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Small College. Big Opportunities.

The Volunteers in Mission Laity and Clergy Teams volunteered their time and talents to renovate Cumberland Hall this summer. Your work is much appreciated!

Men's Basketball Coach **David Smith** was recognized as the 2002 – 2003 Dixie

Intercollegiate Athletic

Conference Coach of the Year.



College President M. Elton **Hendricks** (above) was honored by the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce with the 2003 Chairman's Award. The award recognizes his significant service and contributions to the greater **Fayetteville** community.

Barbara Beebe, coordinator of library evening services, was awarded the E. J. Josey Scholarship Award. The award recognizes African-American students enrolled in American Library Association programs.



McEvov

Athletic Director Bob McEvoy has been selected to represent the 64 schools

of the South Region on the NCAA Division III Men's Basketball Committee.

The Reverend Benjamin Wells, campus minister, was ordained as an elder in Full Connections at the United Methodist Church Annual Conference.

Drs. Suzan Cheek and Andrew Ziegler, both of the Government Studies Department, presented papers at the North Carolina Political Science Association's Annual Meeting at Elon University. Their presentations were titled "A Nationwide Survey of City Council Women: Policy and Political Factors" and "Threats to American National Security: A Bi-dimensional Model," respectively.

Head Football Coach Jim Sypult was the guest speaker at the Wing-T Football Clinic in Chesapeake, VA. He spoke on the "Fling Series," an innovative offense that helped the Monarchs lead the conference in yardage and scoring.

Peggy Hinson, professor of art, won the first place award in a national competition sponsored by Fayetteville State University. Her piece entitled "Current Works 2003" was chosen from 300 entries.

The Methodist College **cheerleaders** finished fourth out of 24 teams at the National Cheerleading Association competition in Daytona Beach, FL.



Areas of campus were spruced up through the hard work of students, faculty and staff during this year's Show You Care Day. Thank you for making the campus a better place to live, work and play.

Silvana Foti, head of the Art Department, was featured along with other artists in a celebration of animals entitled, "True Tails on Cats and Dogs and Other Animals." Proceeds from the show went to the SPCA of Wake County, NC.

Assistant Professor of Physical Education Hugh Harling earned a Doctor of Education degree from Nova Southeastern University.

Paul Wilson, head of the Theatre Department, appeared in the Cape Fear Regional Theatre's production of the Pulitzer Prize-winning *Proof*.



**Student Justin Rimbey** (above, on right), a May 2003 business and marketing graduate from Darlington, PA, was awarded the 2003 William P. Lowdermilk Student Achievement Award by the Fayetteville Rotary Club.The \$1,500 award recognizes the recipient's academic achievements, community service and ethical standards. Dr. Lowdermilk presents the certificate to Rimbey. Rimbey now works for the College as the director of recruiting for the PGM Program.

## Academic Dean Appointed

N JULY 1, 2003, THE COLLEGE welcomed the new Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean Dr. Philip Williams. He replaces Dr. Anthony DeLapa who retired earlier this summer.

Williams comes to Methodist College from Gardner-Webb University where he served as the assistant vice president for academic affairs and assistant professor of business administration. Reared in Roanoke Rapids, NC, he and his wife, Sandra, have a son, Grant, who will attend Pine Forest Middle School.



Williams

Williams holds a Juris Doctorate from the

Columbia University School of Law and a Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He has also earned a Master of Public Health and a Bachelor of Arts in East Asian history from UNC-Chapel Hill. He was a Morehead Scholar and member of *Phi Beta Kappa*.

His teaching experience includes posts at Gardner-Webb, UNC-Chapel Hill and Pfeiffer College where he taught courses in law, management, health care and business administration. He also practiced law for many years and was corporate legal counsel for Sea World, Inc., in San Diego during the 1980s.

Williams is the author, or co-author, of two adult mystery novels, four short stories, six children's mysteries, a legal practice handbook, and numerous academic journal articles, book chapters and textbook materials. He has extensive research experience in the area of health services.

"Everyone has been most hospitable to me and my family," Williams said. "I have been so impressed by the competence and diversity I see in the people at Methodist. That wide range of talent is extremely valuable when creating a productive learning environment."

Before moving to Fayetteville, he was a member of Episcopal Church of the Redeemer and the Boiling Springs Area Rotary Club. His hobbies include travel, wellness, history, photography, spectator sports, puzzles and games.

### **PA Program Under New Leadership**

MICHELLE HEINAN HAS BEEN NAMED the new director of the College's Medical Science Division and Physician

Assistant Program. She replaces Ron Foster who resigned earlier this summer.

"I was familiar with Methodist's PA program prior to coming here and I have a great respect for the work that has come before me," Heinan said. "I know I have big shoes to fill, and I find that challenge exciting."

Heinan comes to Methodist from East Carolina University where she was the interim chair and



Heinan

program director of the Physician Assistant program. She has also held a teaching post at the University of Findlay in Ohio.

Heinan earned a Bachelor of Science in Physician Assistant Studies from Alderson-Broaddus College in West Virginia. She went on to earn a Master of Health Administration from Cardinal Stritch University in Milwaukee, WI and a Doctorate of Education from Nova Southeastern University in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. As a physician assistant, Heinan specialized in occupational medicine and family practice.

Originally from Wisconsin, Heinan enjoys music, swimming and spectator sports. She is an active member of the Association of Physician Assistant Programs and has reviewed numerous scholarly articles and papers.

### **New Registrar Installed**

DAWN CONGLETON PARKER HAS BEEN appointed the College's registrar and academic records manager. The Registrar's Office is responsible for all academic scheduling, records and certification of graduation requirements. Parker has worked at the College for seven years in the Fine Arts Division and the Offices of Church and Community Relations. For the last two vears, she served as the assistant to the registrar. A '99



Parker

*summa cum laude* graduate of Methodist, Parker earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and is currently pursuing her MBA.



"Find your own voice and use it, use your own voice and find it."

McNeil

### **Speaker Highlights Women's Struggles**

Dr. Genna Rae McNeil, a distinguished scholar, historian, author and archivist, spoke at spring convocation on the role of African-American women in the civil rights movement. Her presentation was part of Black History Month and was titled, "Sisters in the Struggle: Finding Your Voice and Using It." Dr. McNeil is a member of the History Department at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and authored *Groundwork: Charles Hamilton Houston and the Struggle for Civil Rights.* 

### Southern Writers Return

A FTER A YEAR'S HIATUS, the Southern Writers Symposium will return to the Methodist College campus this fall on September 19 and 20. This will be the College's 17th symposium. The Fayetteville Observer is sponsoring the weekend's activities.

The event is themed *Region*, and will feature five southern authors. Emily Wright, associate professor of English, is organizing the event which is open to the public.

### The Speakers:

Carman Agra Deedy is an award-winning storyteller from Havana, Cuba. Her stories reflect not only the hardships of adjusting to a new culture but also the richness of her dual Latin American and Southern heritage. Deedy is the author



of six books for children including The Yellow Star: The

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## Methodist Expands Program Offerings

METHODIST COLLEGE'S NEWEST MAJOR of Occupational Environmental Management is now enrolling students. The four-year program is designed to prepare graduates for positions in industry, government, mining, agriculture, public health, educational and research organizations. The major is the only one of its kind in the southeast. Students will learn to interpret and implement federal, state and international policies, laws and regulations governing safe, environmentally-sound, and legal industrial operations. The curriculum is offered in the day program, MC at Night and on weekends. Graduates will earn a Bachelor of Science degree with a concentration in regulatory compliance. The program's director is Carla Raineri, assistant professor of biology, who has been at the College for 11 years.

Students now have several new options when choosing a concentration within their major course of study. Majors offering new concentrations are:

**Biology** Conservation biology concentration—is for those students with a passion for environmental biology, ecology and the like. The curriculum emphasizes a field approach to biology and prepares graduates for a variety of field biology disciplines as well as graduate-level studies.

Health occupations science concentration—was designed for students interested in continuing their education in the healthcare field beyond a bachelor's degree and who receive tuition assistance from the Veterans Administration. This concentration is also the undergraduate preparation for students who are selected as Admissions Preference candidates for the Physician Assistant Program.

**Business** Management information systems concentration—focuses on educating students about the development and use of information systems as decision-making and problem-solving tools. Students learn to think critically about a problem, to consider managerial issues and to develop an information system that can re-engineer an organization and give it a competitive edge.

Computer Science Computer art, multimedia and programming concentration—combines the technical and managerial side of computer information systems with art and design. It prepares students for work in businesses that produce computer technology products containing strong artistic elements and multimedia components such as computer games, computer-based training programs, kiosks, and web-based applications.





**Hawkins** 

MacKethan

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Legend of King Christian X of Denmark, The Library Dragon, Agatha's Feather Bed, TreeMan, The Last Dance and The Secret of Old Zeb.

Gary Hawkins, an independent filmmaker from Thomasville, NC, has won numerous awards for his two documentaries, *The Rough South of Harry Crews* and *The Rough South of Larry Brown*. Hawkins is currently a visiting lecturer at Duke University.

Lucinda MacKethan is a professor of English at North Carolina State University and chair of the North Carolina Humanities Council for 2002-2004. She is the author of *The Dream of Arcady:* Place and Time in Southern Literature and Daughters of Time: Creating Women's Voice in Southern Story.

Jon Smith, a native Virginian, serves as managing editor of *Mississippi Quarterly: The Journal of* 





Smith

Reed

Southern Cultures. In December 2002, he directed the joint American Literature Association/Society for the Study of Southern Literature international conference on "Postcolonial Theory, the U.S. South, and New World Studies."

John Shelton Reed is William Rand Kenan, Jr., professor emeritus of sociology at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, where he was director of the Howard Odum Institute for Research in Social Science for 12 years and helped to found the university's Center for the Study of the American South. He has written or edited more than a dozen books and received a number of prizes and awards, including election to the Fellowship of Southern Writers.

For more information on the Southern Writers Symposium and the featured authors, visit http://www.methodist.edu/sws/index.htm or call Emily Wright at (910) 630-7551.

### **College Contracts Police Services**

Methodist College has contracted with the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office to provide around-the-clock campus law enforcement. The change took effect July 1st. One officer will patrol the campus at all times and a supervisor will maintain office hours in the South Administrative Complex Office of Public Safety, weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Director of Public Safety Wilford Saunders continues to oversee the College's 15 security officers.

## Center Honors Business Leaders

IX AREA BUSINESS LEADERS were honored at the 26th Annual Stock Market Symposium, sponsored by the Center for Entrepreneurship of the Reeves School of Business. Michael Ryan, a managing director and chief fixed income strategist for UBS Paine-Webber, was the keynote speaker.

Fay and Robert A. Jones, Jr., owners of Jones Wayside Furniture, were honored with the American Business Ethics Award. The two are known for their personal service, compassion and flexible billing practices.

Local chiropractors Garry and Tyler Nelson received the Small Business Excellence Award for their contributions to the community. The Nelson brothers support hundreds of organizations, schools, athletic teams, churches and events through time and money.

The 2003 Outstanding Woman Entrepreneur of the Year Award went to

# The awards recognize four categories of business excellence

Pauline Harger, proprietor of North Carolina's first Baskin-Robbins franchise. Harger opened the store in 1969 with just seven employees and grew the business to include locations throughout the state.

Methodist College trustee John Wyatt received the Silver Spoon Award which recognizes successful business leaders who weren't born with the proverbial silver spoon in their mouths. Wyatt is the owner of Valley Auto World and Valley Motors, franchisers of Volkswagen, Mercedes Benz, Mazda, Porsche and BMW.



F. Jones



R. Jones, Jr.



G. Nelson



T. Nelson



Harger



Nyatt

### Fond Farewells

POUR COLLEGE PERSONNEL ANNOUNCED their retirements this summer. Distinguished Service Professor of French and Head of the Foreign Languages Department Elaine Porter served 40 years, Associate Dean and former history professor Dr. Robert Perkins served 29 years, Vice President for Academic Affairs and former professor of education Dr. Anthony DeLapa served 14 years and Assistant to the President for Church and Community Relations and former education professor Dr. Tryon Lancaster served 12 years.

The Board of Trustees named DeLapa, Perkins and Porter professors emeriti in honor of their outstanding contributions to the life of Methodist College.

Elaine Porter was interviewed recently by Bill Billings, director of the Methodist College history project, about her 40-year career at the College. Porter and her husband Alan, a voice instructor, joined the Methodist faculty in the fall of 1963.

This is what Mrs. Porter had to say. *Q:What do you consider your greatest accomplishment(s) at Methodist?* 

A: My committee work as chair of the Teacher Education Committee for 10 years and the Library Committee for five. I established a foreign language honor society, a department newsletter, a French major in the Evening College, and a Francophone course entitled "History and Culture of the Francophone World." In the early 1990s, I helped inventory and reorganize the LaFayette Collection. Q:What have you enjoyed most about Methodist College? A: A lot of very special students, French and music majors primarily. Because we live in nearby Kinwood, the College was an extension of family life for my two boys, Greg and David.

Q: Are there any particular events that stand out in your memory?

A: The most memorable events were the concerts and concert tours that connected

Methodist to the outside world. I'll never forget the chorus's 1996 tour of France and the French citizens thanking our students for our soldiers' sacrifices in World War II.

Q: Methodist College has bonored you by naming the Foreign Language Learning Center for you. How does the technology used therein enhance your ability to teach students how to speak a foreign language?

> A: It enables us to use videos to bring French, Spanish and German culture into the classroom in a very appealing way.

> > Q: Do you have any particular plans or projects in mind for your retirement?

A: I'm going to read, explore and enjoy life. It's going to be quality, family time. My hobbies will continue to be the arts, travel and music. In the next year or two, we will move to our beach home in Kure Beach.







Lancaster

Porter

Perkins

DeLapa

### **World Wide WOW**

In June, Methodist launched its newly designed web site. The site features a new look, a new menu system and audience-specific pages where groups can find information tailored to meet their needs. BizTools One, a Fayetteville web design firm, worked on the project with the College's webmaster and the Offices of Admissions and Public Relations. Visit www.methodist.edu today to see the changes!



### "I Am Here"

This year's spring baccalaureate speaker, Dr. William Simpson, challenged graduates to boldly state to employers, their parents, the college and the world that "I am here." He said that as new college graduates, it was time for them to show others that they were ready to move forward with vision and purpose.

Simpson went on to say that graduates could rely on the presence of God to see them through all of life's celebrations and trials. "God has committed to us that 'I too am here' and that he will never forsake us," he said. "If God brings us to it, God will bring us through it."

Simpson is the district superintendent of the Rocky Mount District of the North Carolina Annual Conference. A student of both Methodism and Judaism, he has published numerous articles and books on topics ranging from ministry to the aging, the Sabbath in Jewish tradition, Martin Luther King, and the joy of Christmas. Simpson serves on the editorial board of The Living Pulpit, a theological journal, and has written a hymn entitled "O God Be Present in this Hour."

## Enjoy the Journey

ETHODIST COLLEGE GRADUATED 138 STUDENTS at its 40th spring commencement May 10. Dr. Mary Dix McDuffie, a 1975 graduate of the College, was the keynote speaker. "I'm just like you," McDuffie began. "As I sat where you sit today, I was filled with pride and hope. I set goals for myself as I'm sure you have. I'm here today to encourage you to not only know your destination, but to enjoy the journey."

McDuffie said that instead of focusing on success, the graduates should concentrate on enjoying the more important connections to God, family and friends. She provided five steps to lifelong fulfillment:

- 1. Love your family; nurture your friends and faith.
- 2. Do the right thing.
- 3. Remember that attitude is everything.
- 4. Give everything you do, everything you've got.
- 5. Cherish laughter and joy.

McDuffie is the executive director of the North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching where she organizes seminars and workshops in the arts, humanities, science, health,





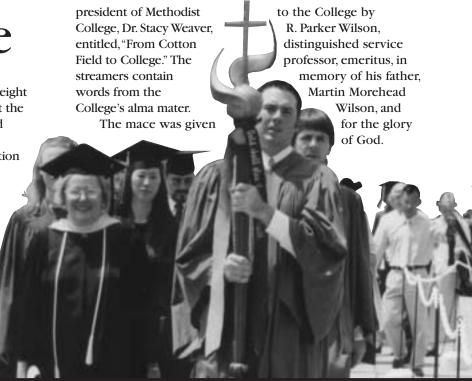
technology and other appropriate topics for educators around the state. The College honored McDuffie by awarding her the Methodist College Medallion.

Graduates and guests were entertained with special music by music major Christian Baumgart.The College awarded Irina Jorgenson, a December 2002 graduate, this year's L. Stacy Weaver Award for academic excellence, spiritual development, leadership and service. LTC John Robbins, assistant professor of military science, commissioned Amanda Ritz and Desiree Santiago-Spencer into the United States Army. Another graduate, Lou Wiggins, was recognized for his commissioning into the **United States Marine** Corps. Vivian Karanja from Kenya and Kleida Pani of Albania presented flags from their native countries to the College.

## Methodist College Mace

THE COLLEGE BEGAN A NEW TRADITION at this spring's graduation with the introduction of the official Methodist College mace. A mace is derived from the medieval period as a symbol of authority of the body that governs an institution.

The top of the mace is adorned with the United Methodist symbol of cross and flames. The globe features the College seal and is symbolic of the worldwide service the College has rendered, while the ribs of the shaft represent eight groups that support the College: The United Methodist Church, trustees, administration and staff, faculty. alumni, students, parents and public and private groups. The cotton blossom at the bottom of the mace is a reminder of the inaugural address given by the first



### **Spring 2003 Graduates**

### **Associate of Arts**

Anne Archer, Maria Irizarry

### **Bachelor of Arts**

Danny Acevedo; Amanda Anderson; Joacin Battle; Monica Chan; Holly Filas; Michelle Garcia, *cum laude;* Viviana Gomez; Jane Leechford, *magna cum laude;* Reinaldo Montanez; Nadia Morgan, *magna cum laude;* Victoria Page, *magna cum laude;* Monique Raduziner, *summa cum laude;* Amanda Ritz, *summa cum laude;* Kristin Ziska

### **Bachelor of Music**

Christian Baumgart

### **Bachelor of Science**

Kara Alexander, *cum laude;* Andrea Allen, *cum laude;* Phyllis Allen, *cum laude;* Steven Andrews, *summa cum laude;* Jamey Armstrong; Linda Atkinson; Stacey Bell; Bud Benson; Audra Best; Brandon Blalock; James Bowie; Kirbie Britt, *magna cum laude;* Annmarie Brock, *magna cum laude;* Catherine Brock; Brandi Bronson; Carol Brown; David Brown; Michael Brown; William Brown; Edie Buchanan, *cum laude;* Kevin Caccia; Payton Capper, *magna cum laude;* Man Chan; Charles Christie, Jr., *cum laude;* Victoria Cleverley, *cum laude;* Cindy Clough, *cum laude;* Darrel Collins; Heather Collins; Angela Comstock-Bertog, *magna cum laude;* Matthew Cox; James Craft, *cum laude;* Justin Curlee, *cum laude;* Crasten Davis; Jeffre Dochow; Ashley Dubisky; Theresa Dwenger; Jin-Kyung Eun; Jonathan Eason; Paula Everett, *magna cum laude;* Sara Fontaine; Fredrick Ford; Michael Frammartino; Kimberley

Frederick; Alison Friend; Selenia Gainey; James Goeglein; Belinda Goff-Romero; Steven Gregory, cum laude; Heather Griffin, magna cum laude; William Hawkins, magna cum laude; Brandy Helm, cum laude; Paula Hester, summa cum laude; Gussie Hilliard-Hanson; Melissa Hansraj, magna cum laude; Kristin Hockaday, summa cum laude; David Hodges, cum laude; Shannon Hoffman; Juan Hurtado-Villa; Nicole Janson; Dwens Jean-Pierre; Vinson Johnson; Fred Jones, III; Vivian Karanja; Tara King; Ann Knowles, summa cum laude; Christopher Knowles; Valerie Latimer; Selena Lee; Jamaal Legette; Kelly Lynch, magna cum laude; Kristen Manzo; Brandy McCollum; Brandon McIntosh; Kristy Melvin, summa cum laude; Paula Miller; Emily Minton; Joseph Miriello; Brandon Mish; Ashley Monk; Malessia Nelson, magna cum laude; Tara Nestopoulos, magna cum laude; Willie Nobles, Jr.; Christopher Novits; Lana Oliver; Amanda Ormandy; Kleida Pani; Pragnesh Patel; Eric Peele, cum laude; Brandi Peterson; Michelle Petty; Jennifer Petty, summa cum laude; James Phillips; Justin Rimbey; Judith Rosbrook, cum laude; Nicholas Rose, cum laude; Tabitha Rudolph; Lyn Santos; Joseph Schott; Stephanie Shimerdla, summa cum laude; Carla Simpson; Brian Sims; Ekata Singh; Jennifer Sturcken; Betsey Tart; Glenn Tollevsen, Jr.; Valentine Ukandu; Shannon Wagner, cum laude; Marcie Waldrip, *summa cum laude*; Marybeth Warfford; Mary West; Luther Wiggins; Joseph Wilkerson, cum laude; Christina Williams; Andrew Yakovac, summa cum laude; Natalya Yakovleva, cum laude; Jaimie Young, magna cum laude

### **Bachelor of Social Work**

Elli Bray; Sheila Campbell, *summa cum laude;* Floyd Goods, III, *magna cum laude;* Debora Grant; Desiree Santiago-Spencer, *cum laude;* Jammie Starr

### An International Investment

ANY STUDENTS FROM AROUND the globe desire to experience other cultures through education. Unfortunately, many of them cannot afford

to move to a foreign country and pay for school at the same time. One man who understands their plight is Shelby M.C. Davis, the founder and CEO of Davis Selected



**Davis** 

Advisers, a major mutual fund and money management firm based out of New York City. His support of international students climbs well into the millions.

In recent years, Davis has become a benefactor of Methodist College. Through his generosity, he has helped several students with their college expenses and has opened new recruiting doors for the international program.

Davis was introduced to Methodist College by Suthathip "Benz" Suanmali of Thailand, a graduate of a two-year, pre-university program called the Armand Hammer United World College (UWC). A teacher named Judy Land helped recruit her to Methodist. Land's sister, Jeannie Boyd '69, and niece, Erin (Swink) Dzielecki '99, are alumnae of the College.

Then-director of international programs

George Blanc, current dean of students, was introduced to UWC by Land. "UWC attracts some of the best minds from the international community," Blanc said. "I knew that an

association
with the
program
would help us
improve the
overall quality
of students
that we could
bring to
Methodist."

There are 10 UWC schools around the

world which offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma. To graduate, students must complete a rigorous program of demanding academics, global issues, community service and outdoor programs.

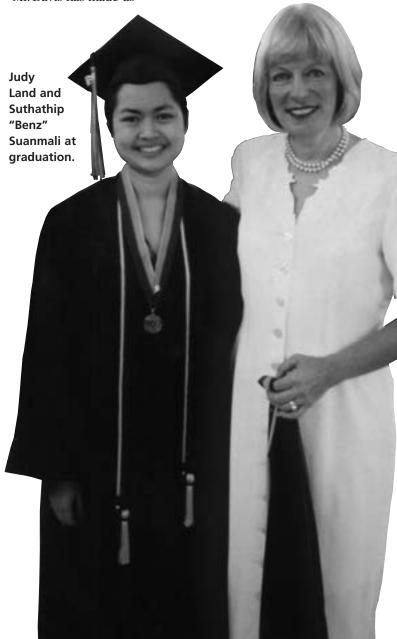
After one semester at Methodist, Suanmali faced financial difficulties, so she began looking for outside funding sources. While attending UWC, she had learned about Davis, who was one of the school's benefactors. She decided to appeal to him for help.

The appeal worked. In 2000, Davis donated \$10,000 to Methodist College to be used as a scholarship for Suanmali and to pay for a staff member to travel to any UWC campus to recruit students. Since that time, he has renewed, and continuously increased, his investment in the college every year.

"I am impressed with the College's international program," Davis said. "It has done a great job of making a place for these students. I am blown away by the benefits of diversity in education, society, the economy everything. Methodist seems to share that feeling."

Methodist has recruited five UWC graduates, two of whom are currently enrolled. "Mr. Davis has made us keenly aware of other ways to help our program," said Magda Baggett, director of international programs. "His philanthropy has helped us develop strategies for both development and recruitment."

To learn more about Shelby M.C. Davis and his company, visit www.davisfunds.com.



### **Laity Friends**

The Laity Friends Association suports the College in many ways. Members met in the spring to hear updates on campus life and to plan their upcoming projects. Back Row, L to R: Dr. William Lowdermilk, Lynn Arron, Jim Sanderson, Jim Warner, Henry Harriss, Tryon Lancaster, Eddy McDonald, Robert Self, Jim Harron, and Robert Frazier, chairperson. Front Row, L to R: Kathryn Self, Isobel Beebe, Julia Warner, Joann Harron, Ann Faust, and Ruth Cade.



## Giving Made Easy

(or A Good Idea from Don Leatherman, '72)

Por YEARS, METHODIST COLLEGE contacted me by phone or mail to support the annual fund and special campaigns. I would be asked for either a specific amount or for my participation to increase our alumni giving rate.

It was not until I agreed to serve on the Alumni Board of Directors that I realized just how much my gift meant. It is true that every gift, regardless of size, directly benefits the College. But, the problem is that not enough gifts come in on a consistent basis. Also, one-time gifts tend to be smaller than gifts made over a period of time. So, I have decided to change my giving method.

With monthly automatic bank drafts, I made a life-long commitment to Methodist. Each month, my checking account is debited and the College is assured of my gift. It just doesn't get any easier than this. It's convenient and helps the College at the same time.

I urge you to consider this new giving method. Whether or not you restrict your gift, it is easy on both you and the College, and will directly benefit students. Methodist College is a special place and together, we can help it grow.

To learn more about making gifts via monthly bank draft, contact the Development Office at (910) 630-7200.

Don Leatherman '72 of Morebead City, NC, is the principal at Havelock High School. While at Methodist, he was SGA president and a member of the baseball and soccer teams.

### **Call for Nominations**

### 2003 Alumni Awards

The Alumni Association Board of Directors welcomes nominations from alumni, faculty/staff and friends for the 2003 Alumni Awards presented annually at Homecoming. All information must be received by September 1.

**Send information** to Alumni Office, Methodist College, 5400 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC 28311 or tmaze@methodist.edu.

### **Distinguished Alumni Award**

Given to alumni for achievement in their profession and/or service of the highest order to their community.

### **Outstanding Alumni Service Award**

Given for outstanding service and dedication to the Methodist College Alumni Association.

### **Outstanding Faculty/Staff Award**

Given to a faculty or staff member for excellence in teaching, involvement in the college community and the local community.

## Family Weekend 2003

Family Weekend 2003 has been scheduled for November 7-9. Make plans to visit your Monarch and enjoy some Methodist hospitality. Visit www. methodist.edu/parents for weekend updates and other information. A complete schedule of events will be mailed to parents in September. For more information, call the Parents Programs Office at (910) 630-7169.

### Calling All Alumni & Parents!

The annual Fall Phonathon will kick off September 22nd. Take advantage of this opportunity to get to know our students as they enlist your help in making a difference in the life of the college.





### **Scholarship Support**

Dr. Brian Gentle, pastor of Haymount United Methodist Church and the Men's Bible Study present a check to President M. Elton Hendricks for the Hubert M. Willis Scholarship. Also pictured are Mr. Willis' daughter, Rebecca Spade; her husband, William Spade; their daughter, Elizabeth Vaughn; and members of the Methodist College staff.

## Dear Friends,

Since 1955, the generous financial support from the Cumberland County community has enabled Methodist College to offer excellent cultural, spiritual and academic programs. Once a year, the Methodist College Foundation asks local citizens to help the college maintain and strengthen its educational programs by making a donation to our annual fund. A little more than five months ago, on Loyalty Day, over 150 committed volunteers gave of their time to canvas the community asking for your help in making this day a success. Thanks to supporters like you, we have already raised \$130,000. I am pleased that the



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story doesn't end here because we are continuing to receive contributions to this worthwhile cause.

I would like to encourage you to continue to support Methodist College. Your gifts have strengthened our past; have supported our present; and give hope to our future. With your help, Methodist College will continue to strive to make a lifetime of difference for our students and our community.

Thank you, Dr. Loleta Wood Foster, Trustee

For more information on supporting Methodist College, contact the Development Office at (910) 630-7200.

## New Coaches to Lead Women's Teams

ETHODIST COLLEGE WILL HAVE new coaches on the athletic staff for the 2003-04 season with the recent hiring of Jill Penrose as women's lacrosse head coach and Kelly Brown as women's tennis head coach. Penrose comes to Methodist after serving as an assistant coach at Claremont-Mudd-Scripps Colleges in Claremont, CA, while Brown comes to Methodist following a threeyear stint at NCAA Division I Auburn University.

Penrose replaces Brian Kruger as the Monarchs' lacrosse head coach. Kruger led Methodist to a 5–9 mark this season on an interim basis. Penrose inherits a budding Methodist program that has finished third in the Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (now USA South Athletic Conference) in each of its first two seasons of competition.

"I'm definitely excited about the opportunity," said Penrose. "Methodist has all the tools to make lacrosse successful. I think this is a young team and each girl really cares about the program and making it better."

This is the first head coaching position for Penrose at the collegiate level. In addition to her stint at Claremont-Mudd-Scripps, she has also coached at the high school and club levels.

Penrose attended Rutgers University, where she lettered four seasons for the Scarlet Knights. She helped lead Rutgers to its first-ever national ranking and NCAA Division I National Tournament appearance in 1999.

"Coach Penrose brings high energy and enthusiasm to our women's lacrosse program," said Bob McEvoy, director of athletics. "We are anxious to see her and our players take our program to a higher level of success."

A highly successful assistant women's tennis coach at the NCAA Division I level, Brown will now debut as a head coach at the NCAA Division III level. She replaces Goncalo Marques, who resigned last month.

"We are very excited about Kelly joining our coaching staff," said McEvoy. "She combines both outstanding playing ability and a solid coaching background. Her impact

with our women's tennis program will be immediate and positive."

A native of Buffalo, NY, Brown has considerable playing and coaching experience at the NCAA Division I level and in the Southeastern Conference. In addition to coaching at Auburn, Brown played at Kentucky, where she was a two-time qualifier for the NCAA Tournament in doubles and was selected second team All-SEC in doubles in 1998.

As an assistant at Auburn, Brown helped the Tigers rise from an unranked program to 29th in the nation. This spring, Brown was honored for her hard work and dedication by receiving the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) South Region Assistant Coach of the Year.

Brown is a certified teaching professional, and received her Bachelor of Arts degree in marketing from Kentucky. She inherits a Lady Monarch program that has won two straight Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference regular season and tournament championships.

## Spring Sports Round-Up

Women's Lacrosse 5-9

Men's Track & Field Indoor 2nd Place Outdoor 2nd Place Mason-Dixon Conference

Women's Track & Field Indoor 6th Place Outdoor 4th Place Mason-Dixon Conference

## Monarchs Strong in President's Cup Standings

Methodist College proved itself once again as an elite athletic program in the Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (now USA South Athletic Conference). For the second straight season, the College finished second in the **DIAC President's Cup** standings. This ranking recognizes the top athletic programs in the DIAC based on regular season finishes in each sport.

### **Conference FYI**

Effective July 1st, the
Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic
Conference officially changed its
name to the USA South Athletic Conference. To
learn more about the nine-school conference,
visit www.usasouth.net.





Women's Golf 2003 NCAA Division III Champions



Men's Basketball (17-10) 2003 DIAC Co-Champions

## Sports Teams Continue Winning Tradition

THE ATHLETIC
PROGRAM at Methodist
College continued its
winning tradition as the
Women's Golf team
captured the 2003 NCAA
Division III Championship
and the Men's Basketball
team became 2003
DIAC co-champions.
Congratulations to both
teams. Other strong
performances by Monarch

athletes included the following: Men's Golf, 5th Place, NCAA Division III Women's Basketball (19-10), NCAA Division III Tournament Appearance Women's Softball (38 -10), NCAA Division III Tournament Appearance Men's Tennis (12 -2) Women's Tennis (10 -5)

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9/6	Southern Virginia	1:00
10/4	Emory	1:00
11/1—Homecoming	Chowan	1:30
11/8—Family Weekend		1:00
11/15	Shenandoah	1:00
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8/28	Clayton-Sykes Inv.	4:00
Men's Soccer		
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8/20	Barton	4:00
3/23	Virginia Wesleyan	3:00
9/13	Emory	3:00
9/14	Lynchburg	4:00
9/23	Randolph-Macon	4:00
10/1	Averett	3:00
10/4	Piedmont	3:00
10/15	UNC-Pembroke	4:00
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## Make Your Plans for Myrtle Beach Golf

When: February 19 - 22, 2004

Where: The Villas at Myrtlewood Golf Course

This trip is open to all alumni, parents, faculty/staff and friends of the College. Play on three premier courses – Grande Dunes, Pine Lakes Country Club and Myrtlewood Golf Club. Contact Tom Maze '93, director of Alumni Affairs, at (910) 630-7167 or e-mail tmaze@methodist.edu for flexible package options ranging from \$99 to \$269. Alumni will receive information in September.

Myrtle Beach Trips, Inc. has agreed to donate a portion of all registration fees back to Methodist College to benefit the Alumni Scholarship Fund.



### **Alumni Events**

Raleigh Area Pig-Pickin' Sunday, Sept. 7, 4 p.m. Host: Jerry Monday '71

Richmond Area Get-Together Sunday, Sept. 28, 4 p.m. Host: John "Chip" Dicks '73

Look for information to arrive in the mail later this summer. Or call the Alumni Office, (910) 630-7167.



"I have had a great time at Myrtle Beach the past two years. It is a blast seeing friends from the 60s and also getting to know alumni from other eras. Looking forward to 2004."

> Malvern Barrow '68 Richmond, VA



"The idea of spending a weekend with friends that I hadn't seen since graduation was the selling point of going to Myrtle Beach. While the golfers enjoyed time on the courses, the non-golfers were able to relax."

Leslie Antoniel '99 Lowell, MA

"What a wonderful way to share good times with great people that all share a common bond— Methodist College. If you are looking for a good time, try coming to the beach or other alumni events."

> David Radford '78 Durham, NC

### **Homecoming 2003**

Mark your calendars now because we know...



Homecoming is October 31 – November 1 Class Reunions:

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Visit www.methodist.edu/alumni for the schedule and other information. A complete registration packet will be mailed to alumni soon. For more information call the Alumni Office at (910) 630-7167.

### **Engagements**

JOESEPH FUNKHOUSER '99 is engaged to be married to Rebecca Ireland on Nov. 22, 2003. The wedding will take place in Richmond, VA.

### Weddings

JAMES WALTER SPENCE '72 and MARY ELIZABETH RAY '73 were married on March 8, 2003, in Fayetteville.

BRIAN BISHOP '94 married Maggie Hartman on Dec. 28, 2002. The couple now resides in north Chicago.

JEANETTE GRAHAM '94 married Aaron Sampson on July 19, 2003, at the 82nd Airborne Division Memorial Chapel. The couple resides in Fayetteville where Jeanette is employed as an accountant at the College.

DANIELLE MILES '96 and STEVE YOUNG '99 were married on March 22, 2003. The couple resides in Fayetteville.

NATE JUMPER '98 and JENNIFER LOESEKANN '01 were married on June 21, 2003, at First Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville. CHERYL LOESEKANN '90 served as a bridesmaid.

JAMELLE USHERY '98 married Zerlina Gardner on July 19, 2003. DERRICK JOHNSON '95 served as best man. The couple resides in Griffton, NC.

DENISE SHUEY '99 married Eric Saunders on March 30, 2003. The couple lives in Marion, IN. KEVIN LAVERTU '01 and BRANDI BYRD '99 were married on Dec. 28, 2002. The couple resides in Fayetteville.

JOHN P.LITTLE II '02 married Christel Peaden on June 28, 2003, at St. Andrews United Methodist Church. The couple resides in Asheville, NC.

JESSICA ST. ANDREWS '02 married Richard Smith, a former student, on Dec. 28, 2002, in Louisville, KY. ANNETTE MAYNOR '02 served as maid of honor.

### **Births**

PAMELA (JOHNSON) BRIDGE '92 and her husband, David, announce the birth of their second child, Annika Marie. She was born Dec. 20, 2002. Their son, Logan, is now two.

MICHELLE (KARL) DERKOWSKI '92 and her husband, David, announce the birth of their second child, Lauren Adell. She was born Feb. 10, 2003.

CATHY (CLAYTON) DAVIDSON '93 and her husband, Jeremy, announce the birth of their daughter, Anna Grace. She was born June 7, 2003, weighing 7 pounds, 1 ounce and was 20 inches long.

TRACY (MANESS) HUBER '93 and her husband, Darren, announce the birth of their son, Hayden Davis. He was born June 16, 2003, weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces, and was 19½ inches long.

MICHAEL ROCHELEAU '94 and his wife, Mary, announce the birth of their son, Mitchell Gill, born Feb. 1, 2003.



PATTI WISNIEWSKI '02 married Jim Feipel on Feb. 22, 2003. The couple now resides in Bowling Green, OH.

PAUL and KERRY (OLIASTRO) BOEHM '95, '95 announce the birth of their third child, Madden Edwin, March 29, 2003. Their other children are Ashley, 4, and Gunnar, 3.

RYAN FARAGO '95 and his wife, Denisa, announce the birth of their first child. Matthew David was born Sept. 21, 2002, weighing 8 pounds and was 19½ inches long.

JENNIFER (PAYSON) WALTERS '96 and her husband, Steve, announce the birth of their daughter, Kathryn Ann. She was born Feb. 13, 2003, weighing 8 pounds, 13 ounces and was  $21^{1/2}$  inches long.

ERIC and ERIN (HAWKINGS) RHEW '97, '97 announce the birth of their first child. Bransen Steven was born Jan. 3, 2003, weighing 6 pounds, 7 ounces and was 18½ inches long.

CHRIS and ASHLEY (JONES) EAVES '98, '98 announce the birth of their son, Justin Scott, on April 25, 2003. He weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces. KAREN (BETTENCOURT) HOLLAR '98 and her husband, Scott, announce the birth of their first son, Michael Scott. He was born May 9, 2003 weighing 6 pounds, 4 ounces and was 20<sup>1</sup>/2 inches long.

### **Class Notes**

### 1970

PATRICIA (GRIGGS) DENEAL of Monticello, IL, recently became the proud grandmother of Elizabeth Kathryn Young on Jan. 9, 2003.

MARSHA PARKER was elected vice president of First Citizens Bank in New Bern, NC.

### 1971

JERRY MONDAY retired this past March as revenue director for the City of Raleigh. He worked with the city for 32 years.

### 1974

JAMES M. CHESNUTT, III, of Raleigh, is now a supervisor for adult probation and parole with the North Carolina Division of Community Corrections. He and his wife also have two new grandchildren named Alex and Blake.

JOHN EARNHARDT recently wrote in to say hello. He is president of C.K. Earnhardt and Sons based in Albemarle, NC. He and his wife, Angie, have two daughters named Kelly and Adrienne. John still loves to hunt and fish.

### 1975

LEE WARREN was recently named the register of deeds for Cumberland County. Warren, a real estate agent, served as a county commissioner for 11 years—three as chairman.

### 1976

STEVE DRIGGERS was promoted to area director of retail and indirect sales for SunCom. Previously he was the Fayetteville market manager. He is responsible for all sales operations in eastern North Carolina.

### 1979

LYNN (GRANGER) BAILEY recently released a new CD titled "Across the Sea."

### 1988

BRETT KILGORE and his wife, Kristen, have been married for 16 years and have two sons named Jeffrey and Matthew. They live in Talbott, TN where he is doing post-graduate work in public administration at East Tennessee State University. He is also a city management and public safety consultant in Tennessee and North Carolina.

### 1989

JOE FRANNA is a teacher and coach at Southlake High School in Clermont, FL.

### 1990

BYRON PRITCHARD has recently joined the Christian Brothers Quartet based in Fayetteville. He is also a producer, engineer and background vocalist with Mill West Studios.

MARY BETH SMITH was elected as a vice president of First Citizens Bank in Raleigh. She will oversee the bank's Human Resource Center.

### 1992

MICHELLE (KARL) DERKOWSKI lives in Chicago and is a registered marketing associate for Smith Barney. She would love to hear from classmates and friends at mderkowski1@aol.com

ROB and SUSAN (CHERRY) FOREMAN '98, '92 along with their son, Jason, relocated to Boiling Springs, NC in February. Rob is the director of residence life at Gardner-Webb University while Susan is a teacher at Union Elementary School. Rob worked at Methodist College in the residence life office for 9½ years.

JEFF HAWES has been named Chairman of Developmental Coaches for the North Carolina Division of the United States Professional Tennis Association. He is the director of tennis at Alamance Country Club in Burlington, NC.

LORIE (SANUITA) STUMP was promoted to the rank of major in the United States Air Force Reserves in March 2003. She is currently the IMA to the 96th Services Commander at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida.

### 1993

VALERIE HAREL is living in Melbourne, FL, with her husband, Mig. She is a database administrator with RCMA, a Head Start Organization.

### 1994

THOMAS BUCKNER recently wrote in to say hello and would love to hear from his friends and classmates. He can be contacted at

thomas.buckner@stock supply.com.

STEWART KERR recently completed an orthopaedic surgery residency in San Diego. He is currently working at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, MD.

BILL MINARD is currently the defensive coordinator and assistant football coach at McPherson College in Kansas.

MIKE MOLTER received a Master of Science Degree in Administration in Information Resource Management from Central Michigan University on June 12, 2003.

### 1995

SCOTT ELLENDER was recently named head golf professional for courses one through six at Pinehurst Resort and Country Club.

### 1996

BRIAN BRIGGS is currently living in Salisbury, MD with his wife, Christy, and daughter, Hannah Elizabeth. He is a teacher at Wicomico Middle School and is pursuing a master's in mathematics from Salisbury University. He welcomes e-mails at brianbriggs@comcast.net.

KRISTA (HANSON) HERMANN received a master's degree from Loyola College. She currently lives in Bel Air, MD, with her husband, Ron. She is the department chair of special education at Harford Technical High School.

FRED VAN STEEN is the head golf professional at Pine Hills South Country Club (formerly Chicora Country Club) in Erwin, NC.

#### 1997

LEON CLARK recently landed a role in the movie "Special Unit Police Squad Flying Dragon." The film is currently on release in China.

CYNTHIA SMITH was awarded a North Carolina Principal Fellow scholarship in 2002 and is currently pursuing a master's degree in school administration at Fayetteville State University.

ADAM WOODLIEF is an engineer with UNC-TV. He previously worked with WRAL-TV in Raleigh.

### 1998

JOHN ELLINWOOD was honored by the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce, Fayetteville Technical Community College, and the American Management Association for completion of their partnership program recognizing individuals recently promoted to a management position.

### 1999

KRISTA SCOTT received a Master of Science Degree in Administration in Information Resource Management from Central Michigan University on June 12, 2003.

AMY ROBERSTON STANISZEWSKI is living with her husband, Tim, in Hawaii. She works with the Honolulu Symphony in the development department. They also have a son named Carson.

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THOMAS WOOLDRIDGE lives in Atlanta and will be starting in a joint Juris Doctorate-Ph.D. program at Southern Illinois University this fall.

#### 2000

CAROLYN LAWRENCE recently received a Master of Science Degree in General Administration from Central Michigan University on June 12, 2003.

### 2001

MELISSA ANNE CAIN recently appeared in the HBO feature *You're Next*. She also appeared in a feature on the Christian Network, *Dear Angry*, and will play Mrs. Frank in *The Diary of Anne Frank* in an east coast tour of the North Carolina Theatre

CHAD COLLINS won his second consecutive First City Classic in Savannah, GA, on the NGA Hooters Golf Tour. To learn more about the tour, log on to www.ngahooterstour.com.

SCOTT DREXLER recently received a Master of Science Degree in Administration in Health Services Administration from Central Michigan University.

JESSICA KUPPER graduated with a Master's Degree in Counselor Education with a concentration in Student Affairs Administration from Clemson University on May 9, 2003. She is the community director at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

KEVIN LAVERTU is the new general manager at Baywood Golf Club in Fayetteville.

ANTOINETTE SCOTT-JACKSON recently received a Master of Science Degree in Administration in Health Services Administration from Central Michigan University.

### 2002

JAMIE BENNETT is working for West Nottinghamshire College in England as director of coaching for the soccer program. MELODY DAILY is an accountant with the firm of Michael D. Mitchell in Fayetteville.

MELODY DARK received one of 16 scholarships awarded annually by the NCAA to minority student-athletes entering their first year of postgraduate studies. She is now pursuing her master's degree at UNC-Pembroke.

LEE GLENN has been named the head men's basketball coach and head men's and women's golf coach at Piedmont College in Domerset, GA.

GONCALO MARQUES is the new director of junior development for the Portuguese Tennis Federation and Junior Davis Cup of Portugal.

JEREMY PRIEBE is a health education teacher at Nick Jerald's Middle School in Fayetteville.

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September 8

### **Fall Convocation**

11 a.m. Reeves Auditorium

September 19–21

### **Maus Piano Sale**

Reeves Auditorium (910) 630-7100

September 19–20

### **Southern Writers Symposium**

(910) 630-7551

October 2-5

### **Theatre Performance**

TBA (910) 630-7100

October 8

## First Annual Student Am Golf Tourney

Baywood Golf Course \$22 per person (910) 630-7200

October 27

### **Womack Lecture Series**

Dr. Carol Meyers, Duke University 11 a.m. Science Auditorium 2 p.m. Clark Hall Auditorium (910) 630-7072

October 31 – November 2

### **Homecoming Weekend**

(910) 630-7167











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