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A New Beginning
Spring graduates face a
world of possibilities

Important dates and events to remember!

Campus Calendar

Summer & Fall Events at Methodist College

July

- 6-8 ▪ Orientation for New Students
- 16-21 ▪ MusiCamp 2001
- 23-28 ▪ Annual Conference Session, United Methodist Youth (N. C. Conference)

August

- 1-4 ▪ School of Christian Missions
- 11 ▪ Cape Fear Amateur Radio Club Swap Fest
- 13 ▪ Classes begin for Fall Term I of Evening College
- 18 ▪ New Students Arrive / Orientation ▪ Highlander Doll Show
- 19 ▪ Continuing Resident Students Return
- 20 ▪ Registration for Fall Day Classes
- 21 ▪ Day Classes Begin

September

- 6 ▪ Steve Green Concert (Contemporary Christian Music), Reeves Auditorium
- 10 ▪ Opening Convocation, 11 a.m., Reeves Auditorium
- 14-16 ▪ Maus Piano Sale, Reeves Auditorium
- 15 ▪ Opening of Ben Green-Colonnesse's Art Show, Mallett-Rogers House
- 27 ▪ N.C. High School Honors Chorus Auditions
- 28-29 ▪ Southern Writers Symposium: For information, visit www.methodist.edu/sws
- 28-29 ▪ Family Weekend

October

- 5-8 ▪ Theatre Dept. Performance
- 13-14 ▪ Annual Meeting of United Methodist Women (N. C. Conference)
- 15 ▪ Classes Begin for Fall Term II of Evening College
- 15-16 ▪ Fall Break
- 19 ▪ MC Board of Trustees Meeting
- 21 ▪ Fayetteville Symphony Concert, 3 p.m., Reeves Auditorium
- 23 ▪ Group Advisee Meetings / Student Receive Midterm Grades
▪ Senior Recital: Angalie Quinn, Christian Baumgart, TBA, Reeves Aud.
- 24-29 ▪ Preregistration for Spring Classes
- 26-27 ▪ Homecoming
- 28 ▪ Cumberland Oratorio Singers Concert, 3 p.m., Reeves Auditorium

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On the Cover

MC's first graduates of the new millennium process from the Berns Student Center to Reeves Auditorium for their baccalaureate service. A total of 187 students received degrees at the College's 38th spring commencement May 6.

—Photo by Bill Billings

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Enrollment Tips The Scales

Enrollment passes the 2,000 mark, up 14% over last year

Methodist College completed the 2000-2001 school year with record enrollments of 2,260 for the fall semester and 2,110 for the spring semester, posting one-year gains of more than 14 percent.

"This marks the first time in the College's 41 years of operation that enrollment has exceeded 2,000," said College President Elton Hendricks. "This is a major milestone for us."

The fall enrollment was up 286 students or 14.4 percent over a Fall 1999 figure of 1,974 students. The spring enrollment increased 270 students or 14.6 percent over a 2000 figure of 1,840.

Enrollment in the Evening College soared 48 percent to all-time highs of 885 in the fall and 884 in the spring.

Following a national trend in higher education, Methodist experienced dramatic growth in the number of older, nontraditional students. While older students were most evident among the Evening College population, the day program also enrolled a significant number of older students.

Spring 2001 enrollment reached a new record of 2,110—1,226 in the regular day program and 884 in Evening College. Summer enrollment is running well ahead of 2000 and may reach 1,000 students for the first time.

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— Dr. Elton Hendricks

The most recent report from the Projection Committee estimates that Methodist will enroll 1,395 students this fall in the regular day program, that 580 will be new students, and that 775 students will be living in the residence halls. If projections are correct, the College will enroll about 20 students more than last fall in the regular day program.

Last fall, enrollment in the regular day program totalled 1,375, for a 2 percent gain over a Fall 1999 figure of 1,343. The College enrolled 855 returning day students and 520 new students in Fall 2000. A total of 757 students were living on campus on Drop/Add Day, 3 percent more than the Fall 1999 figure of 731.

New degree programs, an aggressive marketing program (including print and broadcast advertising and targeted direct mailings), and additional evening/weekend and on-line courses are helping Methodist College attract new students. The College currently offers 51 undergraduate majors and will launch a master's degree program in physician assistant studies this fall. In addition, Methodist has more nationally-accredited programs (22) and more intercollegiate sports (19) than many liberal arts colleges its size.

As of June 18, new applications for Fall 2001 totalled 1,740, up 21 percent over last year. The College had received reservation deposits from 415 new students, 17 more than last year.



John Sill, R, receives the Professor of the Year award from Dr. Hendricks.

Professor of the Year

John Sill Wins Honor

Dr. John Sill, professor of sociology, received the Professor of the Year award at Methodist's annual awards convocation April 29.

President Hendricks presented Dr. Sill with a \$500 cash award in recognition of his selection by a committee of faculty and students. One of the College's most popular and accomplished faculty members, Dr. Sill joined the Methodist faculty in 1978.

A native of Warrensburg, MO, he holds B.S. and M.A. degrees from Central Missouri State University, a M.Div. from Phillips University, and a Ph.D. from Oklahoma State University. He is an ordained minister and has served as an Army Reserve chaplain.

Dr. Sill has taught a wide range of courses at Methodist, including: "Marriage and the Family," "Methods of Social Research," "Sociology of Religion," "Death and Dying," "Intro to Gerontology" and "Cultural Anthropology." In addition, he has served as director of the Social Science Division, and recently chaired the committee in charge of preparing for a self-study and reaffirmation visit by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

He has conducted research and written extensively about the Utopian ideal, communal societies, and gerontology. His current research interest is women's history. At last fall's B. F. Stone Endowed Lyceum, he won kudos from the audience for his response to Dr. Carl Dyke's paper on self and identity.

Citing the work of sociologists Erving Goffman and Peter Berger, Dr. Sill said he was troubled by 20th century identity movements that "have taken us toward division and fragmentation into smaller groups." He said the challenge for the 21st century will be the development of a movement for social unity and cooperation in the midst of cultural diversity.

Dr. Sill said he loves teaching and is humbled by his selection as Professor of the Year. He and his wife Phoebe live at Seven Lakes in Moore County and are the parents of three grown children. They attend West End United Methodist Church.

He lists his hobbies as camping, reading and baking. Having studied drama as an undergraduate, he also enjoys singing and performing for senior citizens and church groups. He recently did a reprise of "Trouble in River City," a song from *The Music Man* that he performed at a MC talent show in 1989. Yes, he still has his straw hat and pool cue!

Managing The Future

The Pinehurst Company makes gift to MC to develop program

The Pinehurst Company recently made its first gift to Methodist College's Reeves School of Business for development of a new resort management program launched last fall. The firm presented \$25,000—half of its first annual installment of \$50,000—to help grow a four-year academic concentration at Methodist specifically targeted to resort management.

Patrick Corso, president of The Pinehurst Company, presented a check to M. Elton Hendricks, college president, in a brief ceremony at the Pinehurst Resort Feb. 23. The Pinehurst Company has committed \$250,000—\$50,000 a year for five years—to support MC's new business administration major with a concentration in resort management.

"Our industry has long recognized the need to develop resort business leaders," said Corso. "Current college-level curricula have normally concentrated only on front desk and food and beverage development," he added. "The Resort Management Program at Methodist College fills that very important link and The Pinehurst Company is proud to assist in its development."

John Meeske, assistant professor of resort management and director of the new program, said Pinehurst's initial gift will enable the program to add an assistant professor this fall as well as a hands-on experience component at any of The Pinehurst Company properties. These include Pinehurst, site of the 2005 U.S. Open, plus The Homestead in Virginia, Barton Creek in Texas, Daufuskie Island in South Carolina, Palmilla in Mexico and Firestone Country Club in Ohio.

As part of the new field of study, students can opt to enter the Company's "Manager in Development" program, which offers a full year of on-the-job training in nearly every resort department, from golf course maintenance to housekeeping and accounting.

"We are extremely grateful to The Pinehurst Company, whose commitment will launch what we believe to be the preeminent Resort Business program in the country," said Meeske. "It will follow directly in line with the vision of Methodist College, in the same way it developed top-notch PGA and USPTA-sanctioned business management programs over the last decade."

Meeske comes to the program with a career in resort development and management. His resume includes prior ownership of Shanty Creek Resort in Michigan, as well as service as past president of Club Resorts, Dallas-based ClubCorp's forerunner to The Pinehurst Company. New



The Pinehurst Company presents the first installment of a grant to MC's resort management program. L to R front row: Joe Doll, John Meeske, Pat Corso, Dr. Hendricks, Dr. Tony DeLapa, Al Strata; back row: resort management students in front of the Pinehurst Hotel.

Associate Professor Al Strata, whose career includes management with Vail Lodge in Colorado and Princess Hotels, will join the team this fall to work hand-in-hand with Meeske to further develop the program.

The resort management curriculum includes a combination of business administration, marketing, financial economics and resort management classes. To date, 42 students have taken resort management classes at Methodist. College officials believe the program could grow to an enrollment of 300 students in the next five years.

"Methodist College provides the ideal setting to develop this program," added Meeske. "With 617 beautifully-groomed acres that include full golf and tennis facilities built expressly for the education of our students, we believe we can offer a comprehensive approach to making students more knowledgeable, and ultimately more marketable, in their chosen careers."

The Pinehurst Company is the resort, golf institute and select golf realty division of ClubCorp. Incorporated in early 2000, its vision is to develop a higher echelon of resorts, vacation properties and communities that focus on exceptional golf and leisure experiences. The Pinehurst Company's corporate offices are located in the Village of Pinehurst, NC, approximately one mile from its most prominent resort and namesake and 45 miles west of Methodist College.

Unbelievable Loyalty!

Campaign brings record results

The Methodist College Foundation's first Loyalty Day campaign of the new millennium was a success. The Feb. 6 event netted \$77,428 in gifts and pledges from the greater Fayetteville community, including \$13,000 from College faculty and staff.

The amount raised was 29 percent greater than the \$60,000 raised on Loyalty Day 2000. Subsequent gifts have pushed the total to more than \$103,000. The \$100,000 Loyalty Day goal is one fifth of the College's Annual Fund goal of \$500,000.

The theme of this year's Loyalty Day Drive was "A Day of Support: A Lifetime of Difference." Steve Blanchard is the current president of the Methodist College Foundation.

"We are very pleased with the results of this year's campaign," said Dr. M. Elton Hendricks, College president. "Our volunteers have really worked hard, putting forth their best effort to raise needed funding for our institution. We will use these funds where they are needed most to accomplish our mission of providing a liberal arts education based on

intellectual development, as well as moral and spiritual growth for our students."

Local gifts that come in before the end of the year will continue to be counted toward the 2001 Annual Fund. All Annual Fund gifts are applied to the college's current operating budget. Methodist's operating budget for fiscal 2000 was \$27 million.



Volunteer solicitor Henry Campen acknowledges applause after receiving a plaque at the Loyalty Day breakfast Feb. 6. Mr. Campen has been a volunteer fund-raiser for Methodist every year since 1956.

More than just a gift...an investment

More than \$255,000 in scholarship money brought 60 recipients and 40 donors together to celebrate the Annual Scholarship Luncheon April 5. The newly-renovated Alumni Dining Room was filled to capacity for the second year in a row as students were able to meet and fellowship with the people responsible for their endowed scholarships.

Musical entertainment was provided by junior music major Andy Dickerson of Henderson, NC. He was accompanied by Jane Gardiner, head of the College's music department.

Mr. Charles McAdams, former director of public relations and development at the College 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."

After lunch, three donors shared their reasons for supporting Methodist students. Phil Mullen '74; Martha Duell, president of the Lafayette Society; and Bill Lowdermilk, former vice president of church and community relations at the College, each spoke of the importance of investing in future generations.

Methodist College currently has 125 endowed scholarships ranging from general (financial need, academic merit) to specific (academic majors, leadership) criteria. In the 2000-01 academic year, more than 225 students received endowed scholarships.

If you are interested in establishing a scholarship at Methodist College, please contact the Development and Alumni Affairs Office at (910) 630-7200 or (800) 488-7110.

Students interested in available scholarships should contact the Financial Aid Office at (910) 630-7192.



Rebecca Kennedy, L, and scholarship donor Claire Mansfield.



Irina Donovan (left), with Mrs. Martha Duell, trustee for the Lafayette Society Scholarship.



Kimberly Brown, R, thanks Mr. and Mrs. Williams, trustees for the Brantley Memorial Scholarship.



Bill Lowdermilk (center) with his scholarship recipients, Jennifer Packard, Joseph Banard.

SIXTH 2001 ANNUAL Tally Leadership Conference

Internet access is no longer a luxury. Technologists must consider the ethical implications of what they create.

Those were the theses advanced by the keynote speakers at Methodist College's sixth annual Tally Leadership Conference Feb. 19. The overall theme for this year's event was "Leaders, Ethics, and the Technology Revolution."

Jane Smith Patterson, director of the NC Rural Internet Access Authority, was the first to speak at the conference's opening convocation. She said the goal of her non-profit organization is to bring Internet technology to rural areas in North Carolina.

"Two-thirds of the growth in our economy today is in new technology," she said. "Broadband or high-speed technology allows huge amounts of data to be transmitted. The right tools and information make it possible to keep up. But if you're not connected, you're not in the game. Today, farmers check the Internet for weather and planting information. We can now download books on the Internet."

Patterson told her audience that about half of all American homes now have personal computers. She said two-thirds of American households have access to cable TV, but only one-third have access to high-speed Internet service. "Cable systems were designed for one-way communication," she added. "E-learning and e-help and e-commerce and e-government will change our way of life in North Carolina. Privacy, security and intellectual property issues will require the enactment of new laws."

The former senior advisor to the governor for science and technology urged those present to help create an on-line North Carolina connected to the rest of the world. "Please ask yourself these questions," she concluded. "If not now, when? If not me, who?"

The second keynote speaker was the Rev. Bruce Stanley of Duke Divinity School. "All technology has an ethical component," he said. "We believe all creative capacity is a gift from God."

He decried the creation of cultural stereotypes in the entertainment industry, citing Disney Studios' animated character Pocahontas as one example. Noting that 80 percent of computer games involve masculine contests like racing or combat, Stanley said these games do not promote gender equity. "Only one-fifth of the engineers today are women," he said, "and there's a clear correlation between academic achievement and computer skills.

"No technology is value-neutral," he concluded, "Everything we shape will afterward shape us." He asked the students he was addressing and others in the audience to demand: 1) that science

and technology admit the presence of ethical values at the time of creation, 2) that technologists create in the image of God (instead of their own ideal) and recognize that their creations will shape the users; and 3) monitor outcomes and applications" to ensure that we are being reformed, not deformed, in both our outward and inward selves."

At a luncheon following the opening convocation, Dr. Suzan Cheek, director of the Lura S. Tally Center for Leadership Development, presented the fourth annual 100% Award (for outstanding leadership) to Gary Cooper and Billy Davidson of the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce.

Cooper is the immediate past chairman of the chamber (for 2000) and Davidson is its full-time president.

The second day of the conference—Feb. 20—was devoted to roundtable discussions at the Berns Student Center, where more than 200 students explored technological and ethical problems and possible solutions. Each group was presented with a specific scenario related to health and science, business and computers, or science and government.

Dr. Cheek, Dr. Drew Ziegler, and students enrolled in the Tally Center's leadership courses began working on the organization and promotion of the 2001 leadership conference months in advance. Major corporate sponsors this year included *The Fayetteville Observer*, SYSTEL Office Automation, and Time Warner Cable. The proceedings of the conference have been published and forwarded to selected leaders for their consideration.



Jane Smith Patterson



Gary Cooper



Rev. Bruce Stanley



Billy Davidson



Members of a student roundtable discussion group get ready to tackle an ethical problem.

Meet the

With the future on their minds, Methodist College spring

Methodist College graduated 187 students at its 38th spring commencement May 5. That is the largest number graduated to date.

New beginnings and happiness were the subjects of the baccalaureate sermon and the commencement address, respectively.



Rev. Tommy Herndon

In the baccalaureate sermon, the Rev. Tommy Herndon, a 1970 graduate of Methodist, spoke of John Wesley's new beginning after his conversion experience at Epworth. Now serving as District Superintendent of the Portsmouth District, Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church, Herndon told members of the graduating class that the Methodist church began as a youth movement. "As young adults you have much to offer," he said. "God calls each of us to a new beginning each day."

Herndon related an anecdote about a young Cub Scout and his father whose wooden car won the preliminary heats one evening in a Pinewood Derby, but lost in the final race the next day because their

competitors went home and lubricated their cars. "They lost because they sat down and rested," he said. "Like cars, we all need tweaking and lubrication." Herndon prayed that the graduating seniors would greet each day as an opportunity for a new beginning and grow daily in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ.

In a far-reaching commencement address about the pursuit of happiness, Dr. Benjamin Dunlap, president of Wofford College in Spartanburg, SC, said Aristotle defined happiness as self-actualization or realizing one's full potential in life. "I hope that Methodist College has taught you to be Christian or Wesleyan capitalists," he said.

The former English professor quoted the following lines from Walt Whitman's poem, "Song of Myself": "Do you see

O my brothers and sisters? It is not chaos or death—it is form, union, plan—it is eternal life—it is Happiness."

"That's my motto," said Dr. Dunlap. He then offered 22 "useful observations" about happiness which he said were gleaned from 40 years of personal experience.

Dr. Dunlap concluded by advising the graduating seniors to: "Get your priorities straight. Keep your creativity alive. Nurture your idealism. Keep the faith." Following this advice, he said, would reveal the truth of Walt Whitman's thesis that the *pursuit* of happiness is what ennobles human existence.

Prior to the awarding of degrees, two graduates of the Army ROTC program—Monica R. Rigaud and Ronald M. Rigaud—took the Oath of Allegiance. College President M. Elton Hendricks received the flag of Belarus from Svetlana Kurs and subsequently awarded her the L. Stacy Weaver Award, denoting her selection by the faculty as the senior

who best exemplified academic excellence, spiritual development, leadership and service.

Dr. Hendricks presented an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree to Dr. Bill Harrison, superintendent of the Cumberland County Schools. Harrison is a 1974 graduate of Methodist. President Hendricks also presented Methodist College Medallions to Dr. Dunlap and the Rev. Tommy Herndon.

Among the 187 graduates, 48 graduated with honors, 20 *cum laude*, 11 *magna cum laude*, and 17 *summa cum laude*.



Faculty Marshall Elaine Porter leads the Class of 2001 processional.



Dr. Hendricks presents the Stacy Weaver Award to Svetlana Kurs, a music major from Belarus.

—Photos by Theresa Dwenger

Class of 2001

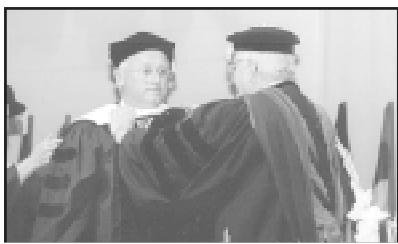
graduates head out into the world...and new beginnings

METHODIST COLLEGE AWARDED DEGREES TO THE FOLLOWING MAY 5, 2001:

BACHELOR OF ARTS Cape Fear Region



Jessica Kupper receives her degree.



Dr. Bill Harrison, '74 superintendent of the Cumberland County Schools, receives an honorary Doctor of Humanities.

Fayetteville: Cerene Oceana Beaugard, *summa cum laude*, Accounting; Lillian Bolick, Spanish Education; Irina V. Donovan, *summa cum laude*, French/Education; Michael Gomez, *magna cum laude*, Business Administration; Aileen Lorraine Gonzalez, *cum laude*, Political Science; Claudia Isabella Graham, Sociology; Daniel M. Harrington, Theatre; Bradley Jonathan Laub, Fine Arts Management with a Concentration in Music; Christine Elizabeth Lininger, History; Marjorie Nerath-Miller, French and International Studies; Rachael Marie Schultz, *magna cum laude*, Music; Eric Shawn Slater, *cum laude*, Sociology; Kimberley Ann

Sobat, *magna cum laude*, Political Science; John Michael Sullivan, Business Administration.

Bunnlevel: Vina Aileen C. Baldwin, Business Administration

Other States and Countries

Amarillo, TX: Monica R. Rigaud, *cum laude*, Business Administration and Accounting; **Ft. Lauderdale, FL:** Ronald M. Rigaud, *cum laude*, Psychology with a Concentration in Counseling/Clinical and Sociology; **Manchester, CT:** Jill Michelle Zweibelson, *summa cum laude*, Political Science; **Marina, CA:** Fredrick Colfax Ferguson II, Business Administration; **Parkersburg, WV:** John Christopher Altman, Business Administration

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Yoshihiro Ando, Sports Medicine; Michael Lloyd Breitenfeld, Computer Science; Donna Jean Brunson, *cum laude*, Accounting; Chet Justin Capps, Physical Education; Tynisha D. Coleman, Sociology; Rebecca Ard Corley, *cum laude*, Business Administration; Timothy S. Coultas, Sociology; Shane Lee John Culbreth, Business Administration; Evan Edward Davis, History; Heather Walch Finder, *summa cum laude*, Marketing and Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care Administration; Lesley Tyson Foy, Criminal Justice & Sociology; Mica Akilah Gay, Sports Medicine; Nazir Tyshann German, Criminal Justice; Susanne Penn Graves, *cum laude*, Speech Communication; Kimberly D'Anne Whitehead Hammond, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology & Cell Biology; Mary Elizabeth Hill, Communications/Mass Media; William Alton Hooks, Sports Management; Tanya R. Hudgell, Business Administration; Nicholas D. Jones, Marketing; Michael Nathan Kissinger, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Brian Matthew Lane, Sports Management; Cathy Lemelle, Accounting; Jennifer Dawn Loesekann, Special Education; Flavia Lidia Giuseppina Mallette, *cum laude*, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology & Cell Biology; Gail Yvonne Nicholas, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care Administration; Joseph H. Petroni,



A graduating senior has a little fun during the Baccalaureate procession.

summa cum laude, Business Administration, Shane Stephen Pierren, Sports Management; Rolland O. Raymond, *magna cum laude*, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care Administration; Jessie Robert Romero, Business Administration; Lourdes Isabel Sepulveda, Business Administration; Katrina D. Sheckels, Accounting & Business Administration; April Shontrese Simmons, Sociology; Eric Shawn Slater, *cum laude*, Political Science; Paula Marie Stapleton, *cum laude*, Biology with a

Concentration in Microbiology & Cell Biology; Jennifer R. Swank, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care Administration; Roma David Lynd Tomlinson, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Hilda B. Tyson, *summa cum laude*, Business Administration; Jennifer Ann Vogel, Business Administration; Ann S. White, *magna cum laude*, Business Administration; Sunhee Gina Williams, *summa cum laude*, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology/Cell Biology; Sean M. Wilson, *summa cum laude*, Biology with a Concentration in Zoology; Wendy Lynn Wise, *magna cum laude*, Education; Hsian-Ju Wu, Business Administration; Kathleen E. Ziegler, *summa cum laude*, Business Administration

Fort Bragg: Robyn Blakely Carroll, Business Administration; Joseph Chinwendu Egwuonwu, Sociology; Julian Macovei, Business Administration; Rhonda Ann Morris, *magna cum laude*, Psychology with a Concentration in Counseling/Clinical; Christopher Alan Reese, *cum laude*, Business Administration; Joanna Grace Rivera, International Studies; Katheryn Smith, Sociology and Psychology with a Concentration in Human Performance; Rhonda Kaye Phelps Thomas, *summa cum laude*, Accounting

Clinton: Keli Nicole Ford; Business Administration

Dunn: Sandra Carol Frazier, *cum laude*, Business Administration

Lillington: Lisa Marie Johnson, Elementary Education; Terrell Whittington Parkes, *magna cum laude*, Special Education with a Concentration in Specific Learning Disabilities; Travis Louis Wicker, Computer Science

Hope Mills: Jonas Carlyle Lamb III, Business Administration; Malinda Lynn Ortega, Business Administration; Carolle Price, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care Administration; Betty Eileen Taylor, Business Administration and Sociology

Sanford: Katherine Anne Murphree, Accounting

Spring Lake: Denise M. Colchin, *summa cum laude*; Accounting; George R. Leard, Jr., Sociology

Stedman: James Edward Crayton III, Criminal Justice & Sociology

Other Areas in North Carolina

Beulaville: Maria J. McCrimmon, Psychology

Charlotte: Dianne Yvonne Dunn, Business Administration

Cove City: Kisha Lasandra Becton, Business Administration;

Durham: Christopher Furman Wolfe, Marketing and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management

Fuquay-Varina: Rita J. Hankins, *summa cum laude*, Sociology

Holly Springs: Aaron Lavon Winston, Sports Management

Kenansville: Donetta Shina Miller, Biology with a Concentration in Zoology; Cassandra Shirell Stroud, Sports Management and Physical Education

Kinston: Madison Estridge Johnson II, Business Administration & Marketing

Morehead City: John Michael Morris, Accounting

Nakina: LuShonda Ganus, Sports Management

New Bern: Brandon Glenn Spiece, History and Political Science

Pfafftown: Angela Marie Pegram, Sports Medicine

Raleigh: Dawn Marie Baker, Business Administration; Michael Shannon Yount, Criminal Justice and Sociology

Rockingham: Helena Marie Collins, Business Administration

Swansboro: Chasity Michelle Laton, *cum laude*, Biology with a Concentration in Microbiology & Cell Biology

Wilmington: Jason Russell Carter, *cum laude*, Sports Management

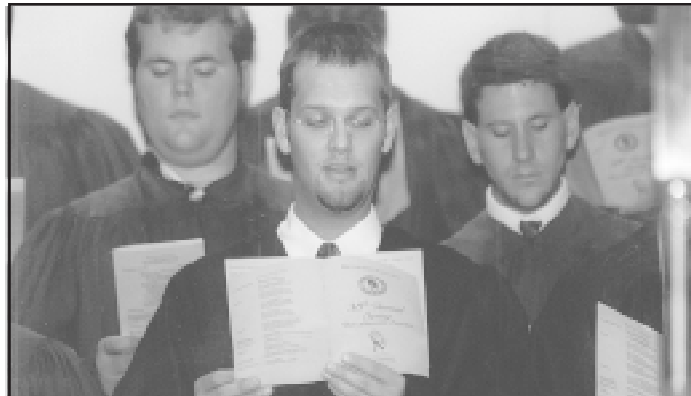
Winston-Salem: Lynne E. Sink, *summa cum laude*, Mathematics Education

Other States and Countries

Albany, NY: Nicholas J. Parker, Marketing & Business

Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Amherst, NY:** Michael J. Trautman, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Arlington, VA:** Clayton Stewart, Sports Management; **Bettsville, OH:** Nicholas A. Steffanni, Marketing & Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Biddeford, ME:** Kevin Donald Lavertu, Marketing and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Carlinville,**

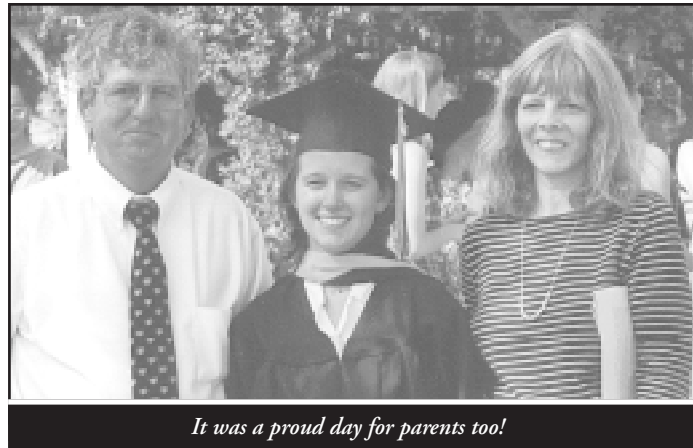
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Senior Brad Laub at the Baccalaureate service.

Mathematics; **Huntingdon Valley, PA:** Jessica Kupper, Sports Management; **Ironton, OH:** Jennifer S. Runals, *magna cum laude*, History; **Laurel, MS:** Carl W. Blakely, Jr., Business Administration; **Lavonia, NY:** Charles David Williams, Business Administration and Marketing; **Lorain, OH:** Scott G. Drexler, *summa cum laude*, Business Administration with a Concentration in Health Care Administration; **Maryville, TN:** Erin Elizabeth Schablik, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Mechanicsville, VA:** Jeffrey Stuart Cornwell, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Daniel Mark Johnson, Sports Management; **Meriden, CT:** Jeffrey Daniel Pacello, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Miami, FL:** Barry Simmons, Business Administration; **Middlefield, OH:** Kurtis William Fisher, History; **Monaca, PA:** Timothy L. Piroli, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Monsey, NY:** Peter Andrew Sokolov, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Myrtle Beach, SC:** Andrew Alan Duer, Physical Education; **NE Harbor, ME:** William Roger Haynes, Jr., Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **New Albany, IN:** Zachary M. Johnson, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Norfolk, VA:** Stacey Michelle Davis, Psychology; **Osceola, IA:** Nichole M. Kentner, Marketing and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Oxon, England:** Nicholas James Saltmarsh, Business Administration; **Peabody, MA:** John M. DeAngelo, Jr., Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; Edward Anthony Slattery, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Pelzer, SC:** Terry Lee Davis, Jr., Business Administration with a Concentration in Golf Management; **Penn Yann, NY:** Michael J. Picciano, *cum laude*, Marketing and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Pinellas Park, FL:** David Scott Canevit, *summa cum laude*, Criminal Justice and Sociology; **Pitman, NJ:** Kevin L. Uhl, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Pittsburgh, PA:** David R. Bennett, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Richmond, IN:** Joseph Paul Wuertemberg, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Rinsen, IA:** Timothy James Meister, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Saint Marys, PA:** Travis Aaron Lesser, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Salisbury, MD:** Stacy Michelle Lynch, Business Administration; **Savage, MN:** Jered Gusso, *cum laude*, Business Administration; **Schnecksville, PA:** Cindy L. Mitman, *magna cum laude*, Chemistry; **Stoystown, PA:** Aaron D. Croyle, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Statesboro, GA:** Luther D. Beall II, Sports Management; **Stratford, CT:** Radley Leighton Jones, Business

Administration with a Concentration in Golf Management; **Summersville, WV:** J. Aaron Dooley, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Trenton, NJ:** Arthur McRae III, Sociology; **Trumansburg, NY:** Joseph Muraca III, *cum laude*, Financial Economics and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Uniontown, OH:** Daniel Fair Gourley III, *cum laude*, Marketing and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Waco, TX:** Cesar Palacios-Maya, Chemistry; **Warrington, PA:** Anthony Leo Bonargo, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Washington, PA:** Eric Anthony Bitz, Marketing and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Watertown, NY:** Carol Anne Brogan, *summa cum laude*, Marketing and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **West Linn, OR:** Marianne Atwell, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Woodstock, CT:** Nicholas Oscar Rogers, Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management; **Yorktown, VA:** William John Walsh IV, Marketing and Business Administration with a Concentration in Professional Golf Management



It was a proud day for parents too!

BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Cape Fear Region

Clinton: Sherry Revels Cannady, Industrial Technology Management

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

Cape Fear Region

Fayetteville: Robin Gaynelle Brown, Social Work; Nancy Kamaya Carver, *summa cum laude*, Social Work; Chris Leon Benjamin Edmonds, Social Work; Jobiná Mariea Godineaux, Social Work; Melva Nash Rentz, Social Work

Fort Bragg: Gwendolyn A.

Finley, *cum laude*, Social Work

Other Areas in North Carolina

Cove City: Sondra Ortiz-De La O, Social Work

BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Other States and Countries

Mogilev, Belarus: Svetlana V. Kurs, *magna cum laude*, Performance and Voice

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

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Fayetteville: Sean Douglas Fay, General Studies; Lien Nguyen Langley, General Studies; Bradley Jonathan Laub, Business Administration; Julia Papellas McPherson, Foreign Language; Katrina Sheckels, Mathematics; Hilda B. Tyson, Sociology

Fort Bragg: Richard J. Lyons, General Studies; Charles Alan Nichols, General Studies

Other States and Countries

Dover, DE: Elizabeth Jean Hobbs, Criminal Justice; **Suffolk, VA:** Lauren Leigh Jones, Music; **Providence, RI:** Omowunmi Oginni, General Studies; **Brooklyn, NY:** Trevor Clifton Swaby, Business Administration



What's New

Clayton Gives Examples of Progress

Speaking at a Methodist College Board of Visitors meeting April 24, Gene Clayton, vice president for business affairs, presented a very positive "state of the college" report.

The report included the following:

—MC's 617-acre campus and 40 buildings have an estimated replacement cost of \$87 million.

—The College has an annual budget of \$27 million and is in "excellent financial shape," thanks to record enrollment in 2000-01.

—Methodist has 325 full-time and 200 part-time employees and pays out \$15 million annually in wages and benefits.

—Phase I of a campus irrigation project (front of the campus) will use city water, while the lower fields and golf course will use water piped from the Cape Fear River.

—The College has given an easement to the city of Fayetteville that will allow the planned Cape Fear River Walk, a hiking and biking trail, to terminate at the Fayetteville Soccer Complex adjacent to the College golf course. The first phase of the walk from Methodist to Clark Park will be completed next year. The second leg from Clark Park to the Cape Fear Botanical Garden on U.S. 301 will be built later.

—New campus facilities now under consideration include a small performing arts center, an addition to Hensdale Chapel, a concession stand with restrooms at Monarch Field, a dining room addition to the Berns Student Center, and two more apartment-style residence halls.



A greenhouse was built this spring in front of the Science building.



Dr. Grayson Carter, R, answers a question about C.S. Lewis after delivering the Womack Endowed Lecture.

Fayettevillians Make Good Impression

Fayetteville was named an All-America City June 23, after a local committee spent hundreds of hours documenting recent progress in the city. The city previously won the designation in 1985.

After viewing a video and a choreographed presentation by local citizens, the judges in Atlanta, GA were clearly impressed. Fayetteville was presented as "a community of heroes, heritage and heart," as exemplified by three distinct programs: its multi-racial Study Circles, its annual MetroVisions report on quality of life indicators, and

Operation Inasmuch, a faith-based human needs program. George Breece, chairman of the city's All-America Award Committee, accepted the award.

The All-America program is sponsored by the National Civic League and Allstate Insurance Co. Other cities that earned All-America status this year were: Santa Clara, CA; Delray Beach, FL; South Miami, FL; Fort Dodge, IA; Howard County, MD; Ocean City, MD; Independence, MO; Bozeman, MT; and Brownsville, TX.



Mike Rogers Retires

J. Michael Rogers, distinguished service professor of music, retired in January. At an April 20 dinner held in his honor, Rogers was praised for his 28 and a half years' service to the College and his sincere interest in students.



A skilled woodwind and keyboard artist, Mike Rogers directed the Methodist College Stage Band and taught music appreciation, instrumental music, and other courses in the Music Department. He also composed many works for the synthesizer and served as organist at College commencements throughout the 1980s and 90s.

He and his wife Sheri now live in Cherryville, NC.



Leanne Edwards, president of Phi Beta Sigma, and her sorority sisters pass out literature on Breast Cancer Awareness in the Berns Student Center.



Rob Foreman makes housing assignments at new student orientation.



Students attending the National Cheerleading Conference May 16-19 get a workout.



What's New



Members of the MC Maintenance Department enjoy a pizza lunch sent to them as a "thank you" by the staff of the Tally Leadership Center.



Sandra Carlton Alexander and David Poston answer questions after reading their work at a Blumenthal Poetry Reading April 10.



More than 200 azaleas were planted at the front of the campus as part of Show You Care Day. This area was also irrigated.



Shawn Wilson unveils "Aunt Maggie's Butterfly Garden" created by the Outdoor Naturalists Club to honor Dr. Margaret Folsom (R).

WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN?

Renowned science writer says religion has been an inspiration for science

Australian physicist and science writer Margaret Wertheim told a Methodist College audience March 23 that the science of physics was developed, for the most part, by scientists who believed in a divine creator.

In a lecture entitled "God and Physics: A Brief History," Ms. Wertheim shared some of the historical research she had done for her 1994 book *Pythagoras' Trousers: A History of the Relationship between Physics and Religion*. She was the guest speaker for Methodist's second annual John Templeton Endowed Lecture in Science and Religion.



Margaret Wertheim

While studying the history of physics from Pythagoras to Stephen Hawking, Wertheim said she learned that, "God and religious questions were always there." She said physics originated in the 6th century B.C. with Pythagoras, the Greek philosopher and mathematician who believed that all reality is mathematical in nature.

"In the 12th century," she continued, "people began to see the world as both a divine and mathematical creation. This ushered in the Scientific Revolution, a Western phenomenon." Wertheim said mathematics came into its own as a science with Newton and Galileo in the 17th century. "Newton was a religious fanatic," she said, "who thought gravity was a divine creation. In the 17th century, physicists thought they were studying the mind of God."

The popular science writer challenged the notion that the Roman Catholic Church has been "anti-science," saying "No scientists have been killed or burned for their scientific beliefs."

She said the Age of Enlightenment in the 18th century and Darwinism in the 19th century created a rift between science and religion. "Kant and Rousseau said science had nothing to say about God and vice versa," she explained. "They felt these subjects had to be studied independently."

Wertheim said physics did not produce practical results or new technology until the late 19th century, when discoveries in thermodynamics led to better steam engines. She said two modern physicists—Stephen Hawking (author of *A Brief History of Time*) and Paul Davies (author of *The Mind of God*)—believe the universe operates according to mathematical laws which may have a divine origin.

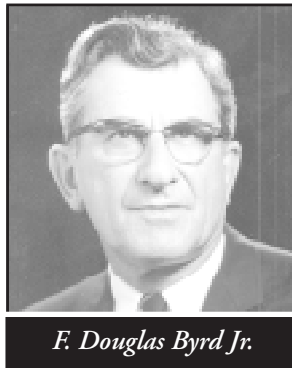
"There are few physicists today who believe in the traditional Christian God beyond a creator," she noted. "Most do not feel that religion and

theology have a lot of academic credibility. But history shows religion has been an inspiration for science."

After her lecture and a brief question/answer session, Wertheim suggested several books and a collection of lectures for those interested in reading more about the relationship between science and religion. Titles she mentioned include: *Issues in Science and Religion* by Ian Baker; *God, Faith and the New Millennium: Christian Belief in an Age of Science* by Keith Ward; *Religion and Science*, a collection of lectures edited by Wesley J. Wildman and W. Mark Richardson; and *God and Nature* by David C. Lindberg and Ronald L. Numbers.

In Memoriam

F. D. Byrd Jr., Trustee Emeritus



F. Douglas Byrd Jr.

Franklin Douglas Byrd Jr. of Fayetteville, a trustee emeritus of Methodist College, died June 23; he was 93. Mr. Byrd served as superintendent of the Cumberland County schools from 1946-1972. Douglas Byrd High School is named for him.

In 1957, when L. Stacy Weaver was elected president of Methodist College and ceased to be a member of the board of trustees, F. D. Byrd Jr. was

elected to take his place. He served on the board until 1978.

Born in Columbia, SC and reared in Lillington, NC, Mr. Byrd graduated from Campbell College and Wake Forest College. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1943-1946, attaining the rank of lieutenant. He served on the Board of Deacons and chaired the Finance Committee at Snyder Memorial Baptist Church.

Mr. Byrd is survived by his wife, Rebecca J. Byrd of Fayetteville; a son, Doug Byrd III of Raleigh; a sister, Meredith R. Byrd of Raleigh; and two grandsons, Doug Byrd IV of Greensboro and Stephen Byrd of Manteo.

Ann Wilkin, Religion Instructor

Ms. Sara Ann Wilkin, 72, of Atlanta, GA, died Dec. 29, 2000 of lung cancer. She taught religion at Methodist from 1964-68. The youngest of 11 children, she was a graduate of Georgia State College in Valdosta and Emory University's Candler School of Theology. She was remembered as a "trailblazer"—the first woman to preach at Emory University's Glenn Memorial United Methodist Church.

After returning to Atlanta in 1968, Ms. Wilkin served as director of the Downtown YMCA for six years; in 1974, she became a supervisor at Harcourt Brace Jovanovich.



ARRIVED students, L to R, Ekatyerina Sivolapova, Elena Berdenikova, Ilya Ivanov, Alex Kormschikov.

Now That We've ARRIVED

U.S. Congress considers a bill to replicate Methodist College's ARRIVED Program... on a national scale!

The U. S. Congress is now considering a bill that would replicate Methodist College's ARRIVED program on a massive scale.

ARRIVED is an acronym for American-Russian Regional Institute for Visionary Entrepreneur Development. Launched in the fall of 1999, the program awards full scholarships to outstanding Russian students who wish to pursue business administration degrees.

It was conceived by College President Elton Hendricks as a means of 1) assisting in the economic development of the Russian Federation, and 2) teaching the value of entrepreneurship and an "enlightened" capitalism that requires those who practice it to accept moral and ethical responsibility for the welfare of others.

Methodist covers all tuition and fees for ARRIVED scholars up to four years. In return, recipients are expected to return home to Russia after graduation to become working capitalists and help promote the free enterprise system there.

H. R. 3027, a bill introduced by Rep. Curt Weldon of Pennsylvania, has as its stated purpose "to propose principles governing the provision of International Monetary Fund assistance to Russia." Entitled "Russian Economic Restoration and Justice Act of 1999," the bill has been referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services and the Committee on International Relations.

A key provision of the bill would set aside a block of funds for the International Monetary Fund to bring 15,000 Russian students to the U. S. "to study economics, business administration, and agricultural production so that they can return to Russia to develop the human capital to support a free market system."

Benny Pearce, who coordinated the ARRIVED program last year and worked with Omsk State University in Russia to recruit additional applicants for 2001-2002, said the program is a credit to Methodist and to Dr. Hendricks. He feels strongly that staff, alumni and friends of the College

should lobby their representative in Congress for passage of this bill, "Because a strong free market economy in Russia will open new markets for American goods."

Meanwhile, eight ARRIVED scholars continued their studies at Methodist during 2000-01 and four more recipients were recently selected and are due to enroll this fall. Under current plans, Methodist will select four more ARRIVED scholars next year, capping the program at 16 students. Methodist College will graduate its first ARRIVED scholar this December.

"The establishment of the ARRIVED program by Methodist College represents a bold and visionary approach to giving Russia meaningful assistance in an area where it is needed most," said George Blanc, vice president of student development and services. "Methodist has also benefited from the ARRIVED program by having the opportunity of hosting some of the best young minds that Russia has to offer."



Natalya Yakovleva

The first eight students have done well at Methodist and are already thinking about how they will use what they have learned when they return

home. All are currently working as summer interns at major American resorts.

Their responses to a recent survey by the College's Public Relations Office indicate they are well-traveled (most had visited at least five U. S. cities) and clearly focused on their career goals. All are optimistic that the free enterprise system will take root in Russia.

The following are excerpts from the survey:

What do you like best about America? about Methodist College?

"The feeling of security."—Roman Trudnenko, junior from Moscow

"The freedom to make my own choices and decisions; Methodist's small classes and nice environment."—Natalya Yakovleva, junior from Ufa

"Diversity."—Elena Berdenikova, senior from Omsk

"People here do not depend on society's opinion, which can be very limiting."—Ilya Ivanov, junior from Omsk

What has been your favorite course to date and why?

"Joe Doll's 'Business Organization and Management' class."—Roman Trudnenko

"Financial Institutions and Markets' with Dr. Zimmerman."—Alex Kormschikov, junior from Yoshkar-Ola

"The theatre class I took last semester. It was a very interesting course."—Ekaterina Sivolapova, senior from Omsk

"Managerial Finance.' Dr. Marr made that class fun and interesting."—Elena Berdenikova



Jenya Sologub

"All of my resort classes and food and beverage class, mostly because of excellent professors."—Natalya Yakovleva

"Accounting, because it is interesting and easy for me."—Ilya Ivanov

Do you know what you want to do when you return home to Russia?

"Work for Big 5 Accounting firms or open my own business."—Jenya Sologub

"I want to work in the securities/ investments field or financial services area."—Alex Kormschikov

"My dream is to build a golf course and open a country club."—Natalya Yakovleva

"I'm going to finish my education there and get a job at an international company."—Ekaterina Sivolapova

"I want to hug my mom."—Elena Berdenikova

"I would like to work for a large business or government entity. I have a strong desire to play a major role in the future Russian economy and politics."—Ilya Ivanov

What do you feel is the greatest misconception Russians have about America?

"That all Americans eat at McDonalds."—Roman Trudnenko

"That this is a country with enormous resources and *no problems*."—Jenya Sologub

"Everybody is rich and there are skyscrapers everywhere."—Natalya Yakovleva

"People in Russia tend to base their knowledge and opinions on Hollywood movies, not realizing that there is a whole different life of ordinary people."—Ekaterina Sivolapova

"That it is easy here to become rich, famous, successful, or happy."—Ilya Ivanov

What do you feel is the greatest misconception Americans have about Russia?

"That it's a cold place, with nuclear weapons all around the country."—Jenya Sologub

"Everybody likes to drink vodka."—Natalya Yakovleva

"That Russia is really undeveloped and is a huge snow plain. There are big cities, colleges and businesses. People have fun, too."—Ekaterina Sivolapova

"That it's always cold and that we have no food, no money and communism."—Elena Berdenikova

"The word 'communists' which doesn't apply to Russia anymore and has a different meaning from what Americans have used."—Ilya Ivanov



Roman Trudnenko



Elena Bryxina

Music of the Heart

Svetlana Kurs uses her voice to praise God and pay her tuition

Svetlana Kurs '01 may be the first MC alumna to put herself through Methodist College by singing. She received her Bachelor of Music in Voice and Performance May 6, graduating *magna cum laude*.

She would not have made it without a little help from her friends. After applying to Methodist in 1998, the young soprano from Mogilev, Belarus was offered a scholarship that covered half her costs. But her family was unable to help her financially. Two fellow Baptists—Sam Owens of Wallstone Baptist Church in Fayetteville and Earl Ross of Sherron Acres Baptist Church in Durham—came to her rescue.

Owens had met Kurs and heard her sing several years earlier while doing mission work in Belarus. It was he who encouraged her to study music, referred her to Methodist College, and sought financial support for her from local Baptist churches. He and his wife Adele became her first host family. She entered Methodist in January 1998.

Earl and Susan Ross read about Kurs in *The Fayetteville Observer* and offered to arrange singing engagements for her at churches in the Durham area. Earl Ross, a retired businessman, became her booking agent and drove her to singing engagements. Over the next three and a half years, Kurs sang in 200 churches in North Carolina, receiving love offerings and honoraria sufficient to cover her educational and personal expenses.

In 1999, after Sam and Adele Owens moved to Italy, Earl and Susan Ross became Kurs' host family. After Kurs gave her senior recital April 3, they hosted a catered reception for her in the Reeves lobby. "I'm very grateful to the Owens and Rosses for all they did to help me," she said.



Kurs sings "The Jewel Song" from the opera "Faust" at her senior recital.

Kurs is the oldest of five children; she has a younger sister and three younger brothers. "My mom is a stay-at-home mom," she said. "She sings well and writes music, but has had no formal training. My dad is a truck driver and lay minister. We attend a Baptist church."

Although she

occasionally sang in church, Kurs said she did not seriously consider music as a career until the summer of 1994. That's when a missionary from Oklahoma persuaded her to attend Oklahoma Baptist College. "It was during my year there that I gained confidence and began to think I might be able to use my musical talent in new ways."

In 1995, Kurs returned home to Belarus to attend the Technical School of Light Industry. "They taught me how to make shoes in a factory," she said. "Over a period of a year and a half, I took about 15 English courses at a local university. I went to the conservatory in Minsk to see if they would admit me. I said I was a Christian and wanted to sing for the glory of God. The professor who interviewed me said they did not want to train someone for that type of career."

She said her repertoire included about 50 songs, most of them familiar hymns or gospel tunes like "His Eye is

on the Sparrow.” “The song I sang most was ‘I Need Thee Every Hour’ in both Russian and English,” she said. “I used prerecorded background tapes a lot.”

When Kurs sang in churches—usually Baptist, Methodist, or Presbyterian—members would often say to her afterward, “This was inspiring. I needed to hear this today.” Kurs said the audiences’ warm responses, coupled with the encouragement she received from her host family, teachers and friends reinforced her Christian faith and made her want to work harder on her studies.

At her graduation, she and classmate Brad Laub sang John Rutter’s anthem, “A Gaelic Blessing.” In June, she sang “The Lord’s Prayer” and “He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands” at an ordination service during the North Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church in Fayetteville. A Russian bishop was the guest speaker.

The songs she performed at her senior recital were selected by Dr. Sue Snyder, her voice teacher. They included classical works by Handel, Schubert, Fauré, Duparc, Bernstein, Grechaninov, Gounod, and Gocharenko.

Her program included 18 songs encompassing five languages. When her recital was over, she received a standing ovation from the 200 persons in attendance. “I’ll never forget the response and the turnout,” she said.

Kurs said her teachers at Methodist were outstanding, and they say the same of her. “Dr. Snyder has meant a lot to me as a voice teacher and a friend,” she added. “She challenged me. She is able to explain why certain singing techniques are

necessary.” In addition to her music classes, she said she particularly enjoyed math with Mr. Walston, philosophy with Dr. Potts, and English with Mrs. Alexander.

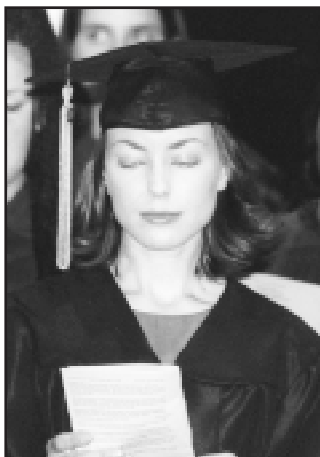
Svetlana, or “Svieta” as her close friends know her, worked hard at Methodist. She made A’s on most of her courses and worked as a student assistant in the Office of Church and Community Relations. All her hard work was rewarded this spring when she received the Willis Gates Music Award, the Elizabeth H. Weaver Award (for outstanding contributions by a coed), and the Stacy Weaver Award (given by vote of the faculty to an outstanding senior).

She said living on campus—two years in Honors Hall and her last year in Cape Fear Commons—was a valuable experience that forged lifelong friendships. “This past year I enjoyed being able to cook things I like,” she added.

Among her off-campus excursions and shopping trips, one stands out. “My first

semester here a group of us went to the National Hollerin’ Contest in Spivey’s Corner,” she recalled. “Someone hollered ‘Amazing Grace.’ It was great fun.”

Since she graduated, Kurs has been staying with the Rosses in Durham and the Snyders in Fayetteville. In July, she plans to spend a few weeks with her family in Belarus before returning to begin work on a master’s in music at UNC-Greensboro. Her long-range goal is to earn her doctorate and teach music at the



Kurs performs with the MC Concert Choir at the baccalaureate service.



Teacher & Student: Dr. Sue Snyder and Svetlana at the baccalaureate service.

college level.

She said she intends to keep in touch with her friends in Fayetteville and Durham and hopes to be back on campus for homecoming the last weekend in October.

It Was The Trip Of A Lifetime!



A tour of Italy and Greece introduces MC students to a whole new world

During spring break in March, five students and three faculty members from Methodist College toured Italy and Greece as part of a new program sponsored by the College's Honors Program. Accompanied by a tour director from EF tours, they visited Rome, Pompeii, Olympia-Tolo, Epidaurus-Mycenae, Athens and Delphi over a nine-day period.

Honors Program Directors Jennifer Rohrer-Walsh and her husband Richard were joined by Elaine Porter, distinguished service professor of French, five adults from Fayetteville, and the following students: Vanessa Dawson, Jennifer Colletti, Karla Johnson, Thomas Mitchell, and Yolanda George. The local group was merged with two others that included college students from Georgia State, two archeologists from Guatemala and high school students from Canada. The result was a tour group of 40 persons.

"Our tour director was Florence Hoary from France," said Mrs. Rohrer-Walsh. "The students loved her. The tour was ideal for young, first-time travelers because it was well-organized and fast-paced. The site guides were articulate and knowledgeable. We had scheduled free time each day and every night after dinner. All who went felt they got more than their money's worth." (The trip cost \$1,500 to \$1,750, depending on the number of persons per room.)

Mrs. Porter agreed with her fellow faculty member that this particular tour was very informative, with excellent guides and well-chosen sites. "It was delightful to travel with students and fellow faculty members," she said.

In April, three of the five MC students who took the trip sat down to reminisce about their experience and the countries visited. Those interviewed were: Jennifer Colletti, a sophomore English major; Thomas Mitchell, a sophomore computer science major; and Yolanda George, a senior business administration major. Colletti was making her first trip abroad, while Mitchell and George had been part of military families and had lived in Europe.

The group spent three days in Italy and four days in Greece; the weather was good the entire time. They used all forms of public transportation, from airplane to bus to rail to ferry to

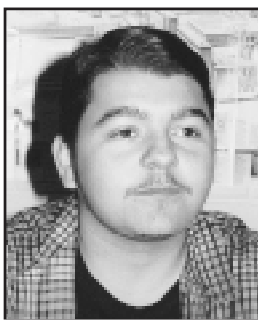
subway. In Rome and Athens, they took two fast-paced "walking tours."

The MC students praised the tour director and site guides for their language skills and knowledge of Italian and Greek culture. All three found Italy more appealing than Greece, saying the Italian cities seemed cleaner and safer and the people more gracious. They also preferred the Italian food. "Their gelato (ice cream) is fabulous," said Jennifer Colletti.

She said the sights in Rome, especially the Vatican and the Sistine Chapel, impressed her most. During her free time in Athens, she visited a disco and the Natural History Museum. For souvenirs, she bought Italian pasta, Greek olives, ouzo (a Greek liqueur), post cards, a mosaic cross, and a ring and necklace made of silver. Because of her Italian heritage and the fact she has studied Italian, Colletti said she would like to do college work in Italy at some point in the future.



Jennifer Colletti



Thomas Mitchell

Thomas Mitchell said the trip "made history come alive for me." His favorite site was the Colosseum in Rome. "When we were there, I thought about what we had discussed in class about how the Romans entertained themselves."

While the group was in Rome, Mitchell went to dinner with his aunt. "She's now eighty," he said. "Her parents were from Sicily, but she was born and raised in the U. S. She eventually moved back to Sicily and then to Rome."

Mitchell's souvenirs included post cards, small figurines, jewelry, and rosaries. Would he like to study abroad in the future? "Possibly," he said. "But I missed the luxuries of home."

Yolanda George's favorite sites were the Sistine Chapel and a

basilica in Rome where monks had reportedly used the bones of saints to create different types of three-dimensional art. She said a visit to Alexander's Plaza, a jazz club located near the Vatican, was her most enjoyable "free time" outing.



Yolanda George

Mementos that George purchased include a wall hanging (photo of the Vatican), a tray service for water and wine, pencil holders, post cards, small mosaic picture frames, suede jackets and T-shirts. She would like to visit Israel and Egypt on her next trip abroad.

Colletti, Mitchell and George said they would like to see Methodist offer more study abroad opportunities that carry academic credit, in either a regular semester or the summer.

Our Rome and Greece Photo Album



Mrs. Porter with Bernini's Angels at St. Peter's Cathedral.



St. Peter's Cathedral.



The Acropolis in Athens.



The amphitheater of Epidaurus, Greece.

The Message Is Clear!

MC student paper receives kudos

Monarch Messenger, the student newspaper at Methodist College, recently won a First Place award from the American Scholastic Press Association.

The *Messenger* was one of four college newspapers accorded First Place honors in the newspaper division for colleges and universities with enrollments of 1701-2500. Editor-in-Chief Carrie Adcox headed a staff of seven section editors and 30 students.

“The paper went through many changes this year with the overall layout design,” said Jami Sheppard, director of student media. “The staff showed incredible dedication and commitment. I have been impressed with the professionalism of the students this year.”

The *Monarch Messenger* is produced with PageMaker software; photos are scanned with a flatbed scanner using Photoshop software. Benson Newspaper Printing in Benson, NC, prints the publication.



Bill Lowdermilk presents the Student Achievement Award to John Morris.

Hard Work Pays Off

John Morris Receives Award

John Michael Morris, a Methodist College senior from Morehead City, NC, received the William P. Lowdermilk Student Achievement Award March 26. The award was presented at the Fayetteville Rotary Club’s Values and Ethics Night.

Endowed by the former vice president of church and community relations at Methodist College, the award honors a student who has demonstrated high ethical standards and spiritual values and provided exemplary service to the College and/or the Fayetteville community. Morris received a certificate and a \$1,500 cash award from Dr. Bill Lowdermilk.

John Morris is the son of the Rev. Dr. Homer and Deborah Morris of Morehead City. He was a Dean’s List student at Methodist and a member of three honor societies—Omicron Delta Kappa (leadership), Delta Mu Delta (business), and the National Residence Hall Honorary. He was president of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at Methodist for the last three years, an SGA senator, and a member of the Christian LYFE Council.

Morris was described by his sponsors as a person of strong faith and moral character who puts service above self. He has served as youth director at St. Andrews United Methodist Church in Fayetteville and as a youth leader and summer counselor at Camp Don Lee. During the spring semester he has worked as a volunteer tax assistant with the Accounting Club.

Future MC Art students?



An MC art student shows visiting kindergarteners from Hope Mills how to make paper mobiles.

SGA Officers Elected

Spitzer elected SGA president



Lindsay Spitzer from Cortland Manor, NY, will serve as Student Government Association President during 2001-2002. She is a rising senior majoring in business administration with a concentration in professional golf management.

Students elected Spitzer, three other executive officers, and four senators in a spring election. Other officers for the upcoming school year will be: Vice President Jimmy Ross, a rising junior from Niceville, FL; Treasurer Roman Trudnenko, a rising senior from Moscow, Russia; and Secretary Celena Jackson, a rising junior from Sumter, SC.

SGA senators elected were: Danielle Smith, a freshman from Waldorf, MD; Neilani Siatinia, a freshman from Carrboro, NC; Justin Norvell, a freshman from Middletown, OH; and Michelle Muthiani, a sophomore from Fayetteville.

Bringing Out The Artist Inside

Rogers Trust awards grant to Methodist College for High School art exhibit

The Florence Rogers Charitable Trust has awarded a \$4,125 grant to the Methodist College Art Department to support a juried art exhibit for area high school students.

“This exhibit will showcase the works of talented high school art students in Cumberland and surrounding counties,” said Silvana Foti, professor of art at Methodist. “We hope this will motivate students to continue their studies in the field of visual arts.”

Invitations and exhibit criteria will be sent to art teachers in area high schools this fall, explaining how students may submit art work for the juried exhibit. A variety of media will be accepted—painting, drawing, mixed media, printmaking, sculpture, photography, computer graphics and ceramics. The student artists whose works are selected will be recognized at the exhibit’s opening reception.

Art works accepted for the juried exhibit will be photographed and featured in a printed catalogue along with an artist’s statement for each work submitted. The works will be displayed next spring in the Mallett-Rogers House on the Methodist College campus. A judges panel made up of outside artists will determine which works receive First Place, Second Place, Third Place, or Honorable Mention recognition.

In a separate grant this spring, the Rogers Trust awarded \$4,498 to Methodist’s Lura Tally Center for Leadership Development to purchase leadership training materials and related equipment.



Nolan Clarke of the Florence Rogers Charitable Trust presents a check to Silvana Foti.



During April, a gallery exhibit by MC art students was featured at the Cape Fear Regional Theatre. L to R, Ramon Rodriguez, Kelly Green, Curtis Stephens, Patti Wisniewski, Angie Mahon, Adam Dewey.

Well On His Way

Ben Wells appointed MC’s new campus minister

Ben Wells ’95, is the new campus minister at Methodist College. He succeeds the Rev. Carl King, who resigned to take a similar post at Columbia College in South Carolina.

A religion major at Methodist, Wells received his Master of Divinity degree from Duke Divinity School in 1998. He was associate pastor at First United Methodist Church in Morehead City from 1998-99. In January 2000, he was appointed pastor of Westwood United Methodist Church in Goldsboro, NC.

Wells was married last October to Tobyn Lee Domske. They met while she was working as youth minister at a Presbyterian church in the Morehead City area. She is a graduate of Westminster College in New Wilmington, Pennsylvania.

Prior to his June appointment, Wells met with the Rev. Bill Lowdermill, MC’s former vice president for church and community relations, and Dr. Hendricks, college president. He also met with George Blanc, vice president for student development and services, and Rev. King. He later attended a staff retreat conducted by the Student Development and Services Office of which he will be a part.

He moved into his campus office on the lower level of the Berns Student Center the first week in July. Wells said he looks forward to the challenge of ministering to the full Methodist College community—students, staff, and faculty.



Rev. Ben Wells

Singing Her Song

MC Senior selected for Youth Music Chorale's Asian tour

Angalie Quinn, a senior music education major at Methodist College, was selected this spring to be part of the 2001 Youth Music Chorale Asia Tour sponsored by the General Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church.



Angalie Quinn

The Youth Music Chorale is composed of 23 students from United Methodist colleges, universities and churches who were selected after submitting applications, audition tapes, and personal faith statements. The group performed in Singapore, Malaysia, Cambodia, China and Mongolia June 16-July 9, sharing the meaning of the Christian faith through the music of Christians from around the world, as well as through

personal witness. In Cambodia and Mongolia, Chorale members met with youth and adults from emerging congregations.

Angalie is a soprano and a member of the Methodist College Concert Choir. Originally from upstate New York, she currently resides with her family in Wade, NC. Although she is the only Chorale member from North Carolina, she recently discovered that another member—David Merrill of Annapolis, MD—will be enrolling as a freshman at Methodist this fall.

"This will be a time of rededication and strengthening of faiths," she said prior to the tour. "I have been honored by the strong support of my campus minister, members of the music faculty who assisted me in my candidacy, and finally by my acceptance to the Chorale. I am also grateful to the church congregations in the Fayetteville area who made love offerings toward my expenses."

On May 30 Chorale members gathered for orientation at Newark International Airport. The next day they departed for Denpasar, Indonesia (Bali) where they spent two weeks in intensive rehearsals. Dr. S. T. Kimbrough Jr., associate general secretary for mission evangelism, served as the director/conductor of the Chorale, assisted by Jorge Lockwood, coordinator for the Global Praise Program of GBGM.

Major Music!

This fall, the Methodist College Music Department will begin offering a Bachelor of Music in Church Music. Those entering this program will concentrate in either keyboard or vocal music.

For information about the new church music major contact Jane Gardiner, head of the Music Department, at (910) 630-7101.



And the Beat Goes On...

African drumming was featured at the March 17 Handbell Festival sponsored by the NC Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Making It Possible

Methodist College launches new Pastor's Recognition Program

Earlier this year, Methodist College announced that it would allow any United Methodist minister to award up to \$1,000 per year to a youth who enrolls at Methodist College.

"The maximum award is two and a half times greater than what we previously offered," said the Rev. Carl King, former Methodist College chaplain. "This is our way of renewing our commitment to United Methodists to further the educational and spiritual journeys of young people. When combined with other scholarships, grants and loans, we believe this award will make it possible for many deserving students to attend Methodist."

The Pastor's Certificate of Recognition can be awarded to any beginning or transfer student at Methodist College by any United Methodist minister and is renewable annually provided the student maintains a 2.0 (C) average. The exact amount of the award will be based on financial need. Approximately 80 percent of the students attending Methodist in 2000-2001 received need-based financial aid.

In February and March, the College mailed recognition certificates and vouchers to all ministers in the North Carolina and Western North Carolina Conferences of the United Methodist Church. By the end of May, 18 certificates had been awarded by ministers and another 12 had been requested. Among the first 18 students awarded certificates, eight received the maximum \$1,000, two received \$750, five received \$500 and two received \$250.

Additional certificates and vouchers can be requested by phoning (910) 630-7157 (the Campus Ministry Office) or by e-mailing bwells@methodist.edu.



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Stock Market Symposium

“What we are seeing now is a healthy correction that makes you sick.”

“The hot air in the techs has been let out.”

Benjamin F. Edwards III offered that description of the downturn in technology stocks at Methodist’s 24th annual Stock Market Symposium April 5.



Benjamin F. Edwards

The CEO and president of A. G. Edwards, Inc. said greed caused many Americans to overinvest in dot-coms and other high technology issues. “There was a lot of capital around, but stock options were the chief form of compensation in the technical sector,” he noted.

As an example of volatility in the high-tech sector, he cited Yahoo, saying its stock had once sold for \$250 a share, but had recently fallen to \$11. “Whenever there is a new industry,” he continued, “there are always questions about

management. You have to wait to see who survives.”

He said the two strongest emotions affecting investment decisions are greed and fear. “What we are seeing now is just a healthy correction that makes you sick. A lot of paper wealth was lost, but it can be created again.”

The head of one of America’s largest investment firms said 75 percent of the people in his industry “have not seen a bear market.” He then offered some blunt advice: “Nothing soars to the sky. Don’t fall in love with anything. Don’t bet the ranch. Free markets go both ways—up and down.”

Edwards said dollar-cost averaging is the only gimmick that works in equity investing, but it requires a lot of discipline. “Put your savings in the market at a certain rate,” he advised. “If the market’s up you buy fewer shares. If it’s down, you buy more.”

The speaker devoted much of his speech to a description of the corporate philosophy at A. G. Edwards, a St. Louis-based firm with 700 offices and 7,000 financial consultants managing total assets worth \$1.6 billion. The firm went public in 1980.

“In our corporate mission statement, ‘fun’ is one goal,” he said, “along with mutual trust and respect. We believe our clients, employees and vendors should be treated according to the Golden

Rule. We need to give value and be efficient.”

He decried the way some American corporations have downsized: “Many workers are fearful and demoralized. I believe cutting should start at the top.”

Business Awards

Four Fayetteville residents were honored for business achievements at the symposium.

R. David Ruth, vice president and general manager of Lee Hyundai, received the Business Ethics Award. He was cited for setting high ethical standards at his business and rewarding employees who uphold them. Lee Hyundai leads the 11-state Southeast Region in sales and ranks in the top 10 Hyundai dealers in customer satisfaction.

Celia McGuire, owner of Global Tours and Travel, was named Outstanding Woman Entrepreneur of 2000. A native of Argentina with 25 years’ experience in the travel and airline business, she has grown her business from three to 12 employees

since 1996 and earned the distinction of becoming an American Express Travel Representative.

G. Michael Pleasant, president of Ready Mixed Concrete, received the Small Business Excellence Award. Since 1983, he has transformed a business with annual revenues of \$2 million, 26 employees and two plants into one with six plants, a new downtown headquarters/maintenance facility, 85 employees, and annual sales exceeding \$10 million.

Ed Melvin, owner of Ed’s Tire and Auto Service, was inducted into the Fellowship of the Silver Spoon, which recognizes persons who were not born to wealth but

have become successful entrepreneurs. In 1980, Melvin borrowed \$5,000 to buy an existing tire store that he had managed. Today, his firm operates six tire stores servicing as many as 200 cars per day.

The symposium ended with Dr. Sid Gautam, director of MC’s Center for Entrepreneurship, awarding a \$100 bill to Michelle Hudson, a business student at Methodist. Hudson’s advance projection of the Dow Jones closing for April 5—9,933—was the closest to the actual closing of 9,918.



Business award winners at a reception hosted by President & Mrs. Hendricks L to R, David Ruth, Celia McGuire, Ed Melvin, Michael Pleasant



The Monarch Pages

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

Fore! for Four... Lady Monarch Golfers Claim 4th Consecutive National Championship

The Methodist College women's golf team fired a final-round 301 for a 72-hole total of 1,214 (+62) as the Lady Monarchs earned their fourth consecutive NCAA National Championship, finishing 50 strokes ahead of second-place Concordia (MN) at the 2001 NCAA-III National Championships at Hickory Point Golf Club (par 72, 6,100 yards).

MC's Carol Brogan (294) capped a stellar four-year career as she carded a final-round 74 (+2) for a 72-hole total of 294 (+6) and claimed the Individual National Championship with a three-stroke win over teammate Melanie Tipps who fired a 297 (+9).

The team win was the fourth consecutive NCAA Championship for Head Coach Kim Kincer's Lady Monarchs and the second-consecutive 50-stroke win for Methodist College. The runner-up finish was Concordia's second consecutive after finishing 51 strokes behind the Green & Gold last season.

The individual national title marked Brogan's first career win as she becomes the first Methodist College golfer (male or female) to be a part of four national championship teams. The individual title marked the 6th time that a MC women's golfer has claimed the crown. Tipps also wrapped up an outstanding career for the Green & Gold with her second consecutive NCAA-III runner-up finish.

The Lady Monarchs tournament score of 1,214 shattered their own NCAA-II/III (1,254) and III (1,285) tournament records. Brogan's 294 also broke both individual tournament records in Division-II/III set by Shanna Nagy of Florida Southern (301 in 1998) and Division-III set by Methodist's Stacy Smith (316), last season's national champion.

Methodist College Individuals:

- 1st Carol Brogan
71-76-73-74—294 (+6)
- 2nd Melanie Tipps
73-73-75-76—297 (+9)
- tied 10th Hope Thomas
77-79-80-77—313(+25)
- tied 15th Michelle Meadows
78-77-83-78—316 (+28)
- tied 17th Nichole Kentner
80-82-81-74—317 (+29)



The Lady Monarchs' National Championship is the 4th consecutive NCAA title and the school's 13th national crown overall. Before the NCAA began governing the Division-III women's golf national tournament in 1996, Methodist earned nine National Golf Coaches Association national titles, including a string of five consecutive wins from 1991-95.



NCAA Division III's 2001 National Champions!! L to R: Coach Kim Kincer, Melanie Tipps, Nichole Kentner, Hope Thomas, Michelle Meadows, Carol Brogan.

Men's Golfer Chad Collins Wins 3rd National Championship as Monarchs Finish In Third Place

The Methodist College men's golf team fired a final round 293 (+9) for a 72-hole total of 1,164 (+28) and a third place finish at the 2001 NCAA Division-III National Championship at Persimmon Woods Golf Club. The Monarchs finished two strokes behind National Champion Wisconsin Eau-Claire.

Methodist's Chad Collins was the Individual National Champion after shooting an even-par 71 for a 72-hole total of 281 (-3). Collins was the Individual National Champion in 1998 and 1999, and the tournament win marked the 18th of his collegiate career.

The national title marks Collins' third of his career, setting a new NCAA Division-III record for individual national championships. His victory



*2001 NCAA Division III Individual
Champion Chad Collins.*

marked the ninth time a Monarch has claimed the individual title and the top-five finish is the 15th consecutive for the Monarchs as a team.

Based on their tournament finishes,

Collins and teammate Jered Gusso were named First Team All-Americans while Billy Whitney earned Honorable Mention All-American status.

Earlier in the season, the Monarchs captured their ninth consecutive and 20th overall Dixie Conference championship as the Green & Gold swept the conference honors with Collins being tabbed Player of the Year, freshman James Stewart winning Rookie of the Year, and Head Coach Steve Conley winning Coach of the Year honors.

Methodist College Individuals:

1st	Chad Collins	71-70-69-71—281 (-3)
tied 4th	Jered Gusso	71-68-75-73—287 (+3)
tied 20th	Billy Whitney	74-75-73-76—298 (+14)
tied 44th	Joey Wuertemberger	76-81-73-74—304 (+20)
tied 47th	Anthony Bonargo	77-76-77-75—304 (+21)

Elena Blarina Storms to NCAA-III Singles National Championship

Methodist College women's tennis player Elena Blarina claimed the 2001 NCAA Division-III Singles National Championship with a 6-4, 6-0 win over Joanna Toke of Rochester Institute of Technology at Trinity University in San Antonio, TX. The national title marks MC's 21st individual national championship and 44th overall and the first in a sport other than golf and track.

In the championship match, the fourth-seeded Blarina fought to an early 4-4 first-set deadlock after being down 3-1 and from there reeled off eight consecutive games for the straight-set win. The win was Blarina's 18th consecutive win, a streak that dates back to her last loss on March 5 to Sara Marsic of nationally-ranked NAIA Palm Beach Atlantic.

Blarina puts the exclamation point of



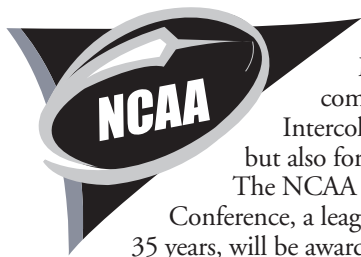
Elena Blarina

a national championship on a stellar season that included a 28-2 singles record and her second consecutive Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference championship. She was voted the DIAC's Women's Tennis Player of the Year for the second consecutive season and led the Lady Monarchs to a No. 24 national ranking and the school's first-ever team National Tournament appearance.

Blarina and doubles partner Carla Simpson won the 2000 Fall Rolex Division-III national doubles title and entered the NCAA-III Doubles National Championship as the top-seeded team before bowing out with a three-set loss to Williams College in the quarterfinals.

Additionally, Blarina was tabbed as the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's (ITA) 2001 National Player to Watch.

Dixie Conference Football Earns Automatic NCAA Bid



Beginning with the 2001 season, the Methodist College football team will be competing not only for the inaugural Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference football title, but also for a NCAA post-season bid.

The NCAA recently announced that the Dixie Conference, a league that has been in existence more than 35 years, will be awarded a post-season entry in only its first season of intercollegiate football competition. Last season, Methodist College unofficially won the Dixie Conference regular-season title after going 4-0 against conference schools as they posted wins over Ferrum, Greensboro, Chowan, and Averett.

New to the 2001 schedule will be Shenandoah, a second-year program, and first-year program Christopher Newport. Under Head Coach Jim Sypult, the Monarchs are 14-4 against Dixie Conference schools.

The Green & Gold finished 7-3 last season in the Monarchs' last season of Atlantic Central Football Conference competition. Coach Sypult's squad finished in second place in ACFC play after being voted to finish sixth out of seven teams in the preseason coaches poll.

"The Dixie Conference getting a bid to post-season play is a dream come true for Methodist College," stated Coach Sypult. "Our goal is to compete on the national level and this will give us the opportunity to reach the playoffs."

2001 MC FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

<i>Sept. 1</i>	<i>Emory & Henry College</i>	<i>1:00</i>
Sept. 8	@ Guilford College (Greensboro)	1:00
Sept. 15	@ Salisbury State U. (Salisbury, MD)	1:00
Sept. 22	Open	
<i>Sept. 29</i>	<i>Apprentice School</i> ^	<i>1:00</i>
Oct. 6	@ Averett College (Danville, VA) *	1:00
Oct. 13	@ Ferrum College (Ferrum, VA) *	1:00
Oct. 20	@ Christopher Newport U. (Newport News, VA) *	1:00
<i>Oct. 27</i>	<i>Chowan College</i> # *	<i>1:30</i>
<i>Nov. 3</i>	<i>Greensboro College</i> *	<i>1:00</i>
<i>Nov. 10</i>	<i>Shenandoah U.</i> *	<i>1:00</i>

Bold Italics Denotes Home Games

* Denotes Dixie Intercollegiate Conf. Game

^ Denotes Family Weekend

Denotes Homecoming

Monarch Golfers Earn Verizon Academic All-American Honors

Methodist College golfers *Carol Brogan (Senior/Watertown, NY)* and *Jered Gusso (Senior/Savage, MN)* earned the prestigious distinction as Verizon Academic Division-III Spring At-Large All-Americans. Brogan, the 2001 NCAA Division-III National Champion, was voted to the first team for the second consecutive year while Gusso earned second team distinction. The College Division At-Large honor includes all spring sports (except baseball and softball) is voted upon by members of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

Brogan graduated this past spring with a 3.92 GPA in Business Administration with a concentration in Professional Golf Management. She capped a stellar four-year career by becoming the first Methodist College golfer (male or female) to be a part of four national championship teams. Brogan, who was earlier this year named MC's Female Athlete of the Year, picked up her first career win in dramatic fashion as she was crowned the 2001 NCAA-III Individual National Champion after carding a 72-hole record total of 294 (+6). The two-time first team All-American selection was also voted as the National Golf Coaches Association (NGCA) National Player of the Year. Brogan earned first team Academic All-American distinction last season.

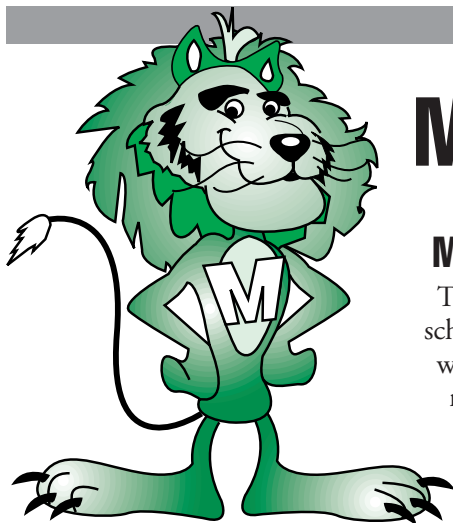
Brogan becomes the first Methodist College student-athlete to earn multiple Verizon Academic All-American honors and her honor marks only the third time a Monarch has been selected to the first team.

Gusso also graduated this past spring with a 3.49 GPA in Business Administration with a concentration in Professional Golf Management. He sported a 73.45 stroke average over 22 round in the regular-season and earned his second consecutive national fourth place finish as this year's NCAA-III National Championships. The two-time All-American tallied five top-five finishes this season and was the Dixie Conference Champion for the second straight year. Gusso, an eight-time MC Dean's List member, earned three career wins during his distinguished Monarch career.

Methodist College was one of only three District III College Division schools to have multiple At-Large All-Americans, as Emory (GA) University led the way with three honorees. Florida Southern, a NCAA Division-II Sunshine Conference member, was the only other school to have a pair of nominees. District III is made up of all NCAA Division-II and III member institutions in Florida, Georgia, North and South Carolina, and Virginia.

Methodist College Verizon Academic All-Americans

Denise Woodard	Women's At-Large	2 nd team	1991
Jay Kirkpatrick	Baseball	1 st team	1991
Tracy Maness	Women's At-Large	3 rd team	1993
Joe Myrtle	Baseball	3 rd team	1993
Tracey Gage	Women's At-Large	3 rd team	1999
Carol Brogan	Women's At-Large	1 st team	2000
Carol Brogan	Women's At-Large	1 st team	2001
Jered Gusso	Men's At-Large	2 nd team	2001



Monarch Sports Briefs

Monarch Baseball Team Earns Regional Appearance

The Methodist College baseball team wrapped up the 2001 campaign by earning the school's 19th post-season appearance and posting a 29-17-1 slate. The Monarchs, who were ranked as high as 12th nationally, captured the school's 13th Dixie Conference regular-season title.

Dan Glies led the Monarchs with a .358 batting average while belting seven homeruns, as he was tabbed a First Team All-Conference selection. The 20-win season was the 22nd consecutive under Head Coach Tom Austin.

MC Softball Wraps Up 2001 Season With 29-16 Record

The Monarch softball team ended the 2001 season by posting its third consecutive season with 10 Dixie Conference wins as the Green & Gold posted a 29-17 overall mark.

Methodist was led by Julia Best, a 1st Team All-Region selection, and Adrienne Midgley as each batted an impressive .394 for the season. Head Coach Ron Simpson was voted Dixie Conference Co-Coach of the Year for the second time in the last three seasons.

Monarch Netters Sweep Dixie Conference Titles

The Methodist College men's and women's tennis teams made a clean sweep of the Dixie Conference this past season as the Green & Gold captured both regular-season and tournament titles. The men's team finished the season 10-1 and earned the school's seventh conference championship, while the women's team, ranked No. 24 nationally, finished 13-2 and took its seventh DIAC crown.

Head Coaches Christina Mullin (men) and Dan Arnold (women) were both voted DIAC Tennis Coach of the Year. Twenty Methodist tennis players garnered All-Conference honors by reaching the DIAC tournament finals.

Methodist Track and Field Finishes Sixth at Mason-Dixon Conference Meet

The MC track and field team made history this past season by hosting the Monarch Track Classic, the first intercollegiate track and field meet held at Methodist in more than twenty years.

The teams wrapped up the 2001 seasons with sixth place finishes at the Mason-Dixon Conference meet. Nicky Jinwright was the conference champion in the women's javelin, while Shawn Watkins set a new school record in the men's javelin with a toss of 183'03".

Inside the Numbers 2000-2001

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- 6 Dixie Conference Team Championships
- 9 All-Americans
- 21 Dixie Conference Player of the Week Selections
- 24 Dixie Conference Rookie of the Week Selections
- 79 Dixie Conference All-Academic Team Members
- 125 All-Conference Selections



Athletic Booster

Athletics — Athletics — Athletics — Athletics

As a former student-athlete and parent of a student-athlete, I can speak of lasting memories—countless hours of practice, long van rides; the thrill of winning a conference championship. The support of alumni, family, faculty and friends is the heart of all that Methodist College represents. This has been evident since the founding of the College and even more so today.

Founded in 1998, the MC Monarch Club continues to grow each year, and support from alumni, parents, and friends is stronger than ever. The purpose of the Monarch Club is to provide financial support to the Athletic Department above the normal operating budget and to promote the excellence of the athletic program at Methodist College.

Today our athletic teams have well over 300 athletes in 19 Intercollegiate Programs—10 for women and nine for men. The Monarchs are a member of the Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, the Mason-Dixon Conference, and NCAA Division III. Through the outstanding leadership of a very dedicated and energetic athletic staff, our teams have excelled over the years and created one of the elite athletic programs in the nation. Over the last five years, Methodist College athletic teams have finished in the top 15 percent of all 404 NCAA Division III member institutions for overall athletic accomplishments.

You can make a difference in the future of Methodist College athletics by joining the Monarch Club. All gifts assist in areas such as special equipment needs, facility improvements, Athletic Hall of Fame, and other special needs. Your gift may be tax-deductible for income tax purposes to the extent of the permitted by law. Please complete the attached membership form and return it to Methodist College.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Samuel "Howard" Hudson III
Class of 1969



Monarch Club Membership Application

Name (Mr./Mrs./Miss) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

Home Phone _____

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Please Use My Gift for:

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Membership Levels:

Lion Pride (\$250)

Century Monarch (\$100)

Green and Gold (\$50)

Monarch Sponsor (\$25)

"Surf's Up" For Alumni, 60s Athletes At Homecoming 2001

"Surf's Up" will be the theme of Homecoming 2001 October 26-27. Reunions are planned for the Classes of 1966, 1976, and 1991, as well as a special reunion for all athletes of the 60s.

The fourth annual Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Dinner will be held Friday, October 26 in the March F. Riddle Center.

Alumni Speaker Day

New this year on Friday will be an Alumni Speaker Day. Many alumni have expressed an interest in speaking to current students about topics as wide-ranging as gaining admission to graduate school, the requirements of their respective professions or careers, and how to land a good job.

MC's 7,551 graduates represent a variety of wisdom and experience from which current students can benefit. Alumni who would like to participate in Speaker Day are urged to contact Tom Maze at (910) 630-7167 or tmaze@methodist.edu or Lori Bumgarner, director of career services at (910) 630-7279 lorib@methodist.edu.

Traditional Saturday Events

Traditional Saturday events include the William P. Lowdermilk Golf Classic, the Education Alumni Breakfast, the Pre-game Tailgate Party, men's and women's alumni basketball games, football game, and soccer games. The dinner and dance will take place on Saturday evening at the Holiday Inn Bordeaux.

The silent auction will also be held Saturday evening. Last year's inaugural event raised \$2,100 for the Alumni Scholarship Fund. **It's not too early to donate an item.** Donations are tax deductible. Contact the Alumni Office at (910) 630-7167 for more information.

Athletes of the 60s

Athletes who played for Methodist in the 60s are being invited to come back and relive their memories with Coaches Schwarz, Clayton, Sykes, and Baum. Mrs. Rubelle H. Shelly (wife of the late Bruce Shelley) will also attend.

If you were an athlete from that era and did not receive a postcard in late May about the reunion, please contact the Alumni Office.

In anticipation of this special reunion, we are publishing the following list of lost athletes: Tom Bell '69, Larry Moore '70, Gene Burke '67, Dave Odenwelder '69, Richard Brown '71, Peck Ormond '69, Richard D'Allessandro '68, John Powell '70, Daniel Dopps '71, Gene Rapelye '68, Art Demott '70, Guy

Simpson '72, Tom Freeman '72, Teddy Sky '67, Danny Gibson '70, Vance Tuck '69, Larry Harris '66, John Tugwell '71, Harry Hinson '70, Terry Wicker '70, Harold Jarvis '66, Janet Wilson '69, Mike Lynch '72. **If you know the location of anyone listed, please contact the Alumni Office at (800) 488-7110 or (910) 630-7167.**

Look for more homecoming information later in the mail and at www.methodist.edu/homecoming

Alumni Golf Extravaganza Set For Myrtle Beach, SC, February 21-24

The Alumni Association will be leading a Golf Extravaganza at the Landmark Resort in Myrtle Beach, SC, Feb. 21-24, 2002. The trip is open to alumni, parents, faculty/staff, and friends of the College.

The cost is \$202.02 and includes three nights lodging at the Landmark (www.landmarkresort.com), buffet breakfast each morning, three rounds of golf (carts included), and a special golf gift.

A \$100 deposit is required by September 30, 2001. Make checks payable to Methodist College and send to Alumni Office, 5400 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC 28311.

Contact Tom Maze at (910) 630-7167 or e-mail to: tmaze@methodist.edu

UPCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS

Charlotte, NC Area

Thursday, August 23, 2001

Gather with alumni and friends for a night at the ballpark. Watch the Kannapolis Intimidators (www.intimidatorsbaseball.com) take on the Hagerstown Suns. Tim Mueller '96 of the Intimidators is offering a great package for just \$5 per person. Price includes pre-game party, box seat and a chance to win prizes. Make checks payable to Methodist College. RSVP date is Monday, August 20, 2001.

Raleigh, NC Area

Sunday, September 9, 2001

3rd Annual Pig-Pickin' at the home of Jerry Monday '71 and his wife, Mary Cynthia. This event has grown each year and alumni are coming from as far away as Wilmington for all of the fun. Look for more information in the mail this summer. RSVP date is Wednesday, September 6, 2001.

Contact the alumni office at (910) 630-7167 or e-mail tmaze@methodist.edu to learn more about these events.

New Alumni Directory Due In December

The new alumni directory, scheduled for release in December 2001, will be the most up-to-date and complete listing of MC alumni ever. Harris Publishing Inc. has been researching data and compiling information. If you have any questions or have not received a questionnaire in the mail, contact Harris Publishing directly at (800) 877-6554 or inquiry@bcharrispub.com

Don't forget the alumni e-mail directory – a great way to keep in touch with classmates and friends. Go to www.methodist.edu/alumni affairs to register.

MC Alumni Focus: A Collector And A

Collectors Corner Sells Political Memorabilia, Americana

For many years, I have been involved in buying, selling and liquidating collections of political campaign material and historical Americana.

Collectors Corner began in the early 1990s as part of an antique business by the family. That quickly became a significant effort since my background included formal training in history and the political sciences at Methodist College and public administration with a master's degree later.

Several large collections were liquidated including a wonderful find of two Lincoln ribbons and one Daniel Webster ribbon. This effort, as well as earning the trust necessary and required of a client relationship, placed me in a very positive position.

Collector's Corner has published eight fixed-priced catalogues that included 800-1000 items each, with the last one issued in late 1998. I had to take a break from these efforts as a result of family and other obligations. That time saw the creation of an Internet effort on eBay (oldpoliticalsmindspring.com) that has resulted in thousands of sold items with many hundreds of satisfied customers. The catalogue effort of Collectors Corner might surface again, but the



Gene Dillman manages NCML Human Resource Consulting Services.

Web site (www.oldpoliticalsmindspring.com) and eBay will continue to be a large part of the company's efforts.

My Web page is an extension of my efforts to provide the most effective and least costly method to get quality material in front of collectors. The Internet is a great way to accomplish this task. I am excited about extending my capacities by expanding into this arena. My belief is that this medium will become the major method in liquidating and acquiring collectible material.

Some would ask, "How did all of this come together?" I came through Methodist at a time when things were tough. A large economic recession was building and jobs were tough to find. The Vietnam War was still a large part of everyday life and as a result moved me into a positive long-term direction. Methodist provided the early training ground for building good leadership skills and more importantly interpersonal skills.

The small campus meant you either got along or else you were alone. It became my first experience living and interacting with people from outside the state. My roommate, Chet Makowski from New Jersey, is

someone I will never forget

Others such as Jeff Olson and Chip Dicks are only a few of the many people in everyday contact that molded me into who I am today. For that I am grateful and wish them well. I was one of the lucky people after graduation in 1973. I served in the Navy, and I took the learned experiences with me and did well. I was a naval officer but could not have been accepted for that high level of naval training and experience without the Methodist College degree.

Today is no different. I am now mid-century and still listen to the Beatles, Santana, Three Dog Night and Chicago. The first time I heard most of these was in Cumberland dorm. Thanks for the memories and thanks for the push.

—Gene Dillman

Eugene B. Dillman

Born: Nov. 22, 1950 in St. Louis, MO. **Residence:** Raleigh, NC **Current Occupation:** Director of Member Services, North Carolina League of Municipalities; Accredited Personnel Manager (Society of Human Resource Management) **Education:** B.A., History, Methodist College, 1973; Master of Public Affairs, UNC-Greensboro, 1982

Honors Program Sponsoring Spring Break Trip To Europe

Directors of the Honors Program at the College invite alumni and friends to join them for their 2002 spring break trip, an 11-day tour of London, Paris, and Rome.

The fee for adults is \$1,840 and includes round-trip airfare; overnight stays; continental breakfast and dinner daily, full-time bilingual tour director, sightseeing tours by licensed local guides, visits to special attractions, and walking tours. A deposit is due by November 30.

For more information, contact Jennifer Rohrer-Walsh at (910) 630-7076 or jrwalsh@methodist.edu. You may also learn about EF Tours at www.eftours.com

School Administrator Take A Look Back

Individualized Attention Made Methodist A Good Choice

I have very fond memories of my four years at Methodist. The saying that a smaller college or university affords students more individualized attention was truly the case at Methodist!

The Lord blessed my three brothers and me with parents who taught us the value of education. We were raised in a Christian home where my parents stressed education and discipline! Our father is a Baptist preacher, and his values and those of my mother were instilled in us at a young age.

I, like most other high school seniors, was looking forward to going away to college. But when it came down to making the final decision, I wanted to stay close to home. I remember Coach Mike Parsons calling my twin brother Don and me several times trying to recruit us to Methodist. We finally decided to remain in town and attend Methodist. I have never regretted my decision.

One of the first things we did when we arrived was meet with our advisors. My advisor was Mr. Parker Wilson. I enjoyed working with him and eventually took all of his classes. I decided to major in History/Education with a Physical Education Endorsement.

The professors at Methodist were always approachable. Dr. Hendricks, Mr. Lowdermilk, and Dr. Sadler were also always more than willing to meet with students to discuss any concerns. I remember meeting with Dr. and Mrs. Hendricks in their home on several occasions to discuss current events. I bet you do not find that at many schools!

The social activities and athletic activities were also very memorable. The dorms had activities and contests that the students really seemed to enjoy.

Ronald K. Phipps

Born: Feb. 17, 1967 in Fayetteville, NC **Residence:** Stedman, NC **Current Occupation:** Assistant Principal, Mac Williams Middle School, Fayetteville, NC **Education:** B.A., Social Studies Education, Methodist College, 1989; M.A., Education (Administration), Fayetteville State University, 1995 **Community Activities:** Town Commissioner, Stedman.

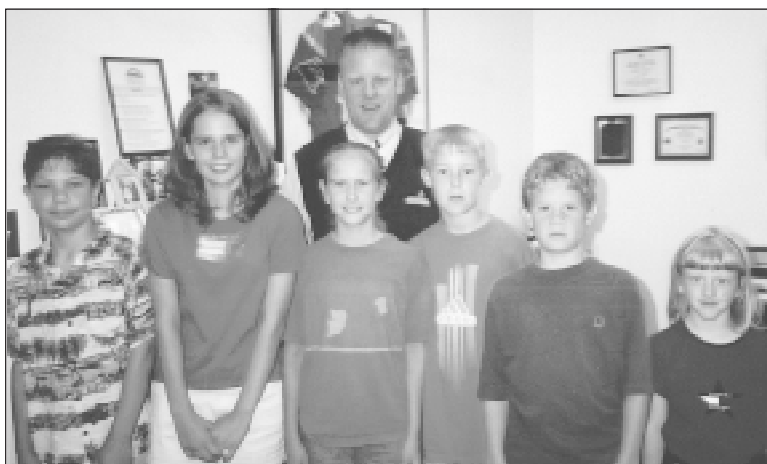
I appreciate the athletic memories and the strong athletic programs. I was a member of the men's tennis team from 1985-1988. The road trips were fun, as was visiting other parts of our state. We did not win a lot, but we had fun as a team.

My best friend in high school was a member of the baseball team (Scott Smith). At one point we had decided to attend another school, (as a matter of fact, we had our room assignment and were about to send in our deposit), but in the end we both decided to attend Methodist College.

I am proud to be a Methodist graduate. I know many educators who are fellow Methodist graduates; that also makes me proud. Each year I look for students who would enjoy the small college

atmosphere. With the Greatest Gift Scholarship, we can help the college continue to grow and prosper!

—Ron Phipps



Ron Phipps (back) has worked in middle schools for 11 years.

Alumni Board Seeks Annual Award Nominations

The Alumni Association Board of Directors is currently seeking nominations for the annual awards presented during Homecoming weekend. Nominations will be accepted until August 15, 2001. Please include as much background information as possible on nominees. Send nominations to the Alumni Office, Methodist College, 5400 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC 28311.

Outstanding Faculty Award

This award recognizes a faculty/staff member for excellence in teaching, involvement in the College and local community, and loyalty to Methodist College.

Outstanding Alumni Service

This award recognizes a graduate's support of and participation in the activities of Methodist College.

Distinguished Alumni

This award recognizes a graduate's individual achievements in his/her profession and/or for service of the highest order to his/her community.

Class Notes

...are taken from newspaper clippings, the Alumni Phonathon and your write-ins. Every effort is made to report the information accurately. Because of the volume of information received, we can only do random verification checks. Please let us know when there is an error. Information in this issue was received prior to May 25, 2001. Addresses and phone numbers are not published except by your request. To get as much information in each issue as possible, we reserve the right to condense some announcements.

Class Notes

The Who, What and Where of Methodist College Alumni

1964

BETTY NEILL PARSONS presented a session for the Southern Division Collegiate Music Educators National Conference last February in Louisville, KY. She is the current chairman of the organization's southern division.

1966

LTG JAMES M. LINK recently retired after 34 years in the United States Army. He is currently living in Brownsboro, AL, and is a senior vice president with Scientific Applications International Corp.



L to R, MC baseball fans Trudi Waters '70, Carson Harmon '67, Bryan May '92 and parent Austin Foster gather with other alumni and parents for a pre-game lunch at NC Wesleyan March 10.

1968

JOHNNY LIPSCOMB recently retired after 33 years of teaching in the Ft. Bragg School System. He is devoting his time to his woodworking business and traveling.

1969

DAVID HATCHELL recently wrote in to say how successful he has been in locating alumni through the Internet and information provided in *Methodist College Today*.

DR. ROBERT "BARNEY" VINCELETTE is living in Houston, DE, and has published two books. *The Bird of Paradise* was published in 1984 and *The Twilight of the Trailer Park* was published this year.

SANDRA WHEELER was recently promoted to director of human resources and administration for the American Meat Institute.

1970

BETH BALDWIN owns Appraisals Online, Inc., a real estate appraisal firm in Durham, NC. She has two children: Jimmy, who works for IBM and Dottie, who is a student at Lees-McRae College.

ED "TUNA" KIEL retired last year after 30 years of service with the Chesapeake, VA Schools. He was named Teacher of the Year in 1977, 1980, and 1999 at different schools. Ed is also past president of the Chesapeake Education Association. He currently spends time gardening and raising exotic chickens.

WADE BYRD recently became a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. This group recognizes excellence in trial lawyers from all segments of the civil and criminal trial bar in the United States and Canada.

1971

RAY BAKER is the owner and manager of Liberty Tax Service in Fayetteville, NC. He has more than 35 years of experience in the financial services industry.

CINDY RHINEHARDT ESTES has been living in Wake Forest, NC since graduation. She is a realtor with Coldwell Banker Advantage in Raleigh, NC, and welcomes messages from her Weaver Hall friends from 1967-1971. E-mail her at cestes1111@aol.com.

1972

RICHARD VAUGHN was honored last December with the Ambassador of Agriculture Award for 11 years of service on the North Carolina Board of Agriculture. He operates Bear Swamp Farms in Lasker, NC and is also a licensed auctioneer.

1973

DOROTHY LANDIS recently wrote in to say she is still teaching Spanish after 28 years. She has two daughters at Appalachian State University and another daughter at Peace College.

1974

PHIL MULLEN married Renee Raymes on February 26, 2001. He celebrated his 50th birthday the same day.

1977

JOE UDUCHUKWU was recognized last year as one of *Biographies'* Outstanding People of the 20th Century with the Outstanding Achievement Diploma for his achievements in economics and management in Nigeria. He also was recognized as a Who's Who in Nigeria in 1999 by the Nigerian Biographical Centre Lagos for impeccable integrity, excellence and professionalism as an economist and management consultant. He plans to visit the College in the next few years and welcomes e-mails from all. His address is eternity@infoweb.abs.net

1978

THE REVEREND BENJAMIN R. MELVIN retired this spring after 20 years of service with the United Methodist Church. He most recently served as pastor of Pittsboro UMC. He will be moving back to Fayetteville.

1981

ASTRID HOY TODD and her husband, Allen, had their first child, Anneka, in February. Astrid is an associate professor of information systems at Guilford Technical Community College. They live in Winston-Salem.

1983

ELAINE FORBES MARSHALL and her husband, Mike, announce the new addition of their daughter Calyn, who was adopted last October from Kazakhstan.

1985

TERRY P. SASSER is the senior vice president and city executive for Crescent State Bank in Clayton, NC. His wife, Mary '78, is currently a teacher in the Johnson County School System and they have one daughter, Emily.

1986

JOHN MCRAINEY was recently promoted to captain with the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office in Fayetteville, NC.

MARK POWELL recently won first place in the Maryland District of the Columbia-Delaware Press Association competition for his column, which appears in the weekly *Delmarva Farmer*. He serves on the board of directors of LEAD-Maryland, a leadership development program with the University of Maryland, and is a board member with the Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation. He and his wife, Jan, live on their 30-acre farm in Caroline County, MD with their daughter, Rowan.

1988

DARRELL BOCK is the executive director of the PGA of America's Rocky Mountain Section. His wife, Jan, and daughter, Meredith, live in Boise, ID.

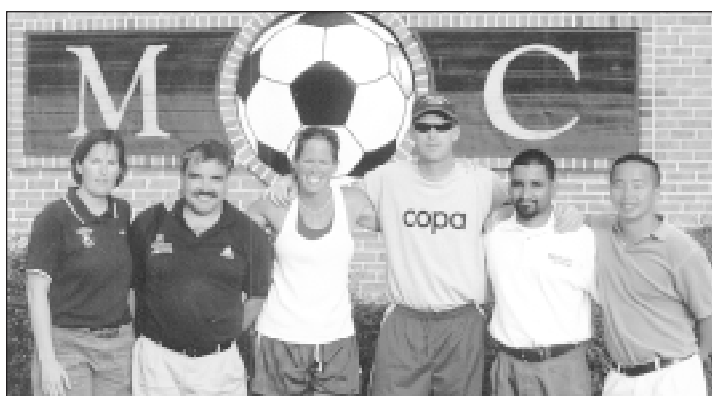
1989

ELICE BROOKS published a paper this past winter titled "The Effect of Folate Deficiency on the Cytotoxic and Mutagenic Responses to Ethyl Methanesulfonate in Human Lumphoblastoid Cell Lines That Differ." She has another paper at press. Both can be found in *Mutation Research*.

1990

JOHN MCCULLOUGH and his wife Cally have one son, Shawn. John is a project manager for ILEX Construction and Development in Easton, MD. The couple are both committed Christians and John teaches adult Sunday school.

BYRON PRITCHARD and his wife Pam '91 have two children, Hannah and Harrison. Byron is a vocal recording artist at Mill West Studios while Pam is an outside sales representative with Alltel in Fayetteville.



MC soccer alumni were reunited for the 2nd Annual Cup of Life Women's Soccer Showcase at Methodist April 7. L to R, Ruth Keegan '95, Joe Pereira, MC's first women's soccer coach (now women's coach at Old Dominion); Becky Burleigh '89, women's soccer coach at the U. of Fla.; Steve Springthorpe '85, asst. women's soccer coach at Florida; Bobby Graham '88, current MC women's soccer coach; and Vic Campbell '84, asst. women's soccer coach at Florida.

TROY ROUZER married Ginger Graham on March 17 on the Southern Belle Riverboat in Chattanooga, TN. They live in Atlanta, GA, where he is a locomotive engineer with CSX Transportation.



L to R, Travis Kornegay '98, guest soloist; the Rev. Carl King; and Steve Taylor '91, guest preacher; visit after a "Celebration of Alumni" service in Hensdale Chapel March 21.

1991

STEVEN TAYLOR was recently named Director of Missions by the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church. Taylor spoke to over 90 groups last year, focusing on mission interpretation and congregational mission development.

LEE CHURCHBOURNE and her husband, Chris, announce the birth of Jacob Miles on December 4, 2000.

JAMIE GLASS was promoted as the educational program auditor with the North Carolina Community College System in Raleigh, NC. Previously she was director of business and industry training for Wake Technical Community College.

NANCY RAMSEY married Thomas Barden, IV on August 6, 2000 in Virginia Beach. They currently live in Sterling, VA. Nancy is a teacher at Herndon Elementary and Tom works for a commercial company. Recently they started their own residential glass and mirror company.

CPT LORIE SANUITA STUMP has taken a new position in the United States Air Force as the program manager for Force Protection Training. She and her husband live in Phoenix, AZ, and would love to hear from old friends.
Email vbangel71@aol.com.

CPT LARRY WALLER of the United States Army is currently stationed in Monterey, CA, at the Defense Language Institute. He lives with his wife, Sheilah, and three children: Christopher, Alexis and Trevor.

1992

BRIAN CUPPETT married Lisa Sautner on May 5, 2001 in Exton, PA. Brian is a sales engineer with The CTI Authority while Lisa is a customer service manager with Crayola Brands. The couple lives in Clinton, NJ.

LARA STEEL OLSZEWSKI and her husband, Ray, welcomed their first child, Maggie Aileen on December 30, 2000. Maggie's aunt is Cari Steele '96 and her godmother is Jennifer Akers Curtis '92.

1993

JAY OHLMACHER and his wife Melissa '92 recently moved to Orlando, FL.

JOE MYRTLE AND MELANIE CAPPS were married on March 10, 2001. Joe is a teacher and coach at Jack Britt High School while Melanie is a teacher at Westover High School. The couple will live in Fayetteville, NC.

CATHY KRAUSE O'NEAL is currently a financial analyst with Deluxe Video Services. She will finish her MBA in 2002. She currently lives in Chicago, IL.

MIKE AND JULIA RIDDLE announce the birth of their first child, Anna Elizabeth, on August 31, 2000. Mike is the general manager of the Legacy Golf Links and Julia is a financial services officer with Centura Bank. They live in Pinehurst, NC.

JAMIE SYKES and his wife, Shannon '96, announce the birth of their first child. Conner James was born on December 25, 2000.

1994

JULIA ABNER is a teacher with the Cumberland County School System. Her son is a senior at American Intercontinental University studying graphic design and her daughter is a freshman at East Carolina University studying sports medicine.

JAMIE JUSTICE and his wife, Robyn, announce the birth of their first child. Parker Edward was born on February 15, 2001 and weighed in at 8 pounds and 13 ounces.

1995

CAMISHA BELL is working as a guidance counselor in Elizabethtown, NC. She received her Master of Education Degree in Counselor Education from NC State University in 2000.

BARBARA FRYE married William Gautier on April 21, 2001. Barbara is a marketing communications specialist with ABB while William is a firefighter with the city of Raleigh. They live in Fuquay-Varina, NC.

JULIE DAIS BAREFOOT and her husband Alfred announce the birth of their first child, James George, on April 28, 2001. They live in Fayetteville, NC.

1996

JODIE YOUNG BAILEY and her husband Paul returned from three years living in Michigan. They live in Raeford, NC, and she is a teacher.

BRENT BOWEN was named the Assistant Golf Professional of the Year for 2000 by the Carolinas PGA Section. Brent is the assistant professional at Duke University Golf Club in Durham, NC.

JARED FRYER is the new general manager of Dark Branch Racquet and Swim Club and Golf Learning Center in Fayetteville, NC.

DANA OVERDORF completed her Master of Arts in Middle School Education from Fayetteville State University and is currently a science teacher and department head at Harlandale Middle School in San Antonio, TX. She and her husband have four children and live on a farm.

JEREMY SACHS recently got engaged to Amy Harper and they plan to marry in March 2002. Jeremy works with PrimePay, a national payroll services company while Amy is seeking her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Administration of Justice. He would like to hear from friends and can be reached at JRZINDC@aol.com

ANDREA SHILOH SCHMALTZ and her husband announce the release of their modern Christian album entitled "Every Breath." They live in Raeford, NC, and have been in music for over 15 years. They have written and produced all original music for an

independent label called "Shiloh Farm Records."

CARI STEELE received her law degree from the University of Richmond last June. She passed the bar exam in October and is currently serving a clerkship with the Circuit Court in Virginia Beach, VA.

1997

LEON CLARK received his Master of Arts Degree in Business Administration from Lindenwood University in St. Charles, MO. He will be living in Shenzhen, China and working with the Shiyan School System.

BRYAN WRIGHT recently earned a conditional playing card on the 2001 Canadian Professional Golf Tour.

JONATHAN MELLETTE and his wife Kelly announce the birth of their second child, Grace Elizabeth, on March 21, 2000. Grace joins her 6-year old brother, Matthew Christopher. Jonathan is a senior software engineer with BroadJump, Inc. in Austin TX.

KRISTIN WRIGHT and PETE STEFANCHIK '99

celebrated their first wedding anniversary on May 27, 2001. Kristin is a pre-school teacher with Bristol Myers Squibb while Pete is an assistant golf professional at Metedeconk National Golf Course. They live in Plainsboro, NJ.

1998

JOE BAILE has been named the head men's tennis coach at Pfeiffer University. He is also the head tennis professional at Old North State Club in Uwharrie Point, NC.

CHRIS AND ASHLEY JONES EAVES are living in Wallace, NC. Chris is an assistant golf professional at River Landing while Ashley is an accountant with Murphy Family Farms.

KATHY DUPREE is currently living and working in Garner, NC. She is a teacher at Vance Elementary School.

SEAN GARDNER and his wife Rachel returned to Fayetteville. Sean is the store director/training manager for FootAction USA at Cross Creek Mall.

TELLY SELLARS received his Master of Arts Degree in Student Personnel Services from Eastern Kentucky University in December 2000. He is an admissions counselor with Spalding University in Louisville, KY. Friends may contact him at tellyray@yahoo.com



Continuing a 24-year-old tradition, these MC alums recently gathered at Kenneth Reavis' beach house at Sunset Beach, NC to watch the ACC Basketball Tournament. L to R, Danny Hood '76, David Perry '78, John Young '77, Steve Walker '78, Kenneth Reavis '76, and Tommy Dent '76.

1999

ALEX FRASER and Ivana Janciarova were married on January 13 in Bratislava, Slovakia. Alex is a tennis professional at The Esporta Health and Racquet Club while Ivana is working for Redieset Print Company. The couple lives in Bournemouth, England.

LINDSAY "SUMMER" GILMORE is a guidance counselor at Elise Middle School in Moore County. She is in the process of starting graduate school.

CHRISTY KING graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University with a master's degree in Public Administration.

MICHAEL SWIMAN has been working with the Wake County Public Safety Office since October 2000.

SUSAN COLLINS TESONE is living in Crestview, FL, and is a career counselor with PIC.

2000

SHAUN JONES is working at the College as an assistant football coach.

RODNEY PARKER is a teacher with the Cumberland County School System.

OBITUARIES

WILLIAM STRATTON ARLISS '91

Billy Arliss, 32, of Sodus Point, NY, died May 29 from injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident in Plattekill.

Arliss was the son of Frederick and Rhayna Arliss of Clyde, NY, where he was employed by the Park Lane Construction Co.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his wife, Laurie Ufholz-Arliss of Sodus Point; one stepdaughter, Erica Kerr; his sister, Kathryn Ann Arliss of Clyde; his paternal grandmother, Ella Arliss of Clyde; a nephew, Brian Arliss of Clyde; his in-laws, Philip and Cheryl Ufholz of South Butler; a brother-in-law, James Ufholz of Newark; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

The December 1991 graduate was a member of MC golf teams that won NCAA Division III championships in 1990 and 1991. He was an All-Star athlete in golf, football and basketball at Clyde-Savannah High School.

Memorials may be made to the New York State Junior Golf Association, c/o Pat Kennan, PO Box 333, Syracuse, NY 13215-0333.

GROVER LESLIE FRENCH '68

Grover Leslie French, 54, of Raleigh, NC, died March 28.

A native of Kinston, NC, Les worked 22 years in the Information Services Department of Carolina Power & Light Co. After graduating from Methodist in 1968, he served in the U.S. Army and earned a graduate degree from NC State University.

Les is survived by his wife, Linda Minetree French; daughter, Tabitha Rice and husband, Kevin; granddaughter, Grayson Joy Rice; father and stepmother, Virgil and Betty French; stepfather, Harry Hamilton, Sr.; sisters, Wanda Clifton and husband Robert of Grifton, NC, Marcella French, and Michelle French; brother, Larry Hamilton, Jr. and wife Sue; mother-in-law, Marilyn C. Smith; nieces, Andrea O'Neal and husband, Gary and children, Ryan and Jordan of Kinston, and Jimi Hill and husband, Michael of Kinston. Les is predeceased by his mother, Beulah Hill Hamilton.

Memorials may be made to the Brain Tumor Center at Duke University Medical Center, Box 3624, Durham, NC 27710 or the American Brain Tumor Association, 2720 River Road, DesPlaines, IL 60018, or to Hospice of Wake County, 1300 St. Mary's St., Raleigh, NC 27605.

MARGARET W. AILERSON '87

Mrs. Margaret W. Ailerson, 40, of Sanford, NC, died Dec. 14, 2000 at Duke University Medical Center.

Mrs. Ailerson is survived by her husband, Kurt J. Ailerson of the home; two sons, Kurt J. Ailerson Jr. and Derek C. Ailerson, both of the home; a daughter, Tayler K. Ailerson of the home; her father and stepmother, Charles and Uni White of Raeford; and her mother and stepfather, Chong C. and David Wheeler of Fayetteville.

Memorials may be made to the Margaret W. Ailerson Memorial Fund for Cancer Research, care of Goldston United Methodist Church, PO Box 85, Goldston, NC 27522.

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Alumni News

Send your news or change of address to: Alumni Office, Methodist College, 5400 Ramsey St., Fayetteville, NC 28311, or call (910) 630-7167, or send e-mail to tmaze@methodist.edu

2000 & 2001 Yearbooks

The 2000 *Carillon* and the 2001 *Carillon* will be distributed September 11 and 12 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Berns Student Center.

To receive a 2000 yearbook at no cost, you must have been a full-time day student in the fall and spring of 1999-2000; to receive a 2001 yearbook, you must have been a full-time day student both fall and spring of 2000-2001. Those who were full-time day students only one semester may purchase a book for \$12.50.

May graduates for 2000 and 2001 are eligible to have the book mailed if they return the official post card announcing the yearbook arrival date. Post cards have been mailed to all eligible students. If you did not receive a card or have questions, call the Student Media Office at (910) 630-7292.



The cast of "Bye Bye Birdie" performs "Telephone Hour" at the Theatre Department's February performance.

—Photo By Paul Wilson

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Regular day classes begin August 21.**

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