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On the Cover: Fraternal twin brothers Claude Bernard '11 and Paul Bernard '11. Claude is majoring in athletic training and Paul is majoring in forensic science with a minor in legal studies. They are the sons of Paulard and Jean Bernard. Both brothers joined the men's basketball team in 2007.

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Methodist University Awarded

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Methodist University was awarded a Title III grant from the U.S. Department of Education in the amount of \$400,000 per year for five years.

"Technology is an integral part of the modern world," said Dr. Hendricks, president of Methodist University. "A good 21st century education has to help students feel not only comfortable with, but also to use the evolving technology creatively. This competitive grant from the Department of Education will enable Methodist University students to achieve these goals."

"I am thrilled to learn that Methodist has received a five-year, \$2 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education—effective immediately to upgrade technology on campus," said Dr. Delmas Crisp, vice president for academic affairs and dean of Methodist University.

According to Dr. Crisp, this grant will help those within Methodist University create a culture of excellence through three inter-related initiatives: 1) the integration of student data management technology that will engage faculty and staff across divisional and departmental lines and with students for essential, timely academic interventions; 2) the addition of instructional technology that will enrich the learning experience for all students; and 3) the incorporation of end-user technology that will empower students to take control of their learning outcomes and give faculty and

staff a robust tool to continue enhancing academic programs and student services.

"We plan to integrate state-of-the art technology in our classrooms and within our curriculum," said Dr. Don Lassiter, vice president for planning and evaluation, and dean of the School of Graduate Studies. "One curriculum that will serve as a model of this new technology integration is the new Nursing Program."

Dr. Lassiter, who will direct the Title III project, added that the initiatives for the next five years flow directly from goals set forth in the University's Strategic Plan and that University personnel will be trained on the use of the new tools.

Fall 2010 Semester Enrollment

Total enrollment:	2,416
Day enrollment:	1,901
Evening enrollment:	720
Online enrollment:	210
Graduate student enrollment:	201
Undergraduate student enrollment:	2,215
Military students:	150
Residential students:	1,074



MU HOSTS

Retirement Celebration

A retirement celebration was held Sunday, Nov. 21, at Methodist University for Dr. and Mrs. M. Elton Hendricks in the March F. Riddle Center.

Guests, totaling approximately 450, included members of the Hendricks' family, current and former trustees, current and former faculty and staff, long time friends, and students.

The Riddle Center gymnasium was transformed into a beautiful fall garden and guests were treated to music performed by the Fayetteville Symphony String Quartet, to include *The Impossible Dream*,

a favorite of the Hendricks. The Methodist University Chorale, directed by Mr. Michael Martin, performed several selections, including the University's alma mater and *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*, Dr. Hendricks' favorite hymn.

The program included a video on Dr. Hendricks' life produced by Moonlight Communications and the presentation of the Order of the Long Leaf Pine—one of the most prestigious honors awarded by the Governor of North Carolina—by former state senator Tony Rand. Former chairman and current Board of Trustee member Ramon Yarborough assisted the president in unveiling a portrait of Dr. Hendricks by local artist Chris Odom, which will hang in the Davis Memorial Library near the collection of Dr. Hendricks' books donated

earlier in the year.

On a lighter note, Dr. Delmas Crisp, dean of the University, and Jeff Headman, president of the Student Government Association, presented Dr. Hendricks

with a ham radio, followed by the story of how a ham radio influenced Dr. Hendricks' decision on which college to attend, ultimately impacting his coming to Methodist University. The crowd chuckled as Mac Edwards, Master of Ceremonies for the event, noted how appropriate it was for Dr. Hendricks to read the instructions before opening the gift.

Gene Clayton, vice-president for business affairs and long-time University employee, shared the story of a river birch that Dr. Hendricks planted shortly after his arrival at Methodist. The President experienced some difficulty in planting the tree due to the red clay in the area, but was persistent. The tree, much like Methodist University under Dr. Hendricks' leadership, has flourished. Mr. Clayton announced that the tree, located near the fountain at the center of the campus, will be dedicated in honor of









Elton and Jerry Hendricks. A bench will be located in the shade of the tree to honor Mrs. Hendricks' mother, Lydia Hennett, who was part of the Methodist family for many years.

Current Board Chair Harvey Wright '70 and Immediate Past Chair Al Cleveland gave the final presentation. Mr. Cleveland, in sharing some thoughts about Dr. Hendricks, quoted former Board Chair Ike O'Hanlon from the late 1980s, "When Methodist University needed a miracle, God gave us one." Harvey Wright shared that both Dr. and Mrs. Hendricks are life-long educators, and are highly respected in the local community and beyond. Mr. Wright announced that, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, in acknowledgment of the Hendricks 27 years at Methodist University and to continue their legacy of education, the Science complex would be renamed the Hendricks Science Complex in honor of both Dr. M. Elton and Mrs. Jerry Hendricks.

In their closing remarks, Dr. Hendricks remembered how his wife, Jerry, said after his interview at Methodist College, "Elton, this is the kind of place you need to be..." Mrs. Hendricks added, "We were at the right place at the right time with the right people." Dr. Hendricks then thanked the faculty, staff, and students. "Thank you for the privilege of being a part of this community for 27 years," said Dr. Hendricks. "I don't know how my life could have been any more fulfilled."



Endowed Scholarship Luncheon

If it is true that the ideas and dreams of today's youth germinate the seeds that will become tomorrow's leaders, and education is the fertile ground from which they will grow, then scholarship support is the nourishment that sustains them.

Over 150 students and scholarship representatives gathered on November 5th during Methodist University's 10th Endowed Scholarship Luncheon for the opportunity to learn more about each other. For students, it was an opportunity to personally thank the individuals who made it possible for them to attend Methodist University. For scholarship donors, the event allowed them to share their own experiences and to know that they were making a difference in their student's life.

Speakers for the event included Margaret Alexander, Class of 1967, representing the Margaret Stafford Alexander Scholarship and the Mary Neal Alexander Memorial Scholarship; Felicia Back, a recipient of the BB&T Merit Scholarship; Lamirica Langley, a recipient of the W. Robert & Thelma Johnson & Robert Neal Scholarship; Staci Chiomento, a recipient of the Frank Barragan, Jr. Scholarship; and Colton Woods, a recipient of the James Carter Black, Sr. and Florence Siems Black Endowed Scholarship.

President M. Elton Hendricks expressed appreciation to all who had provided scholarship funding, stating that scholarships from donors like themselves had enabled him to attend college.

Over 90 percent of Methodist University students depend upon scholarships and loans to attend Methodist. For the 2009-2010 academic year, the University awarded \$12.1 million in financial aid. Our 155 endowed and annual scholarships provided \$1.5 million of this assistance.



and student, Jasmine Clark, for **Brantley** Memorial Scholarship

> MU Alumni Association President Kelli Sapp '91 with Alumni Association Scholarship winners William Bordeaux, Joshua Hurley, Winston Tatum, and Megan Tew; and student speaker Felicia Back



McMillan Scholarship (L-R): Fran McMillan, Elizabeth McMillan Smith, Harrison Smith, and scholarship recipient, Wayne Hanns





Ida Spada and student, LaMirica Langley, for the Robert and Thelma **Johnson and Robert Neal Scholarship**

Professional Women of Fayetteville Scholarship (L-R): Kitti Jo Finch, student Melanie De La Torre, and Angela Packer

On Nov. 16, 2010, students and faculty of the Lura S. Tally Center for Leadership Development presented Dr. Elton Hendricks with a plaque thanking him for the outstanding support he has provided to the Leadership Program since its inception in 1995. Information about the Tally Center is available at: www.methodist.edu/ tallycenter/index.htm.

Pictured at right (front row, L-R): Staci Chiomento and Dr. Bill Watt, (back row L-R): Dr. Drew Ziegler, Dr. Dave Turner, Jenny Wayland, Catherine Ballard, Dr. Elton Hendricks, Anastasia Daniluyuk, Brian Inghram, Rachel Purser, and Donna Wilson '10





Davis Memorial Library recently completed three major projects in response to the changing technology, study, and research needs of Methodist University students. The library is committed to evolving with Methodist University so it can continue to provide the best possible support to the current MU community.

This year, the library was awarded a \$21,740 Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Grant from the State Library to update the Library Instruction Classroom (LIC). The library provided a 25 percent match, bringing the total for the project to \$27,174. Seventeen new computers have already been installed in the LIC and new tables and chairs are on the way. Two stations will be accessible for persons with disabilities. The LIC is the main classroom of the library. The Library Competency class, a requirement for all MU students, is taught in the LIC, along with many other subject specific classes.

The Health Sciences Collection (HSC) was created after the adoption of the nursing program last spring. Reference Librarian Katie Zybeck recognized the need for all the health science books to be shelved in one place instead of spread throughout the general collection. Under her direction, these books were pulled and re-shelved in a room in the northeast wing of the library, along with medical journals, anatomical models, medical flashcards, and life size human skull models. A new high top table and chairs for group study put the finishing touches on the HSC. The HSC supports the Nursing Program, the Physician Assistant Program, and all of the health science majors.

During the summer, the Teaching Materials Collection (TMC) moved into a new room and received a face lift with brand new shelving. Instructional Services Librarian Courtney Mack went through the entire collection to make certain that each book was in good condition and that all the reference materials were current. Tables, chairs, and a brand new computer were added to the room for study and research purposes. The TMC supports all education majors, and houses children's fiction and nonfiction books, professional education textbooks, and educational games.

Davis Memorial Library is continually striving to make the library's collections and resources relevant and easily accessible to students, faculty, staff and alumni. These updates, along with the addition of the HSC, reflect the library's commitment to meet the needs of the students at Methodist University.





President of Taco Bell Speaks at Opening Convocation

Methodist University hosted its 2010 Opening Convocation Monday, Sept. 13, from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in Reeves Auditorium. The keynote speaker for the event was Greg Creed, president and chief concept officer (CCO) of Taco Bell Corporation. Attendees packed Reeves Auditorium to hear Creed, who spoke about leadership. Athletic Director Bob McEvoy announced the Scholar Athletes of the Year. There was a tie on both the men's and women's side, with four student-athletes earning recognition. Men's soccer player Stephen Fox and baseball player Brian Inghram received the Male Scholar Athletes of the Year award. Cross country and track athlete Kristyn Zeiler, and basketball and lacrosse player Dawn Sanderson were named the Female Scholar Athletes of the Year. These awards are presented to the full-time varsity athletes with the highest Grade Point Average (GPA). Susan Martin was selected to receive the Mason Sykes Cup for the third year in a row. She is the first student-athlete to be honored three times in the history of the award. McEvoy announced that the Thomas R. and Elizabeth E. McLean Foundation named men's golf Head Coach Steve Conley the 2009-2010 Methodist University Coach of the Year. Three additional Methodist coaches were nominated for the Coach of the Year

award, including Melissa Hay (cheer), Dee Dee Jarman (women's basketball), and Duane Ross (track and field). Francie Barragan was the inaugural award winner for 2008-2009.

MU HOSTS Wesley Heritage Celebration

Methodist University hosted a "Wesley Heritage Seminar" Nov. 12-13, 2010, in the Medical Lecture Hall, the newest addition of the Physician Assistant (PA) Program Complex on the campus of Methodist University. The seminar included a screening of Wesley, panel discussions, and a celebration of the Moravian Love Feast. Following the screening Friday, Nov. 12 at 7:00 p.m., there was a question and answer period with the producer, the Rev. John Jackman, and actor Burgess Jenkins. Saturday's events kicked off with a matinee of the full length movie at 2:00 p.m., followed by a panel presentation and discussion. Dr. Mark Wethington, president of the Wesley Foundation, served as the moderator, Panelists included Dr. M. Elton Hendricks, president of Methodist University; the Rev. John Jackman, producer; the Rev. Phil Bauquess, Moravian pastor; actor Burgess Jenkins, and the Rev. Gayle C. Felton. The seminar concluded with the celebration of the Moravian Love Feast led by the Rev. Phil Bauguess. Wesley is a film based closely on the actual events of the life of John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist Church. The film captures the tragedy of Wesley's love life, as well as the controversy that surrounded his ministry. For more information, send an e-mail to info@wesleythemovie.com.

SPOTLIGHT:

Resort and Club Management

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 2010, Dr. Sharon Kendrick, director of the Resort and Club Management (RMT) Program at MU, took a group of students to the undergraduate research symposium (SNCURCS) in Raleigh to present research findings on, "The Club of the Future." The students who attended and presented are Gentry Gillespie (RMT senior graduating in May 2011), Stanley Pajak (RMT senior graduating in December 2011), and Anastasiya Saakova (RMT sophomore graduating in May 2013). A complete listing of Methodist University students who participated in the research symposium can be found on page 10.

Resort and Club Management students in Dr. Sharon Kendrick's RMT 350 Resort/ Tourism Sales and Marketing class obtained Certified Tourism Ambassador (CTA) status through the Fayetteville Area Convention and Visitor's Bureau. All students in the class proudly display their CTA credentials and official CTA pins. Congratulations to Christine Wheeler, Richelle Modolo, Christopher Nuta, Lindsie Bentham, Caleb Wilson, Cristhian Chirinos-Salgado, Katelyn Bowman, Nelson Bustos-Sanchez, Stanley Pajak, Patrick King, Yury Dyachenko, Dylan Pusey, Anastasiya Saakova, Paige Gustafson, Whitney Walker, Holly Shupe, Iskandar Tursunov, and Jessica Britt.

Microcomputer Business Applications (BUS 225) students in Dr. Sharon Kendrick's class partnered with Rotary International's District Governor (MU's own) Magda Baggett to produce a video that promotes the Rotary International District Convention Meeting to be held in Pinehurst, N.C. March 4-6, 2011. Students in both sections of the class designed the promotional material as part of a fall semester class project.

THE MURDER ROOM:

Bestselling Author and Forensic Psychologist Hold Lecture and Book-Signing

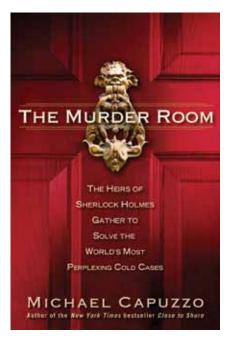
by Jasmina Gobeljic, Methodist University Student

Is it possible that the choices one makes today can lead to a crime tomorrow? It is not that simple, but choices are certainly a piece of the puzzle.

In a lecture held Oct. 1, 2010 at Yarborough Auditorium, Richard Walter spoke about characteristic choices that form the complete puzzle of a murderer's mind. The lecture was based on his long experience in profiling criminals, which provided the inspiration for Mike Capuzzo to write The Murder Room.

Both Walter and Capuzzo gave a presentation about their work—Walter as the profiler and Capuzzo as the writer.

The audience exceeded the auditorium's capacity. Walter talked about how he sees people prone to criminal behavior, drawing a line on the board of the auditorium and placing features of a personality above the line. As long as a person remains above the line—following common personality features—the person is more likely to stay out of jail. However, people



who do not have a long-term goal, career choice, friendship patterns, group loyalty, religious identification, and defined sexual orientation, are typically more prone to commit a crime.

According to Walter, everything comes down to the choices that one makes. If one makes choices that lead to good friendships, a stable career, and loyalty to a group, one develops social connections. Within these social connections, a person

has an important role and is therefore less prone to committing a crime. Walter concludes that sociopaths could be more dangerous to society because they do not have any social connections. However, every criminal is different, so some sociopaths are not criminals and many "normal" people turn out to be

Since every crime and criminal is taken separately, every case has two parts: criminal assessment and profile. Criminal assessment is related to the examination of the crime scene

> and gathering all of the facts. For Walter, crime assessment is "what is and what is not at the crime scene."



Foreground: Author Michael Capuzzo with Richard Walter in the background

Profiling is done based on the crime scene data and its purpose is to find a person who fits the profile of the murderer. The fact for all crimes is that the murderer can go from being organized to disorganized, but never vice versa.

Walter also presented an actual case that he worked on many years ago. He explained how he worked on and eventually solved a case of a beauty queen who had been raped and killed. This was a valuable part of the presentation because it gave light to the black table of profiling theory.

After the audience members had an opportunity to go through the process of solving a real-life case, they listened to Michael Capuzzo, the author of The Murder Room. Capuzzo's motive to write the book stems from the nature of Walter's work—to try to solve crimes that seem too complicated to be solved. The author provided several examples of Walter's success in his job and explained how those situations impacted the content of the book. Capuzzo sees the book as "creative nonfiction," because the aim was to "to tell a true life story in the form of a novel."

The Methodist University Connection



Dave Pauly, coordinator of the Forensic Science Program and assistant professor of justice studies at Methodist University, is a member of the Vidocq Society. He travels to Philadelphia for the Society's monthly meetings and actively participates in many related events. Pauly recently participated in a panel discussion at a Forensic Science Forum hosted by the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md., Dec. 14, 2010. To read more about the Vidocq Society, please visit www.vidocq.org

Pictured above: Mara Melendez, Alysa Freeborough, Stephanie Ongley, Kahley McCune, and recent graduate Sana Guerra '08 with Dave Pauly and Richard Walter in Philadelphia

MU HOSTS

Constitutional Law Day Panel Discussion

By Adriana Wilson

Students and faculty members gathered in Yarborough Auditorium Friday, Oct. 22, 2010, for Methodist University's Constitutional Law Day Panel Discussion. The panel consisted of Leslie Jean, an individual who served nine years in prison for a crime he did not commit, and Jean's attorneys, Rebecca Britton and North Carolina State Representative Rick Glazier.

Jean, an immigrant from Haiti, came to the United States and settled with his father in Brooklyn, N.Y. In 1979, he enlisted in the Marine Corps and looked forward to a bright military career until July of 1982. Jean shared with the audience how shocked he was when police officials approached him with a composite sketch and arrested him for rape. "I always carried my I.D.," said Jean. "They said they were arresting me on rape charges. I asked, 'Who did I rape? I didn't rape anybody.'"

Due to the testimonies from the victim and another officer, the 22-yearold was convicted of rape and sentenced to two life sentences. Jean told the audience that he lacked military support. "The Marine Corps didn't help me," he explained. Upon his conviction, Jean received a dishonorable discharge from the Marine Corps.

Jean said that he met attorney Paul Green while he was in prison and it was Green who discovered the evidence that police officials had withheld. The evidence included audiotapes and notes from police hypnosis. Rebecca Britton, one of Jean's attorneys, explained the significance of these findings. "The victim was hypnotized using Mr. Jean's photograph," she said. Another surprising fact about this, Britton shared, is that the District Attorney was not made aware of the hypnosis details.

The discovery of this evidence initiated the fight for Leslie Jean's freedom. After having his case and this new evidence presented to the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, Jean was released after nine years of incarceration. "I was thrilled," Jean told attendees.

Despite his being released, Jean was not found innocent. That was when attorneys Rebecca Britton and Rick Glazier, now North Carolina State Representative, came onto the scene and took on Jean's civil case. Their first priority was to clear Jean's military record. After some time, the board changed the status of his discharge to honorable.

Next, Britton and Glazier sought to hold the police officers accountable for their actions. They issued a lawsuit against those officers for withholding evidence. Despite their efforts, the Fourth Circuit Court decided not to recognize a legal claim against the officers.

Lastly, the attorneys looked to declare Jean innocent. In 1999, the criminal evidence from Jean's case was found in the Jacksonville Clerk's Office, and after obtaining an order for a DNA test in 2000, Jean was conclusively cleared and found innocent.

Glazier shared with the audience the ways in which the Leslie Jean case has impacted the criminal justice system. These changes include the establishment of the Innocence Protection Act, a law that allows DNA testing for inmates and provides for DNA testing early in the criminal process; an increase in the amount allowed for wrongfully convicted persons, which had increased from \$10,000 to \$20,000, and is currently, according to Glazier, \$50,000; a change in line up and photographic line up procedures; and a law that creates extensive protocol for the preservation and protection of evidence. Another result of Jean's case,

among many others, is the establishment of the North Carolina Innocence Commission.

The now 50-year-old Jean expressed how he appreciates things more due to his incarceration and his empathy for the young lady who accused him of the crime. "I feel for her," said Jean. According to Britton, and a recurrent theme throughout the panel discussion, "We don't realize and understand the value of our rights until we lose them. This case helps us realize and understand the value of our rights."

Political Science Students Visit Washington, D.C.



Pictured above (L-R): Daniel Dessauer, Andre Thomas, Jason Trudell, Marissa Kuzbyt, Rachel Pastore, and Shannon Simmons

In the spring semester, the Political Science Department took students on its annual trip to Washington D.C. Dr. Cronin and eight political science majors made the trip in April. The group attended a Washington Nationals game, and though the Baltimore Orioles put up a record 20 runs in the first inning, the home team battled back to make it a good game. The trip included a tour of the Capitol building, a visit to the Senate office of U.S. Senator John Kerry, and a meeting with Senator Richard Burr's senior policy adviser. The group visited the National Archives to view the founding documents, participated in an Earth Day event on the National Mall, and spent some time in the National Museum of American History. The D.C. trip is open to MU's political science majors every spring semester.

Students Participate in the

North Carolina Undergraduate Research and Creativity Symposium

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 2010, students from Methodist University participated in the State of North Carolina's Undergraduate Research and Creativity Symposium (SNURCS) held at Meredith College. Methodist was represented last year in several different categories, and both students and faculty benefitted from the experience.

SNCURCS showcases multidisciplinary undergraduate research scholarship from 53 state and private colleges and universities and 58 community colleges of North Carolina. What follows is a look at the participants who represented Methodist University at the Research and Creativity Symposium.

Student	Faculty Advisor	Presentation Type
Mackenzie Eckard/Tara Lisk	Dr. Katharine Snyder	Oral presentation
Arieanya Blake	Dr. Katharine Snyder	Oral presentation
Mark Williams	Dr. Rebecca Wendelken	Oral presentation
Maida Elezovic	Dr. Terry House	Oral presentation
Breanna Kostandin	John Herring/Chris Wirth	Poster #78
Benjamin Valdez/Josh Brown	Dr. Greg Combs	Poster #79
Rachel Cornett	Dr. Terry House	Oral presentation
Lawrence Dawson	Dr. Terry House	Oral presentation
Christopher Banks	Dr. Terry House	Oral presentation
Anastasiya Saakova/ Gentry Gillespie/Stanley Pajak	Dr. Sharon Kendrick	Oral presentation
John Moore	Dr. Rebecca Wendelken	Oral presentation
Alex Combs	Dr. Peggy Batten	Oral presentation
Abhishek Kansakar/Anas Iqtait	Dr. Sharon Kendrick	Oral presentation
Aaron Franklin	Patrick O'Rourke	Exhibit
Stephen Fox/Megan Ondrey	Dr. Greg Combs	Poster #175
Phillip Franscarelli	Dr. Greg Combs	Poster #176
Katelyn Dockery/Tyler Younger	John Herring/Chris Wirth	Oral presentation
Trisha Wyman	Dr. Rebecca Wendelken	Oral presentation
Maria Frisone Barrera	Dr. Vida Bajc	Oral presentation
Rimoni Peniamina	Dr. Rebecca Wendelken	Oral presentation



CFE Hosts 37th Annual Economic Outlook Symposium

The Center for Entrepreneurship at Methodist University hosted its 37th Annual Economic Outlook Symposium, Thursday, Oct. 21 at the Holiday Inn Bordeaux in Fayetteville N.C. Guest speakers for the Symposium included Mark Vitner, managing director and senior economist at Wells Fargo, and Christopher Bostock, of Merrill Lynch Wealth Management Bank of America Corp.

John Koenig, Sr. was named Entrepreneur of the Year; **Ken Spires**, president of M.J. Soffe received the Business Person of the Year Award; **Dr. Jerry Fonke** received the Greater Good Award; and Leslie Dunn '05 was named the Economics and Business Alumna of the Year.







Mr. John Koenig, Sr.

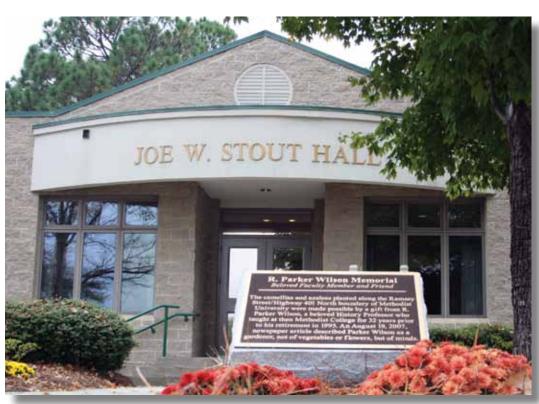


Mr. Ken Spires



Ms. Leslie Dunn '05

R. PARKER WILSON MEMORIAL Beloved Faculty Member and Friend



As a part of his estate, **Parker** Wilson, a Methodist College history teacher for over 30 years, left a gift to Methodist for azaleas and camellias to be planted along Ramsey Street (west of Stout Hall). A monument has been placed along the pathway leading into Stout Hall, on the east side of the building. This memorial reminds all of us that Parker Wilson was a good teacher and a gardener, not of vegetables and flowers, but of minds.

You're Invited: Women's Writing Retreat

March 4 - 10, 2010 Oaxaca, Mexico

You are invited to join Oaxaca Cultural Navigator Norma Hawthorne; Robin Greene, published writer/professor; and Beth Miller, yoga instructor, for five days of writing, renewal, and self-reflection. You will be given the opportunity to work with memoir, journaling, poetry, and mixed genre writing in an intimate workshop environment. In addition, you will have the opportunity to explore movement and sound through vocal yoga. Space is limited. For more details, please visit http://oaxacaculture.wordpress.com.

MU Nursing Program Experiences a Successful Launch

The MU Pre-Nursing Program (Professional Nursing Studies) officially began when 86 students arrived for orientation

To celebrate the official launch of the Nursing





Center Oct. 5 and 6 to get a closer look at nurses in their element.



The MU Nursing Program kicked off

METHODIST UNIVERSITY HOSTS

Alumni Legacy Event



and Gwen Holtsclaw '68



Donna Wilson '10 and Darren Wilson



Robin Davenport '09M, Dr. Louis Spilman '64, and Nona Fisher '88

On Oct. 1, 2010, we invited our legacy alumni back to campus for a very special event with students who will soon become legacy alumni. Methodist University has hit somewhat of a milestone in being able to boast of over 200 alumni legacy parents and graduates, and 25 legacy students on campus. The MU Alumni Association chose to celebrate this with a reception for legacy alumni and students held Friday, Oct. 1, during Family Weekend.

President Elton Hendricks called the event a "coming of age" for Methodist, noting that many institutions of higher education have several generations of families who have attended. Dr. Louis Spilman, member of the first graduating Class of 1964 and an MU Trustee, also made remarks, mentioning his two daughters who had earned degrees at Methodist and the fact that he is actively recruiting his grandchildren to attend.

Other alumni and students in attendance were Robin Davenport '09M, her husband David, and her daughter, Sarah Davenport '07; Marty Cayton '90, his wife Joy, and son Jaron, a freshman at Methodist; Gwen Holtsclaw '68 and her daughter Scotti Sykes Marshburn '96; Donald Warren '00 and his mother Linda Warren '70; the Rev. Dr. Jerry Jackson '75 and his daughter Doris Jackson '06; Pam Ellis-Phipps '08 and her son Alex Combs. who is a current student: Donna Wilson '10 and her son Darren Wilson, who is a current student; and Nona Fisher '88, whose daughter Rebecca Lewis is an '08 graduate and is now pursuing her M.B.A. at Methodist.



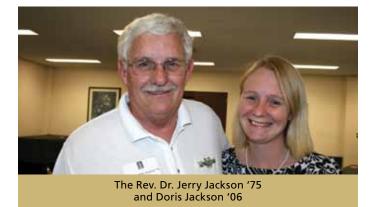
Marty Cayton '90, Joy Cayton, and Jaron Cayton



and Donald Warren '98, '00



Pam Ellis-Phipps '08 and Alex Combs





Methodist University now offers a sibling scholarship, which is worth up to \$1,000 per year, per sibling, for as long as each sibling is enrolled at MU as a residential student. The scholarship provides up to \$500 as a commuting student.



METHODIST UNIVERSITY MONARCHS Treasure Their Athletic Legacies

By Maria Sikoryak-Robins, director of communications and publications, and Adriana Wilson, senior, Methodist University

"I was interested in writing this story because I wanted to know why siblings followed each other or came to Methodist together, or whatever it may be . . . It's a question I ask nearly every student I get to know . . . I wanted to know why they chose Methodist and why they stayed."

- Kirbie Britt '03

A few months ago, Kirbie Britt, assistant director of athletics for athletic communications and a 2003 graduate of Methodist University, told me that she was interested in making yet another addition to her already endless to-do list. She wanted to write a story about athletic legacies, namely siblings, who are currently playing an NCAA Division III sport or competing on two different NCAA Division III teams on campus. This desire may have stemmed from the fact that Kirbie Britt '03 and Kelsie Britt (Bowser) '09 are athletic legacy alumni who treasure their shared experiences at Methodist. However, this interest may have been sparked by Kirbie's desire to simply learn more about these relationships and familial connections.

In an e-mail to me, Kirbie writes, "I was interested in writing this story because I wanted to know why siblings followed each other or came to Methodist together, or whatever it may be . . . It's a question I ask nearly every student I get to know . . . I wanted to know why they chose Methodist and why they stayed."

For someone who writes a story about nearly every Methodist University athletic event, teaches a class, participates in on-campus organizations, works a countless number of hours every week, and still manages to help students and staff members whenever they need it, I worried that Kirbie's idea wouldn't be able to move to the top of her to-do list. While I did not for once doubt her ability to make this a reality (or her ability to help *us* make this a reality), Adriana Wilson—a senior at Methodist University majoring in mass communications—and I wanted to put this story together for Kirbie just in time for the Christmas issue. Inevitably, though, we had to solicit her help along the way. What follows is a look into just a few of the stories behind these athletic family connections. We hope you enjoy reading these stories and messages as much as we enjoyed hearing from all of you. Please see the note at the end for more information about sharing your story with readers of *MU Today*.

Paul Bernard '11 & Claude Bernard '11

The Bernard brothers joined the men's basketball program back in 2007 and are current seniors on the team. The fraternal twins are originally from Haiti, and they currently reside in Port St. Lucie, Fla.

Paul writes . . .

"My brother, Claude, and I are twins, but since Claude is two minutes older, I guess you can say I am the younger twin. The decision we made to come to Methodist was an easy one because it gave us an opportunity to continue playing the game of basketball together, which is a game that we both love. We began the journey playing together, so it felt right to keep it going."

Matt Boya '09 & Nick Boya '07 Matt writes . . .

"I chose Methodist because my brother chose Methodist. It's funny because we were both thinking about getting into the golf industry and wanted to play golf at a good golf school, and my brother, Nick, pretty much did all the research and visited the school. Once he made the decision to go to Methodist, and after hearing about his visit and the information he received, I made my decision to go to MU.

Since Nick and I had a chance to play golf together in high school and college, we could feed off of one another and those things that we learned while growing up playing the game of golf and being around our dad. We always had sayings that we used while growing up together. Since Nick had been at school for two years once I came in, it made it really easy to make the transition from living in Illinois to living in North Carolina. We had a lot of friends in common and having a chance to be around a brother so far from home made life easier. We made a lot of good memories while playing on the golf team. We won a lot of tournaments together; in fact, I bet we might be the most winningest brothers/family at Methodist."

Kirbie Britt '09 & Kelsie (Britt Bowser) '03 Kelsie writes . . .

"I chose Methodist because of the young lacrosse program. I knew even as a freshman that I would be able to have an impact on a small, growing team. I knew my older sister went to Methodist, but I also knew that I didn't want to go to Methodist because she did. I love my sister, but I wanted to be able to be me without being 'Kirbie's little sister'. I wanted to have an experience that was different from Kirbie's, but Jill Penrose's recruiting skills were a little too good.

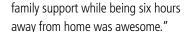


"I loved the fact that since Kirbie had to work the lacrosse games, she would be able to be at all of my games (even some away) and watch me play. Having the family support while being six hours away from home was awesome."

- Kelsie (Britt) Bowser '09

The advantages to competing after my sister may be different than others because we didn't play the same sport. She played soccer and I played lacrosse . . . Most of the women's soccer players at the time didn't realize I was her little sister, but coaches and staff members knew her. Luckily, they liked her, so that helped me get in with them a little!!!

My sister came back to work at Methodist as the sports information director when I was a sophomore. I can honestly that say even though we still had our 'sister moments' over the next few years, we were able to become closer and get to know each other better than we ever did growing up in the same house throughout our childhood. I loved the fact that since Kirbie had to work the lacrosse games, she would be able to be at all of my games (even some away) and watch me play. Having the







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- Leighton Bull '03



Courtney (Bull) Miller '05 & Leighton Bull '09

In 2003, Courtney (Bull) Miller became a part of the women's tennis team. She went on to become the USA South Rookie of the Year and received All-Conference honors. She is currently ranked number 3 all-time in program history for singles winning percentage. Courtney helped lead the team to three conference championships as a player. After graduating in 2005, Courtney became a coach, where she not only led the team to a conference championship, but she also coached her sister, Leighton Bull. "This was a great opportunity to use some of my tennis management and coaching skills that I learned while attending MU (then MC)," said Courtney.

Leighton Bull joined the women's tennis team in the fall of 2004. While on the team, Leighton played with and was coached by her older sister. She was named Second-Team All-Conference from 2005 to 2007, ranked number 3 in all-time program history with 59 double wins, number 8 in program history with 42 singles wins, and number 9 for double winning percentage.

"It was a lot of fun and a great bonding experience away from home," said Courtney. Courtney is currently married, living in Fayetteville, and working in pharmaceutical sales. Her sister, Leighton, lives in Pennsylvania and works in the banking industry.

Leighton writes . . .

"It came time for me to start looking at colleges my junior year of high school and it was Courtney's first year at MU (then MC). Whenever we would talk to her on the phone, she would tell me all about all of these wonderful opportunities that had been presented to her and how she was having the time of her life, meeting new people, learning a lot of new things, etc. I had absolutely NO clue what I wanted to major in, but I knew I loved playing tennis, liked warm weather, and had a feeling that a smaller school was probably more my style. Methodist was the first 'official' college visit that I had been on and I knew right away it was the school for me. My mom made me keep looking, but my decision never changed!

Courtney and I had a unique situation while we were at Methodist together. During the fall semester of my freshman year, she actually took the semester off to travel through Europe for four months since she was ahead (credits wise), but did not want to miss tennis season in the spring of 2005. So, when I arrived at Methodist to move in my first semester, I didn't have her as a crutch to show me around. I did know a few of her friends, which helped make the transition easier; however, I was kind of glad that I was there by myself and forced to make my OWN friends without relying on her to introduce me to people. Then when she came back to Methodist in the spring, we were fortunate enough to play one semester together on the tennis team. We even got to play a few matches together as a doubles team. This was something that even growing up and playing high school tennis together we never were able to do. I have always looked up to her on the tennis court, and I was really glad that I had the opportunity to not only be on the same team as her, but also to play as her doubles partner for a few matches!"

Charlie Christie '03 & Sarah (Christie) Crane '06 Sarah writes . . .

"I chose to attend Methodist because I wanted to play soccer and be close to home. I am close with my family, and at that point in time, I didn't want to be too far away from them. Having my brother there [at Methodist] for my first year had a huge impact on my decision. It was nice that I had him to look up to, not only from a soccer standpoint, but academically as well. His successes made me want to follow in his footsteps and do just as well. I think attending college together brought us even closer together, and I wouldn't have changed any of it for the world."

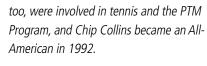
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- Sarah (Christie) Crane '06

Kevin Criscoe '04 and Keith Criscoe '06

Kevin Criscoe became a part of the MU athletic community in 2000 and his brother, Keith, joined him in time for the 2004 men's tennis season. During their time at MU, they were both involved in the Professional Tennis Management (PTM) Program. Keith was named USA South Player of the year in 2005 and 2006, and both brothers received USA South First-Team honors in 2004.

Now this is not the men's tennis team's first sibling duo. The Collins brothers, Chip and Chris, made their mark back in the early 1990s. They,





Keith Criscoe



Kevin Criscoe





Sarah Christie

Alison Friend '03, '07M & Megan (Friend) Englert '06 Alison writes . . .

"I did not play the same sports as my sister, but it was great to be able to watch her play volleyball. I missed her sophomore through senior years of playing high school volleyball because I was in school at Methodist, but I was able to watch her freshman year of volleyball because I was a senior. I went to all of the home games and even traveled to some away games. I was also able to watch the rest of her games throughout her last three years because I worked for Methodist.

The memory that sticks out the most to me is how close my sister and I got while we were at Methodist. We grew a lot closer when she started at Methodist and we are still very close to this day. I was so excited when she decided to attend Methodist. I still have the e-mail she sent me saying she chose Methodist.

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- Alison Friend '03, '07M

Many people could not tell we were sisters because I have blonde

curly hair and she has brown straight hair. However, I remember someone driving past us as we were walking down to my apartment and saying, 'I know you two are sisters because you both walk the same way...with your feet out!' I was very proud to cheer on my sister for four years."





"Coach Jarman was so excited and you could see how proud she was of us all. That was a good feeling! Our teammates and coaches gave us so many memories to share . . . That's the reason I know Methodist was the right place for us 'Holland sisters.'"

- Stacy Holland '04

Kelly Holland '02 & Stacy Holland '04 Stacy writes . . .

"I chose to go to Methodist after transferring from another college. During my freshman year, I went to a school that was three hours away from home because I just wanted to get away. I thought I was happy at the time, but looking back, the best decision my parents helped me make was to transfer to Methodist. It was not what I wanted to do at the time because being 'Kelly's little sister' was what I tried to get away from in the first place. I never realized it while I was at Methodist, but playing basketball with Kelly is exactly what I needed to do to become the person I thought I had to go away to become. I'm sure Kelly did not want her little sister tagging along in college, but she never showed it.

Because I came to watch Kelly play when I was still in high school, and heard her talk about Coach Jarman and the program at Methodist, I realized that if I wanted to be a part of a successful basketball program, Methodist was a good place to be. One memory that sticks out is winning the conference tournament for the first time. We were playing CNU at

NC Wesleyan. That is a day I will never forget. Kelly was rockin' that game, hitting six three pointers and taking home the MVP. Coach Jarman was so excited and you could see how proud she was of us all. That was a good feeling! Our teammates and coaches gave us so many memories to share ... That's the reason I know Methodist was the right place for us 'Holland sisters.'"

"Kelly and Stacy Holland were an instrumental part of a group of young ladies that helped the program reach the next level," said DeeDee Jarman, associate director of athletics and women's basketball coach. "Their work ethics were amazing. They were two individuals who made me a better coach. They wanted to be better and I had to find ways to make them better. I am so grateful that I had the opportunity to coach both of them and to become a part of their lives. They are two great young ladies that come from a great family

and they will never be forgotten. I deeply appreciate all of the hard work they put in both academically and athletically while they were here at Methodist University."

Paul Smith '85 & Mary Beth Smith '90

The Smith siblings made their marks on the men's and women's soccer team. Paul Smith played soccer from 1982 to 1984, while his sister, Mary Beth, was a part of the women's team from 1986 to 1987. While on the soccer team, Paul was coached by Mason Sykes and Joe Pereira. His sister was also coached by Joe Pereira as well as Steve Springthrope, Paul's college roommate and teammate.

Bob Swink '69 & Richard Swink '69 Bob writes . . .

"My brother Richard and I played together on the first Methodist soccer team, as well as the first wrestling team, both coached by Mason Sykes . . . We are fraternal twins, and we really enjoyed our years at

> Methodist. Richard and I attended a 'college day' at Page High School, where Charles McAdams and Bill Lowdermilk "recruited" us. Being Methodists, our parents liked the smaller campus and personal, family atmosphere. We became interested in sports and politics, and Methodist allowed us to bloom where we were. We made many friends, some of whom we still see and



enjoy today. Although the classes and professors were wonderful (and sometimes hard), I feel I learned more about life and how to function in society outside the classroom. During my senior year, I was honored to serve as president of the SGA. It was quite a privilege, and an experience that I will cherish the rest of my life. My daughter Erin Swink '99 also attended Methodist and married Kevin Dzielecki '99. They have two beautiful daughters and I have four other grandchildren. Perhaps someday one or more of them may attend Methodist. I can highly recommend it!"



A Closer Look at MU's Athletic Legacies

LAST NAME: A-E

Claude Bernard, current student, basketball Paul Bernard, current student, basketball Twin Brothers

Matt Bova '09, All-American golfer Nick Bova '07, current student, All-American golfer **Brothers**

Kelsie (Britt) Bowser '09, lacrosse Kirbie Britt '03, soccer Sisters

Kristine Broadwell '99, tennis Jessica Broadwell, current student, tennis Aunt and Niece

Leighton Bull '08, tennis Courtney (Bull) Miller '05, tennis Sisters

Chase Cates '09, baseball Taylor Cates '10, volleyball Siblings

Charlie Christie '03, soccer Sarah (Christie) Crane '06, soccer Siblings

Chip Collins '90, tennis Chris Collins, tennis **Brothers**

Keith Criscoe '06, tennis Kevin Criscoe '04, tennis **Brothers**

Andrea DiStefano '10, lacrosse Derek DiStefano '05, golf Willy DiStefano '08 Siblings

Ashley Evanich, current student, golf Melissa Evanich, current student, golf Sisters

LAST NAME: F-N

Alison Friend '03, '07M, golf and tennis Megan (Friend) Englert '06, volleyball

Colette Gilligan '93, soccer Michael Gilligan, soccer

Bret Gross '96, football Greg Gross, football **Brothers**

Jessica Hatcher '08, soccer, lacrosse Jennifer Hatcher '08, soccer Twin Sisters

Kelly Holland '02, basketball Stacy Holland '04, basketball Sisters

Jerry Jackson '75, cross country Doris Jackson '06 Jerianne Jackson '10, cheerleading and dance Father and Daughters

Mike Lowry '92, tennis Jimmy Lowry, soccer **Brothers**

Ronnie McNeill '85, baseball Richard McNeill, baseball Cousins

Stacey Noonan '06, soccer Stephanie Noonan '04, soccer Sisters

LAST NAME: P-Z

Stan Pajak, current student, soccer Michael Pajak, current student, soccer **Brothers**

Ron Phipps '89, tennis Don Phipps '89, tennis Twin Brothers

Richard Pope '93 Jay Pope '93 Ben Pope '94 **Brothers**

Paul Smith '85, soccer Mary Beth Smith '90, soccer Siblings

Jennifer Patrick-Swift '05, softball Ashley Abrams '05, softball Cousins

Mike Poole, current student, soccer Andrew Poole, current student, soccer Christopher Poole, current student **Brothers**

Seldon "Sparky" Rapelye '65, cross country, tennis, cheerleading Pete Rapelye '67, cross country, basketball Gene Rapelye, cross country **Brothers**

Jeff Ryman '06, tennis Mark Ryman '05, tennis **Brothers**

Bob Swink '69, soccer, wrestling Richard Swink '69, soccer, wrestling Twin Brothers

Drew Wilkie '07, football Lance Wilkie '07, football Twin Brothers

Darren Wilson, current student, soccer Brenden Wilson, current student, soccer Donna Wilson '10, employee Mother and Sons

Stacey Noonan '06 & Stephanie Noonan '04 Stacey writes . . .

"I chose to come to Methodist to play soccer with my older sister. I have always looked up to her and this was a perfect opportunity to become closer with her. She was at Methodist before I came and we visited her often. I was able to see all the experiences, memories, and friendships she was making during her time at the college. I wanted to have the opportunity to gain my own experiences, memories.

There were several advantages to being at the same school and competing in soccer the same time as my older sister. The main advantage would be to having someone to share the same feelings of missing home.

Although I was homesick the whole time, my sister was able to help me cope by talking to me, reminding me of the good times from home,

to play soccer."

- Stephanie Noonan '04

and making me feel like I had a piece of home with me at all times. It was wonderful to have someone there with me . . . I remember all the fun memories, including school, soccer, and social activities. We constantly find ourselves reminiscing about our times at Methodist. We often laugh about the experiences we shared. Two of our favorite memories include soccer pictures and rooming together.

When we took one soccer picture, we were not speaking to each other and we had to take a picture for our parents. We had to grin and bear it just for them, with forced smiles and all. We still hold on to that famous picture. We grew close together during our time at college and I couldn't imagine what my college experience would have been like without her. I know for a fact that if it wasn't for her, I would not have made it at Methodist. I am thankful that she welcomed me to join her at college with no hesitation. I will always have the times we spent there to cherish forever."

soccer at a different school. I am honored that she chose to follow me five

hours from our hometown to Methodist to play soccer."



Stan Pajak '11 & Michael Pajak '11 Michael writes . . .

"I decided to come to Methodist because the environment is very welcoming. I feel like I can get to be close with my teachers because of the class sizes. My older brother's experience impacted my decision to come to Methodist because he was always happy when he was here. It seemed like the right place for me to be as well.

One major advantage of being at Methodist with my older brother is that I can ask him questions about almost anything because he has most likely already been through it. The memory that sticks out for me is that I practiced soccer with him every day during the season."

Ron Phipps '89 & Don Phipps '89 Ron writes . . .

"Don and I had actually considered other schools and were going to separate colleges . . . If I had to do it all over again, I would do the same thing! My oldest daughter is a high school senior and is very excited about attending Methodist next year!"

Andrew Poole '14, Mike Poole '11, **Christopher Poole '14**

Andrew writes . . .

"I chose to come to Methodist because I wanted to play soccer and it felt like home. Since my brother, Michael Poole, is a senior this year, I wanted to get to play with him on the team before he graduates. The advantages are that your sibling can show you around campus and introduce you to people, and they also can help you with any questions you have about your sport. The memories of sitting next to my brother in the locker room and watching my brother start and finish his soccer career at Methodist will always stick with me."

Richard Pope '93 & Ben Pope '94 Richard writes . . .

"I graduated MU in 1993. I played four years of football, three of which were with my younger brother, Ben, who also played for four years and graduated in 1994. Of course we had plenty of history and fun before those years and since, but I can honestly say the experience we shared while playing MU football is one of the most special and endearing memories, regardless of the wins/losses.

The above, however, doesn't tell the whole story of my family's legacy at MU. My older brother, Jay, graduated MU with me in 1993. Although he didn't play sports, he was an incredibly talented art major who was my roommate in Cumberland dorm. So, as you can see, MU is definitely a family legacy for the Pope family!"



Don't see your name listed here, but competed in an NCAA Division III sport with a relative and have a story to share with us? Send your story to alumnioffice@methodist. edu to be included in the next edition of MU Today.

We will also highlight "MU Sweethearts" in the next issue. Many of you have already submitted your story; if that is the case, your information will be included in the spring 2011 issue. However, if you have not yet had a chance to do so, please share your story with us by February 14, 2010. If you have any questions, please call the Office of Alumni Affairs and Annual Fund at (910) 630-7167/7169 or send an e-mail to alumnioffice@ methodist.edu.

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Stacy Holland '02



Kelly Holland '04



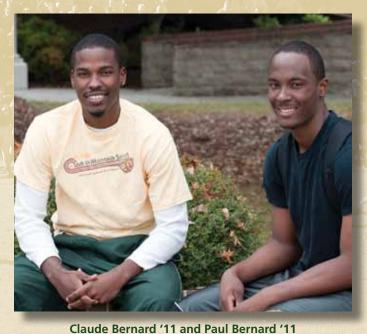
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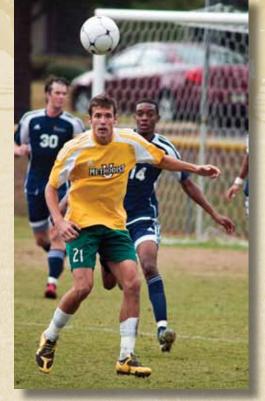
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Megan (Friend) Englert '06



Kirbie Britt '03 and Kelsie (Britt) Bowser '09



Stan Pajak '11



Stan Pajak '11 and Michael Pajak '14



SOTTS WRAP-UP

The Methodist Monarchs have wrapped up another successful fall sports season with nearly 50 victories amongst the teams.

One of the highlights this fall was the volleyball team's 10-match winning streak heading into the USA South Tournament Semifinal. After opening the season at 3-0, the team had a 10-11 overall record by mid-October. A young team with just one senior, the Monarchs regrouped and went on a tear, finishing the regular season with nine consecutive wins to secure the fourth seed in the conference tournament. Methodist knocked off Averett University in the quarterfinal before falling to nationally ranked Christopher Newport University in the semifinal. In his 10th season at the helm, Eddie Matthews coached the team to a 20-12 record, the most wins since 1992. The Monarchs were led by All-Conference selections Jalesty Washington, Lauren Bramble, Kayci Miller, and Stephanie Wood.

The men's soccer team advanced to the USA South Tournament Semifinal for the seventh straight season. The Monarchs' offense was

paced by freshman Eric McGinnis, who finished the season with 11 goals and seven assists. Methodist finished the regular season with a 3-3 conference record to earn the fourth seed in the USA South Tournament and the right to host a first round game. Head Coach Justin Terranova '97 led the team to a 2-0 win over Ferrum College in the first round to advance to the semifinal. The Monarchs lost to N.C. Wesleyan College in the semifinal, but finished the season at 11-9. Brion Kelly headlined the All-Conference honors as a first team selection while McGinnis earned second team recognition. Four other players were honorable mention selections.

Head Coach Bryan Madej '08 took over for the women's soccer team shortly before the 2010 season and helped lead the team to an 11-7-1 record overall. The team wrapped up September at 6-1-1, but stumbled in the home stretch leading into the USA South Tournament. The Monarchs traveled to second seeded Meredith College and after a 4-0 regular season loss, the team rebounded to take a 2-1 lead in the second half. Unfortunately, Meredith battled back to upend Methodist 3-2. Junior Danielle Minichello led the team offensively with 11 goals and two assists, earning first team All-Conference honors. Senior Kelly Orpin was recognized as a second team selection.

Coaches Duane Ross and Bill Dunn continue to rebuild the Methodist cross country team. Senior Kristyn Zeiler had another remarkable year, finishing as the USA South Women's Runner of the Year for the second consecutive year. Zeiler finished third at the USA South Championships to earn first team All-Conference honors, followed by teammate Katie Ballard with second team recognition. Craig Cicero led the men this season finishing 12th at the conference meet to earn All-Conference honors. The



Methodist recognized seven seniors along with Head Coach Jim Sypult in a home game against Greensboro Nov. 6, 2010. The game marked the end of Coach Sypult's coaching career at Methodist.

team wrapped up the season at the South/ Southeast Regionals hosted by Rhodes College in Memphis, Tenn. After announcing his resignation last spring, Head Football Coach Jim Sypult hoped to wrap up his career at Methodist with little fanfare. Always deferring attention to the team, Sypult led the Monarchs to a 2-8 season, highlighted by wins over Guilford College and Maryville College. The record does a not accurately reflect the story of the season, as Methodist lost four games by less than a touchdown, including a triple overtime loss to Ferrum College.

The men's and women's golf teams opened the 2010-11 season this fall coming off of two national championships. The women won the first four of five tournaments this spring to hold onto the top spot in the national poll for NCAA Division III women's golf. Senior Paige Caldwell paced the team with three individual titles during the fall. The men's team regrouped this fall after losing four seniors from the national championship team. The Monarchs finished in the top-10 during all four tournaments including two second place finishes in the last two tournaments. Junior Robby Bruns had two top-five finishes together with a first place finish at the Oglethorpe Fall Invitational.















Above: The Methodist University 2009-2010 champions were recognized at halftime of the final football game this season. The cheerleading, women's tennis, track and field, and men's and women's golf teams were honored for their success last year.

Left: 2010 Hall of Fame Inductees (L-R): Carla Simpson McKenzie '03, '07M, Tricia Criswell '91, President Hendricks, Hamilton Cuthrell '99, and Theresa Dwenger Jenkins '03



and Expanded Field Event Areas

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- Duane Ross

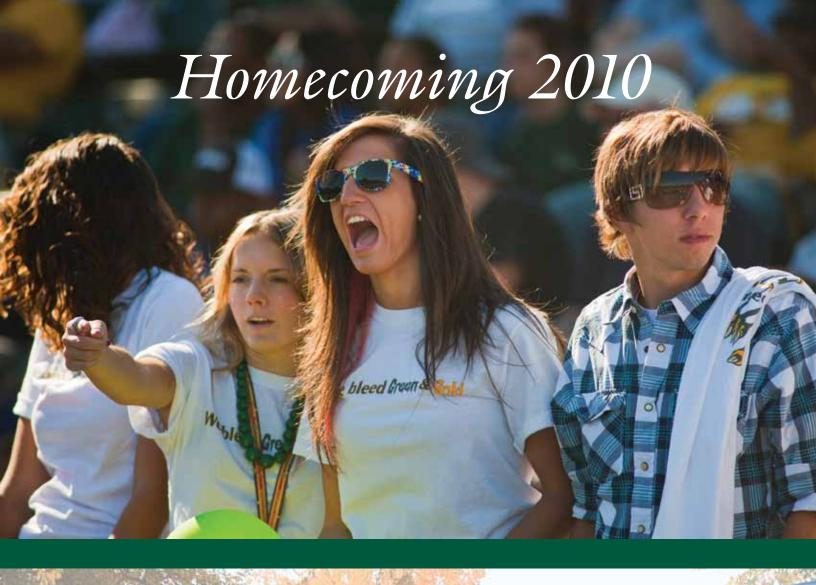
The Methodist University track has undergone a complete facelift this fall with a new surface and expanded field event areas. The last time the track was resurfaced was in 2000 and the surface typically has a five to seven year lifespan.

"The initial surface did not allow us to host meets, but with the growth of the program and the confidence we have in our staff, the University made the decision to resurface the facility and bring it up to the NCAA specifications," said Director of Athletics Bob McEvoy.

Director of Track and Field Duane Ross joined the Methodist University staff in the summer of 2007, and in his three years at the helm, he has helped eight student-athletes earn 21 All-American honors.

"Our track and field program has seen a lot of success the last three seasons," Ross said. "The addition of this faster, safer, and more durable surface will give our students the opportunity to train and compete at a higher level. I believe this new facility will assist in MU track and field's quest to achieve a national championship dynasty."

Ross joined the Monarchs after completing his professional career as an Olympian and world class sprinter. Ross competed as a professional hurdler and finished ninth at the 2004 Olympics in Athens, Greece. Ross was a silver medalist at the 2004 Olympic Trials, a bronze medalist at the 1999 World Championships, a two-time U.S. Champion, two-time U.S. silver medalist, and a four-time member of the United States World Championship team. He was consistently ranked top ten in the world in his event throughout his career.



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 $Homecoming\ 2010\ \ {\it had\ something\ for\ everyone!}\ {\it Current\ } students$ and alumni cheered on the Monarchs. Many alumni returned to Methodist to see the campus and old friends,

especially those from the Classes of 1965 and 1970 for their 45th and 40th reunions!

Homecoming 2010 Thanks for the Memories

In Honor of Dr. and Mrs. M. Elton Hendricks

"Dr. Hendricks has led the University to a level of excellence and has never taken his eve off the mission of our University. He has impacted thousands of lives during his years at Methodist, and he and Jerry will be truly and deeply missed."

> - Harvey T. Wright II '70 Chair of the Board of Trustees

Methodist alumni had perfect fall weather for a beautiful Homecoming weekend October 22 and 23, 2010, and they took full advantage! Over 200 alumni and friends attended the Methodist University Alumni Association's "Lunch on the Green" on Saturday to celebrate Dr. and Mrs. M. Elton Hendricks' 27 years of service to the University. Also on the program were presentations to Alumni Award winners, recognition of classes in reunion, and special awards and presentations. This annual luncheon is donated by Carrabba's Italian Grill Proprietor Mark Moses '97, and all proceeds benefit the Alumni Endowed Scholarship. The Alumni Chorale and MU Chorale, conducted by Jason Britt '93; Dr. Michael Martin, current MU Choral Director; and Alan Porter, former Choral Director, kicked off the event.

The entire weekend was a special tribute to Dr. and Mrs. Hendricks for their many years devoted to serving Methodist and its students, faculty, alumni, staff, friends, and community. Colorful banners depicting scenes from Dr. Hendricks' tenure decorated the various Homecoming venues. During the Lunch on the Green, former faculty member Dr. Linda Sue Barnes, MU Historian and faculty member Bill Billings '68; Gerri Williams '68, who has served as Dr. Hendricks' administrative assistant for 27 years; and Gene Clayton, vice president for business affairs, shared memories of the Hendricks that were in turn funny and poignant. Their memories were introduced and accompanied by Betty-Neill Guy Parsons '64 singing "Thanks for the Memories" and Scott Marosek on piano.

The Class of '65 turned out in full force for their 45th reunion, attending the Friday afternoon Alumni Reunion Reception at ScrubOaks Contemporary American Pub and holding their Class Reunion dinner immediately afterwards. Class Reunion organizer Larry Green '65, travelled from Overland Park, Kansas, and others from the Class of '65 came from as far away as Port St. Lucie, Fla. and Boston, Mass. The Alumni Reunion Reception was compliments of ScrubOaks owners Gwen and Tim Holtsclaw, '68, '92; J.P. Laird '08; Scotti Sykes Marshburn '96; and Jamie Sykes '93.



Saturday morning MU Horticulturist Jim Darden '69 conducted a walking tour of campus to discuss landscaping projects. A busload of alumni headed off for a tour of the brand new Physician Assistant Medical Lecture Hall, William F. Bethune Center for Visual Arts, Alpha Delta Pi House, Nimocks Fitness Center and Science Building additions, while others remained in the registration area to shop for a selection of MU items from the Bookstore and Golf Pro Shop at the "Alumni Store" set up for Homecoming. Women's and Men's alumni basketball reunion games were played on Saturday morning in the Riddle Center, as well.

After the Lunch on the Green and football game on Saturday, alumni gathered again at ScrubOaks

at 7:00 p.m. for a party and live Beach music by Dr. Warren McDonald, the multi-talented head of Methodist's M.B.A. and Health Administration programs. Dr. and Mrs. Hendricks were available to greet about 70 alumni for the first hour. Yearbooks were on hand, and alumni continued to remember the good times and good friends they made as Monarchs as they enjoyed the food, company, music, and dancing all evening.



President Hendricks and the University received a wonderful tribute from alumnus Ed "Tuna" Keil '70 and his wife, Kathy during Homecoming 2010 – a generous donation of \$100,000 for the Alumni Endowed Scholarship. Left to right: Robin Davenport '09M; Mr. Edward T. Keil, Jr. '70; Dr. M. Elton Henricks; and Lauren Cook Wike enjoy "Tuna's" big gift to the University.



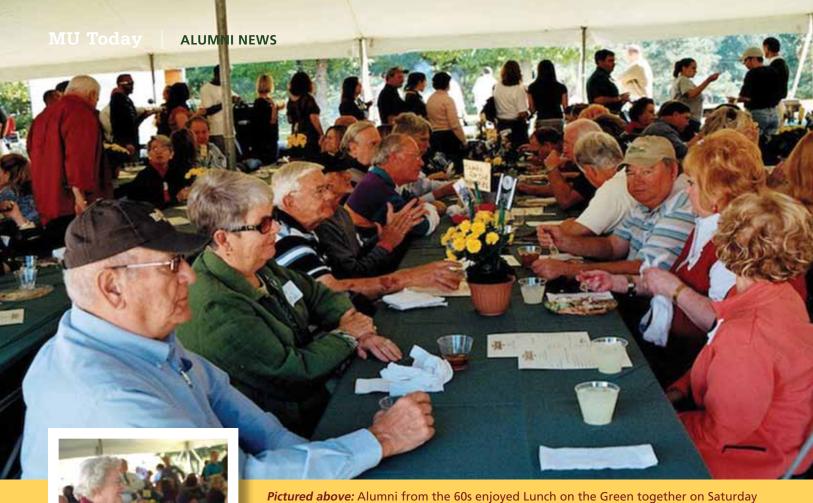
Larry Green '65 and Gwen Holtsclaw '68 at ScrubOaks



Clockwise from above: MUAA President, Dr. Kelli Sapp '91, presents an Honorary Alumnus Award to MU Trustee Tom Walden for his dedicated service to Methodist



MU Trustee Jerry Keen '65 and MUAA Board member John Lipscomb '68, display one of Johnny's custom bats



Class of 1965

Pictured above: Elaine (standing) and Alan Porter smile as the Alumni Chorale performs at the Lunch on the Green under the direction of Jason Britt '93





George Potts '65, Sparky Rapelye '65, and Gene Clayton catch up during alumni registration Saturday morning at Homecoming



Phil Levine '65, Dave Altman '65, and Orrin Powell '65 (Ellen Green, Larry's wife, in foreground) at ScrubOaks



Mary Fincher Wells '66 and Fran Zeigler '65



Above: The MU Chorale welcomed MU Alumni into their ranks for a fabulous performance under the direction of Jason Britt '93, Alan Porter, and Betty-Neal Parsons '64 for the Lunch on the Green program

Left: Alumni danced the night away to live Carolina-style Beach music at ScrubOaks on Saturday



Alumni News

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ericka Moyer Huyck and husband Greg announce the birth of their baby boy, Pierson William, born July 8, 2010. Pierce joins big sister Skylar.

Erin Updegrove and **Jake Brouillard** announce the arrival of their third child, Jaelyn Ann. She is loved by her four-year-old sister, Madisyn Lynn, and her two-year-old brother, Jakoby Harisyn. The family resides in Naples, Fla.

Sara Howell Gabbard and Andrew Gabbard welcomed their daughter Abigail Grace Gabbard, Sept. 1, 2010 in Kansas City, Mo.

Ashleigh Radford Dippolito and her husband Brett are pleased to announce the birth of their son, William "Liam" Earl. Liam was born on Sept. 8, 2010 at 9:12 a.m., weighing in at 9lbs. 22oz., and 22 inches long. He joins his big brother, Ryan. They reside in Fayetteville, N.C.



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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Terrianne Walton will be married in November to Frank Sandy. They went to high school together, dated their junior year and a little during their freshman year of college. After both losing their spouses, they have reconnected. Their favorite saying is "Who'd of thunk it!"

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Foster are proud to announce the marriage of their daughter **Kymberly Jeanne Foster** to **Joseph Bruce** Jackson on Oct. 16, 2010 at Snyder Memorial Baptist Church in Fayetteville, N.C. The bride and groom will reside in Wilson, N.C.

Dawn Thompson is excited to announce her engagement to Nathan Krawczyk. They were engaged June 21, 2010 at Niagara Falls on the Maid of the Mist. The couple is planning a small wedding with family and friends at a historical bed and breakfast in June 2011. Dawn would love to hear from friends via e-mail at dawneduc8s@embargmail.com.

Malinda Lynn Ortega and Matthew Jacob Plummer, both of Ashburn, Va., have announced their engagement. The couple plans to marry Nov. 6, 2010 at a seaside ceremony in Los Cabos, Mexico. They will reside in Ashburn, Va.

Matthew Seals and Leslie Kay Wheeler were married at Salem United Methodist Church June 26, 2010. Matthew is currently pastoring two wonderful churches and attending Hood Theological Seminary in Salisbury, N.C.

Ashley Dee Kotz and Matthew Edward Ruth were married Aug. 7, 2010 at Hay Street Methodist Church in Fayetteville, N.C. The couple honeymooned in Hilton Head Island, S.C., and they will reside in Swanton, Md.



Pierson William Huyck



Kymberly Jeanne Foster and Joseph Bruce Jackson



Dawn Thompson and Nathan Krawczyk

Alumni News (cont'd.)

CLASS NOTES

Alvin Burgess says "Hello," from Virginia. This summer, he and his wife, Mary, traveled by train to see their daughter, son-in-law, and grandsons in Lake Wales, Fla. Their trip was enjoyable and better in many respects than they had hoped for. They visited Kennedy Space Center, which brought back many memories of the space race from their childhood. They look forward to hearing from you all very soon.

Bob and Barbara Williams '72 and '73 now live in Mount Pleasant, S.C., which is close to Charleston. They teach music and work in the music industry in the Low Country area. Bob and their son, Michael, are known as the "William Duo," and are famous in South Carolina. They have played for former Vice President Al Gore and former President Bush, as well as the Prince of Saudi Arabia. Their oldest son, Stephen, plays piano professionally at Charleston Place Hotel. Stephen played trumpet and piano in the National Honor Band. Michael was chosen to conduct the South Carolina Regional Orchestra and won the state award for a music student.

William Harrison was re-elected as chairman of the state Board of Education. Prior to serving as chairman, Harrison was the superintendent of Cumberland County Schools.

Cal Violette of Gray's Creek Elementary School was named 2011 Wachovia Principal of the Year for Cumberland County Schools.

Teresa Swint and her father were recently featured in the Business Spotlight of the Fayetteville Observer. Teresa and her father, Howard Johnson, own Grapes and Hops on Ramsey Street in Fayetteville. The store has been open since 2003, and its specialty is imported beer and wine. Teresa says the biggest lesson she has learned in business is the value of customer service.

Brenda Ware-McAllister was recently promoted to principal of C. Wayne Collier Elementary School. Brenda has been employed with Cumberland County Schools since her graduation in 1997. She has served as a 4th and 5th grade teacher and an assistant principal prior to her recent promotion.

U.S. Army Major Mike Crouse recently completed a three-year tour as a deputy inspector general in Atlanta, Ga. He is now assigned to United States Army Reserve Command at Fort McPherson, Ga. as a force management officer and expects to move to Fort Bragg, N.C., in July 2011.

Dr. Chrystal Dickerson received her Ph.D. in organization management from Capella University at the commencement ceremony that was held August 13-14 in Minneapolis, Minn. Her dissertation is titled, "Women in the Senior Executive Service of the United States Federal Government: An Exploratory Quantitative Investigation." Dr. Dickerson resides in Alexandria, Va., where she is employed by the Defense Logistics Agency as a budget analyst.

Army Major Jennifer Moses Vail is attending the Intermediate Level Education Course at the Command General and Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. The course is preparing Major Vail to serve as a commander or principal staff officer. After completing the course, she and her family will be assigned to Rock Island, Ill.

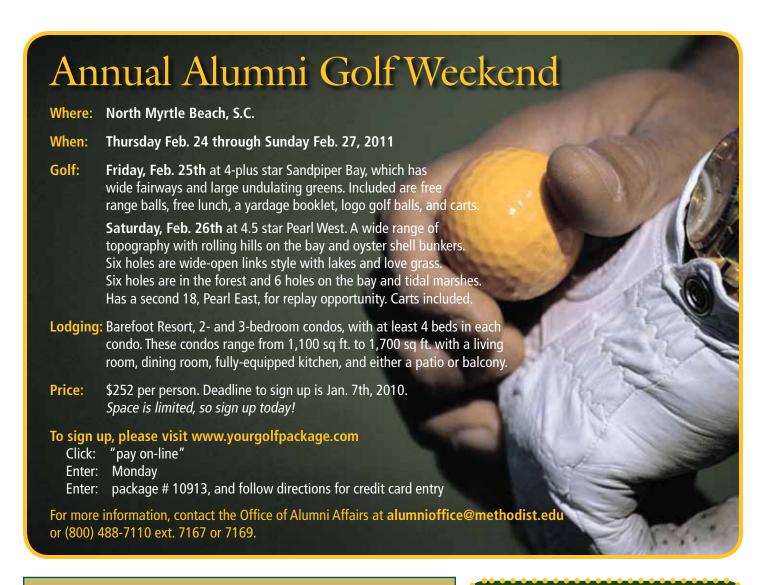
Justin Klemballa'09 was featured in a recent article from the Gazette Reporter titled, "Down the Fairway. Former NIE winner Klemballa fulfills dream." The former Junior Golf Championship winner is on his way to California to begin his dream job. Klemballa will become a regular assistant and teaching professional at the Jim McLean Golf School in La Quinta, Calif. He spent the last seven month of his final college internship at the McLean Golf School at Doral, which is in Miami.

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AT THIS TIME OF YEAR,

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Best wishes to you and yours for a blessed holiday season and for a new year filled with peace and happiness.

- Jerry & M. Elter Hendrich



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Breast cancer survivors will be honored at halftime and are invited to a reception following the game!





The Methodist University women's basketball team will host its annual Pink Zone game February 5, 2011 at 2 p.m. to increase awareness about breast cancer and recognize survivors in their fight. To RSVP or for more information, please contact DeeDee Jarman at djarman@methodist.edu or (910) 630-7283.