Triba Williams and sophomore guard Sissy Sink head Methodist's talented veteran list.

MacPack Predicted to Finish Sixth in the DIAC

Coach Bob McEvoy's seventh pack of Monarchs is ranked sixth in the seven-team DIAC according to the preseason coaches' poll.

Senior guard Montrell McNair, a two-time First Team All-DIAC selection, will lead an exciting mix of veterans and newcomers.

A Very Distinguished Gentleman

Reverend Michael Safley has received a most distinguishing...and well-deserved honor.

The Methodist College Alumni Association has awarded its Distinguished Alumni Award for 1998 to The Reverend Michael W. Safley, Class of 1972. Lynn Carraway, MCAA president, presented the award to Reverend Safley Oct. 3 at the College's annual alumni banquet.

Reverend Safley is president of the Methodist Home for Children—Child & Family Services and lives in Raleigh. The agency which he heads employs over 300 and operates twelve group homes for children across North Carolina, as well as emergency homes, emergency shelters, and seven juvenile detention facilities.

Under his leadership, MHC has started a fund drive to build a Child and Family Enrichment Center adjacent to its Raleigh headquarters; this facility will provide care for up to 140 children and serve as a resource for churches and communities seeking local child care solutions.

Prior to assuming the MHC presidency in July 1997, Reverend Safley served ten years as vice president of student affairs/dean of students at Methodist College. An ordained elder in the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church, he was chaplain and area supervisor to MHC from 1975 to 1978 and was a member of the agency's board of trustees from 1985 to 1992.

A native of Durham, N.C., he previously served in the N. C. Conference as pastor of the Middleburg Charge for four years and associate director of the Council on Ministries for five years. He holds a Master of Divinity degree from Duke University and a B.A. in English and History from Methodist College. ■



Lynn Carraway and Reverend Michael Safley



Bryan May presents award to Dr. Folsom at alumni banquet.

She's Got Teaching Down To a Science!

Margaret Folsom is an *Outstanding Science* teacher...just ask her former students.

The Methodist College Alumni Association recently presented its Outstanding Faculty Award for 1998 to Dr. Margaret Folsom, professor of biology and director of the Division of Science at Methodist College. Bryan May '92, MCAA 1st vice president, presented the award to Dr. Folsom Oct. 3 at the College's annual alumni banquet.

Dr. Folsom joined the Methodist faculty in 1973. A native of Plano, Iowa, she was named Professor of the Year in 1992. She holds bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Northern Iowa and a Ph.D. from N. C. State University. A comparative physiologist/toxicologist with particular interest in the insects, she has taught at least ten different science courses at Methodist and has secured several major grants for the Science Department in recent years.

The popular and witty professor is noted for nurturing science majors and helping them gain admission to graduate school and medical school. Her students describe her as "an excellent and thorough teacher who is willing to work with every student to ensure success and mastery of the subject matter." Dr. Folsom keeps in close touch with science alumni and tracks their latest accomplishments.

Dr. Folsom is also a good sport. At Homecoming 1997 she was the top vote getter in Tri Beta's pig-kissing contest and kissed the piglet not once, but twice (once for a photographer), during half-time at the football game.

Her colleagues in the Science Building persuaded Dr. Folsom to attend the alumni banquet on the pretext that Dr. Linda Sue Barnes was to get an award. She was completely surprised when her name was called. "I am grateful for this honor," she said afterward. "I accept with gratitude to my former students. This is a great way to celebrate my twenty-fifth year of teaching at Methodist." ■

Class Notes

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Class Notes

The Who, What and Where of Methodist College Alumni

1965

WALTER TURNER is Development Coordinator for the North Carolina Transportation Museum Foundation in Spencer, N.C. His duties are fundraising and membership development. He has published historical articles about airports, railroad stations and Piedmont Airlines. Walter and his wife, Pamela, live in Greensboro.

1966

JIM LINK has been promoted to three-star general and become deputy of U.S. Army Material Command in Alexandria, Va. The Army Material Command has about 60,000 people working in 42 states and 12 foreign countries.



MARIE ZAHNAN REALE became a grandmother last year when her daughter, Elizabeth Morgan, gave birth to Jacqueline Marie. Son, James, has graduated from Johnson and Wales University and is now a chef. Son, Joseph, has graduated from N.C. State.

1967

PAT BALL MCADAMS is teaching at St. Timothy's private school in Raleigh, N.C. She also makes handbags and totes. She's been selling them through word-of-mouth but soon will be teaming up to sell them through Crafter Collections.

BRADLEY MINSHEW is recovering from cancer. We wish him continued success in his battle. He'd love to hear from friends, so write him at: 3869 Island Dr., Topsail Beach, N.C. 28460.

1968

DAVID YOUNT and his wife became grandparents in March. His youngest daughter got married in April. He also has a new accounting office in Southern Pines.

SANDRA STRICKLAND FLEISHMAN has returned to teaching. She's at Algier B. Wilkins School in Fayetteville, teaching 4th grade.

JOHN GARDNER is now with Superior Consultant Company which does strategic planning for health care organizations.

BILLIE STALEY FORMAN reports that her son recently graduated from UNC-Charlotte.

LYDIA BRYAN RICKS has retired after teaching for 30 years! She had been teaching remedial reading in grades 1 - 3.

1969

VIVIAN RICKER GEIGER is a volunteer with Families for Children in Cumberland County.

APPIE WALSTON BOLTON and her husband, Tommy, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary August 1, 1998 with a poolside reception at the Holiday Inn I-95 in Fayetteville.

SANDRA JOHNSON STOLZER is teaching math at Princeton High School in New Jersey.

MICHAEL HALE has been named Director of Church and Community Services for Methodist Home for Children.

1970

TOM MIRIELLO has been selected as a member of Who's Who Among Top Executives. To be chosen for inclusion, candidates must have

held a position of major responsibility or have attained significant achievement in their field. Tom's achievement spans a distinguished 27 year career in local, state and national public as well as private sector management.

WILLIAM WILLIAMS is a vice president of TCS Corp. in Huntersville, N.C. He and his wife, Susan, live in Cornelius, N.C.

DIANE QUALLIOTINE MANN is now assistant director at the General Research Center at Wake Forest School of Medicine.

JAN STEPHENS DAVIS' daughter was one of the top five seniors in the Raleigh, N.C. District in 1996. She is now a sophomore at Appalachian State University.

REID SHEPPARD is a minister and social worker with Cumberland County Mental Health.

LARRY AND KAY EHRIG FRAZIER have two children. Son, Aaron, is a senior at Pine Forest High School in Fayetteville and a member of the marching band. Daughter, Laura, is in the 8th grade at Spring Lake Middle School. Larry is in his 29th year of teaching. He's currently at Pine Forest High School. Kay is at Howard Hall Elementary School as the bookkeeper.

DOUG LEWIS has fond memories of his MC days. He's still active in church and community organization.

FRANK AND MARIETTA MOORE DIXON '69 live in Loganville, Ga. Frank is a regional director for Unilever, which is based in Atlanta. Marietta is a homemaker. They have 2 daughters; Etta, a sophomore at Davidson, and Farris, age 12.

1971

STEVE SIMS reports that his daughter, Molly, has graduated from MIT and is now with Westinghouse-Siemens in Charlotte, N.C.

DIANNE VANN COX is an adult services supervisor with Sampson County Social Services. Her daughter, Stephanie, is a junior at North Carolina State.

CHARLES BRADSHAW is starting a real estate business. His son, John, has been accepted at N.C. State University.

1972

JULIE HAMILTON SMITH is currently teaching kindergarten at Florence Elementary in Greensboro, N.C. She is a certified trainer with Talents Unlimited - one of only seven in the state. She has two sons, Robert, a junior at East Carolina University, and Lyle, 16, who plays football and baseball at Grimsley High School.

BOB AND KATHY HOLLAND '71 JEFFREYS have one daughter at N.C. State and the other in elementary school. Bob owns his own business and Kathy teaches 6th grade at Pine Forest Middle School in Fayetteville.

1973

HEATHER LLOYD ANDREWS is now an Alzheimer's activity aide for a health facility in Wisconsin. Her husband retired from the U.S. Coast Guard last year after 21 years. They have two sons, Tim, 12, and Kasey, 10.

FLETCHER AND DARYL OGLESBY POULK live in Morehead City, N.C. where Fletcher is with Sherwin-Williams Paints. His sales leadership has been so good, he is a member of the company's President's Club. He and Daryl recently returned from a trip to Cancun, Mexico. They've also been to Hawaii, which Fletcher says is better than Cancun.

CAROLYN MULLENAX SMITH married John Hair, Jr. Dec. 24, 1997.

SUSAN RUSSELL LACY is working as a music teacher in Franklin County Middle School with grades 6, 7 and 8.

1974

JOHN ANDREWS retired from the U.S. Army last May at the rank of Lt. Colonel.

MARGARET COTTINGHAM MOODY has been teaching in the public schools for 25 years. Her oldest son, Jamie, is a sophomore at Clemson. Her younger children, Dana and Meg are in high school and the seventh grade respectively.

CHARLOTTE MOORE MCLAURIN is in her 24th year of teaching in Cumberland County. Her son, Jonathan is a junior at UNC-Chapel Hill where he is a member of the marching band and pep band.

ALLEN MACDONALD is active in the Methodist Church in Lothian, Maryland. He has retired from the military.

1975

LAURA PIERCE YOUNTS is now a grandmother with a grandson named Dylan.

1976

CYNTHIA WRIGHT COLLINS' son Christopher was married June 20, 1998.

BECKI BOATWRIGHT has written a book "Getting Equipped to Stop Bullying - A Kid's Survival Kit for Understanding and Coping with Violence in the Schools". The book is available through Educational Media, P. O. Box 21311, Minneapolis, Minn. 55421.

KATHIA ELLIOTT ENNETT is the assistant principal of Lillian Black Elementary School in Fayetteville. She says she really enjoys the work.

CONNIE PARROUS KOTSOPOULOS is working for the Airborne Special Operation Museum Foundation.

1977

BETTIE YORK is a member of the International Society of Poets. She has completed a book and has also been named to Who's Who in the South-Southwest.

MARSHA HUDSON was married in late-September. She is with IBM in Raleigh, N.C.

1978

TIMOTHY AND CAROL TINDELL LLOYD, '76, are both teachers and have changed schools this year. Carol is teaching at the new Massey Hill Classical High School in Fayetteville. She says she's "died and gone to teacher heaven!" Timothy is working at Terry Sanford as the new choir director.

1979

WILLIAM CROMPTON challenges others in the Class of 1979 to participate in the Loyalty Fund. He hopes the class will not be among the lowest this year.

MELISSA WILLIAMS JOHNSON lives in Kenansville with her husband, Ron. She teaches private piano students. She recently completed her master's degree in piano pedagogy at East Carolina University. She has also been recognized as a nationally certified teacher of piano by the Music Teachers National Association (MTNA).

LT. COL. JAKIE SNAPP has assumed duties as the Executive Officer for the 1,100 soldier 25th Infantry Division Support Command at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. He arrived there in July after command and staff assignments in Bosnia, Croatia and Germany.

HILDA MILES GRAVES is teaching 4th grade with the Guilford County School System.

ROSEMARIE BRANTLEY CUNNINGHAM'S son, Leonard, is a senior at Pine Forest High School. Hopes are that he may attend Methodist next year.

MARY JANE KIRBY has been included in the 4th edition of Who's Who Among American Teachers. She has completed her masters in administration supervision. She also has a new grandson, Jared Christopher.

1980

SCOTT PETRY and his family are busy. Scott is participating in an international prayer group. His wife, Janice, is substituting at a local school. Their daughter has now started kindergarten.

WILLIAM CROUT and his wife are the proud parents of a son, Daniel Sloan, born April 15.

1981

DAVID HAYS has been named director of development for the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service and executive director of the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service Foundation at N.C. State University in Raleigh.



ARTURO JIMENEZ is now married and has a daughter. He was named the Washington Post Coach of the Year in 1996 soccer and has taken several select teams to National Championships. He is the director of the Jimenez Soccer Camp and began work as a health and physical education teacher this fall.

JIMMY VESTAL married Margaret Simpson on Dec. 27, 1997. He became pastor of Bethesda Friends Meeting in Dunn, N.C. on July 1, 1998.

1982

MARK EVANCHO and his wife, **SANDY SELLERS EVANCHO** '84, have 3 children: Zachary, 7, Patrick, 5, and recent addition, Emily, 4 months. They are living in Fuquay-Varina, N.C. where Sandy is a full-time mom and homemaker. Mark is with IBM as a Global Procurement Manager. They love and enjoy every minute they spend with their kids.

1984

CAL VIOLETTE is serving as assistant principal at Cliffdale Elementary School in Fayetteville. He and his wife, Allison, have two children, Jamie, 5, and Jane, 3.

MICHAEL CURRIE and his wife welcomed their second child in October.

HELEN MATTHEWS is pursuing another degree at Forsythe Community College. She's studying radiography.

TIMOTHY AND TAMMY BAIN CLEMO '82 have two daughters, ages 11 and 9.

LOIS NOVAK-BAXTER is working as an elementary school teacher in Plant City, Fla.

FABIENNE LOCKWOOD BUTLER and her husband are expecting their second child in March.

NEIL MCNEILL got married April 26, 1997.

1985

ANTHONY AMBROSE is a social studies teacher at Williamston High School in Williamston, N.C.

ANITA STEPHENSON and her husband had their first son in 1997. Anita is currently working at Four Oaks Bank and Trust in Four Oaks, N.C.

1986

NITA THOMPSON ROSE and her husband are preparing to build a house. They have two sons; one in 2nd grade and the other in kindergarten.

DR. LAURA KAFKA gave a recital of Polish music at Carnegie Hall in New York City. The concert was broadcast live on WNYC radio.

1987

DAVID AND DEDRA TART '88 **CULBRETH** are expecting their first child in late October. David has been promoted to Major in the U.S. Army and is the S3 Operations Officer for 1-252 Armor in Fayetteville.

NANCY WHITTAKER GALLAGHER is working with the Georgia Eye Bank and recently completed her master's at the University of Nebraska.

PHYLLIS MCDONALD OWENS received the designation of Certified Economic Developer this past May after graduating from the Economic Development Institute and spending five years in the profession (a requirement for taking the exam). The certification is awarded by the American Economic Development Association. In August, Phyllis accepted the position of vice president with Carolinas Gateway Partnership. She will be handling the economic development for Nash County in cooperation with Edgecombe County under the Partnership umbrella.

JOAN DALE is the service manager of Stewart Nissan-Oldsmobile in Fayetteville. She is the first woman service manager for a Fayetteville dealership. Joan has been in the service department for six years, working first as a service advisor, then as the assistant service manager prior to her promotion.

JENNIFER PEARCE PROCTOR and her husband have two children; Veronica, 6 and Aaron, 3.

1988

TERESA TRIPP ANDREWS'S son, Anthony Aaron, celebrated his 1st birthday October 21.

BETSY ROSS CONNER has achieved master level certification in substance abuse work. Husband, Ernest, 73, has retired following 35 years of federal employment.

RICHARD BUTLER and his wife, Jennifer, are the proud parents of a new son. Joshua Ryan was born July 5.

1989

DON PHIPPS received his doctorate from Appalachian State University last spring.

MARY ROWLAND has been named Best Actress for the 1997-98 season at Raleigh Little Theatre. This is the second time she has won the award.

TROY HEUSTESS has been named head baseball coach at Appalachian State University following seven years as an assistant coach.

HUBERT BARKLEY and his wife, Monica, are expecting a baby in January.

RENEE COLLINS and her husband, Anthony, son, Blake, and daughter, Blair have move to Hickory, N.C. Renee teaches math at an area high school.

ANGELA BENJAMIN is a manager for Productivity Point International.

JOANNE GIBSON has moved to Winston-Salem, N.C. to continue her education.

SANDRA SMITH and her husband added a baby boy to their family May 13. His name is Jared Ethan Charles Smith.

TAMMY FLYNN is going back to school at North Carolina State to study communication disorders.

1990

JEFF "BEEKAR" RIVERS and his wife, **ANGIE BRYANT RIVERS** '92 announce the birth of their son, Bryant Keith, on April 1, 1998. He weighed 6 lbs. and was almost 20" tall.

MARY NAN CIAMP THOMPSON is now a professional artist.

JEANNIE DOUGALL BEATON has a baby girl, Emily Jean, one-year-old.

TERRY ANDREWS married Rachel Nowiski Sept. 12 at Northwood Temple Church in Fayetteville. Both are working at Kelly Springfield Tire Company.

1991

MIKE PEREGRIN won the Lackawanna County Golf Championship with a score of 3 over par 219. Mike is a Head Start teacher in the Scranton, Penn. area.

TIMOTHY HELMS has been appointed mayor pro tem of Aberdeen, N.C.

KATHERINE LEITH FRALEY is attending graduate school at the University of South Carolina.

CHERYL BUECK is teaching 4th grade in Mosheim, Tenn.

AUDREY HOUSER will graduate in Dec. with her master's in special education.

DEANNA MOULDER married George Hamm of Binghamton, N.Y. May 19 at Breezes Resort, Cable Beach, Bahamas. Deanna is a cytotechnologist at Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte. George is a retail manager of Structure. They will live in Charlotte.

TIMMY GODWIN married Angela Tyndall May 8 on Holden Beach, N.C. Timmy is a sales representative with Quality Insulation in Nashville, Tenn. Angela is an account executive with SFX Broadcasting and The Rock 105.9 in Nashville.

LISA JOHNSON HILL and her husband, Wayne, announce the birth of their first child, Allen Wayne, on March 4, 1998. Lisa is a CPA with Todd, Rivenbark and Puryear in Fayetteville.

CHRISTOPHER MACE and his wife had their second child, Dale, August 26.

1992

LAURIE BRUCKER PANGILINAN and her husband, Rick, proudly announce the birth of their 2nd daughter, Brittany Morgan, May 18, 1998. Their first daughter, Ashleigh Taylor, is 2 1/2.

KELLY TAYLOR MCKOY married a police officer who is also a professional wrestler. She is teaching in Cumberland County Schools.

DAVID AND ANGIE CONRAD HOLMES had a baby girl, Abbey Ann, April 3, 1998. David plays pro soccer for the South Jersey Barons in the USISL D3. They won the division championship in only their 2nd year. He works for Soccer Quest full-time, where he coaches children 5 - 18-years old all over New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland and Penn. Angie recovered brilliantly after the baby. She works for Rollins Truck Leasing in the insurance division. She will begin playing soccer again next spring for her club team in Philadelphia.

BOB MCCLURG is still with Nike and has recently accepted a running field rep position in Atlanta. His responsibilities include everything from technical support to running specialty stores and promoting the brand through the grass roots marketing of running events.

HANK KLEIN led the way for his team in winning the Lakeside Invitational, generally regarded as the city championship, in Richmond, Va. Hank was the only player to beat par in the event which ended with a two-hole sudden death playoff.

TRACI WILSON has completed her master's thesis in exercise physiology.

JOSEPH MCCOY completed his master's degree in management at Western Carolina University in May 1998.

MICHELLE KARL was married Sept. 26.

1993

ANGELA GARNER BUCHHOLZ and her husband, George, proudly announce the birth of their son, Andrew Tyler, on July 17, 1998. George is an environmental consultant for Langley McDonald and Angela is a quality assurance supervisor at Mitsubishi Chemical.

L. MEREDITH WILKINS has been elected a vice president with First Citizens Bank in Fayetteville.

RICH WITTMAN graduated from North Carolina State University, College of Veterinary Medicine in May. He will be practicing at Yadkin Park Animal Hospital in Southern Pines, N.C. and living in Pinehurst.

DEBBIE ANDERS BARTO will begin work on her master's degree next summer.

MISTY LOONEY and her husband, Jay, have a baby girl, born August 24.

RICHARD ALLEN FRENCH has received his M.S. in Hospital Administration from Central Michigan University. He is a 1st Lt. in the Air Force Medical Service Corp., stationed at Dyess AFB in Texas.

JO ANN KOPP GRIFFEL and her husband have bought a new home in La Vista, Neb. Their first child was due in October.

GREGORY MCWHORTER has completed his master's degree in business at Fayetteville State University. He is the manager at Cross Pointe Cinema in Fayetteville.

1994

LAN CAO earned her MBA from the University of Maryland in 1996 and currently lives in the D.C. area. She is a senior financial analyst with Global One, a joint venture of Deutsche Telekom, France Telecom and Sprint. Lan conducts projects ranging from business process improvements to analysis of global network investments.

ABEL ROSA married Amber King May 23 at Castle Hayne Baptist Church in Castle Hayne, N.C. Amber is with Tomlinson Sales in Wilmington. Abel works with Varsity Spirit Fashions.

VERONICA PILOT went back to school to get a degree in early childhood development. She's now running a daycare in her home.

CAPT. BEN DENNIS relinquished his Detachment Command in Korea and assumed a Company Command at Little Creek, Naval Amphibious Base, Va. Contact him through e-mail at hideo@rocketmail.com.

TODD JOHNSON married Jamie Parker May 30 at Stedman Baptist Church in Stedman, N.C. Todd is an accountant with Cashwell Appliance Parts.

1995

JERRY LOWENSTEIN is a Disabled American Veterans Counselor with the VA Medical Center in Fayetteville.

GREG BANNER is now the wide receivers coach at Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Penn. This past summer, he served as a guest wide receivers coach for the Hamilton Tigercats of the Canadian Football League.

PAUL AND KERRY OLIASTRO BOEHM proudly announce the birth of their baby girl, Ashley Elizabeth, July 3, 1998. Paul has recently accepted a position as general manager of a large car dealership.

DICKIE WALTERS married Dawn Williams July 25 at Mount Carmel Church of God of Prophecy in Autryville, N.C. Dickie is a golf pro at Lakewood Country Club in Roseboro.

ANDREA HAIRR has completed her master's degree at Fayetteville State University in special education.

ROBERT KRINGEL and his wife are the proud parents of a baby boy, Garrett.

DEIDRA VANDERVORT BALDWIN and her husband, Mark, are the proud parents of a baby boy, born July 25. He's named after his father.

1996

JOHNNIE JACKSON is currently working as a substance abuse social worker for the Cumberland County Mental Health Center while working on his master's degree.

DAN DEVLIN and his brother, **ROB**, '98 are both living and working in beautiful Monterey, Ca. Dan's with TRW Systems and Information Technology Group and Rob is with the Dept. of Defense. Rob recently completed his B.A. in Teledramatic Arts and Technology at Cal State University, Monterey Bay. He is currently starring in "Bandido!," written and directed by Luis Valdez, acclaimed screenwriter/director of the films "Zoot Suit" and "La Bamba." Dan made his stage debut in a recent run of "Guy Things," and original play by Monterey playwright Rob Foster at the Unicorn Theatre in Monterey.

RORI KNIGHT will be attending The Catholic University of America Graduate School of Social Services in Washington, D.C. where she resides. Rori is currently the assistant director at New Hope Ministries - Mount Vernon Shelter for Women, also located in D.C.

BRET AND CASSIE PAUGH GROSS '95 live in Senoia, Ga. Bret is with Southeastern Firearms and Cassie is with J. Smith Linear Healthcare.

ALUMNI

COLLEEN BALDRIDGE WAFFER has accepted a position with Duke Medical Center as a regional administrator.

SANDRA TRIPP has been promoted to director for the Boys and Girls Club in Pitt County, N.C.

MATTHEW CHRISTIAN is attending Hamlin University School of Law. He plans to complete his work in May of 1999.

TRACY COLLINS is substitute teaching near her home in Kentucky.

ALEXANDER MACPHERSON is attending Northern Illinois University Graduate School.

STACEY HARPER is teaching kindergarten in Harnett County, N.C. She received the First-Year Teacher Award from the Sallie Mae Foundation.

DARLENE ALLEN is a child protective services social worker with the Cumberland County Dept. of Social Services.

ELIZABETH JEFFERSON and her husband, James, added a third son to the family with the birth of Garrett in January. He joins 3 1/2-year-old Hunter and 2-year-old Grant.

1997

VERNELL SHARPE is employed with the Cumberland County Dept. of Social Services as a Social Worker II in the Child Protective Services Unit.

JONATHAN MELLETTE and his wife, Kathy, remarried on June 5, 1998. Jonathan, his new (and former) wife, and their 4-year-old son, Matthew, live in Indianapolis, Ind. Where he is a software development engineer for IBM.

SAM WILLIAMS married Carin Gordon July 18, 1998 at St. Pauls United Methodist Church in Burlington, N.C.

SANDRA SNEAD is in graduate school at UNC-Wilmington.

JOANN BRYANT BAGLEY has been named an assistant vice president with BB&T in Lumberton. She is a manager in the special assets department.

JERMAINE PARKS was married Sept. 26. He is now in Germany with the U.S. Army.

AMANDA POST is working at the North Carolina Correctional Institution for Women in Raleigh. She completed Basic Correctional Officer Training with the grade of 99 out of a possible 100 and qualified as a "sharpshooter" with the revolver.

MICHAEL MANAVIAN spent the first year after graduation working with golf instructor, Peter Croker. Last March he obtained a teaching position at the golf training center in Norwalk, Conn. He's working 60 hours a week and passed over the 1400+ lesson threshold in mid-July.

JENNIFER MORGAN and her husband are expecting their second child in January.

RENNA HOOPER resides in Durham, N.C. where she is a correctional officer with Polk Youth Institution.

JASON MARTIN has been promoted to assistant vice president and assistant corporate secretary of Sigma Construction Co.

MIKE WOMACK married Kelley Sessoms May 9 at Northwood Temple in Fayetteville. Mike is working with Car Temps locally while Kelley finishes her degree at Methodist.

NICOLE VANCE is employed by Cumberland County Board of Education as a school social worker with Howard Hall and Montclair Elementary Schools.

ALAN GRUEL recently returned from Germany, where he put Dr. Bitterman's teachings to good use!

XIOMARA PURDIE is teaching at South Hill Middle School while taking graduate courses at Fayetteville State University.

THOMAS CHIPMAN married Christina English June 20, 1998. He has a new job in Tampa, Fla. as an assistant golf professional at Old Memorial Golf Club.

CARI HARE has been hired as a legal assistant for Gammons and Associates in Raleigh, N.C.

1998

CYNTHIA ALLEN is working for Catholic Social Ministries as a Family Outreach Assistant in Fayetteville.

DANIELLE CASHWELL married Lynwood Daw Sept. 5 at Evergreen Baptist Church in Autryville, N.C.

JENNIFER CAVILL is working as a social worker for Village Green Care Center in Fayetteville.

ALESIA BURKE ROBERTS is a foster care social worker with the Cumberland County Dept. of Social Services.

HEATHER FISHER is attending graduate school at Indiana State University pursuing her master's in athletic training.

MARY SMITH CUEVAS is working with Duplin/Sampson County Mental Health.

DANIELE MALVESTI is attending law school at the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill.

ANGIE CARAMANNO married John Frye June 20 at St. Paul's in the Pines Episcopal Church in Fayetteville. John is stationed at Ft. Bragg.

DIANNA MARTIN is teaching at Pine Forest in Fayetteville.

SUZANNE YARBOROUGH was recently hired by Catholic Social Ministries. She is an adoption assistant social worker.

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to **MIKE CIANI '93** and his family on the loss of Mike's father September 28, 1998.

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

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W. Robert Johnson

Methodist College Trustee Emeritus W. Robert Johnson of Goldsboro died Friday, August 7 at Wayne Memorial Hospital after a brief illness. He was 92.

A native of Four Oaks, he was the son of the late Thomas Edmond and Katie Woodall Johnson. He was an alumnus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Class of 1930, and a charter member of the Methodist College Board of Trustees and co-founder of the college. Methodist awarded him an honorary Doctorate of Humanities degree in 1987.

In 1941, Mr. Johnson came to Goldsboro and was co-founder of Johnson-Sherman Company, a farm equipment company that later became a sawmill supply house serving the East Coast.

He became an active member of Saint Paul United Methodist Church, serving as chairman of the Administrative Board and on the Finance Committee and three building and remodeling committees. He was active in civic affairs, serving as president of the local Lions Club where he had 14 years of perfect attendance and was a delegate at many national conventions. He was also a past president of the North Carolina and South Carolina Farm and Power Equipment Association and was a member of the Goldsboro Country Club.

After his retirement, Mr. Johnson spent his time traveling, directing Johnson-Sherman office affairs, visiting friends, and spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife, Thelma K. Johnson; a daughter and son-in-law, Ida and William Spada of Burlington; a granddaughter and her husband, Lisa and Marty John Ruch; a great-grandson, Robert John Ruch; sisters, Mrs. Glenn Lassister of Four Oaks, Mrs. Jack McLamb of Benson; and business associates, Chester and Jerry Keen of Goldsboro.

Mr. Johnson was preceded in death by a grandson, Robert Stephen Neal.



Reverend Dr. Charles Alison Simonton, Jr.

The Reverend Dr. Charles Alison Simonton, Jr. of Charlotte, one of Methodist College's most loyal and influential friends, died Oct. 20 at Carolinas Medical Center. He was 74.

Al Simonton, as he was known to most United Methodists in this state, was editor emeritus of *The North Carolina Christian Advocate*, the newspaper that serves the North Carolina and Western North Carolina Conferences of the United Methodist Church. Methodist College awarded him an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree in 1985.

Rev. Simonton was born into a devout Christian family in Covington, Tennessee. Asked at age five and six what he wanted to be when he grew up, he reportedly said, "I want to be a preacher."

In 1942, after finishing high school, he enrolled in Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism. He volunteered for military service on November 27, 1942 and entered active military service in April 1943. Al Simonton served first with the 10th Mountain Infantry Division, the Army Air Corps, the 86th Blackhawk Infantry Division and the 101st Airborne Division, where he fought in the Battle of Bastogne.

After the war, he returned to Northwestern University, receiving the BSJ (Bachelor of Science in Journalism) and the MSJ degree. He was inducted into Kappa Tau Alpha, the Phi Beta Kappa equivalent for journalists.

Following college, he served for a year as circulation manager of the *Hotel Monthly* magazine in Evanston, Illinois. He then returned to his hometown to become editor of the family-owned weekly newspaper, *The Covington Leader*. After five years in this position, he received a Saint Paul-like vision and entered the Methodist ministry.

Al Simonton enrolled in Duke Divinity School in 1955, serving the four-point Rougemont Charge during his seminary years. He earned the Master of Divinity Degree in 1959.

From the Rougemont Charge, Rev. Simonton was appointed to start a new church in Durham named Glendale Heights, which he pastored from 1959-1964. Rev. Simonton was then appointed to Christ United Methodist Church in Fayetteville from 1964-1969. He returned to Durham and served the Epworth United Methodist Church from 1969-1974. At all of these churches, new sanctuaries were built and the congregations grew. In 1974, Rev. Simonton was appointed to Chestnut Street United Methodist Church in Lumberton.

In 1976, because of his experience both as an editor and a parish minister, Rev. Simonton was appointed editor of *The North Carolina Christian Advocate*, a position he held for 18 years until he retired at age seventy. Simonton was in the process of publishing a collection of his editorials which will be released posthumously.

Survivors include Dr. Simonton's wife, Nancy Jo Patterson Simonton; sons, Charles Simonton II and his wife, Arlene, of Charlotte, and E. Cary Simonton and his wife, Holly, of Cincinnati, OH; daughters, Nancy Louanne Simonton, Penny and her husband, Richard of Davis, CA, and Sarah Elizabeth Simonton Apgar and her husband, Richard, of Savannah, GA; sister, Mary Ann Spence and her husband, John, of Memphis, TN; and grandchildren, Casey, Scott, Cameron, Harris, Meredith, Abigail, Alison and Haviland.

Verna Brock McAdams

Mrs. Verna B. McAdams, wife of Charles K. McAdams, died Nov. 13 in Raleigh, N. C. She was 77.

Mr. McAdams is the former director of public relations at Methodist College (1956-1968) and the former treasurer of the N. C. Conference of the United Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. McAdams had endowed a scholarship at Methodist and were on campus last spring for a scholarship luncheon.

Mrs. McAdams' funeral was held Nov. 15 at Benson Memorial United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Hugh Cameron officiating. In addition to her husband, Mrs. McAdams is survived by two sons, two daughters, nine grandchildren, one brother, and one sister. Memorials can be made to the Charles and Verna McAdams Scholarship Fund, Methodist College, 5400 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC 28311.



*Architect's drawing of Walter B. & Margaret T. Clark Hall,
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