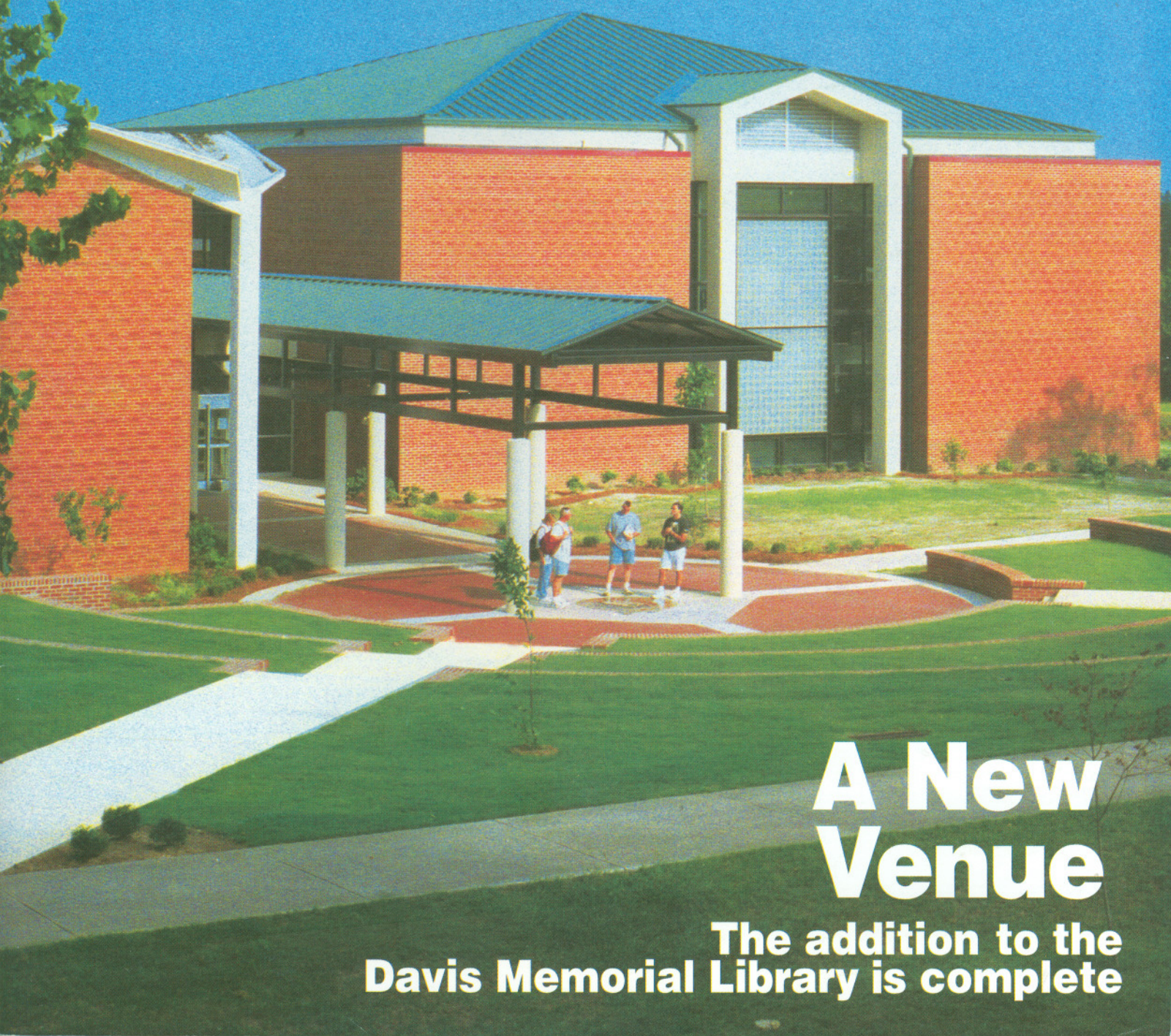


Methodist College **Today**



A New Venue

**The addition to the
Davis Memorial Library is complete**

Addition Brings Major Changes to Davis Library



This is the view of the new wing, looking south from the main building.

The library staff occupied the new addition to Davis Memorial Library in May. It will take most of the summer, however, for Library Director Susan Pulsipher and her staff to put everything in place and convert space in the main building to new uses.

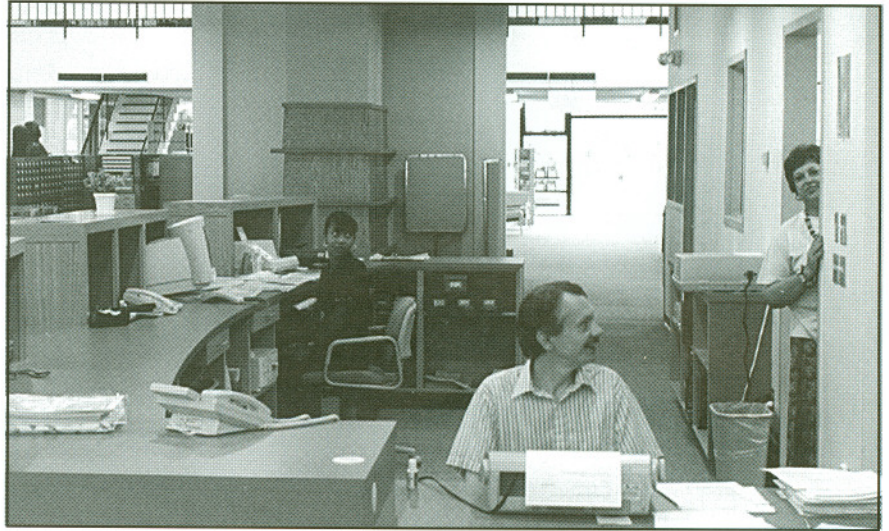
The new entrance to the library is between the original building and the new wing and faces west. The first floor of the new wing contains the new circulation desk, several offices, a new reference/research area, and a large periodicals storage room.

The second floor of the new wing houses a computer lab, conference rooms, offices, and a glassed-in special collections room (with early 19th century furnishings) which will house the Lafayette Collection.

The center portion of the main building has been carpeted, and at least two informal reading/study areas will be created there. The Teaching Materials Center has been relocated to the main building, where the Lafayette Collection and other archives were kept, and an adjacent office has been converted into a microfilm reading room.



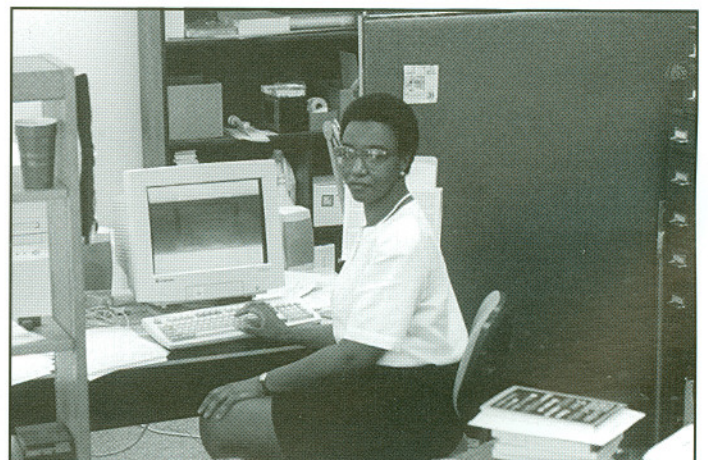
Newspapers and magazines are shelved in this new reading area where the original circulation desk was located.



Looking north from the new circulation desk, visitors can see the main building in the background.



Katie Stottlemeyer, reference librarian, will be in charge of a new reference area on the first floor of the new wing.



Cheryl Durden, assistant to the director, shows off the new computer used to maintain "the electronic catalog" of library holdings.

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A New Venue...

The new entrance plaza outside Davis Memorial Library offers "a cool place" for Evening College students to gather on a June evening.

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They've ARRIVED!

Four Russian students receive scholarships

Methodist College has awarded full academic scholarships to four Russian students who will pursue business administration degrees under the college's new ARRIVED program.

ARRIVED is an acronym for "American-Russian Regional Institute for Visionary Entrepreneur Development." The program was the brainchild of College President Elton Hendricks; its goal is to promote free enterprise and entrepreneurship in Russia by training some of its future business leaders. After earning their bachelor's degrees in business administration at Methodist, the scholarship recipients will be expected to return to Russia to begin their business careers.

The first four recipients of ARRIVED Scholarships will enter Methodist this fall. They are: Natalia Kyndikova, 23; Alexei Kormschikov, 21; Evgenia Sologub, 21; and Natalva Yakovleva, 21. The finalists were recommended by George Blanc, MC's director of international programs and a student assistant, who reviewed the credentials of 15 applicants. Ms. Kyndikova and Ms. Sologub have completed their undergraduate studies in Russia, while Mr. Kormschikov has completed one year at the University of Northern Iowa, and Ms. Yakovleva has completed two years at Ufa State Aviation Technical University in Russia.

"This is an earnest attempt on the part of Methodist College to assist in the economic development of the Russian Federation," said Dr. Hendricks. "Our hope is that after four years these individuals will return home and establish networks with

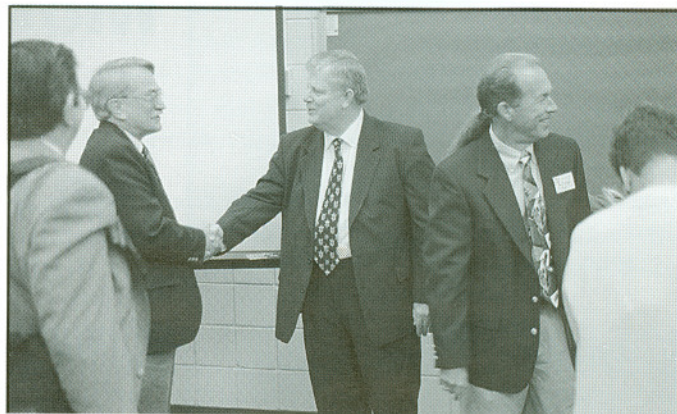
other entrepreneurs. In addition to learning the basics of capitalism and entrepreneurship, they will also learn the importance in capitalism of moral and ethical responsibility. Capitalism can flourish only if successful capitalists are also generous persons committed to the welfare of others."

Dr. Hendricks announced the ARRIVED program at last fall's Economic Outlook Symposium.



Russian student Lena Polyanskaya Ruppe confers with George Blanc on the status of MC's first ARRIVED Scholars.

George Blanc, MC's director of international programs, then sent letters to Russian secondary schools and colleges in the Moscow area listing scholarship criteria and inviting students to apply for an ARRIVED scholarship. All applicants were required to hold an International Baccalaureate diploma with a total score of 30 or higher, be in the top 10 percent of their graduating class, and have a score of at least 625.



Dr. James Taylor thanks fellow committee members following the group's exit report to the college staff April 16.

SACS Visit A Success

MC receives a positive report from SACS

Methodist College received a generally positive report from a Reaffirmation Committee of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools during a committee visit April 12-16.

The 16-member committee spent three full days on campus reviewing the college's self-study for reaffirmation of SACS accreditation and meeting with faculty, staff, and students. Dr. James Taylor, president of Cumberland College in Williamsburg, KY, chaired the committee.

In its report, the committee offered three commendations, 16 recommendations, and nine suggestions. During the last reaffirmation visit in 1989, the college received no commendations, 41 recommendations, and 17 suggestions. This time around, the Student Life program, the Professional Golf and Tennis Management programs, and the college trustees (for ensuring a strong financial condition) were all commended.

"We did better than I had hoped!" said College President Elton Hendricks in a staff memo dated April 16. He thanked the faculty and staff for all the hard work they had put into the SACS self-study over the last three years and noted that the recommendations "are certainly things that we can achieve, and, in many cases, relatively easily."

Two of the recommendations called for more detailed planning and evaluation of educational programs, faculty members, and administrators. The committee also recommended that the college: add more faculty members with terminal degrees in computer science, communications, and music; update the Staff Handbook; develop a library orientation program; establish a centralized purchasing and inventory control system; and develop an annual plan for building, grounds and equipment maintenance.

In September, the college will submit a written response to the Reaffirmation Committee detailing its plans for carrying out the 16 recommendations. After the Commission on Colleges receives the committee's report and the college's response, it will make a recommendation regarding reaffirmation of accreditation. In January, the college will be notified of the SACS reaffirmation decision.

Southern Writers

SYMPOSIUM

Methodist College's 15th Southern Writers Symposium will explore "The Limits of Southern Literature" Friday and Saturday, Sept. 17 and 18.

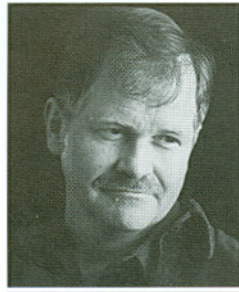
This fall's event will attempt to answer questions current in the realm of Southern writing: "What are the boundaries of the South? Who is considered a Southern writer and why? Why do some authors from the South resist the label 'Southern'? and Is Southern writing losing its distinctiveness?"

Literary scholars from around the country will speak on specific writers—Flannery O'Connor, Cormac McCarthy, Tom Wolfe, Charles Frazier, Mark Twain, Toni Morrison, and T. S. Eliot—as well as on thematic and critical issues. "We will also hear several Southern authors read from their works and discuss their thinking about these important questions," said Mary Wheeling, symposium director and assistant professor of English at Methodist.

The keynote speakers for this year's symposium are Robert Morgan, author and Kappa Alpha Professor of English at Cornell University, and Judy Goldman, a novelist, poet, and essayist from Charlotte, NC

Robert Morgan has taught creative writing and British and American poetry at Cornell since 1971. He has published almost 20 books of poetry, fiction, and essays. His newest novel, *Gap Creek* (Algonquin Books) and a collection of short fiction, *The Balm of Gilead Tree and Other Stories* (Gnomon Press) will both appear this fall. Next year, Louisiana State University Press will be publishing Morgan's book of new poems, *Topsail Road*.

Morgan has received numerous prizes for his work, including the Southern Poetry Review Prize and the North Carolina Award in Literature. He has also held fellowships from the Guggenheim and Rockefeller Foundations, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the New York Foundation for the Arts.



Robert Morgan



Judy Goldman

As a featured speaker at the Southern Writers Symposium, Morgan will give a reading at Friday's luncheon and join other authors for a panel discussion that afternoon at 3:30 p.m.

Judy Goldman's first novel, *The Slow Way Back* (William Morrow) will appear this fall concurrent with the Symposium. She is a commentator for National Public Radio in Charlotte and has written two books of poetry. Her poems and essays have appeared in *Southern Review*, *Kenyon Review*, *Ohio Review*, *Prairie Schooner* and other journals.

She has received the Roanoke-Chowan Award for Poetry and the Fortner Writer and Community Award, which recognizes "outstanding generosity to other NC writers and the larger community." Goldman has taught creative writing at Queens College and currently teaches at the Duke University Writers' Workshop, and at other writers' conferences throughout the Southeast.

Goldman will be part of an authors' panel Friday at 3:30 p.m. and will give a reading after dinner Friday evening.

The Symposium will culminate in a special poetry reading after dinner Saturday night. Wilkesboro, NC resident and recent NC State University graduate Jonathon Minton will read from his chapbook, *Lost Languages*, winner of the 1999 Longleaf Press Chapbook Contest. Judas Martinez will also read from her chapbook, *Mortal*, published this spring by Longleaf Press. Martinez has a Ph.D. in English from Oklahoma State University and currently resides in Jacksonville, Florida.

To obtain registration forms and more information about the Southern Writers Symposium, please contact Dr. Wheeling at Methodist College, either by phone at (910) 630-7493 or via e-mail at wheeling@methodist.edu.

This Teacher Really "Adds Up!"

Dr. Peggy Batten receives Professor of the Year Award

Dr. Peggy Grady Batten, professor of mathematics at Methodist College, recently received the Professor of the Year Award at Methodist College's annual Awards Convocation. She was selected by a committee of faculty and students.

Dr. Batten is from Kenly, NC and has taught math at Methodist since 1993. She holds master's and Ph.D. degrees from NC State University and previously taught at NC State and Johnston Community College.

Students say math is fun in Dr. Batten's class, where she is noted for using humorous analogies and impromptu songs to help students grasp difficult concepts. They also describe her as patient and willing to answer students' questions. "She makes you want to do well and learn the subject," said senior math major Michael Molter.

MC's newest Professor of the Year attributes her love of math to her eighth grade math teacher, Dot Klein, back in Kenly. She said she likes to maintain a relaxed atmosphere in class, but also pushes her students to work hard.

Duke Theologian Tells Methodist College Graduates,

Don't Worry... Be Faithful



Be faithful. Keep hope alive. Be a person of love.” That was the advice offered to 170 graduates at Methodist College’s 36th spring commencement May 8 in the March F. Riddle Center.

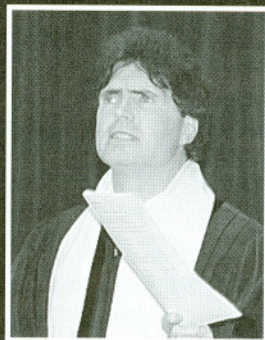
The commencement speaker was Dr. L. Gregory Jones, dean of the Divinity School and professor of theology at Duke University. Dr. Jones urged members of the Class of 1999 to: first, be faithful to God, your families and friends and your vocation; second, in good times and bad, keep hope alive; and third, remember that “love is what you’ve been through with someone.”

At the morning baccalaureate service in Reeves Auditorium, Dr. Kenneth Collins, professor of church history at Asbury Theological Seminary in Kentucky, said the true greatness of God begins with the cross—the humble, sacrificial love of Jesus Christ. “The good news of the Gospel is there is hope for the lowly among us,” he said. The author of four books and numerous articles about John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, Dr. Collins taught religion at Methodist from 1984-1995.

Dr. Elton Hendricks, college president, presented the L. Stacy Weaver Award to Denise Shuey, a math major from Tower City, PA, denoting her selection by the faculty as the senior who best exemplified academic excellence, spiritual development, leadership, and service.



Dr. L. Gregory Jones



Dr. Kenneth Collins

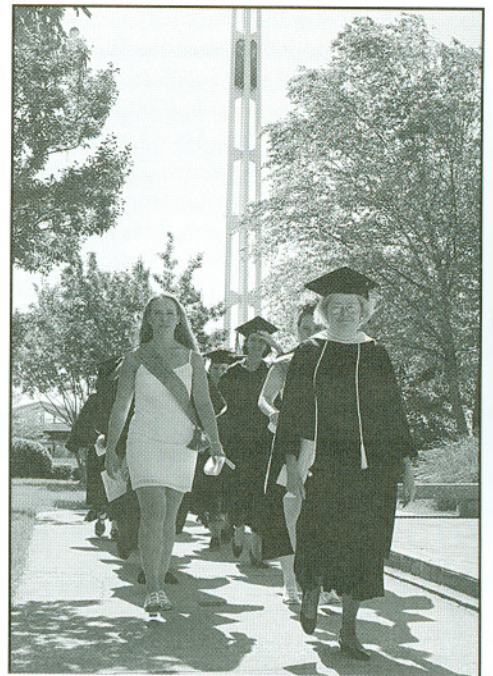
Dr. Hendricks also presented an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree to J. Nelson Gibson Jr., a retired farmer from Gibson, NC. Mr. Gibson was honored for 70 years of exemplary service as a United Methodist lay leader and 32 years’ service as a Methodist College trustee. As one of the original trustees seated in 1956, Mr. Gibson worked closely with President L. Stacy Weaver and Board Chairman Terry Sanford on the planning and staffing of Methodist College.

In other commencement activities:

—Five graduating seniors who were born outside the U. S. presented the flags of their native countries to the college: Arkadiy Gornovoy of Russia, Ivana Janciarova of Slovakia, Kemal Kansu of Turkey, Wayne Newton of Trinidad and Tobago, and Yei Zigbuo of Liberia.

—Army ROTC cadets Brooke Cindy Shlisky and Robert A. Konopka Jr. were commissioned as second lieutenants.

—Forty-five of the 170 members of the spring graduating class graduated with honors.



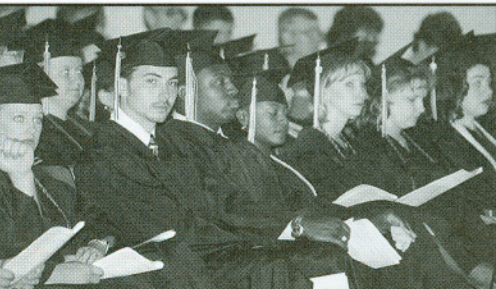
Elaine Porter and the May graduates process to the baccalaureate service in Reeves Auditorium.



This year's baccalaureate service was well-attended.



Ivana Janciarova presents the flag of Slovakia.



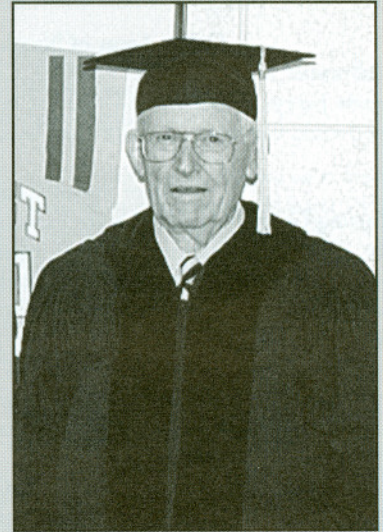
May graduates had front row seats at the baccalaureate service.

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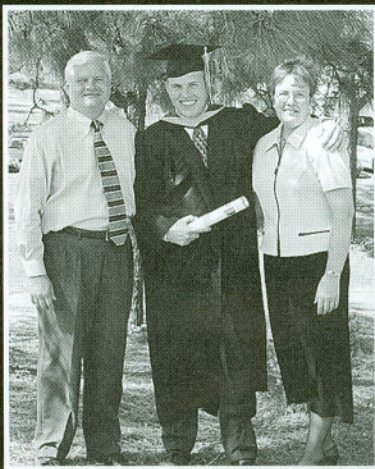
The Scotland County resident is a retired cotton farmer who served on Methodist's Board of Trustees from 1956 to 1988. After graduating from Gibson High School and receiving his A.B. degree from Duke University in 1939, he did post-graduate work in foreign service at Georgetown University and served four years in the U. S. Army, where he worked as a cryptanalyst at Supreme Allied Headquarters in Europe.

In the 1950s, Nelson Gibson was an active lay leader in the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church and worked hard to raise funds to establish Methodist College in Fayetteville and North Carolina Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount. In the college's formative years, he worked closely with College President Stacy Weaver, Board Chairman Terry Sanford and other United Methodist leaders to ensure that the "new college in Fayetteville" was well-planned and well-staffed. In 1973, he chaired the college's second Presidential Search Committee and in 1983, he served on the third Presidential Search Committee.

A member of *Who's Who in the Methodist Church*, Nelson Gibson was elected a delegate to 10 General Conferences of the Church and 10 Southeastern Jurisdictional Conferences. From 1956-68, he chaired the Finance Committee of the National Division of the Board of Global Ministries. In the 1970's, he headed a \$5 million capital campaign for the Lake Junaluska Conference Center. He also served on the boards of the *North Carolina Christian Advocate* and the joint Radio Committee of the Protestant Hour based in Atlanta. Closer to home, Mr. Gibson served as a Scotland County commissioner, board chairman of Scotland Memorial Hospital, and a member of the North Carolina Board of Water and Air Resources.



Second Generation MC Grads...



Mike Stevens Jr., a business administration/golf management major from Raleigh, poses with his parents, Michael and Cecily.



Erin Swink, second from right, chats with Bill Lowdermilk (dark glasses) at the graduation breakfast, as parents Bob Swink and Jeannie Parker Boyd look on.



Sharmis Oulton poses with her mom Jo-Ann and brother Mark. Mark will be entering MC as a freshman this fall.

METHODIST COLLEGE AWARDED DEGREES TO THE FOLLOWING MAY 8, 1999:

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Fayetteville: Ronald Bellamy, Business Administration; Yolanda Lee Bolton, French; Philip S. Colby, Music; Stephanie L. Decker, *cum laude*, Theatre; Ruth Ann Falcon, *cum laude*, Spanish; Valerie Elisabeth Johnson, *summa cum laude*, French; Aurelia Rentería de McGuinness, Spanish and Sociology; Molly Virginia McWilliams, *cum laude*, Marketing and Business Administration; Lindsey Michele Via, International Studies

Stedman: Molly Malone Faircloth, Elementary Education

Other Areas of North Carolina

Advance: Hamilton Ader Cuthrell, Communications/Mass Media
Sneads Ferry: Jennifer Ann Garner, Spanish
Washington: Judith Erin Swink, Communications/Mass Media

Other States/Countries

Spring Grove, VA: Julie Alyson Barnes, Sports Management; **Capac, MI:** Sandra J. Burney, *summa cum laude*, Political Science; **Gaithersburg, MD:** Aaron Michal Czajka, English and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Riverdale, GA:** Cynthia Chamberlain Hawkins, *magna cum laude*, Writing; **Gerlaw, IL:** Teresa Christine Owens, Business Administration; **Puerto Rico:** Milagros Martell Rivera, Spanish; **Smithboro, NY:** Erin René Teribury, *cum laude*, Elementary Education

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Rachel Elizabeth Barry, *summa cum laude*, Sports Medicine; Heather Michelle Cain, Accounting; David Michael Durham, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Adil Farooqi, *magna cum laude*, Accounting; Christina Lillian Hendley, Sports Medicine and Liberal Arts; Michael Shawn Hopkins, Business Administration; Dovie Anne Hughes, *cum laude*, Accounting; Kaori Ito, *cum laude*, Accounting; Ivana Janciarova, Marketing with a Concentration in Professional Tennis Management; Michelle Rosline Jones, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care Administration; Wanda Generette Kirk, Sociology; Anupama Kommu, *cum laude*, Psychology; Robert Adam Konopka Jr., *summa cum laude*, Business Administration; Benjamin Parker Kotin, *magna cum laude*, Sociology; Floyd Lew Lewis, Criminal Justice and Sociology; Phetdavanh S. Lewton, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology/Cell Biology; Joseph B. Mahon, History; Ronachai Palakawongse, Marketing and Business Administration; Hallie Olivia Powers, *summa cum laude*, Marketing and Business Administration; Jennifer Erin Rees, *cum laude*, Elementary Education; Edward Devon Robinson, Sports Management; Robert B. Rose II, History; Marie Nicole Sarji, *magna cum laude*, Communications/Mass Media; Dana Linette Schneider, *magna cum laude*, Elementary Education; Krista L. Scott, Business Administration; Brooke Cindy Shlisky, Sociology; Dianne M. Smith, Business Administration; Rika Suzuki, Educational Studies; Donald Wayne Swiney, Business Administration; Frederick Leroy Teribury Jr., *cum laude*, Biology; Howard S. Thomas, Sociology; Carol D. Thompson, Sociology; Jacqueline Josefina Torres, *cum laude*, Business Administration; Nicole Tower, *summa cum laude*, Sociology; Nicole J. Vrentas, Sports Medicine; Laura A. Ward, Sociology; Steven P. Young, Accounting

Fort Bragg: Kori R. Bennett, *cum laude*, Specific Learning Disabilities; George William Lightburn, Accounting; Wayne Darren Newton, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care Administration

Aberdeen: Aaron Blinstrub, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management

Cameron: Deborah Murphy Lemire, *summa cum laude*, Specific Learning Disabilities

Dunn: Daniel J. Reilly Sr., *magna cum laude*, Business Administration

Hope Mills: Myrtle Thompson Edge, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care Administration

Lillington: John Oliver Sandrock, *cum laude*, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care Administration

Raeford: Beverly Dawn Key, Accounting

Red Springs: Sharmis Marie Oulton, *cum laude*, Elementary Education

Sanford: Amy Lynne Todd, *cum laude*, Sports Management

Stedman: Roger Eric Frazee, Criminal Justice and Sociology; Margaret Brown Parrish, *cum laude*, Liberal Arts Studies with a Concentration in Biology and Physical Education

St. Pauls: Kristine K. Broadwell, Marketing with a Concentration in Professional Tennis Management

Wagram: Lisa Faye Smith, Liberal Arts Studies with a Concentration in Biology and Physical Education

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Climax: Christy Lee King, Political Science

Enfield: Leonard Bellamy, Physical Education

Ennice: Travis Edward Long, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management

Garysburg: Clint McCoy Edwards, Computer Science

Jacksonville: Krystal Gayle Waller Harrison, Sports Medicine

Lenoir: Chad Travis McCall, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Tennis Management

Monroe: Andrew Clark Mullis, Criminal Justice

Mt. Airy: Travis Britt Atkins, *cum laude*, Physical Education; Christopher Jason Dorsett, Elementary Education

Raleigh: Michael W. Stevens Jr., Marketing with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Byron Young, Sociology

Statesville: Duane Reed Maxie, Computer Science

Sunset Beach: Dwane Lamar Hardy, Business Administration

Swansboro: Danielle R. Dombrowski, Sociology

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Fort Bragg: George William Lightburn

Angier: Nicholas Gerrod Liles

West End: Lindsay Summer Gilmore

Other Areas of North Carolina

Charlotte: Ratarsha L. Thompson

Other States/Countries

Philadelphia, PA: Bernadette R. Bogertey

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(Physician Assistant)

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Hope Mills: Kelley Sessoms Womack, *cum laude*

Cameron: Christine A. Zabel

Fair Bluff: Neil Townsend Scott, *summa cum laude*

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Other States/Countries

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Other States/Countries

Pilgrim Knob, VA: Susan Rae Collins, Physical Education; **Welch, WV:** Lynne M. Cornwell, Accounting & Health Care Administration; **Glenn Allen, VA:** Felix Sarfo-Kantanka Jr., Criminal Justice; **Milwaukee, WI:** Thomas Wayne Scheunemann, Business Administration; **Sebastian, FL:** Tabitha Kay Starr, Sociology

Our condolences to...

the family of the late Lewis G. Schaefer. Lew Schaefer passed away July 8 at the age of 61. A retired Army Chief Warrant Officer, he was employed as a physician's assistant in the MC Student Health Office.

B.F. Stone Lyceum Sparks Hot Debate

Additional driver's license testing for senior citizens was the topic, and the opinions were strong on both sides of the aisle

By Michael C. Molter
Pride Assistant Editor

The third annual B. F. Stone Endowed Lyceum, held March 23 in Yarborough Auditorium, Margaret & Walter Clark Hall, provoked some lively debate about additional driver's license testing of senior citizens. The lyceum honors the late B. F. Stone of Elizabethtown, NC, a pharmacist and philanthropist who actively supported Methodist College.

Dr. Donald Lassiter, associate professor of psychology, presented a paper entitled "Aging and Driving: The Need for Improved Driver's License Testing." His presentation was followed by four 10-minute commentaries by experts in the fields of psychology, sociology, gerontology, and the community service of senior citizens. After the commentaries, members of the audience were allowed to ask questions.

Dr. Michael Potts, last year's presenter, served as the moderator for the lyceum. The expert panelists were: Dr. John Sill, professor of sociology at Methodist College; Mr. Bob White, representing Seniors Call to Action of Fayetteville; Dr. Susan Franzblau, associate professor of psychology at Fayetteville State University; and Mr. James A. DePree, a psychologist on the Rehab Team at Cape Fear Valley Health Center.

In his paper, Dr. Lassiter argued that as drivers get older, they fall victim to a natural process called "cognitive aging, which can adversely affect reaction time, visual functions (acuity, depth perception, color perception), timely spatial localization, mental state, mental workload capacity, performance when selective attention is required, and performance when attention is divided.

He said a decrease in visual attention is a common effect of cognitive aging. He reviewed driver's license renewal policies in a handful of states, saying that some are very lax. He said when visual tests are administered by the DMV, they only measure a person's visual ability, not visual attention. As a way to improve testing to make test results more relevant to their purpose (of keeping unsafe drivers off the roads), Dr. Lassiter proposed testing drivers' "useful field of vision" (UFOV).

Dr. Lassiter explained that the typical field of vision is 180 degrees on the horizontal axis, and about 60 degrees on the vertical. The UFOV is a "subfield" of the field of vision. He defined the UFOV to be "the place where we can rapidly process and use information." Research has shown that the size of the UFOV decreases with age, and that a low

UFOV is highly correlated with car crashes. He argued that UFOV can be an effective predictor of future accident involvement.

While people are usually aware of physiological problems with their eyes and vision, they cannot overtly detect deficiencies in cognition, he said. A beneficial by-product of UFOV testing for drivers would be to alert them to non-physiological eyesight problems.

Dr. Lassiter said that a UFOV deficiency could be treated over 12 to 18 months, and the UFOV could be vastly improved. Once people were aware of the problem, help could easily be sought and acquired. The test he proposed would measure recognition, spatial localization,

and localization in the periphery when attention is divided to determine a percent reduction in UFOV. The lower the score, the better.

Who should be tested and when? Dr. Lassiter recommended tests be administered based on age, 65+ or 70+, and performance. It should be done every two years at first, and every year after a given age. Because of huge taxpayer cost at DMVs, he proposed the testing be done off-site, and the testing certificate turned over to the DMV to process the license (as it is in many states with driver's education).

Dr. Elizabeth Belford, professor of education, observed in the question and answer part of the presentation that, while some initial cost would be involved, the entrepreneurial bandwagon would begin, and testing would become as routine and as inexpensive as state emissions inspections, and could be done "in every Wal-Mart and Kmart."

Dr. John Sill, who has studied death and dying (and hence the aged) in his discipline of sociology, complimented Dr. Lassiter on his compelling case.

He stressed the importance of continued activity for the health and well-being of people and noted that more aged drivers would be ruled ineligible to drive under improved testing.

Dr. Sill expressed concern about the practicality of statewide DMVs (up to 50 offices) implementing the procedures, as well as the time and monetary investments the task would require. If individuals bore the cost, it would be a burden on the poor, and if government picked up the tab, it would be a tax burden for all. Dr. Sill proposed a low-tech alternative: real-world driving tests, on the course, just like the first time.

Mr. Bob White provided the lyceum with a voice from the community service field, an area which relies heavily on volunteerism to assist elderly in mobility in their post-driving years. Part of his response time was devoted to imploring the students attending the lyceum to volun-



Dr. Donald Lassiter

elderly in mobility in their post-driving years. Part of his response time was devoted to imploring the students attending the lyceum to volunteer or get involved in gerontology as a career. His organization, Seniors Call to Action of Fayetteville, runs vans with built-in lifts to help the elderly get around, but they need young volunteers to go out to the homes and assess which of the elderly are in greatest need.

Mr. White said he was impressed by Dr. Lassiter's presentation, but he foreshadowed future responses when he said that once an aged person is no longer able to drive it is a tremendous blow—it is one of the few freedoms that they have left.

Dr. Susan Franzblau presented the harshest criticisms of Dr. Lassiter's research and recommendations of anyone on the panel. She immediately rejected Dr. Lassiter's findings and theories, saying that his research was nothing more than "large leaps in unfounded logic." She said Dr. Lassiter assumed that correlational data equaled causal data—that just because age and accidents increase simultaneously, this does not mean age causes accidents (what a layperson might call "circumstantial evidence").



Dr. Bob Christian, the Walsbes & others seemed to enjoy the repartee.

She argued that Dr. Lassiter assumed that an equivalent population exists—that older people's behavior equals younger people's behavior. She implied this is clearly false—that young people drive faster and take more chances than older people, who often are slower and more cautious. She argued that Dr. Lassiter's comparison of the two opposite extremes of society guaranteed a sharp contrast when juxtaposed.

She said that Dr. Lassiter assumed accidents were the fault of the older drivers. Dr. Franzblau questioned Dr. Lassiter's semantics by asking if a slowdown with age should be considered a deficit at all. Speed is a dominant characteristic in American driving, she argued, and we "punish" slow and cautious drivers. She claimed that the only older drivers who pose a threat are those with dementia, a group making up about "1 percent" of the elderly. Mandatory testing would then be as illogical as testing the population for any malady which plagues 1 percent (or less) of the population—schizophrenia, for example.

Dr. Franzblau offered ethical objections to Dr. Lassiter's work. She said that with age discrimination rampant in America, Dr. Lassiter would do well to devote himself to working to end age discrimination rather than providing governing powers with something that can be "used as a weapon" to further oppress the elderly and would be misused, given the tendencies Americans have to treat the elderly as "dependent and childish."

She said elderly would see their driving replaced by "unreliable methods" such as family members giving rides (something family members

could deem inconvenient and hence, foster resentment toward the older person), spotty transportation, and avenues of transport available only to the very rich. Their driving could be replaced by volunteer organizations like Mr. White's, but these organizations' volunteers are overwhelmingly women, who, according to Dr. Franzblau, are "already overburdened with work."

The applause was loudest for Dr. Franzblau, no doubt due to her contingent of Fayetteville State University students who were galvanized behind her. One graduate student commented on the positions of Dr. Lassiter and Dr.

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Dr. Donald Lassiter

Frantzblau, saying, "That's what happens when a social constructionist [Franzblau] meets a statistician [Lassiter]."

Mr. James DePree said he had much experience modifying "Type A" behavior—getting people to slow down! Mr. DePree countered Dr. Lassiter's claim that UFOV would be a more effective predictor of accidents than what we use now, by proposing that five-year driving histories themselves be used as a predictor of accident-prone drivers. After all, if Dr. Lassiter used the histories to validate the UFOV correlation to accidents and past driving record, why not just correlate the records and accidents?

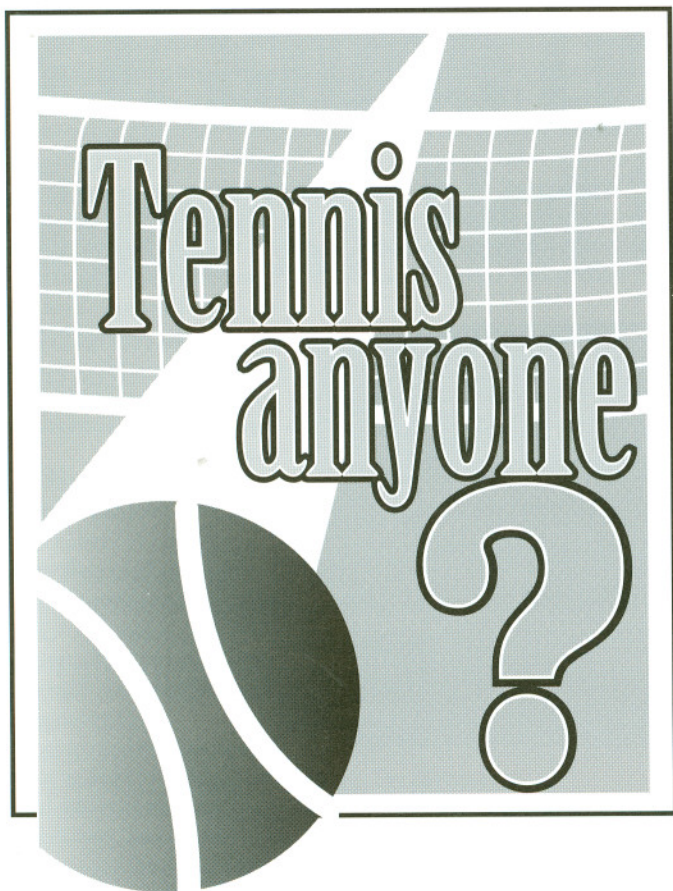
Overall health, Mr. DePree argued, is the single most important variable in UFOV reduction. There are many minor, undiagnosed strokes and head injuries which will reduce UFOV in younger people who would not be tested under Dr. Lassiter's proposal. Subtle defects in UFOV may be cancer predictive—and these would be missed also by those younger than the mandatory testing age. Mr. DePree proposed that we test the at-fault drivers in collisions, and publicize the need for awareness of UFOV disorders at any age. "Why bother the healthy?" he asked.

Questions from the audience grew more and more heated in response to this controversial issue. Dr. Potts adjourned the lyceum around 9:30 p.m. in favor of a reception with cookies and punch in the main hall. Guests and speakers intermingled freely.

Dr. Lassiter remained to talk with students and answer their questions until around 11 p.m. The debate was an important step in Dr. Lassiter's continuing research in various human factors topics, albeit peer critique can be a painful one at times when scrutiny comes as harsh and heated as it did on this evening.



An AARP representative noted that his group teaches a "55-alive" class for elderly drivers.



Four years ago, Stephen "Pete" Petersen, the new director of professional tennis management at Methodist College, was a successful trial lawyer in Naples, FL.

That's when he decided, at age 46, to enter the professional tennis management (PTM) program at Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Michigan. For two decades he had been an avid tennis player. He soon grew tired of trial work and became increasingly interested in the business of teaching aspects of the tennis industry.

"I chose Ferris State because its tennis program led to a B.S. in marketing," he said. "Ferris was the first school in the country to offer a tennis management program approved by the United States Professional Tennis Association (USPTA)."

Petersen did well at Ferris State, graduating with highest honors in 1997 and joining the FSU faculty as an adjunct professor in the College of Business. "I created a sports law course at Ferris," he said, "and taught elementary business law. I also taught racquet repair, tournament administration, tennis teaching techniques, and internship supervision. Ferris State sent me to Moscow State University to help promote their tennis camps."

A native of Iowa, Petersen earned a B.A. in Political Science and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Iowa. From 1975-1990, he worked as a trial lawyer, public defender and county attorney in Iowa. In 1991, he moved to Naples, FL and joined the firm of Woodward, Pires, Anderson & Lombardo, PA where he specialized in personal injury, domestic relations, and insurance cases.

He began playing tennis at the age of 25, when a client introduced him to the sport. Within 10 years, he was ranked No. 4 in men's doubles and No. 1 in mixed open doubles in Iowa. He also enjoys distance running and has run in 20 marathons.

From 1985-1996, he served as a director of the World Tennis Center Resort and Club master Association and president of the World Tennis Center No. 1 Owners Association. Through these affiliations, he learned a lot about the tennis industry. The World Tennis Center in Naples, Florida, is a 360-acre tennis resort featuring 17 tennis courts, a 1,200-seat tennis stadium, a cafe and a pro shop. It is one of three such centers in the world owned by William CuJiang of Manila.

Petersen discovered Methodist when the women's tennis coach at Ferris State told him MC was seeking a PTM director. Knowing that Methodist had an accredited business school and a USPTA-approved tennis management program, he decided to apply. In March, he came to the campus for an interview and shortly thereafter, the college offered him a contract. "I was impressed by the friendliness of the people and the quality and scope of the business curriculum," he said.

Since he started work June 1, Petersen has spent a lot of time moving into a rental home in Kinwood and getting his office in the Player Golf & Tennis Learning Center organized. He and his wife Janice plan to retain their Florida home.

Methodist currently has 12 students enrolled in business administration or marketing with a concentration in professional tennis management. Petersen says Methodist should have no trouble recruiting additional PTM students for two reasons. First, it is one of only four senior institutions in America with a tennis management program accredited by the USPTA. Based in Houston, TX, the USPTA has 12,000 members.

"A capstone USPTA requirement of tennis management students is that they pass the USPTA Certification Exam," said Petersen. "The exam has five components: a group lesson, an individual private lesson, a stroke analysis, a written exam, and a grip exam. Having passed this exam, our graduates would have a clear advantage in the job market."

A second factor that should help Methodist attract additional students is strong demand for tennis club managers and teaching pros. Petersen says there are three times as many job openings as there are qualified applicants in the tennis industry, and the average starting salary for teaching pros is \$30,000.

"My immediate goals for the Methodist program are to increase the number of graduates and have them be successful in the industry," said Petersen. "I look forward to the opportunity to sell a quality educational product."



Pete Petersen, left, reviews fall's schedule of events with Dan Arnold, women's tennis coach.

METHODIST COLLEGE 22ND ANNUAL

Stock Market

SYMPOSIUM

John Lynch, investment strategist with Interstate/Johnson Lane, offered a "bullish" forecast for the U.S. economy at Methodist's 22nd Annual Stock Market Symposium March 25. More than 500 persons attended the event at the Holiday Inn Bordeaux.

"We project a Dow Jones Industrial Average of 10,500 by the end of the year," he said. "We are targeting 1,350 for the S&P 500 Index and 2,400 for the NASDAQ Composite. The economy is stronger than we expected. There are great opportunities in the bond market. We predict a slowdown by summer and a cut in lending rates by the Federal Reserve. I do not see a recession on the horizon."

Lynch listed several long-term trends that he said bode well for investors in stocks and bonds: lower interest rates, a peak in consumption by baby boomers, and a continuation of strong economic growth in the Southeast. The speaker said IJL believes the technology, financial services, consumer non-durables, and retail sectors will enjoy the highest profitability due to these trends.

He predicted a 3 percent growth rate for the U.S. economy for all of 1999, and said improvements in productivity should keep inflation in check. He predicted large earnings gains for Lowe's, Home Depot, BB&T, Cisco Systems, Dell, and Compaq.

The March 1999 *IJLMarket Outlook* sheet distributed at the symposium predicted only "temporary disruptions" due to the Y2K computer problem and warned of continued weakness in areas of the economy dependent on global strength and commodity pricing. "In our opinion, basic materials, energy, transportation and some cyclicals should continue to struggle in the services driven economy," said the report.

Business Awards

The college continued its tradition of honoring local entrepreneurs by presenting several business awards at the symposium.

Joe Doll, director of the Reeves School of Business, presented the Outstanding Woman Entrepreneur of the Year Award to Debra Williams, president of Williams Printing and Office Supply of Fayetteville.

Mrs. Williams, husband Terry, their son Jerome, and several other family members work in the business which operates a main store on Bragg Boulevard and a satellite store on Yadkin and employs 24 persons. The firm has invested heavily in state-of-the-art computers and printing equipment. Three years ago, Mrs. Williams formed the Action Graphics division, which specializes in custom-made signs and banners, laser engraving, self-service copying, process color printing, awards, and trophies.



John Lynch

"My employees give me their best," said the OWE recipient. "In the age of superstores, you must have vision, be willing to change and grow, and be prepared to take risks."

Dr. Tony DeLapa, vice president for academic affairs, presented the Small Business Excellence Award to Larry and Brenda Tinney, owners of Royal Crown Leasing, Inc. In 1980, the Tinneys bought a Colortyme television rental business on Bragg Boulevard and formed Royal Crown Leasing to operate it. Today the firm operates 18 Rent America stores, two All-American TV and Stereo outlets, employs 120 persons, and licenses an additional 17 stores in five states.

After receiving the award, the Tinneys said dedicated employees and loyal customers were the keys to their growth and success. "Fayetteville has been a good place to start a business and raise a family," said Larry Tinney, who also thanked Harry Shaw "for giving us our first business loan 20 years ago."

College President Elton Hendricks presented the Fellowship of the Silver Spoon Award to Jim and Sylvia Faircloth, owners of Jim's Pawn Shop on Yadkin Road. Jim's has experienced tremendous growth since its 1977 opening and now operates additional stores in Southern Pines and Wilmington. The main store totals 21,000 square feet; stocks a large array of firearms, sporting goods, and clothing; and includes indoor firing and archery ranges.

Jim's retails more Winchester products than any store in the world and had sales of between \$10 and \$15 million last year. The firm employs 60 persons (including daughters Jo and Jan), maintains a very active Web site, and advertises aggressively. Jim Faircloth has been an outspoken critic of gun shows, supports federal and state laws concerning firearm purchases, and offers a training and safety course to persons who purchase firearms at his store.



Business Award Winners. left to right, Debra Williams, Woman Entrepreneur of the Year; Brenda and Larry Tinney, Small Business Excellence; Sylvia and Jim Faircloth, Silver Spoon.

Man With A Mission



Meet George Blanc, a man aiming to bring the world to Methodist

George Blanc, director of international programs at Methodist, is a man with a mission. Since joining the MC staff last summer, he has committed himself to increasing the number of international students attending the college and improving the quality of campus life for these students.

George Blanc came to Methodist from Campbell University where he was director of international programs from 1994-98. Before that, he spent 27½ years in the Army, attaining the rank of colonel. He is a native of Mexico, but his family immigrated to San Antonio when he was a child. He became a U.S. citizen at the age of 18.

Mr. Blanc attended St. Mary's University in San Antonio, where he earned a B.A. in political science and completed the Army ROTC program. He and his wife Carol, a registered nurse, are the parents of two grown daughters and have lived in Fayetteville for several years. Mrs. Blanc is now a student at Methodist, pursuing a degree in social work.

During his first year at MC, George Blanc has demonstrated that he is a man of action. Last September, he organized a formal "welcoming reception" for international students hosted by President and Mrs. Hendricks; a similar event was held in the spring. He also developed some new brochures to promote the college abroad, including one in Spanish—his native language.

Last winter, he worked with the Russian embassy and several prestigious secondary schools in the Moscow area to market MC's new ARRIVED scholarship program for Russian students interested in studying business administration (see separate story in this issue.) He also took charge of reviewing the scholarship applications and recommending the best applicants.

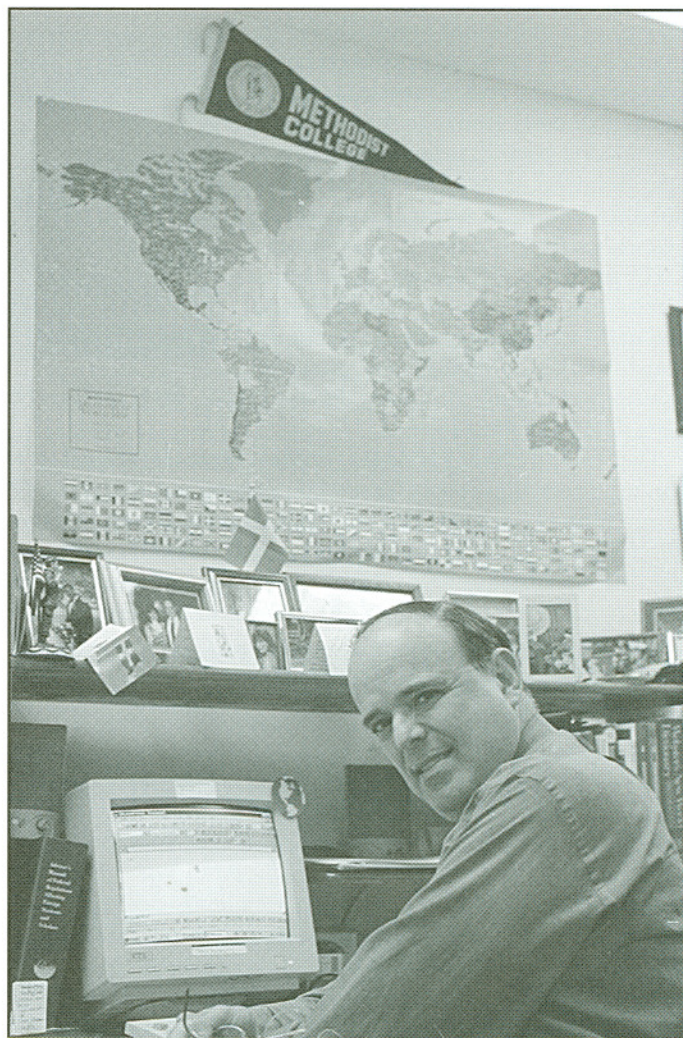
In April, Mr. Blanc traveled to Ecuador and Colombia to recruit students for Methodist. At hotel receptions in Cali and Quito, Ecuador, and Bogota, Colombia, he presented the college to about 260 students and family members and distributed some literature. He also visited 18 secondary schools.

The South American trip has generated nine applications to date and a pool of more than 200 prospective students. "I renewed some old acquaintances (from four previous trips) and was very encouraged," he said.

Future projects now in the works include the development of Web pages about the international program for MC's Web

site and a direct mail appeal asking MC's international alumni to help with student recruitment.

George Blanc believes that MC's international students program will grow considerably "because of all the great things Methodist has to offer." He anticipates that the college will enroll 20 to 30 new international students this fall.



George Blanc checks his e-mail. MC's new director of international programs came to Methodist from Campbell University.



L. to r., Charles McAdams and Tanice Nilson, recipient of last year's Charles K. and Verna B. McAdams Scholarship.



L. to r., Mr. & Mrs. Harold Sturdivant, representatives of the Edward Bert Lassiter Scholarship, and recipient Angalie Quinn, a sophomore music major.



L. to r., Mrs. Neill Wilkins, representative of the Bullock and Wilkins Scholarship, and recipient Javonne Thomas, a sophomore biology major.



L. to r., Mr. & Mrs. William Spade, representatives of the Hubert M. Willis Scholarship, and recipient Lalique Metz, a senior biology major.



More than \$173,000 in awarded scholarships brought 75 scholarship recipients and 20 scholarship donors together for the Annual Scholarship Luncheon April 6.

Held in the Alumni Dining Room, the luncheon gave students the opportunity to meet and fellowship with the people responsible for endowed scholarships. Students took the opportunity to introduce themselves and express gratitude for the scholarships they received during the academic year.

Richard Hensdale, one of the donors to the John W. and Annie Hensdale Scholarship, gave the invocation. Rainbow's End, the honors vocal ensemble led by Betty Neill Parsons, entertained the group with three songs.

Mr. Charles McAdams, MC's first director of public relations and director of development and donor of the Charles K. and Verna B. McAdams Scholarship, expressed his joy in meeting students face-to-face. "I worked for the college many years ago, and it is wonderful to see how much it has grown over the years," he said.

"It has been a privilege to give back to the college, and I couldn't think of a better way to do that than investing in its students."

Methodist College currently has 100 endowed scholarships ranging from general criteria (financial need, academic merit) to specific (academic majors, leadership). In the 1998-99 academic years, more than 190 students received endowed scholarships. If you are interested in establishing a scholarship at Methodist College, please contact the Advancement Office at (910) 630-7200 or (888) 221-4826. Students interested in available scholarships should contact the Financial Aid Office at (910) 630-7192.

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- Charles McAdams

Picking up the Tempo



Music Department Chair, Faculty Unveil Plans for Growth

During 1998-99, the Methodist College Music Department advanced on many fronts, gaining new support in the Fayetteville community, attracting more students, and earning new visibility and respect among music educators in North Carolina.

When Jane Weeks Gardiner became department chair two years ago, she set a goal of enrolling 50 music majors within five years. "We now have 27 declared majors," she said, "and we expect to enroll an additional 10-15 majors this fall."

Mrs. Gardiner attributes the recent growth to the hard work and new initiatives put forth by the department's four full-time and four part-time faculty members. She says the newer faculty members—Betty Neill Parsons in choral music, Sue Snyder in voice and conducting, Jim Crayton in concert band—are personable, accomplished performers who have made student recruitment a top priority.

Veteran faculty members Mr. J. Michael Rogers, a woodwinds specialist and composer, Mary Frances Boyce, a violinist, and Joy Cogswell, a pianist and director of the MC School for the Performing Arts, also support Mrs. Gardiner's plans for "growing the department."

"There's a great deal of pride and teamwork within the department now," notes senior Donald Warren, a Fayetteville native who received a degree in accounting last year, sang in

the chorus for four years, and returned this year to work on his music degree. Warren was something of a PR man for the department last year, creating a Web site, writing several articles for the *PRIDE* (the campus newspaper), and helping Joy Cogswell with the MC School for the Performing Arts and MusiCamp '99.

New developments in the Music Department are described in detail in Mrs. Gardiner's annual report to the academic dean. These include: the concert band, the departmental newsletter, an adjudicated MC Choral Festival for secondary schools, a departmental display at the NC Music Educators Conference, the Southeastern District Band Contest and auditions for the NC Honors Chorus (both held at Methodist), Friends of Music at Methodist (a community-based support group), new courses in music technology and improvisation, Dr. Sue Snyder's lecture/recital on women composers, guest appearances by recent MC music alumni, concerts which brought the instrumental and vocal groups together, and development of a computer-based direct mail student recruitment program.

The Music Department currently offers Bachelor of Arts degrees in Music and Music with a Concentration in Fine Arts Management and Bachelor of Music degrees in Music Education (K-12) and Music Performance. Five music degrees were awarded in 1998-99, and Mrs.

MusiCamp '99

MusiCamp'99, Methodist College's Summer Music Camp, drew a record 170 campers July 12-17. Camp Director Joy Cogswell said the camp attracted students from as far away as Texas, Indiana and Florida.

Designed for music students aged 10-18, MusiCamp offers a week of classes in voice, strings, piano, or band taught by professional musicians. This year's guest artists were: pianist and organist Randall Atcheson, mello-soprano Donna Stephenson, double bassist Dr. Bill Grimes, jazz trombonist Harry Watters, choral clinician Jerry Cribbs, and retired Cumberland County band director Jim Crayton, director of the MC Pep Band and the MC Concert Band.

The camp staged two public concerts: "A Salute to George Gershwin" July 1 and a closing concert Saturday, July 17.

Preparatory School

The Methodist College Preparatory School for the Performing Arts will begin its fall semester September 13.

Five different Kindermusik classes will be offered for children ages 18 months through five years of age. The school will also offer Suzuki strings and guitar classes; a vocal performance class for children ages 9-12; music therapy classes for children with special needs; and private lessons in piano, organ, voice, violin, viola, cello bass, guitar, and flute.

For registration information contact Joy Cogswell, director, at (910) 630-7103 or 864-1380.

Gardiner expects that number to increase steadily in the next three years. "There's growing support for public school music programs and a strong demand for music teachers," she noted. "There's also a growing demand for college-trained arts managers, church musicians, and music therapists."

Mrs. Gardiner believes additional music scholarships will be needed to help the department meet its goal of 50 majors by 2002. "We currently have five endowed music scholarships and about 15 performance-based scholarships for members of the Stage Band and Rainbow's End (a 12-member vocal ensemble), she noted. "Two new music scholarships were endowed this past school year with a \$50,000 gift from Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sturdivant through the Cumberland Community Foundation, and we are very grateful for that."

Membership in Methodist's musical performing groups reached record-high levels last year, including many non-music majors. There were 33 students in the Concert Choir, 35 in Synergy (the show choir), 13 in Rainbow's End, 12 in the Stage Band, 22 in the Concert Band, and six in the Chamber Ensemble. In addition, 22 area youngsters sang in the Methodist College Community Youth Chorale sponsored by the MC School for the Performing Arts, and directed by Marten Spena.

The Methodist College School for the Performing Arts continued to attract large numbers of young people from the Fayetteville area with KinderMusik, Suzuki violin, and private lessons. Jim Crayton, director of the MC Pep and Concert bands, was given the go-ahead to recruit for a marching band, and band classes were added to this year's Summer Music Camp.

"Establishment of 'Friends of Music' at Methodist is an exciting development for us," said Mrs. Gardiner. "We now have a 12-member advisory board, a set of bylaws, and a dynamic president in Margaret Ann Player. Our first big project will be a Holiday Gala, December 2, with our student-performing groups offering seasonal music in special settings."

Mrs. Gardiner says Friends of Music was formed to support projects which will enhance the visibility and quality of the music program.

Several of the Friends of Music board members are Methodist graduates and that excites Mrs. Gardiner. "Several music alumni teach for us on a part-time basis," she said, "and many are well-known locally as teachers and performers. Some perform regularly with the Fayetteville Symphony, Cumberland Oratorio Singers, or the Cape Fear Regional Band. This past year, Louis Seymour '95, Bethany Surridge '96, and Jason Britt '93 all returned to the college as guest vocalists. We are very proud of our music alumni."



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP:

Faculty recitalists: l. to r., Sue Snyder, Mike Rogers, Joy Cogswell, Mary Frances Boyce, Betty Neill Parsons, Marty Spena and Jane Gardiner.

Sue Snyder lectures about women composers.

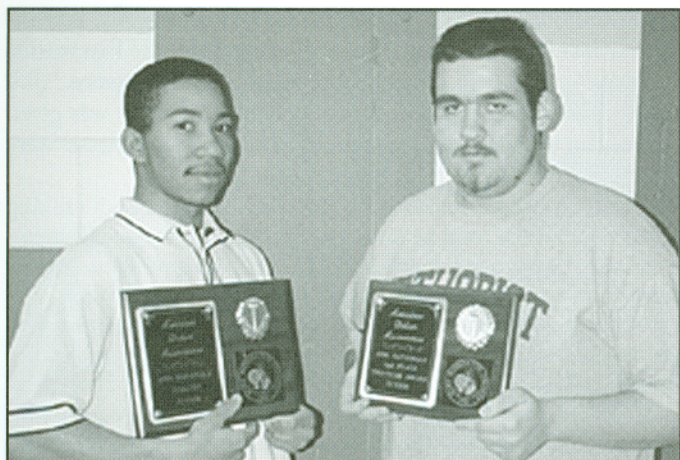
Members of Synergy – the MC show choir – perform at the Music Department's Winter Concert.

Cape Fear High Bandsman Jimmy Crayton performed at a MC Homecoming several years ago. Now he's a student at Methodist and his dad is recruiting for a marching band.

Friends of Music At Methodist Advisory Board

- Elaine Bryant
- Jane Gardiner
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- Mary Wright





Antwan Floyd and Greg Thomas won Second place awards in the Junior Division of the ADA national Championships

Inarguably Awesome!

MC Debate Team Performs Well at ADA National Championships

The Methodist College Debate Team won three awards at the 1999 American Debate Association National Championships March 11-14. Methodist sent four teams of two students each to the championships at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, VA.

The team of Antwan Floyd and Greg Thomas took Second Place in the Junior Division, losing on a close 2-1 decision to a team from Liberty University. Both Floyd and Thomas are graduates of South View High School. In addition, both MC teams competing in the Junior Division—Floyd and Thomas, Susanne Graves and Khari Floyd—won Second Place in the Overall School Awards.

In the Novice Division, where Methodist was the defending champion, the team of Matthew Whittaker and Ron Berry lost a 2-1 decision to the eventual champions from Liberty University. The team of DeTwanette Woodert (who earlier reached elimination rounds at the CEDA National Championship) and Daniel Thomas (who was 6th speaker at the James Madison University Invitational in February) narrowly missed qualifying for the elimination rounds.

The MC Debate Team enjoyed a banner year, in which eight different debaters received awards. "This has been a great year for the team," said Forensics Director John Humphreys. "We not only expanded our depth, but also advanced our individual team performance. Over the last five years, Methodist debaters have won 13 national awards and finished in the Top Ten point rankings eight times. This is a great accomplishment, given the fact that debate has no divisions based on school size and we competed against many larger schools."

She's Got The Right Stuff

Lea Metz Receives William P. Lowdermilk Student Achievement Award



Lea Renee Metz, a senior biology major from Reno, NV, received the William P. Lowdermilk Student Achievement Award from the Fayetteville Rotary Club Feb. 22.

Endowed by the former vice president for church and community relations at Methodist College, the award honors an MC student who has demonstrated high ethical standards and spiritual values and provided exemplary service to the college and/or the Fayetteville community. Ms. Metz received a certificate and a \$1,000 cash award.

Lea Metz is the daughter of Barb and Frank Fenne of Reno, NV. At Methodist College she has been a Dean's List student, peer mentor, vice president of Tri Beta and the Student Government Association, and president of the Student Alumni Association. She has done volunteer work locally with the Salvation Army, Habitat for Humanity, Special Olympics, and the Boy Scouts. She graduated in May and has been employed by Meredith College as an area coordinator for residential students.

The "Price" is Right for S.G.A.

Eddie Price re-elected as President

Methodist College students recently re-elected Eddie Price, a rising senior from Princess Anne, MD, president of the Student Government Association for 1999-2000.

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

Jessica Kupper, a rising junior from Huntington Valley, PA, was elected vice president.

Students elected to the S.G.A. Senate are: Ana Maria Ayula, Mary Johnston, Kristi Moss, Leighann Rastede, Erin Schablik, Lindsey Spitzer, and Steve Vinci.

Other S.G.A. officers and senators will be elected this fall.

Showing We Care...



Dr. Hendricks and volunteers for this spring's "Show You Care Day" project install brick walks at Fannie Farmer Memorial Park.

How Sweet It Was...

MC holds its first-ever Sweetheart 5K

Methodist College's inaugural Sweetheart 5K Road Race Feb. 13 was a resounding success, drawing 160 runners from throughout eastern North Carolina. It was sponsored by the Student Activities Committee and the Monarch Boosters Club.

The winners of the One-Mile Fun Run for children were: Wesley Neal, First; June Thomas, Second; and Chris Waggoner, Third.

The 5K winners, by age category, were: **15 and Under:** Cody Mercer and Ashley Johnson; **16-20:** Nick Whitted and Christine Hamilton; **21-25:** David Norton and Amy Lambert; **26-30:** Mitchell Ruedebusch and Gertrudis Carvajal; **31-35:** Dale Ball and Deborah Clark; **36-40:** William Sternhagen and Jody Nilson; **41-45:** Roger Sanchez and Donna Tumelson; **46-50:** Allen Whitted and Valerie Murrah; **50+:** Bob Boeder and Virginia Lloyd; **Couples:** Trish Downey and Les Morton.

The "A Teams" from South View High School took First Place in the men's and women's team events.

Our PRIDE and Joy

PRIDE Receives "First Place" Award From American Scholastic Press



PRIDE, the student newspaper at Methodist College, recently won a First Place award from the American Scholastic Press Association at College Point, NY.

A staff of about a dozen students produced 10 issues during the 1998-99 school year. The paper had two editors—Cindy Hawkins for the first semester and Cindy Bridges for the second semester. Both editors were older, non-traditional students and spouses of servicemen stationed at Fort Bragg.

Mrs. Hawkins graduated in May with a degree in writing. Mrs. Bridges, a rising senior majoring in history, will continue as editor for the coming school year. She recently received the Publisher's Award for journalistic excellence, given by Ramon Yarborough, publisher of the *Fayetteville Observer-Times*.

"Clearly, the quality of the writing and the overall design of the paper improved last year," said Caroline Kearns '93, student media adviser. "ASP gave the paper 950 out of a possible 1,000 points. In our category—colleges with enrollments between 1,001 and 1,700—only six newspapers received First Place awards. I am proud of the work done by the staff."

Last year was also a year of technological advancements for the newspaper staff. With the acquisition of Photoshop software and a negative scanner, the staff was able to scan all photos and prepare all layouts electronically for the first time. Each issue of PRIDE was delivered to the printer, Dickson Press of Raeford, NC, on a diskette.



Runners head for the finish line at the Welcome Center.

Looking Good!



Business Leader, Environmentalist Assess North Carolina Environment

The president of the state's largest business and industry group and a lawyer for the state's leading environmental advocacy group gave generally positive assessments of North Carolina's environment in speeches at Methodist College Feb. 22.

"The state of the environment today is much better than several years ago," said Phil Kirk, Jr., president of NC Citizens for Business and Industry. "The water in our 17 water basins is 65 percent cleaner than six years ago. Chemical emissions in the air are down 14 percent for ozone and 23 percent for sulfur dioxide. There's been a 31 percent drop in carbon dioxide and other pollutants."

Dan Whittle, senior attorney for the NC Office of the Environmental Defense Fund, was less positive than Kirk in his assessment of the state's environment. "Developers have drained 6,500 acres of coastal wetlands since last fall," he said. "Alternative waste technology is needed to replace hog farm lagoons. And last summer was the worst ever in North Carolina for ozone pollution."

Phil Kirk and Dan Whittle were the convocation speakers at Methodist's fourth annual Lura Tally Leadership Forum Feb. 22-24. Sponsored by the Lura S. Tally Center for Leadership Development (named for former state senator Lura Tally of Fayetteville), this year's forum examined the topic "Environmental Challenges: Jobs, Health, Politics." The forum also featured a discussion by a Sustainable Development Panel and two days of roundtable discussions on 17 related environmental issues.

Mr. Kirk said the 1,850 members of his group want to protect the environment, support "sustainable development," and want regulation based on science. He said one reason the state

must protect its natural resources is because travel and tourism has become the state's No. 2 industry, generating \$10 billion per year in revenue. "Our beautiful natural resources and moderate climate are attracting people from other states," he noted.

The former state secretary of human resources and current chairman of the State Board of Education listed many examples of how the state has improved its environment: reducing nitrogen discharge into the Neuse River basin by 30 percent, passage of an \$800 million statewide bond issue for water and sewer improvements, adding 34,000 acres to the state park system, and requiring NC high school students to take a new course in environmental and earth science. He said the Environmental Concerns Committee of his organization is the "largest and busiest" of NCCBI's nine legislative policy committees.

"North Carolina deserves a good grade for environmental protection," said Mr. Kirk. "We support sustainable development. We need leaders to tell the truth and make wise decisions. We need leaders who are knowledgeable, fair, and collaborative. We need improved communication and attention to facts."

Mr. Whittle said the 300,000 members of his group believe that North Carolina still faces great environmental challenges and he quoted E. O. Wilson of Harvard University as saying, "We are entering the century of the environment."

He said EDF developed an environmental scoreboard last year that allows citizens to go to the World Wide Web and obtain emissions data for their neighborhoods. "In 1990 we worked with McDonald's to phase out styrofoam containers," he added. "We work with government and industry. In the Sandhills, we've worked hard to protect endangered species and their habitat."

The EDF lawyer continued: "The North Carolina environment is both better and worse than 30 years ago. Water quality has improved, but runoff of unregulated sources—from streets, new construction, hog and chicken farms—continues. Last week the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency said the state's plan for cleaning up the Neuse River may not work."

Mr. Whittle listed three obstacles to environmental protection: 1) the attitude that it's too expensive and will cost jobs, 2) intensive lobbying of state legislators by big business and large campaign contributions to politicians, and 3) the attitude that new environmental regulations will cause the sky to fall. "We need to celebrate our progress, but continue to look for new solutions to environmental problems," he concluded.



Phil Kirk



Dan Whittle

What's New?

...around Methodist College...



Clark Hall now has a "Wall of Fame" which lists recipients of the business awards given over the last two decades at Methodist's Economic Outlook and Stock Market symposia.

Write On, Jonathan!

Jonathan Minton Wins Longleaf Poetry Chapbook Contest

Longleaf Press at Methodist College is pleased to announce that Jonathan Minton of Wilkesboro, NC is the winner of its 1999 Poetry Chapbook Contest. His prize-winning manuscript, *Lost Languages*, will be published this fall.

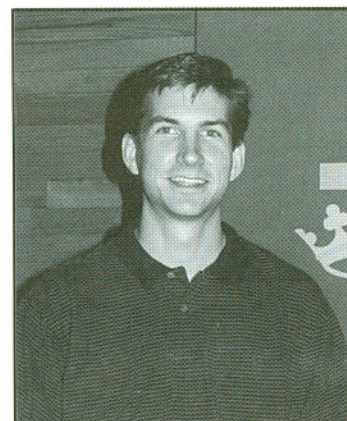
"The quality of the 63 chapbook submissions was very high," said Editor Robin Greene, "and we would have been proud to publish a great many of the manuscripts we received."

Longleaf will be publishing two additional chapbooks in 1999: *Mortal* by Judas Riley Martinez of Orange Park, Fla., and *The Tar Baby on the Soapbox* by Carole Boston Weatherford of High Point, NC.

Longleaf Press is a non-profit college press with a special interest in new writers from the Southeast. The Editor, Robin Greene, is a published poet and instructor of English at Methodist College. Dr. Michael Colonnese, associate professor of English at Methodist, serves as managing editor.

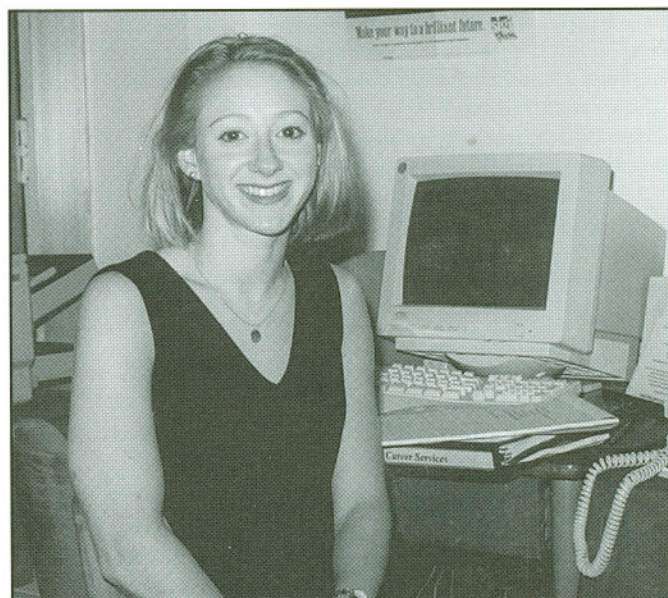
Welcome Rev. King

New pastor
on board
at Methodist



Rev. Carl King is the new chaplain at Methodist College. A native of Durham, NC, he was associate pastor at Haymount United Methodist Church in Fayetteville for the last three years.

Rev. King holds a B.A. in English from Wake Forest University, a Master of Divinity from Duke Divinity School, and a Master of Sacred Theology from Yale Divinity School. He is interested in combining the arts and worship, leading mission experiences, and supporting small groups and Bible studies.



Lori Bumgarner recently assumed the position of director of career services.



Mission Team Completes Work Projects At Red Bird Mission

While many Methodist College students went to the beach or home for spring break, six students and three other members of the college family headed west to take part in a mission project at the Red Bird Mission in Beverly, KY.

Once there, the MC volunteers spent four days completing a series of work assignments at the mission's work camp. The workers cleaned gutters, raked leaves, broke down cardboard boxes for recycling, fixed up recycling bins, and cleared a hillside of kudzu to make room for a new cabin. Some counted and bundled Campbell's soup labels; one million labels will buy a van.

The student volunteers were: Margaret Parrish, a senior from Fayetteville; Lori Collins, a junior from Morehead City; Kristen Butler, a junior from Newfoundland, PA.; Sarah Kerley, a junior from Watertown, NY; Curtis Stephens, a freshman from Goldsboro, NC; and Ken Asay, a junior from Fayetteville. They were joined by the Rev. Carrie Parrish, campus minister; Lynley Asay, director of career services; and Lynley's daughter Jessica.

Red Bird was established in 1921 by two ministers of the Evangelical United Brethren Church—Rev. John DeWall and Rev. Hiram Frakes—at the urging of the women of the church. Red Bird's first missionaries reached out to the farmers and miners who lived in the Appalachian foothills, building a small church and a small school.

The Red Bird mission became a "missionary conference" of the United Methodist Church in 1968, when the Evangelical United Brethren and Methodist denominations merged. Today the complex includes a medical clinic, youth home, craft store, community store, day care center, and apartments for the elderly.

The Red Bird mission serves an eight-county region of 300,000 people, where transportation is difficult, and the unemployment rate exceeds 50 percent. The nearest town is 20 miles away. Mining is the largest industry, but has been declining steadily over the last decade. Small homes

dot the hills and valleys; wooden, swinging bridges enable mountain residents to cross streams and visit neighbors.

Members of Methodist's mission team were housed in a rustic cabin known as Robin's Roost. "It was full of lady bugs," recalled one team member who reported at a campus chapel service the following week. Except for one morning of freezing rain, the weather there was cool but clear, making outdoor work relatively pleasant. Meals were served by the Red Bird staff in a large dining hall.

The Methodist team arrived late Sunday, March 7 and departed Friday, March 12. They were able to spend part of one day, Wednesday, sight-seeing in the area. During their three work days at Red Bird, team members worked in groups of three or four. After supper each night the MC group and volunteers from five other colleges and universities attended programs organized by the Red Bird staff. During the Thursday night talent show, nine-year-old Jessica Spencer stole the show by reciting from memory the balcony scene from Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*.

Sarah Kerley, a junior at Methodist, had been to the Red Bird Mission twice previously, with her church youth group from New York. She is a junior who will be entering MC's physician assistant program this fall. "When I got a notice in my campus mailbox inviting me to take part in a mission trip to Red Bird, I signed up right away. When I was there before, we went to a home where a blind woman lived, cleaned and painted her house, and built her a porch. I'll never forget how appreciative she was. It's a beautiful part of the country, and the Red Bird experience is spiritually uplifting."

"We were very impressed by the staff there," said Rev. Carrie Parrish. "They were very gracious. Overall, it was a wonderful experience. I think our students came away with a greater appreciation for the quality of life they enjoy back home and the hardships faced by these mountain folks."

The Campus Ministry Office at Methodist College has been organizing mission teams during fall and spring breaks since 1994. In each instance, the volunteers not only give their time, but also share the costs of food and transportation.



Mid-March was cool and damp in Beverly, KY, home of the Red Bird Mission and Beverly United Methodist Church. Members of the MC mission team which spent four days there are, l. to r., kneeling, Kristen Butler, Sarah Kerley; second row, Jessica Spencer, Lynley Asay, Rev. Carrie Parrish; back row, Curtis Stephens, Lori Collins, Margaret Parrish, Ken Asay.

Reflections

Ted Carter Reflects on a 34-year ministry

In June, The Reverend Theodore Von Carter, Sr., a former trustee of Methodist College, retired after 34 years of service in the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church. Reverend Carter had just completed 10 years as pastor of Cokesbury United Methodist Church in Raleigh when he retired.

Methodist College administrators and trustees speak highly of Carter, saying he was always well-informed and asked stimulating questions at board meetings. The Maxton native rotated off the board July 1, 1998, after eight years' of service.

Ted Carter graduated from R. B. Dean High School in 1952 and attended A&T College in Greensboro for a year before he was drafted into the Army. He was a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division and served two years during the Korean conflict. After his discharge from the Army, he enrolled at Shaw University in Raleigh where he received a B.A. in Religion and the Social Sciences in 1959; 10 years later he received his B.D. degree from Shaw Divinity School.

Carter was ordained a Baptist preacher at Shiloh Baptist Church, his home church in Maxton, in 1958 and served Baptist churches in Selma and Clayton before joining the Methodist Church in 1965. He then served two years on the Sanford Circuit (North Carolina-Virginia Conference) and five years on the Vance-Granville Circuit. In 1970, after completing the United Methodist Course of Study, he was ordained an elder in the United Methodist Church. Reverend Carter was pastor of Wilson Temple United Methodist Church in Laurinburg from 1983-87.

In a recent interview, Reverend Carter reflected upon his career in the ministry and the developments he has seen in the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church. The following is a text of Reverend Carter's responses to *MC TODAY's* questions.

1. You began your ministry as a Baptist. What made you join the United Methodist Church?

Reverend James H. McCallum, who was strong in the conference, came to me and said they needed more ministers. He said my denomination had no insurance or retirement benefits and he thought I should consider those things.

2. What did you enjoy most about your service as a Methodist College trustee?

Meeting such fine folk—people who loved the church, were dedicated to higher education—people who really cared. I enjoyed being associated with Terry Sanford and Charlie Gaddy.

3. What do you see as the greatest challenge facing United Methodist colleges like Methodist?

To show how a religious affiliation enriches college life and teaches people to care for one another.

4. Some United Methodists in the North Carolina Conference are concerned about the church's declining financial support for the three colleges (Louisburg, Methodist, N.C. Wesleyan) supported by this conference. How do you feel about this?

We need to look elsewhere—beyond the church—for financial support.

5. In September 1995, your church in Raleigh was vandalized. Do you think this was a racially motivated hate crime and have you experienced anything like that before or since?

No, just that one time. Ours was a predominately black congregation, but I'm not sure if the vandalism was racially motivated. But they threw our communion glasses on the floor and stomped them. That hurt, but another church nearby brought us replacements. All the plaques and certificates on my office wall were smashed. They scattered copy machine toner all over the sanctuary and ripped the wiring out of the organ.

6. After 34 years as a United Methodist minister, what advice would you offer to church leaders and to young people who might be considering a career in the ministry?

To our church leaders, I would say "Lean a little more heavily on the Bible than the (Book of) Discipline." I believe Christians ought to lead. To young people interested in the ministry, I say, "Stand still and see the salvation of the Lord. Never forget that God is still on the throne."

7. What is the greatest joy you experienced during your ministry?

Seeing people commit themselves to Christ and join the church. On my 65th birthday, some children in a home I was visiting gave me a card with a small offering inside that read "Use this to have dinner on your birthday."

8. What is the greatest disappointment you experienced?

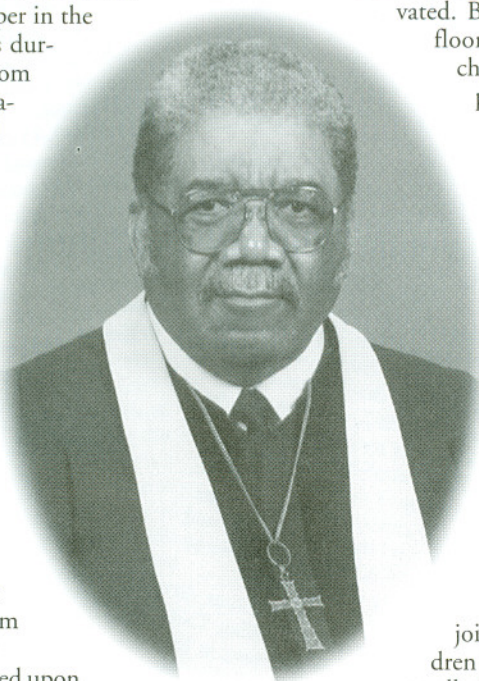
Once, after I preached a funeral, the sister of the deceased man slipped a 10 dollar bill in my pocket. Then she told my district supervisor that I had charged her for doing the funeral. My wife and I had to go to her and make it right. So I guess my greatest disappointment has been discovering that people I thought were righteous and holy were not.

9. Are you optimistic about the future of organized religion in general and the United Methodist Church in particular?

Yes, I'm optimistic because I think we're living in an age when people are really searching for the truth.

10. What can our church and our college do to attract more young people?

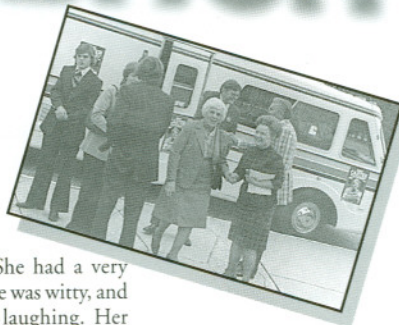
The college needs to offer more financial aid, if at all possible. Some of our ministers need to refocus on what's "really real" and caring for people in need. Young people know what's real and they will respond to that.



FLASHBACK to the 70's

"Miss Lillian" Visits, Speaks at Carter Rally

By Alan Schwartz
sMALLTALK - October 29, 1976



On Friday, October 8, Mrs. Lillian Carter, mother of presidential candidate Jimmy Carter, spoke before the student body at Methodist College. She entered the Student Union Building at 5:15 p.m. with a loud round of applause from the students and faculty awaiting her. The first to speak at the occasion was SGA President Kenneth Daniel, who introduced the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Richard (Bobby) Allen.

Mr. Allen stated that when he was informed that M.C. would like to have "Miz Carter" as a guest, he had to say that it couldn't be done. He attributed Mrs. Carter's appearance to Dr. Pearce who "...took it over in my (Mr. Allen's) head" referring to his wife, "...and someday or another, it got worked out."

He remarked that the audience was larger than what he expected and he was pleased at the turnout. He then introduced his wife, a student here at M.C., and a friend of Ruth



Carter Stapleton - sister of the candidate, a native of North Carolina for 27 years, and a 1964 graduate of M.C.

Mrs. Stapleton remarked on how she could always count on her mother when things got tough around exam time at M.C. When she talked about her brother, she said that she told Jimmy that if he didn't come to North Carolina to speak, she would not campaign for him. So it ended up that Jimmy Carter campaigned in NC while Ruth, in return, gave a speech for him in Boston. Mrs. Stapleton noted that this was the first time Mrs. Carter had left Plains, GA to campaign for her son.

Mrs. Carter walked to the microphone with that big and famous Carter smile and

greeted the audience. She had a very good sense of humor. She was witty, and she kept her audience laughing. Her frankness about what she talked about was admirable.

Mrs. Carter was a housemother at Auburn for seven years. She then went into the Peace Corps and served in India.

Mrs. Carter said she noticed our "beautiful decorations" as she walked across the campus. She was referring to the toilet paper hanging from the trees. She spoke about her family, mentioning besides Ruth and Jimmy, another daughter, Gloria. Gloria's main hobby is riding motorcycles.

Mrs. Carter talked about her adventures with the Peace Corps. She said that when she applied, she expected to be turned down. She was surprised when she was informed that she was accepted for testing. In 1967, she went to Chicago to take her tests. She said she was flooded by questions from psychologists. Who wondered if she was getting senile, and why an elderly lady in her late sixties would want to go to India? She said her response was that she had done almost everything else."

She told a story about the time she was invited to an Indian wedding. They played a "boogie-woogie" song in her honor throughout the wedding. She was served cola that tasted like rubber and the service was stopped at one point because the brides dowry (referred to as "loot") was missing. She finished her story by saying that the suitcase containing the dowry was found in a taxi, and the wedding was completed.

When she finished talking, she came down from the stage, greeting members of the audience and signing autographs. Even after she left, laughter still filled the air from the many humorous comments she made. Students, faculty, and administrators will remember long into the future the day Miz Lillian came to Methodist College.

Methodist Women's Volleyball: Best in The State

By Scott Peterson
sMALLTALK - December 9, 1977

Three years ago, Methodist started a varsity volleyball program. This year the squad returned from the Division III NCAA Volleyball Championships with a "#1" written on the van windows of the returning champions. A 15-9, 15-10 win over Shaw University climaxed an unbeaten tournament competition in which the Lady Monarchs defeated Winston-Salem State, 15-5, 15-2; North Carolina A & T 9-15, 15-12, and 15-3; and Shaw university in the opening round of the tournament held at Meredith College in Raleigh. Shaw was the only blemish

on Methodist's 22-1 Division II mark during the regular season, but the two wins over the Bears in the tournament gave the Monarchs a 3-1 series record against Shaw for the year. For the Monarchs, who finished the season with a 24-6 overall record, the state championship is the end of the road as far as post-season competitions goes. There is no national tournament in volleyball in the NCAA.

"Our girls deserve to win," states Mary Jane Hurley, coach of the Monarchs, upon their return to the Fayetteville campus. "We were the best team out there. We possess the best skills, attitude, and were the best-liked of all the teams. We had about 50 students from the school come up to support us and we also gained some of the other schools' support."

"We won the tournament because we fought back after being behind," Hurley continued. "We maintained our cool and backed each other up throughout the tournament." That comeback ability was demonstrated in the Monarch's 17-15 win over North Carolina A & T after being down 9-14 at one point in the game. "They played their best game ever against A & T," she said, "Our sets and spikes were good and we had a good team spirit."

Susan Ipock, the only senior on the squad and the only player back from the original squad of three years ago, was already looking ahead for the girls of next year after the defeat. "We worked together so well - it was a team effort. No team will be able to beat us next year. We should win the title again next year."

President's Corner: PERSPECTIVE

By Chip Dicks
sMALLTALK - March 1973

In a semester mastered by anticipation of who the next president of Methodist College will be or what he might bring, the Student Government Association is working hard to establish a firm foundation from which meaningful change can be achieved.

The S.G.A. has sent letters to all of the schools who are members of the Independent Colleges and Universities Association of North Carolina requesting any information or assistance available concerning room visitation and coed dorms, as each can conveniently do so. Upon the receipt of this information, the S.G.A. will file it for future reference. The S.G.A. feels that at this time it would be impractical to introduce legislation which provided for either visitation or coed dorms.

The S.G.A. Committee for the Establishment of a Campus Radio Station has run into some difficulties. The main reason the radio station is not set up in the union now is the legal hassles of obtaining a license from the Federal Communications Commission, were much more than we had ever anticipated. Due to the work of Charlie Bless however, the committee has secured a valuable turntable apparatus which will greatly help us when we get to that stage of the game. The radio station will probably not be operating this semester, but a great deal of the ground work has been laid.

The S.G.A. is assisting the college administration and Board of Trustees by writing all of the state legislators in this area to let them know that we are concerned about the financial problems that most of the private colleges and universities are experiencing due to the vast differences in the tuition rates of private schools and those of the state-supported public schools. In 1971, the General Assembly passed legislation which would have provided each private school with \$200 per

North Carolina student per year. The Legislature only allocated enough money for \$25 per student. This year the Independent Colleges and Universities Association is lobbying in the general Assembly to get the Legislators to fully fund the measure they passed in 1971. The S.G.A. is assisting in this effort.

The S.G.A. Committee for the Establishment of a Student Information Bureau accomplished its goal the end of last semester under the direction of Jeff Olsen. The purpose of the bureau is to provide the student body with a place to look when in need of any kind of information which might not otherwise be difficult to locate. The bureau has conducted several polls this semester already in addition to holding a very successful seminar on sex during February. The Student Information Bureau is there for us, so use it.

The S.G.A. proposal which lowered the number of required assemblies to six for this semester applies only to this semester. The purpose of the proposal was to demonstrate to the college administration that students, if given certain liberties, would not abuse them. If we do not support this policy on a trial basis, there is a good possibility of going back to the old one. If we prove that we can accept responsibility by fulfilling our end of the bargain, there is a good possibility of achieving the goal of an all-optional attendance policy. The choice is ours. Make the right one and support the policy by attending your six required assemblies.

There is not a great deal of power invested in the S.G.A., but with some support from the student body as a whole, and some hard work, we can help Methodist College to serve us better. If you have some hassles you cannot work out, try us. We just might be able to help.

MC History Quiz

1. Who was the first academic dean?
2. To whom was the first yearbook (1964 Carillon) dedicated?
3. The first freshmen class (September 1960) consisted of _____(number) students.
4. How many intercollegiate sports did Methodist offer in 1965? Name them.
5. The first "Monarch" or college mascot was not a lion. What was it?
6. At the peak of the Vietnam War, (mid to late 60s) most students at Methodist considered themselves _____(hawks, doves).
7. Why was the original design for the chapel changed?
8. When did MC adopt an Alma Mater (college song)?
9. Who were the Yama-Yamas?
10. In what year did the "streaking" fad hit the campus and which MC athletic team bared all?
11. When was the Stage Band formed?
12. What year was the president's home built?
13. What two buildings/structures were completed in 1999?
14. The "Expanding the Vision" campaign raised a grand total of _____.
15. What was the first building completed during the "Expanding the Vision" campaign?
16. Which president has remained in office the longest?
17. When was the name of the student newspaper changed from *sMall Talk* to *Pride*?
18. Which current professors have taught at Methodist College the longest?
19. How many acres of land does Methodist College occupy?
20. How many students has Methodist College graduated since 1964?

Complete this quiz and mail it to the Editor of MC TODAY (postmarked by August 1) and you could win a Methodist College T-shirt and cap. The first entry received with all questions answered correctly or with the largest percentage of correct answers wins. GOOD LUCK!

FLASHBACK to the 70's



The Monarch Pages

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

Men's Golf Claims Decade of Dominance

Methodist College left no doubt that it has the men's golf team of the '90s, running away with the 1999 NCAA-III Championship May 20 at Williamstown, MA.

Coach Steve Conley's Monarchs posted a four-day total of 1,190 to easily outdistance runner-up California - San Diego (1,217) -- by 27 strokes -- on their way to their ninth national title in 10 years and sixth in a row.

Sophomore sensation Chad Collins became only the second athlete ever to capture the individual national championship in back-to-back fashion.

Collins carded a 284, one shot shy of the tournament record which he tied last year. He posted a 10-stroke victory over host Williams College's Devin Redmond (294), the second-place finisher.

Collins was joined on the First Team All-America by senior Damon Aswad, who fired a 296 for third place. Senior Pete Stefanchik shot a 304 for an eighth-place tie and Second Team All-America status.

Sophomore Billy Whitney (308) ended up tied for 25th while junior captain Brion McLaughlin (315) finished tied for 53rd.

"I've got to be honest, to win nine out of 10 national championships in the decade of the '90s is pretty strong," Conley said. "The only program that I think can compare with that is the North Carolina women's soccer team."

Collins registered a second-round 66 to set a course record while tying the tournament's single-round mark.

Also the DIAC Player of the Year, Collins appeared in the June seventh *Sports Illustrated Golf Plus* issue's "Faces in the Crowd."

Ranked number one nationally throughout the past two campaigns, Collins was honored as the NCAA-III Player of the Year by the GCAA for the second-straight time.

Collins claimed five tournament titles this past season. His 71.3 scoring average is the 11th-best at all three NCAA levels.

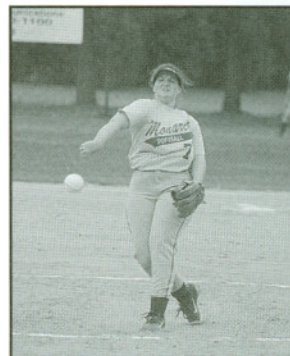
In April, Collins, Whitney and Awad swept the top three places to lead Methodist to its 18th conference crown in 24 years and seventh in a row.

The Monarchs hosted the two-day event, April 17-18, at Carolina Trace Country Club in Sanford, NC. MC (589) smoked Greensboro (616), the country's top-ranked team at the time, by 27 strokes.



The 1999 Men's Golf National Championship Team. L. to R.: Billy Whitney, Chad Collins, Brion McLaughlin, Damon Aswad, Pete Stefanchik, Clach Steve Conley.

Simpson's Softball Squad Rewrites History



Heather Hugus pitched her way to DIAC Player of the Year honors.

Coach Ron Simpson's inaugural Methodist College softball team rewrote both the MC and DIAC history books in 1999.

Despite possessing no senior starters, the Monarchs registered one of their best campaigns ever.

MC tallied a 32-12 record (.727) which included a DIAC regular season championship and a first-ever trip to the NCAA-III East Regional.

The Monarchs, who peaked at second regionally and 18th nationally late in the season, beat Gettysburg College 2-1 for their first-ever postseason victory.

The win assured the young Methodist squad of a fourth-place finish in the region's elite five-team field.

"I knew we had some good possibilities," said Simpson, who took over a team that went 10-17 the previous year. "I thought we were a year away. I guess next year comes early sometimes."

According to the DIAC Coaches' Preseason Poll, Methodist was picked to repeat in a tie for third in the league.

The Monarchs blew away those expectations by becoming the first team to ever post a 10-0 mark in DIAC competition.

That finish was more than enough to give Methodist its first conference championship in five years and fourth overall.

It also marked MC's first outright DIAC title in 14 years and second overall.

Junior pitcher Heather Hugus, junior catcher Connie Francis, junior first baseman Erin Dodson, sophomore second baseman Julia Best, freshman third baseman Tonya Pipkin and freshman outfielder Adrienne Midgley all earned First Team All-DIAC distinction.

Hugus was named the DIAC Player of the Year while Midgley was tabbed the DIAC Rookie of the Year and Simpson was elected the DIAC Coach of the Year.

Best shattered program and conference single-season records with 80 hits, 29 doubles, 121 total bases and 53 RBI.

Midgley set the new program and conference single-season mark with 163 at-bats while Hugus established new plateaus by pitching 171 strikeouts.

In just two seasons with the Monarchs, Best has taken over both the Methodist and DIAC career milestones with 38 doubles.

MC also established new program and conference single-season marks by smacking 461 hits and pitching 211 strikeouts.

Women's Golf Rallies to Win National Title

Despite trailing by 18 strokes after the first round, the Methodist College women's golf team captured its third NCAA-II/III Championship in four years May 15 at Howey-in-the-Hills, FL.

Coach Kim Kincer's Monarchs posted a four-day total of 1,282 to edge Division II leader Florida Southern (1,285) — by three strokes — on their way to their 12th national title overall in the program's 14-year history.

Florida Southern, the *Sports Illustrated* for Women tournament favorite, saw its 18-stroke advantage cut to nine shots after two rounds and down to two after three.

"It was real exciting," said Kincer. "It was so close at the end, I thought we might go to sudden death."

Senior team co-captain Tracey Gage fired a 314 to earn runner-up honors for the second consecutive season, one shot behind Florida Southern's Lisa Cave.

Senior Chrissy Arriola (316) finished third, senior team co-captain Tanice Nilson (324) placed 10th, sophomore Carol Brogan (331) tied for 14th and sophomore Melanie Tipps (343) ended up tied for 26th.

Tied for 20th after the first round, Gage battled her way to the top Division III finish for the second-straight year.

Playing in her fourth NCAA-II/III Tournament, Gage placed in the top 25 for the fourth time and in the top 10 for the third.

The two-time Rolex NCAA-III Player of the Year was also named the Methodist College Student Government Association Athlete of the Year.

Gage was chosen to the NCAA-II/III First Team All-America, by the NGCA, for the second-straight campaign after one season on the Second Team. She was also picked to the GTE Third Team Academic All-America.

An Honorable Mention All-American a year ago, Nilson was promoted to the First Team for this season. The NGCA named her an All-Scholar Athlete for the third-straight year.

Arriola was honored to the Second Team All-America.

Gage appeared in the June seventh *Sports Illustrated Golf Plus* issue's "Faces in the Crowd."



The 1999 Women's Golf National Championship Team. L to R: Carol Brogan, Tanice Nilson, Coach Kim Kincer, Melanie Tipps, Tracey Gage, Chrissy Arriola

Ray Racks Up All-America Accolades



Senior William Ray leaped his way to All-America status twice in the triple jump.

Senior triple jumper William Ray earned All-America recognition at both the indoor and outdoor NCAA-III track and field meets this spring.

At the indoor competition, March 14 in Ada, OH, he outperformed his number 12 ranking to finish fifth via a program-record 48-2 jump.

At the outdoor championship, May 22 in Berea, OH, he overachieved again with a 46-9 leap for seventh place. He entered the event ranked 14th.

"It's a tribute to his mental strength," said Coach Jennifer Jacobsen. "He has proven that he can compete with the best in the country."

Earlier in the year, Ray had won the Mason-Dixon Conference indoor title in the triple jump. Ray was also second in the long jump and second in the 55-meter dash.

At the Mason-Dixon outdoor meet, sophomore Andy Duer finished second in the 3000-meter steeplechase.

For the MC women in Mason-Dixon outdoor competition, junior Sarah Kerley earned three top three finishes for all-conference distinction in all three events.

She placed second in the triple jump with a lifetime-best leap of 34-11, second in the 100-meter hurdles with a season-best time of 15.54 seconds and third in the long jump with a lifetime-best leap of 17-5.25.

"Her success is a direct result of her discipline," said Jacobsen. "She's an outstanding technician."

Also this season, junior Bria Lovelace became a pioneer by setting the program's inaugural women's pole vault record (7-0) while senior Rebecca Lynch, junior Kristen Butler, sophomore Trisha Smith and senior Christine Waicukauski combined to establish the MC 3200-meter relay mark (12:20.2) by 32 seconds.



Junior Sarah Kerley earned three top three finishes in the Mason-Dixon Conference outdoors.

Women's Basketball Captures DIAC

Methodist's lady hoopsters netted a 10-2 record in league play to snag a share of their first DIAC regular season title in six years and second overall.

In just her second season as head coach, DeeDee Jarman directed her Monarchs to a 19-7 (.731) slate. MC had won 14 of 15 contests at one stretch.

A DIAC Tournament semifinal loss to eventual NCAA-III Tournament first-round winner North Carolina Wesleyan ended the second-best season in Methodist history.

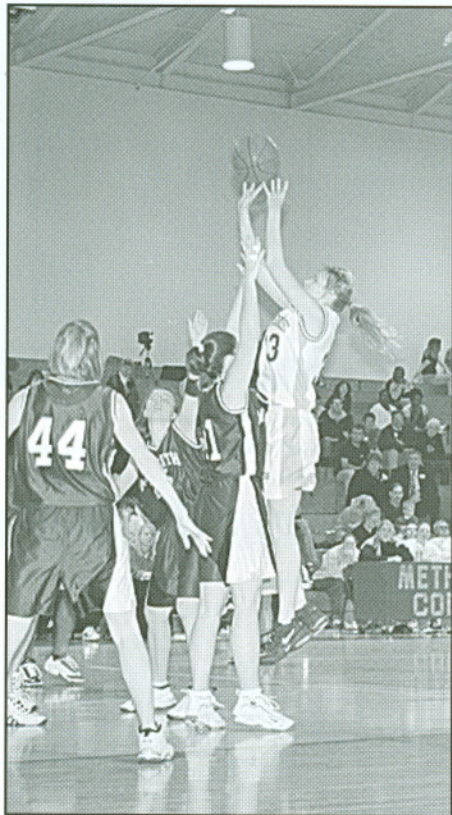
Senior Amy Todd became both the DIAC Player of the Year and an honorable mention All-American; both first-ever feats in MC women's basketball.

The two-year captain and two-time team MVP also earned First Team All-DIAC honors for the third time and DIAC All-Tournament status for the second.

Todd became Methodist's all-time leader in rebounds (844) and blocked shots (113) in just three years. She is now also MC's second all-time leader in scoring (1,307 points), field goals (495) and free throws (317).

A Second Team All-DIACer, junior Triba Williams became Methodist's all-time leader in steals with 184. Senior Priscilla Farhan is now the Monarchs' second all-time leader in assists with 370.

Todd and junior Erin Updegrave were both selected to the GTE First Team Academic All-District.



Amy Todd became Methodist's first-ever DIAC Player of the Year in women's basketball.

Men's Basketball Second in DIAC

The Monarch basketball team tallied its third winning season in four years, last winter, putting up a 16-11 (.593) record.

Picked to finish sixth in the league, Methodist capped its successful campaign with runner-up finishes in the DIAC for both the season and in the tournament.



Montrell McNair became Methodist's all-time leader in scoring and three-point field goals.

Senior Montrell McNair became Methodist's all-time leader in scoring (1,739 career points) and three-point field goals (246). He's also MC's second all-time leader in all field goals (610).

McNair earned Second Team All-South Region recognition in addition to making the First Team All-DIAC, for the third consecutive year, and the DIAC All-Tournament.

The two-year team captain and two-time team MVP owns the Methodist records for the most three-pointers in a single game with seven. His 42 points against Averett marked the program's second-highest scoring total ever.

Bob McEvoy was honored as the DIAC Coach of the Year for the fourth time overall and second in three seasons.

McEvoy announced his resignation from coaching at the season's end to concentrate on his AD duties. He had been coaching for 26 years altogether, including the past seven at Methodist.

He has been replaced by David Smith, a 1981 Methodist graduate and an assistant coach the past four seasons.

Football Coach Looks Forward To 8th Season

Coach Jim Sypult (36-34, .514 in seven seasons at Methodist) has good reason to be optimistic about the 1999 gridiron season. Methodist returns 12 starters (seven offensive, five defensive) from last season's 7-3 squad which finished second in the fledgling Atlantic Central Football Conference.

The 12 starters include six rising seniors who helped the Monarchs to a 16-4 record over the past two seasons, a mere 12 total points shy of an 18-2 year slate.

"We currently have 51 quality players returning who can contribute to our program," said Sypult. "The work ethic and attitude are the best of any group I've known."

Methodist will have to fill graduation vacancies left by First Team All-ACFC honorees Brian Turner (at quarterback) and Second Team All-ACFC offensive lineman Andrew Mullis.

Sophomore and 1998 back-up Matt O'Kier (6-1, 185) and redshirted freshman Bryan Hunsinger (6-2, 180) top the list of Turner's potential replacements at quarterback.

Returning starter and honorable mention All-ACFC pick junior Patrick Mebane (5-8, 175), and sophomore Jonty Leak (5-7, 165) and redshirted freshman Deatrice Goodson (5-6, 150) head the talented pack of tailbacks.

The veteran Monarch offensive line will be anchored by senior offensive team co-captains Stacy Cook (6-0, 285) and Damon Sloan (6-4, 310), an honorable mention All-ACFC selection.

MC's defensive line will be led by senior defensive team co-captains Shaun Bowman (6-1, 235), an honorable mention All-ACFC pick, and Tavares Hunter (5-11, 270), who made Second Team All-ACFC for his performance during the 1999 season.



Methodist Announces its Second Hall of Fame Class

The Department of Athletics has announced the 1999 Methodist College Athletic Hall of Fame class.

This second annual class consists of four inductees — Becky Burleigh, David Holmes, Jay Kirkpatrick and Mason Sykes.

Becky Burleigh attended Methodist, 1985-89, playing on the College's first four women's soccer teams.

She helped MC to a 55-19-4 slate (.731), four DIAC championships, three NCAA-III Tournament appearances and a trip to the 1988 Final Four.



A defender her first three years and the team's goalie her senior season, the three-time First Team All-DIACer earned First Team All-South status in 1988.

Burleigh made the transformation from player to coach, taking the head job at Berry College (Mt. Berry, GA). During her five seasons there, she led the Vikings to a 82-23-6 (.766) ledger and a pair of NAIA-I titles (1990, 1993).

Burleigh went on to become the first women's soccer coach at the University of Florida, leading the Gators to an 81-11-3 (.868) record over the past four years.

Her four-year tenure includes three SEC crowns, three NCAA-I Tournament appearances and the 1998 national title.

David Holmes, who attended Methodist from 1988-1992, helped the Monarch soccer team to a 57-14-4 (.787) mark during his career. That run resulted in Methodist's first three DIAC championships and first two South Regional crowns.

Holmes is a three-time All-American, making the Second Team in 1989 and 1990 and the First Team in 1991. Adidas tabbed him as an honorable mention Academic All-American.

The four-time All-DIAC player — a three-time First Team selection — received Conference Player of the Year recognition in 1990. He was also chosen to the only DIAC All-Tournament team.

Holmes was a three-time First Team All-South Region pick. He also appeared once on the First Team Academic All-South Region.

The two-time Methodist MVP went on

to captain three professional teams over the course of six years. He currently doubles as a pro player and a retail sports store manager in Newark, DE.

Jay Kirkpatrick attended Methodist College, 1987-1991, playing four years of baseball as the Monarch catcher.

During his career, MC went 128-47 (.731) while making four NCAA-III Tournament appearances and claiming two South Regional titles and one DIAC crown. The Monarchs finished fourth in the nation twice during that time.

As a senior, Kirkpatrick amassed First Team All-DIAC, First Team All-South Region, First Team All-America and Academic All-America distinction.

Kirkpatrick still ranks among all-time Methodist leaders in RBI (second/195), batting average (third/.387), hits (fifth/228), doubles (fifth/46) and home runs (fifth/23).

Going professional, Kirkpatrick went on to play in the Dodgers organization for six years. While there, he made appearances on the A, AA and AAA all-star teams.

Last year, Kirkpatrick competed overseas where he became the 1998 Chinese Professional Baseball League MVP and Triple Crown Winner.

He led the league in batting (.387), home runs (31) and RBIs (101) in 105 games,



setting records for batting, home runs, RBI, hits, doubles, walks, intentional walks and slugging percentage.

Mason Sykes, an employee at Methodist since 1966, originally joined the faculty as the men's coach for soccer, wrestling and tennis.

He has since portrayed many roles at MC, including that of assistant professor of physical education, director of intramurals, dean of men and superintendent of buildings and grounds.

During his 18 years of service in the Department of Athletics, Sykes was named the DIAC Coach of the Year once for tennis, once for wrestling and four times for soccer.

Since his retirement from athletics, the Sykes Cup was created to annually honor the Methodist Athlete of the Year.

All four inductees will be honored at the Second Annual Methodist College Hall of Fame Induction Banquet, Oct. 29, in the March F. Riddle Center on the Methodist campus.

The banquet will again kick off the Monarchs' Homecoming Weekend activities. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Bob McEvoy, the Methodist Director of Athletics, at either (800) 488-7110 or (910) 630-7182.



Fayetteville Publishing Team Wins Methodist Hall of Fame Golf Classic



A team representing Fayetteville Publishing Company scored a 56 to capture the title at the Second Annual Methodist College Athletic Hall of Fame Golf Tournament. The Fayetteville Observer-Times sponsored the 27-team event, held at King's Grant Golf & Country Club June 18. Pictured l. to r.: Larry Cheek, John Holmes, Karl Wurzbach, Skip Pape.

Monarch Sports Briefs

Monarchs Claim a Third-Straight Top 25 Finish

Methodist College finished tied for 13th among the country's 387 NCAA-III institutions in the 1998-99 NACDA/Sears Directors' Cup standings, recognizing the country's top overall athletic programs.

It marked the third time in the four-year history of the Division III Cup that the Monarchs landed in the nation's top 25, and second in the top 15. MC was 13th for 1995-96, 59th for 1996-97 and tied for 21st for 1997-98.

In 1998-99, Methodist's 18-sport program boasted six postseason teams led by national championships in men's and women's golf.

Monroe and Todd Named Athletes of the Year

Trayfer Monroe and Amy Todd have been named the 1998-99 Methodist College Senior Male and Female Athletes of the Year.

A three-year defensive team MVP, Monroe led the Monarch football team to a 27-13 (.675) record during his four-year career. The four-year starter and two-year captain was named to five postseason and three preseason All-America teams. He was also picked to the inaugural First Team All-ACFC in 1998.

Her team's MVP during all three of her seasons at Methodist, Todd helped the Monarchs to a share of the 1998-99 regular season DIAC championship. A three-time First Team All-Conference selection, she earned both DIAC Player of the Year and Honorable Mention All-America recognition for her last year.

Other 1998-99 team MVPs are senior Rachel Barry (athletic training), senior Montrell McNair (men's basketball), senior Hamilton Cuthrell (cheerleading), junior Kristen Butler (women's cross country), senior Brian Turner (football offensive team), senior Darrien Tucker (football special teams), sophomore Chad Collins (men's golf), senior Tracey Gage (women's golf), senior Paul Smith (men's soccer), junior Trisha Clinton (women's soccer), junior Heather Hugus (softball), sophomore Nick Saltmarsh (men's tennis), senior Kristine Broadwell (women's tennis), senior Ivana Janciarova (women's tennis), senior William Ray (men's track and field), junior Sarah Kerley (women's track and field), senior Julie Barnes (volleyball) and junior Lu Jurcova (volleyball).

Barry Earns Sears Directors' Cup Scholarship

Senior athletic trainer Rachel Barry was honored as one of only four NCAA-III recipients, and 16 overall, of the NACDA/Sears Directors' Cup Postgraduate Scholarship Awards. Barry will receive a \$5,000 grant to be used toward her postgraduate studies at East Carolina University in the fall.

As a senior, Barry served as the president of the MC Student Athletic Trainer's Association. The Summa Cum Laude graduate cumulated a 3.90 GPA with a sports medicine major and a psychology minor.

Tennis Teams Finish Third in Conference Action

Methodist's men's and women's tennis teams both netted third-place finishes at the DIAC Championship, Apr. 18, in Newport News, VA.

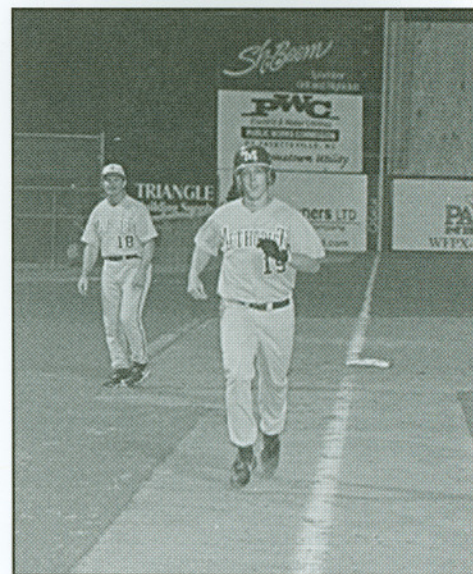
Coach Christine Mullin's men earned titles at number five singles (Andrew Ummel) and at number three doubles (Ummel and Chad McCall) and runner-up finishes at number one singles (Nick Saltmarsh) and number six singles (McCall).

Ivana Janciarova (number one) and Kristine Broadwell (number two) each finished second in their singles flights for Coach Dan Arnold's women. Janciarova and Broadwell combined for runner-up honors at number one doubles.

Garceau Becomes New Head Athletic Trainer

Gretchen Garceau has been named Methodist's head ATC. An assistant athletic trainer for The U.S. Military Academy (NY) the past four years, she replaces Jennifer Wuyscik who left in May to pursue other interests. Garceau earned a B.S. degree in sport science from Colby-Sawyer College (NH) in 1991 and an M.S. degree in education from Elmira College (NY) in 1993.

Baseball Snags Banner Season



Senior Billy Chapman heads home after hitting a homerun in an exhibition game between the Monarchs and the Cape Fear Crocs.

The Monarch baseball team recorded another successful season, capturing its fourth DIAC title in five years and advancing to its 16th NCAA-III Tournament in 18 campaigns.

Coach Tom Austin's 20th MC squad registered a 29-13 (.690) slate, falling one victory shy of a fifth consecutive 30-win season.

A two-game road sweep of eventual national champion North Carolina Wesleyan, during the final weekend of league play, ensured Methodist a share of the DIAC crown.

Batting .399 with 11 home runs, senior utility man Billy Chapman led the Monarchs in both categories for the fourth-straight year.

The four-time First Team All-DIAC and four-time First Team All-South selection was named a 1999 Third Team All-American. The 1996 DIAC Rookie of the Year, Chapman also became the 1999 DIAC Player of the Year.

Chapman leaves ranked among the program's all-time career leaders in times hit by a pitch (first/25), doubles (second/53), home runs (second/32), winning percentage as a pitcher (second/.857 at 18-3), sacrifices (third/19) and hits (tied for third/239).

Freshman pitcher Joey Silver (8-1, 3.42) earned Second Team All-South status while junior catcher Billy Bullard (.344) was named to the First Team All-DIAC and honorable mention All-South Region.

Junior third baseman Scott St. Clair (.323, 35 RBI) and sophomore pitcher Will Miller (6-2, 3.76) were both Second Team All-DIAC selections.

Class Notes

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Class Notes

The Who, What and Where of Methodist College Alumni

1967

MARY SEGESKY SAUNDERS retired in January 1999. She will now have more time to spend with her 5 horses. Daughter, Meri, has moved to Charlotte and taken a job with Northeast Medical Center in Concord, NC in marketing development. Daughter, Dani, was married Sept. 5, 1998 and is a loan officer with BB&T in Forest City, NC. Husband, **MIKE '67**, has two big projects, restoring a 1962 Chevrolet convertible and renovating a 1940's cabin at Lake Lure.

1968

GORDON HERBERT has been elected President and General Counsel of United Title Company in Raleigh. He has been with United Title Insurance since 1981 following private practice. He and his wife, Corinna, have two daughters, Caroline and Emily.

Bud Taylor has been elected chairman of BB&T's advisory board in Fayetteville.

Jean Barkley Gearhart has completed work on her Ed.D. in Educational Leadership with certification in instructional technology and supervision from Nova Southeastern University in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. She is now employed as a computer support specialist at Waccamaw Elementary School in Brunswick County, NC

1970

FRED ZAHARAN has opened Fayetteville Gemological Services. The business will specialize in jewelry appraisals, insurance replacements, repairs, estate jewelry sales and special orders.

1971

RON ROBERTS reports that his daughter, Jennifer, graduated from UNC-Wilmington and is now teaching 2nd grade in Roxboro, NC. His younger daughter, Kelly is a freshman at NC State.

1972

BOB AND BARBARA JONES '73 WILLIAMS have moved to the Charleston, SC area. Son, Michael, 14, has made the SC All-State Orchestra for violin. Son, Stephen, 18, has made the National Honor Band for high school students for trumpet.

1974

SANDRA ATWOOD LEECHFORD married Billy Peterson May 22 at Red Hill Universalist Church in Clinton, NC. Sandra is a teacher at E.E. Miller Elementary School and teaches ballroom dancing at Roland's Dance Studio in Fayetteville. Billy is a partner and CPA with Denning, Rouse and Peterson in Clinton.

GLEN M. HINNANT

is celebrating 25 years at First Citizens Bank in Smithfield, where he currently serves as senior vice president and regional banking manager. He is a member of the boards of the United Way, CONTACT Crisis Hotline, and the Smithfield-Selma Chamber of Commerce.



1975

MARY MCDUFFIE has been named superintendent of the Northampton County (NC) Schools. She was formerly assistant superintendent of the Brunswick County Schools in Southport, NC.

1976

FRED BATCHELOR was recently selected for promotion to Colonel in the U.S. Army. He has been stationed in Nashville, TN; however, he will transfer to PA this summer to attend the Army War College.

1980

RICK KETCHEM has transferred to Atlanta with NationsBank. He is now Division Vice President/Sales Manager for the east coast. He and his wife, **KAREN DIDOLCI '80**, have two children, Lindsay, 14, and Mallory, 7.

1982

JED BULLINGTON married Jacqueline Freeman of Raleigh, N.C. August 22, 1999 at the Riverview Inn in Southport, NC. Jed is an artist for *The News and Observer* in Raleigh. Jacqueline is an account executive with ObjectIntelligence, a technology consulting and development firm.

1983

SHERWOOD COOKE is extremely proud of his daughter, Shelley. She recently completed law school at North Carolina Central University, graduating *summa cum laude*. She is now attending the University of Florida to obtain her J.D. Amazingly, she's done it all while raising four children!

1987

JULIE BARLOW HEMMLER has opened her own preschool, Earthshine Montessori, on Main St. in Buies Creek, NC. She and her husband live in Angier, NC.

MAJ. DAVID CULBRETH and his wife, **DEDRA TART CULBRETH '88** are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Savannah Rae Culbreth. She was born Oct. 25, 1998 weighing 9 lbs. 7ozs.

CHRISTINE BROOKS THOMPSON

has been promoted to a policy and information manager with First Citizens Bank in Raleigh, NC.



STAN MOZINGO has left the coaching profession and is now with Interpath Communications, Inc. as a sales representative in Raleigh.

1988

LISA WYMER-JOYNER and her husband, Robert, are the proud parents of a new daughter. Laney Michele was born Aug. 31, 1998. The Joyner family resides in Buford, GA, just outside Atlanta.

1990

RICKY HILL is now the head cheerleading coach at the University of Texas at Austin.

1991

BILL HARTMANN is now men's head basketball coach at Waukesha County Technical College in Wisconsin.

TAMMY ALVIS is still living in Englewood, Colorado. She is now teaching third grade at Pine Lane Primary School. She would love to hear from MC friends and family. E-mail her at TammyAlvis@aol.com.

RICHARD PLAYER and his cousin, Meredith Player Stiehl, accepted the 1998 Pinnacle Award for Player, Inc. as the Best General Contractor in North and South Carolina at the annual Carolinas Associated General Contractors convention January 16, 1999. Carolinas AGC is the largest chapter of the Associated General Contractors of America, the largest commercial construction organization in the U.S.

CATHY STAFFORD WIBBENS and her husband, Brian, welcomed son, Jacob Quentin, to their family on June 12, 1998 at Fort Hood, TX.

AUDREY HOUSER has completed her master's degree in special education. "Karol, please write! I'm sorry I never sent the pictures."

TAMMY ALLRED PARKINS and her husband, Melvin, announce the birth of their 2nd daughter, Tania Lynette, May 21, 1998. Their 1st daughter, Taylor Lane, is 5 years old. Tammy is an exceptional children's case manager for Cumberland County Schools.

1992

MICHELLE KARL married David Derkowski Sept. 26, 1998 at Walt Disney World in Orlando, FL. They headed for the French Polynesian Islands for their honeymoon. They spent 4 days on the island of Bora Bora before catching a 7 night cruise on the Paul Gaugin cruise ship. They have purchased a new home in Charlotte where Michelle is working for Salomon Smith Barney as a senior registered sales associate. Dave is with Warner Brothers Records as a promotions manager.

JENNIFER AKERS is engaged. She and Curt Curtis will be married July 31 at St. John's Episcopal Church in Fayetteville. Jennifer is teaching at Cape Fear High School and in the evening college at Methodist. Curt is a captain in the Army, stationed at Fort Bragg.

AMANDA COOK was married in August 1998 to Cesar Marimon. She now lives in Columbia, SC where she is an accountant with Wilbur Smith Associates, an international transportation engineering firm. Cesar is enrolled in a doctoral program in music at the University of South Carolina. Amanda's e-mail address is amanda_cook@hotmail.com.

CINDEE HURT CAMPBELL is the information services librarian at the North Regional Branch Library in Cumberland County. She received her master's in Library Science from NC Central University in June 1997.

CAPT. LORIE SANUITA STUMP and her husband, David, are still stationed at Elgin AFB, Fla. Lorie has taken a new position as the Wing Commander's executive officer. She has remained active in athletics, and will be playing with the Elgin AFB Softball team this summer. Lorie and David spend most of their spare time with their two Labrador retrievers, Cowboy and Sampson.

ANGINETTE CONRAD HOLMES is expecting her second child in August. She will be a stay-at-home mom until the new baby and one-year-old Abbey start school. She'll be doing medical transcription from her home during this time.

EILEEN PERRY completed her masters in Computer Information Systems in Dec. 1998. She is living in San Antonio, TX.

1993

DWAYNE MACK was among the four recipients of the Washington State University Martin Luther King Distinguished Service Awards for 1999. Dwayne is an American History doctoral student at WSU. He is coordinator of the university's Talmadge

Anderson Heritage House, an on-campus facility, created for the cultural and educational enlightenment of African Americans at Washington State.

ABIGAIL FINDLAY and **JOHN STORMS '92** were married in 1997 and are living and working in Switzerland. John is Operations Manager for Nike in the southern part of Switzerland. He is also involved in product development and testing for the Nike Alpha Project. Abigail received her masters in International Management from Thunderbird University in Arizona in 1996. She is now working for Johnson & Johnson as Brand Manager, developing worldwide strategy for PIZ BUIN, Europe's premium sun care brand.

VATRICE MACK CHESTNUT is the new desktop traffic coordinator in the production dept. for *Southern Living* Advertising in Birmingham, AL. She will provide technical support for the advertising production group.



DONNA KING married Bill Blackmon April 17 at Haymount United Methodist Church in Fayetteville. Bill is an assistant plant manager with Miller Desk in High Point.

CHRIS LANING and his wife, Jennifer, are expecting their first child in November.

1994

CHAD DRAKE was promoted to the rank of Captain in the Marine Corps on Jan. 1, 1999. He currently serves as the executive officer of Bravo Company, Marine Barracks, Washington, DC - "the oldest post of the Corps."

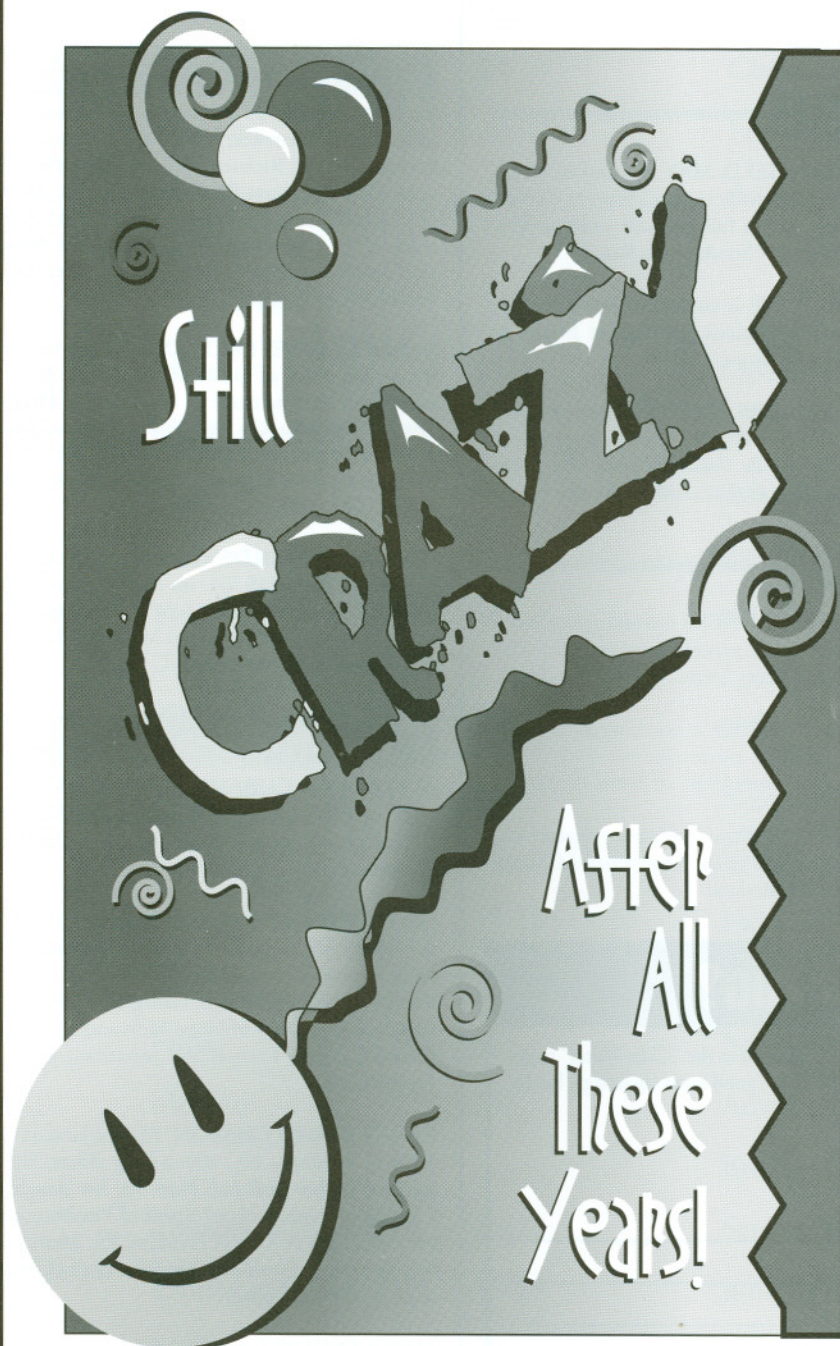
TINA BYARD STUART and husband, Tim, have been married over 2 years. They had a baby girl, Payton Cali, on July 5, 1998. Tina teaches 4th grade in Grayson County, VA. Tim is a probation and parole officer.

JENNIFER HALBURNT married Jason Dunn Dec. 20, 1998 at Butner Chapel at Fort Bragg. Jennifer is working as a kindergarten teacher. Jason is a manager with the Olive Garden restaurant in Fayetteville.

SARAH SHEW is engaged. She and Charles Wilson will be married October 2 at Seaside United Methodist Church in Sunset Beach, NC. Sarah is a staff writer at the *Brunswick Beacon* in Shallotte,

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NC. Chuck is a sales representative at Shallotte Electric. They will reside in Supply, close to Holden Beach.

MARTINE LOWRY will be married July 3 in Lexington, VA. to Captain Justin Kidd. Martine plans to earn her master's degree in Logistics Management. She is currently stationed at Fort Drum, NY.

MARY COSBY is working as a 6th grade teacher in the BEH Self-Contained Program at Max Abbot Middle School in Fayetteville.

1995

LAINA SMITH is employed with Women in Crisis, Counseling and Assistance Program, as a children's program coordinator in Fairbanks, AK.

ROB KRINGEL has been recognized for his customer service skills, willingness to go the "extra mile" and leadership within his office with Enterprise Rent-A-Car. He has been with Enterprise since April 1996. Currently, Rob is a management assistant with one of the Fayetteville offices.

DELANA EPPS-ROBINSON and her husband, Tony, have two daughters, Destinie, 2, and Dynestie, 14 months. They live in Richmond, VA where Delana is employed by the city of Richmond Dept. of Social Services as a benefits programs specialist.

VICTORIA ALLEN received her M.Ed. in May 1998 from Cameron Univ. (European Region). She is currently teaching children with learning disabilities and preschoolers with developmental delays for the Dept. of Defense Schools in Germany.

1996

DANIEL BARROS graduated from American University in Washington, D.C. with his master's in justice, law and society, magna cum laude while maintaining a teaching fellowship. He is currently employed with the U.S. Dept. of Justice Tax Division as a legal research specialist in the federal government's Outstanding Scholars Program. Daniel plans to attend law school in the next two years. He'd enjoy hearing from friends at his e-mail address - Dball3@aol.com.

REBECCA BOLAND welcomed a new baby boy, Slater John, into the family Feb. 27, 1998. He joined sister, Shelby, who is five. Rebecca is teaching special education in Washington state.

BRUNI ROSA married Micah Hill Dec. 11, 1998 in Fayetteville. Bruni is teaching kindergarten in the Cumberland County Schools. Micah is attending Methodist College.

ALUMNI

JODIE OWEN BULLARD and her husband are expecting their first child in October.

DARLENE DYKAS completed training with American Airlines as a flight attendant in Dec. She is based out of Chicago, IL.

KATIE BROWN SCHAFFER and her husband, Sam, announce the birth of their daughter, Morgann Hailey, Jan. 18, 1999. Katie is with an insurance company in Colorado Springs. Sam is a distributor for Rampart Plumbing and Heating Supply.

SUZANNE SULLIVAN DAVIS is the educational administrator for Cape Fear Region United Cerebral Palsy Developmental Center office located in Spring Lake, NC. Her son, Joseph, was 3 on May 1. He has been chosen to participate in the "Great American Model Search" in Pittsburgh, PA in June. Friends should e-mail her at suzanne68@aol.com.

JENIFER NEE was awarded a master's degree in Business Administration from Penn State University in May, 1998. She has accepted the position of "manager in development" with the Resorts of Pinehurst in Pinehurst, NC.

1997

JASON MARTIN married Tina Bailly Dec. 19, 1998. Jason is on the Board of Directors of Sigma Construction Company/INC 500 Member and Tina is with State Farm Insurance. They will live in Fayetteville.

STEVE BURTON and **HEATHER LUCAS** are engaged to be married. Steve is teaching 7th grade math and coaching wrestling at Pine Forest Middle School in Fayetteville. Heather is teaching special education and coaching softball, also at Pine Forest Middle. Their wedding is planned for the summer of 2000.

ANDREW MARCHETTA is attending the New York City Police Academy. He graduated in March 1999.

MICHAEL DELMEDICO married Heather Odin on October 17, 1998. They are currently living in Utica, NY.

BRENDA WARE is teaching 5th grade at E. E. Miller Elementary School in Fayetteville. She's also working on her master's degree at Fayetteville State University.

1998

LISA GREENFIELD MAY is completing her master's in sports medicine at California University of Penn. with a full graduate assistantship. She will marry Jeff Strichart on Aug. 22.

SARAH RAPALJE is currently working as the Director of Promotions and Special Events at Campbell University.

MANDY FELLERS HINTON married Rusty Hinton on August 2, 1998. She is a copy editor with the *Fayetteville Observer-Times*. She is expecting the couple's first child in November.

1999

ELIZABETH CONNERS is working as a social worker I in child protective services at the Cumberland County Dept. of Social Services.

CATRINA POWERS is working as a social worker I in child protective services at the Cumberland County Dept. of Social Services.

DEDRICK GADDY is working as a daycare services social worker at the Cumberland County Dept. of Social Services.

Corrections

VIVIAN RICKER GEIGER '69 is the program manager for Volunteer Families for Children of Cumberland County.

JOSEPH MCKOY '92 completed his masters degree in Human Resource Development and Management at Webster University, Myrtle Beach, SC in October 1998.

Condolences

To **TOM MAZE '93** and his family on the death of his father, Clarence, April 24. Memorials may be made to the Richard Bland College Foundation, 11301 Johnson Rd., Petersburg, VA 23805, Christ and Grace Episcopal Church, 1545 S. Sycamore St., Petersburg, VA 23805 or the American Cancer Society, 420 Park Place Ct., Glen Allen, VA 23060.

To **BECKY ESTES FARTHING '73** and her family on the death of her husband, Larry, April 9. Memorials may be made to the Colonial Heights Special Olympics, c/o First Union National Bank, 3107-16 Boulevard, Colonial Heights, VA. 23834 or the Immanuel Baptist Church, Lafayette Ave., Colonial Heights, VA. 23834.

To **SAM EDWARDS** (former registrar) and **REESE EDWARDS '64** on the death of Lillian Edwards, wife and mother, June 7. Memorials may be made to Hay Street United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 456, Fayetteville, NC 28302.

Obituaries

ALEXANDER CURAMENG '96 died April 20, 1999 in Fayetteville. He is survived by his wife, Gloria; a daughter, Kathleen; and a son, David; all of the home.

GEORGE ANSLEY '95 died December 27, 1998 in Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Durham, N.C. He is survived by a large family, including his wife, Kathleen Ansley; four sons, George, Jr. of Roanoke Rapids, Christopher of Hope Mills and a junior at Methodist, and Patrick and Jonathan, both of Fayetteville.

PEGGY BLAND CHASON '73 died January 27, 1999 in Pittsboro, NC after a long illness. She is survived by her husband, **Pete '73**; her daughter, Carrie; her mother, Hazel Bland of Pittsboro; and her sister, Sally B. Carr of Franklin, VA. Memorials may be made to Pittsboro United Methodist Church or to Methodist College.

JACK LANGLEY '70 died November 30, 1998 in Rocky Mount, NC. He is survived by his sons, Jackson Lee Langley, III of Greenville and Adam Davis Langley of Rocky Mount. He was the recipient of the Methodist College Distinguished Alumni Award in 1989. Memorials may be made to the Spinal Injury Association, c/o Jim Barrett, Recreational Therapy Dept., Pitt County Memorial Hospital, P. O. Box 6028, Greenville, NC 27858.

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.

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Campus Calendar

August

Saturday	21	New resident students arrive/Orientation
Sunday	22	Residence halls open for returning students
Monday	23	Registration
Tuesday	24	Classes begin at 8:00 a.m.
Saturday	28	Highlander Doll Show, Reeves Auditorium
Monday	30	Advisee group meetings at 11:00 a.m.

September

Monday	13	Opening Convocation at 11:00 a.m.
Friday-Saturday	17-18	Southern Writers Symposium
Monday	20	Advisee group meetings at 11:00 a.m.
Friday-Sunday	24-26	Family Weekend
Thursday	30-Oct 3	MC Theatre Dept. presents <i>American Buffalo</i>

October

Friday-Saturday	8-9	United Methodist Women Annual Meeting
Sunday	17	Fayetteville Symphony Concert, Reeves Auditorium
Monday-Tuesday	18-19	Fall Break
Thursday	21	MC Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday	22	NC Symphony Concert, Reeves Auditorium
Monday	25	Advisee group meetings at 11:00 a.m. Bishop's Day Apart, NCUMC
Tuesday-Wednesday	26-27	Senior Preregistration begins
Thursday-Friday	28-29	Junior Preregistration begins
Saturday	30	Homecoming

Evening College—Autumn Term I—August 16-October 9, 1999

Evening College—Autumn Term II—October 18-December 11, 1999



A New Look — The front lobby of the Horner Administration Building was recently refurbished with support from the Mary and Wilson Yarborough, Sr. Family Fund.

**Fall Term I of Evening College begins August 16.
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