



# CAMPUS

## Fall 2008 SPOTLIGHTS

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All now is possible.”



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## Inaugural Blue Masque Hall of Fame, Oct. 19th



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## Catawba College welcomes students to institution's 157th academic year



Photo credit: Chuck Williams

Catawba College's fall semester classes in the traditional day program began Thursday, August 21, with 885 students enrolled. This figure includes returning students as well as first-time and transfer students.

Three hundred new students, members of the Class of 2012, join an estimated 585 returning students in the day program. The new students bring with them the highest average SAT score in Catawba's history, 1062.

Dr. Michael Bitzer, dean of admissions, said the higher SAT averages indicate that Catawba has been successful in its move to a more select institution.

Moving from a select to a more select institution was one of the College's goals under a strategic plan set into motion by former president, Dr. Robert E. Knott, who retired May 31 after six years in office.

Six hundred and thirty students are living on campus this academic year, with all first-year students housed in either Salisbury-Rowan Residence Hall or Woodson Residence Hall. Resident students will find wireless connectivity across campus as well as a wired Internet connection in their residence hall rooms.

Some Catawba athletes, including members of the football team, moved onto campus August 2 and 3. Resident assistants returned to campus August 8 and spent a week in training. A large number of first-year students moved into the residence halls on August 16 so they could begin a five-day orientation period before the first day of classes.

Catawba begins its 157th academic year with its 21st president, Dr. W. Craig Turner, who joined the institution June 1. Dr. Turner came to Catawba from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Texas, where he had served as that institution's president since June 1, 2001.

## Catawba College ranked 17th among Best Baccalaureate Colleges in the South

Catawba College is ranked 17th in the South among the nation's 319 best baccalaureate colleges, according to the 2009 edition of "America's Best Colleges," published by *U.S. News & World Report*. These baccalaureate colleges are ranked according to geographic region (North, South, Midwest, West).

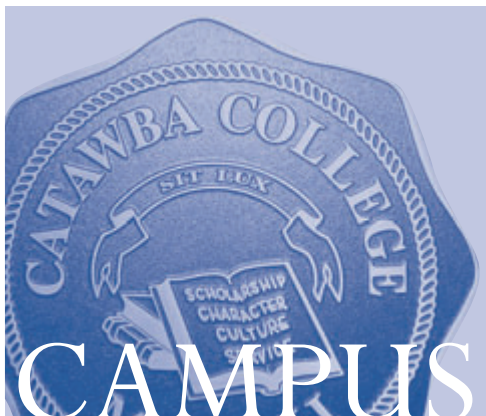
Highlights of these rankings are published in the magazine's Sept. 1-8 edition, available

Aug. 25 on newsstands and available online at [www.usnews.com/colleges](http://www.usnews.com/colleges), and the America's Best Colleges guidebook available Aug. 26.

For the fourth consecutive year, Catawba has been ranked in the Top Tier of its category.



# Catawba College's Theatre Arts Department continues to be Nationally Ranked in *The Princeton Review's "Best 368 Colleges" Guide*

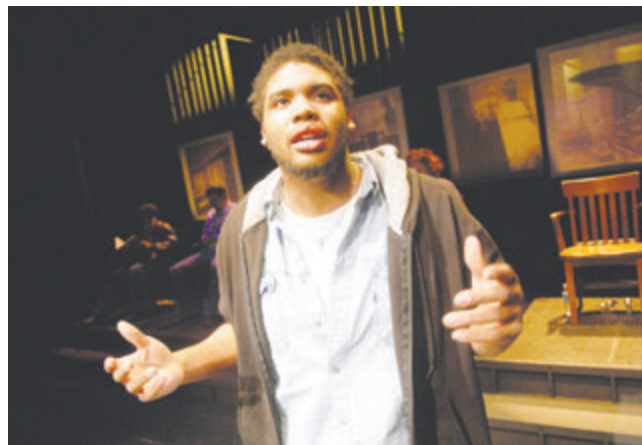


Again this year, Catawba College's Theatre Arts Department is nationally ranked. It is rated tenth in the nation for best college theatre, according to the 2009 edition of *The Princeton Review's "Best 368 Colleges"* guide which hit bookstands July 29.

Ranking lists report the top 20 colleges in this and over 60 other categories in the 2009 edition of *The Princeton Review's* annual college guide, "The Best 368 Colleges." Annually published since 1992, the book is one of 200 Princeton Review titles published by Random House. No school has ever paid a fee to be in it.

Catawba College students, whose comments were cited in the publication, said the Theatre Arts Department "puts a lot of effort into productions and regularly wins awards." Other Catawba College academic majors which received positive student comments in "Best 368 Colleges" guide include Environmental Science, Music and History.

Students said that Catawba is the sort of place where students meet "people who make a big difference in your life, whether it be your caring admissions counselor, easily accessible professor, friendly department head, or large group of friends." At Catawba, "it's the people who define the school."



Responding students noted recent renovations and construction projects on Catawba's campus, saying the college is "constantly improving and growing."

Students cited the popularity of the Catawba Indians (the College's 18 NCAA Division II athletic teams). Sports, they said, "are a very big thing."

Students said, "Life at school is dependent upon how many activities you are involved with. The more activities that you participate in, the more fun you will have on campus." They noted, "You would be hard-pressed to find anyone on campus who isn't involved in something else other than just going to class. This involvement in school really makes Catawba as great as it is."

Although institutional officials submit annual data concerning enrollment, tuition, financial assistance, and SAT averages, it is survey information provided by the students who attend a particular institution which provides an insider's view of a college or university.

The 62 ranking lists are based on surveys of 120,000 students (average 325 per campus) at the 368 schools in the book during the 2007-08 and/or previous two school years. Ninety-five percent were completed online at <http://survey.review.com>. Five percent were paper surveys completed on campuses. The 80-question survey asks students about their school's academics, administration, campus life, student body, and themselves. The schools are not ranked 1 to 368 in any category.

"In our opinion, each school in this book is first-rate academically," said Robert Franek, the author at *The Princeton Review*. "But their campus cultures and offerings differ greatly. Instead of ranking schools academically, 1 to 368, we tally ranking lists in 62 categories based on what students at the schools (their customers) report to us about them."

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# Opening Convocation marks new academic year and new president at Catawba

Catawba College's opening convocation held Thursday, August 29 in Omwake-Dearborn Chapel marked the start of a new academic year, Catawba's 157th, and a new president, Catawba's 21st. President Dr. W. Craig Turner convened the college and officiated as employees of the College were recognized for their years of service.



Catawba College Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Tom Smith, brought greetings on behalf of the trustees. He also gave notice to those gathered that this convocation marked his last as chairman of the board. He said he was stepping down after 10 years

of service in that position and would be replaced as chairman at the Board's October meeting by current Board of Trustees Vice Chairman, Paul Fisher.



**Dr. Turner then encouraged faculty, staff and students to consider five or six key ideas as the College entered a new academic year. First among these ideas was to "be positive." "Negativism," he said, "is the most debilitating element in the workplace today. Don't say, 'Why?' when you can just as easily say, 'Why Not?' Don't say, 'I don't know,' but rather, 'I'll find out.' Don't say, 'It's too difficult,' but rather, 'I'll give it my best shot.'"**

"A positive attitude is sort of like changing a diaper," Turner joked. "It doesn't necessarily solve any long-term problems, but it certainly makes life more tolerable."

He encouraged community members to "be responsible," regardless of "how small the task may be," and to be sensitive to opportunity. "Change is the one constant in our world," he noted. Being a leader, a person of vision and a person of faith were also ideas he asked his audience to ponder.

## FACULTY & STAFF RECOGNIZED

### 20 Years of Service

Dr. James Beard, professor of chemistry; Dr. Carl Girelli, vice president of student academic development and professor of English; Ms. Delores Imblum, administrative assistant for the School of Sciences; Dr. Renee McCachren, chair and professor of music; and Ms. Marsha Safrit, associate registrar.

### 15 Years of Service

Mr. James Baker, Jr., head coach of men's basketball and instructor of physical education; Dr. John Wear, Jr., director of the Center for the Environment and the environmental science program; Dr. J. Michael Wilson, chair of modern foreign languages department; and Ms. Jean Wurtser, library technical associate.

### 10 Years of Service

Ms. Ann Dunn, coordinator of program operations, School of Evening and Graduate Studies; Mr. Larry Farmer, human resources officer; Mr. Sam Gealy, head coach for men's and women's golf; Ms. Ruth Goodnight, supervisor of cashier and student accounts; Dr. Seth Holtzman, assistant professor of religion and philosophy; Mr. William Kluttz, supervisor of facilities; Ms. Robin Misenheimer, programmer/analyst; Mr. David Najarian, Office of Waste Reduction and Recycling coordinator; Dr. Mark Sabo, professor of chemistry; and Mr. Craig Turnbull, Jr., head coach for men's soccer, instructor of physical education and assistant compliance director.

### 5 Years of Service

Ms. Doreen Blakeney, facilities office assistant; Mr. Kurt Cribb, special projects coordinator for Center for the Environment; Dr. Robert Dingle, director and assistant professor of athletic training education; Mr. Shane Flowe, director of the Office of Public Safety; Ms. Bridgette E. Gibbs, director of event planning for Catawba Conferences; Dr. Gordon Grant, III, associate professor of English; Dr. Elizabeth Homan, assistant professor of theatre arts; Ms. Joanna Jasper, chief information officer; Mr. David Kirkland, director of technical services for Catawba Conferences; Mr. Shawn Moore, systems administrator/developer; Ms. Angela Morton, head coach for women's basketball; Dr. Cynthia Osterhus, assistant professor of teacher education and director of the Shirley Peeler Ritchie Academy for Teaching; Ms. Winnell Short, library technical assistant; Ms. Dawn Snook, director of admissions; Ms. Deborah Stinson, custodian; Mr. W. Dan Sullivan, Jr., dean of students and director of housing; Mr. D.J. Summers, assistant coach for football; and Mr. Chuck Williams, vice president for business and finance.

The Length of Service Recognition Program is a project of the College's Staff Personnel Committee, now the Staff Council. Employees are recognized for their service to the College at five-year increments from their hire date.

# OPENING CONFERENCE

August 12, 2008

When Catawba College faculty and staff gathered for their annual fall conference on August 12th, it was an opportunity for the institution's new president, Dr. W. Craig Turner, to rally the troops before the start of a new academic year.

Turner, who said he had spent his first two months on the job doing more listening than talking, peppered his comments to employees with quotes from Mick Jagger, Bear Bryant, Heraclitus and his personal muse, Robert Browning. His overarching message as one of encouragement. "Each and every employee of Catawba College is important in creating the best opportunity possible for our students to learn," he said.

Following is a transcript of Turner's remarks:

I would like to turn our thoughts today to 3 key questions that I hope will be a major part of our conversation during the fall semester:

**Who are we as an organization? As a college? As we move forward into the 21st century, what is Catawba's sense of itself?**

The next 5-10 years in the life of Catawba will be defining years. You have a new president, of course, but I am talking about a much larger redefinition than merely a change in CAO.

As we baby boomers continue to phase out and retire, new leaders will become senior faculty and administration. But, again, I am talking about a still larger redefinition than that.

Heraclitus, the 6th century BC Greek philosopher said. "Everything in the universe is in a constant state of flux. The only constant is change and change changes in ever-changing directions at an ever-changing rate."

Never—in the history of humankind—has change changed so rapidly as it does today. In the summer of 2000 when I attended the Harvard New President's Seminar, we heard a dire prediction: In the next 25-50 years, half the private colleges and universities in the United States will either close their doors or merge with another/other institutions.

Who are we? What is Catawba to you? What is unique about it? What is lasting about it? Why will students move to Salisbury, N.C., live in our dorms, eat in our cafeteria, attend our classes, pay our tuition? What are they seeking that we can offer in exchange for four years of their lives and \$100,000 of their or their parents' money?

## RETIRING FACULTY RECOGNIZED

Retiring members of Catawba's faculty were recognized at commencement exercises. Those retirees include: **Mrs. Joyce Caddell**, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, retiring after 20 years of service; **Rosemary C. Kinard**, Assistant Professor of Music, also retiring after 20 years of service; **Dr. Jesse McCartney**, Provost and Professor of English, retiring after 26 years of service; **Dr. Karen Horner Stroobants**, a Professor of Psychology, retiring after 10 years of service; and **William H. Trenchard**, Professor of Accounting, retiring after 20 years of service.



## NEW FACULTY AND STAFF HIRES AT CATAWBA COLLEGE

New faculty and staff members hired by the College since the start of last academic year were introduced at the August 12th Fall Conference held in Hedrick Little Theatre.

They include:

### Faculty

- Dr. Bonita Bloodworth**, assistant director of the Academy for Teaching and assistant professor of teacher education
- Dr. Douglas K. Brown**, associate professor of mathematics
- Dr. Sue Calcagni**, associate professor of biology and environmental science
- Amy Hrsin**, instructor of accounting
- Dr. Margaret Stahr**, assistant professor of English and director of the Writing Center

### Staff

- Susan Houston**, administrative assistant in the Department of Mathematics and the Ketner School of Business
- Cecilia Stach**, chief administrative assistant in the Ketner School of Business
- Ann Clifton**, administrative assistant for academic development
- Amanda Hooker**, administrative assistant in the Center for the Environment
- Erin Harper**, staff keyboardist in the Music Department
- Christy Clifton**, financial aid counselor and work study coordinator
- Jeff Applewhite**, admissions counselor
- Beth Buford**, admissions counselor
- Eddie Cross**, public safety officer
- Lesley Hill**, assistant director of resident life and coordinator of campus programming
- Stephanie Flowe**, housekeeping
- Lorraine Grissom**, housekeeping
- Mike Brackett**, housekeeping
- Benny Fellows**, housekeeping
- Vickie Poole**, housekeeping
- Sara McCauley**, athletic training intern
- Kim Crowley**, part-time assistant coach, women's soccer
- Sara Van Buskirk**, student graduate assistant, softball
- Heather Kick**, student graduate assistant, field hockey
- Steve Sawyer**, assistant coach, baseball
- Michael Lowman**, part-time assistant coach, baseball

There are several key issues involved here. Obviously, for example, no single person or group can completely “define” the college. Not the president, not the chief academic officer, not the faculty, not the staff, not the student body, not the alumni, not friends and donors, not even the trustees. All of these play a role in defining the college—willingly or unwillingly; wittingly or unwittingly.

While most of us seldom think in such terms, we all do it daily: in the classroom, at break, over lunch, at church, and at play; with our friends, co-workers, students, etc.

Some of us do it negatively—merely complaining. Not constructive criticism, not offering realistic solutions, but just griping. I am asking that we spend at least a semester not being negative but in conversation about meaningful issues that are important and for which we can seek positive solutions.

We must recognize, in the words of the imminent British philosopher, Sir Mick Jagger: “You can’t always get what you want.”

This leads me to our second question:

## Who do we want to become?

Much more important than where we have been is the issue of where we are going. Don’t misunderstand me: history is important, but only as we move beyond it. We should celebrate our success and traditions, and move on. And we should learn from our failures and mistakes, and move on.

Too often, we have a tendency to look back, not forward; to look down, not up. Robert Browning said, “Look not down, but up,” and I would encourage you to make that your mantra this fall.

We need vision—not just a vision, but vision—the capacity to see and dream about the big picture. Helen Keller wrote: “The greatest tragedy of all is people who have sight but no vision.” What is your vision for Catawba?

I have no illusion that this process of envisioning will be easy or accepted equally well by everyone. It is easier to move a cemetery than to change a college. But the questions we must be considering are what will higher education need to be in 5 years, 10 years, 25 years? What do our students really, truly need today to be educated for tomorrow? What competencies do they need to learn today to live meaningful, successful lives tomorrow and how can we deliver them?

Entelechy—a Greek word used by Aristotle that means something like “the vital force that contributes to growth.” We could compare it to “catalyst,” but it’s more than that. The key to this Aristotelian concept is the actualizing of a person or an entity. We need to promote entelechy this fall at Catawba College.

This leads to my third question.

## How do we get to where we want to be? How do we actualize our visions?

A key question of the 21st century is, “How can we bring unity out of diversity?” How can we as a college with multiple constituencies come together and move Catawba to its next step—take it to the next level?

Paul “Bear” Bryant: “It is not the will to win that matters—everyone has that. It’s the will to prepare to win.”

Here are some of my thoughts to—hopefully—help us begin our discussion.

## We must be willing to question traditional ways of doing things.

If there is anything a liberal education should teach us it is to be open-minded—to be open to change in every area of the institution.

## We must be fiscally aware and efficient.

We must look at new ways of doing things, give attention to details, but keep our focus on the whole.

## We must attempt to understand and make the most of the dynamics of change.

As Heraclitus has so eloquently said, change is a constant: how are we going to deal with it?

## We must learn to incorporate what our students learn into how they live.

“The world’s no blot for us,/ Nor blank; it means intensely, and means good.”  
Robert Browning “Fra Lippo Lippi”

Each and every employee of Catawba College is important in creating the best opportunity possible for our students to learn. The world we live in has meaning and we have an opportunity to help our students discover meaning.

Robert Browning has written so succinctly: “Measure your mind’s height by the shade it casts.” It’s not just how much you know, but what good it’s doing.

Theodore Roosevelt wrote: “It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, and comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming, but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at worst, if he fails, at least he fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those poor spirits who neither enjoy much nor suffer much because they live in the gray twilight that knows not victory nor defeat.”

J.R. Tolkein wrote “The Hobbit,” a story about a hobbit who had an adventure and lived life. Using that book as a premise, I would say to you, don’t stay in the hole in the ground and be respectable, get out and have an adventure.

In closing, I would cite Robert Browning again from “Luria,” “Look up, advance! All now is possible.”

### CATAWBA RANKED 17th, continued from front page

Catawba’s category in 2006 and 2007, formerly titled “Comprehensive Colleges – Bachelor’s,” was renamed “Baccalaureate Colleges” in 2008 by *U.S. News* “to better clarify the broad educational mission of these schools,” according to the publication.

According to *U.S. News*, baccalaureate colleges “focus on undergraduate education but grant fewer than 50 percent of their degrees in liberal arts disciplines.”

Using a proprietary methodology, the annual *U.S. News & World Report* rankings represent the most comprehensive look at how schools

stack up based on a set of up to 15 widely accepted indicators of excellence and help consumers evaluate and compare data compiled from 1,476 colleges and universities. Institutions of higher education which are included in the publication receive an overall performance score and a series of subscores. They are assessed by their peer institutions, and ranked according to retention (six-year graduation rate and freshman retention rate), the percentage of classes under 20 and the percentage of classes of 50 or more, the student to faculty ratio, the percentage of faculty who are full time, their students’ SAT/ACT scores, the number of

freshmen in the top 10% of their high school class, acceptance rates, the average per spending per student (on research, student services, and related educational expenditures), and according to the average percentage of living alumni who gave to their school during the ’05-’06 and ’06-’07 academic years.

Founded in 1933, the weekly national news magazine *U.S. News & World Report* is devoted to reporting and analyzing national and international affairs, politics, business, health, science, technology and social trends.



# Couple's love of Catawba evolves into a scholarship

Philip George "Pine" Cooper loves Catawba College and his wife of 49 years, Hattie, has grown to love it too. The couple has transferred their affection for the College into a new endowed scholarship which will assist deserving students from North Carolina or Virginia with the cost of tuition. The scholarship is established in memory of Pine's mother and father, Lillian Arena George Cooper, a member of Catawba's Class of 1907, and Benjamin Herbert Cooper.

Pine Cooper followed in his mother's footsteps when he attended Catawba. His mother, whose girlhood home was in Elkin, North Carolina, graduated from Old Catawba in Newton in 1907. She taught for several years after her graduation, quit teaching, and then later went back into education as a principal at Critz School in Critz, Va.

Pine grew up in Critz and says his mom, who died in 1972, was strict on him and his school work. She encouraged him to enroll at Catawba where he earned his degree in sociology in 1951.

Many of Pine's mother's friends from Old Catawba attended his graduation, including his mother's roommate, Dr. Caroline McNairy. Dr. McNairy, who practiced in Lenoir, Pine recalls, was one of the first women doctors and "was famous for delivering 7,000 babies." She also served on Catawba's Board of Trustees almost all of her life. Mrs. Charles (Mary Heller) Jenkins, who lived on Jackson Street in Salisbury, also attended old Catawba with Pine's mother and she was there for Pine's graduation too.

It was at Catawba that Dr. Earl Ruth gave him his nickname, "Pine." "I was thin, probably weighed 125, and Coach Ruth said I was as tall as a pine tree," he recalls. "I took phys ed under him and he was a nice fellow."

Hattie Cooper echoes her husband concerning Dr. Ruth. "Dr. Ruth stayed in touch up until his death and we went to visit him until his death. I knew him after he was elected to Congress. He used to say when he'd see us at Catawba's homecoming, 'I saw you first.' He liked to be with us as we did with him."

Pine, like his mother, taught school for several years after his Catawba graduation. His students were sixth and seventh graders who he says "were lumped together in a two-room school, Via School, in Patrick County, Va. His teaching career was cut short when he was drafted into the Army in 1953 and stationed at Camp Carson, Colo., near Pike's Peak.

"I didn't enjoy the Army, but it was a lot easier than a lot of things," Pine explains. "I was an Army medic. I took some first-aid courses and worked in a dispensary and dispensed drugs and medicines until I was discharged in June of '55."

Pine met wife Hattie, a graduate of Greensboro College, in February of 1959. "I was going to take grad courses at RPI and her aunt lived in Richmond and she came up to see her aunt. I met Hattie there," he recalls.

The couple married on Sept. 19, 1959 in Stantonsburg, N.C. On their wedding trip, Hattie remembers, "Philip took me to meet Dr. McNairy. We stopped by her office and we stayed so we wouldn't interfere with her work."

Pine and Hattie Cooper carved out their life together in Portsmouth, Va., where they lived for 25 years. Pine says he "got a job with the Virginia Employment Commission and worked there in Portsmouth for 25 years, interviewing applicants for jobs." He retired in June 1986.

Hattie taught school for 37 years, 25 of those years in Portsmouth and 12 years in N.C. (before the two were married). She usually taught English at the high school level.

Both Pine and Hattie retired on the same day and made plans to relocate their household to Stuart, Va., in December of 1986. "We spent six months wrapping up loose ends in Portsmouth and buying our house in Stuart at 206 Pine," Hattie says. Twenty-one years later and the couple still calls Stuart, located just nine miles from Pine's hometown of Critz, "home."

Today, the Coopers stay in touch with their good friends from Catawba including Walt '49 and Hilda '50 Ramseur of Landis, Allene Haralson Graves '51 of Candor, Margaret Matze Lipe '48 of Richfield, Dorothy Rickard of Winston-Salem, Ethel Griffin of Old Fort, Joann Hamer of Garner, Geneva Barker of Randleman, and Art '49 and Maxine Claar of Burlington.

Pine nurtures fond memories of his alma mater, including those involving his former roommates and suitemates, Clyde Bostian '49 of China Grove, Elwood Maness '49 of New Bern, Dave Rickard '51 of Winston-Salem, and four who are now deceased including, Earl Graves '51, Johnny Hamer '51, Garland Barker '51 and Kenneth Griffin '50.

He remembers that the late Mary Emma Knox's rolls "were real good," and eating off campus at Blackwelder's Barbecue which is no longer in business. He recalls Betty Barbour, an English professor, as being a very fine instructor, and recalls fondly Lula "Ma" Douglas as being a very efficient campus nurse. Pine also pays tribute to "one of my best professors at Catawba, the late Commander George William Green who had served in World War I and II and who was a prisoner of war on a death march of Bataan during World War II."

When not staying current on friends and the news from Catawba, Pine and Hattie feed the birds and enjoy their flowers.

"Catawba holds a special place in Pine and Hattie's hearts. They've made friendships through the College that have lasted for decades and they want to make sure that future students here have a chance, thanks to their scholarship, to have similar experiences and enduring relationships," said Catawba Senior Vice President Tom Childress.

Save These Dates

Tuesday, March 24, 2009

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# Catawba couple establishes new scholarship

Gregory W. '74 and Gordene "Deanie" McMordie '72 Singleton of New Bern, N.C., have established a new scholarship at their alma mater in memory of Deanie's father, the late Francis McMordie of Lewisville, N.C.

Preference for the McMordie-Singleton Scholarship at Catawba College will be given to a student-athlete who is a member of the football team, of good academic standing, good character, not attending the institution on a full athletic scholarship, and who has a demonstrated need.

Greg said he and Deanie, whom he met in 1968 at Catawba and married 35 years ago, "have been blessed." They decided to do something to memorialize Mr. McMordie, who died in 2003, and help a deserving student at the same time. Establishing the new scholarship at Catawba seemed a natural choice.

Greg described his father-in-law as "a great guy with a wonderful sense of family."

"He was a very generous, kind man who rarely had a coarse word for anyone. He was more like a father than father-in-law to me. When we lived in New Jersey and he (Mr. McMordie) was living in North Carolina, he would come visit us a couple times a year, and we would come down to Lewisville to visit with him. Every week, we spoke with him by phone.

"Education was definitely important to him," Greg continued, speaking of Mr. McMordie, who graduated from Drexel University and worked for 45 years for Western Electric. "He was also a big sports fan and liked high school and small college football. We spent a lot of time together watching football and golf."

Mr. McMordie, fondly referred to as "Mac," was extensively involved in civic organizations. He was active for many years of service through West Bend Lodge No. 434 as master and as secretary, and was an honorary member of Pioneer Lodge. He was also a member of the York Rite Allied Masonic Degrees, the

Winston-Salem Scottish Rite, Knight Commander of Court of Honor, five times presiding officer of the Camel Shrine No. 5, past regal patron of Royal Court No. 17, O. of A. and Eastern Star Chapter No. 309.

Although predeceased by his wife, Catherine, Mr. McMordie is survived by four children—three sons and daughter Deanie, 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Greg came to Catawba from Camden, N.J. on a football scholarship and met Deanie McMordie, who majored in speech pathology. The two were married in 1973, a year after Deanie's graduation, and moved to New Jersey to make their home. Greg completed his graduation requirements at Catawba via independent study, majoring in health and physical education and earning his degree in 1974.

Looking back on their years at Catawba, Greg and Deanie remember its people, both administrators and professors, whom they described as "extremely helpful." "They wanted to see you succeed," Greg said.

Greg remembered then academic dean, the late Charles Turney, as "a serious guy with a sense of humor who made you tow the line, but would also pat you on the back after he booted you in the butt." Deanie fondly recalled Dr. Karl Hales.

During Greg's time at Catawba, the head football coach was Harvey Stratton and Coach Stratton holds a special place in Greg's heart. "He's the one person to whom I owe a huge debt of gratitude," Greg said of Stratton. "He knew how to talk to you and get out of you what he knew you had. I knew that I could rely on him for whatever. He brought out the best in me that's for certain."

With fondness, Greg remembers some of his football teammates and roommates who lived in his residence hall, including Cy Alexander, Bill Godsey, Charlie Butler, Terry Sammons, Tom Christian, James McCray, Harry Monokian, Payton Warren, Roger Johnson and James Kornberger. He made special mention of Gary Kochman, Bill Bartlett and Ike Hill.

Greg was initially signed as a free agent by the Atlanta Falcons in 1972, then the Washington Redskins in the

same year, and finally by the Philadelphia Bell in 1973. "But it didn't work out," he explained, noting he was not at 100 percent physically due to a torn ACL injury he suffered in the second game of his senior year at Catawba. "Then I knew it was time to go to work," he said.

Greg began working in the education field, first as a substitute teacher, then as a security guard, later as a physical education and health teacher in Camden, N.J. While teaching, he also earned his master's degree from Rutgers University. In 2002, he retired as an assistant principal from the Haddon Heights School District in Haddon Heights, N.J. As for Deanie, instead of furthering her educational desires, she chose to devote her time to raising their daughters, Carly and Brooke and following their activities, as well as Greg's eight years of coaching high school football. Several years after Greg retired, Deanie followed him into retirement, after enjoying a successful 30-year career with Verizon in New Jersey. Greg said, "Deanie and I have been privileged to enjoy and spend considerable time with our grandchildren, Taylor and twin boys Che and Desi."

"I'm so glad I chose to come to Catawba and remain at Catawba because of the attention you get, not only as a student-athlete but as a student. At Catawba, you could see your professors for assistance, in the office or in their homes," Greg said.

Continuing the Catawba tradition, Greg helped steer his son and brother to Catawba. Son Gregory R. Singleton '89 lives in Maryland. Brother Raymond Jones '83 lives in New Jersey and is currently employed as a captain for the police force of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, a branch of Rutgers University.

**Greg said, "To have known Francis "Mac" McMordie and shared the years we had together is an honor that has shed such a positive light and influence on my life. Deanie and I only hope that in some small way we can share his richness of spirit with others along the way."**

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# Catawba College trustee honored



Catawba College Trustee Newton O. Fowler, who led the Mount Airy Granite Bears football team to a Class A state championship in 1946, was inducted into the Greater Mount Airy Sports Hall of Fame on Sunday, April 20.

Newt Fowler grew up in Mount Airy and played baseball and football for the Granite Bears. He was All-Conference for the Bears' football team in 1947 and playing guard, tackle and end for the squad, Fowler helped the Bears to a state title in 1946. He also played first base and outfield on the Bears baseball squad.

He received a football scholarship to play at Duke University in 1948, however, a lung illness and time in the hospital interrupted his football career and forced him to leave Duke during his second semester. He enrolled at Lees-McRae College where he played at the offensive end position in the Junior College Sugar Bowl in 1949 where his team took on Wharton College of Texas. Wharton defeated L-M 49-0.

In 1950, he attended the University of Richmond where he graduated in 1952 with his

bachelor of science degree in business administration and his master of commerce degree. At Richmond, Fowler also played football.

Fowler was drafted into the Army in 1952 during the Korean War and served in Fort Jackson, South Carolina, helping supply soldiers with the equipment they needed in battle. He served until 1954. Thereafter, he got a job with Phillip Morris, quickly moving up in the ranks with that company.

He later helped start up the Phillip Morris factory in Richmond, Va. in 1973 and became general manager there before coming back to North Carolina to later start the Philip Morris USA factory in Concord and serve as its general manager. After a 38-year career with the company, Fowler retired in 1993.

He was tapped for service on the Catawba College Board of

Trustees in 1996. As a member of the board, Fowler was the chairperson for Catawba's successful Campaign for Excellence, a capital fundraising effort that raised nearly \$60 million for building and infrastructure improvements on campus. Catawba honored him with its prestigious Adrian Shuford Award for Distinguished Service in 2006. In 2007, Fowler was honored with North Carolina's highest civilian honor, the Order of the Long Leaf Pine. He received the honor during a Catawba College Board of Trustees meeting.

Fowler makes his home in Concord with his wife, Nancy (Fling) Fowler. They are parents of two adult children, Dr. Ed Fowler and wife Christina Daugherty Fowler of Greenwood, S.C., both 1985 alumni of Catawba College, and Margaret Fowler Porter and husband Mark of Concord, and grandparents to four grandsons.



**Ellen T. Ruff,**

President-Duke Energy Carolinas, will be the speaker for the second Distinguished CEO Lecture Series at Catawba College on Wednesday, October 1. Sponsored by the Business Advisory Board for the Ralph W. Ketner School of Business, the lecture will be held at 4 p.m. in the Peeler Crystal Lounge of the Robertson College-Community Center. Musical entertainment will begin at 3:45 p.m.

## Catawba College to offer second distinguished CEO Lecture Series

The lecture is free and open to the public; however, reservations are required and may be made by calling Cecilia Stach at 704-637-4405. A reception will follow the lecture.

Ruff, a 30-year employee of Duke, leads that company's utility business in North and South Carolina, providing electricity and value-added products and services to more than 2.3 million customers in a 24,000 square-mile service area. Duke Energy's diverse mix of generating resources in the Carolinas include three nuclear stations, eight coal-fired stations, 31 hydroelectric stations and numerous combustion turbine units with a generating capacity of nearly 21,000 megawatts.

Prior to being named to her current leadership position in April, 2006, she served as group vice president of planning and external relations for Duke Power. She led Duke Power's strategic planning, compliance, environmental health and safety, and external relations strategy efforts. She was also accountable for establishing and maintaining relationships with key regulators at the state and federal level.

Ruff, a graduate of Simmons

College with a bachelor of arts degree in business and a juris doctor degree from the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, is a native of Hartford, Conn. She joined Duke Power in 1978 as an attorney in the legal department.

She serves on the board of directors and the executive committee of the North Carolina Chamber and is a member of the North Carolina Economic Development Board, South Carolina Manufacturers Alliance board, and Palmetto Business Forum. She is a member of the board of directors of the United Way of Central Carolina and serves as chair of the organization's 2008 regional campaign. She also serves on the board of Aqua America, Inc., a publicly traded water company. She and her husband, Tom, have a daughter and two sons.

Duke Energy, one of the largest power companies in the United States, supplies and delivers electricity to approximately 3.9 million customers in the Carolinas and the Midwest. The company also distributes natural gas in Ohio and Kentucky, generates electricity in Latin America, and is a joint-venture partner in a U. S. real estate company. Headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., Duke

Energy is a Fortune 500 company traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DUK.

"I have known Ellen for the past six years in her work with the state chamber and by serving with her on the North Carolina Economic Development Board," Phil Kirk, vice president of external relations at Catawba, said. "With the strong interest in energy issues these days, we are very fortunate to be able to have this outstanding leader on our campus. She will also teach some business classes while on campus."

Joey Popp, chair of the Business Advisory Board, will be the master of ceremonies. Also appearing on the program will be Dr. Craig Turner, president of Catawba; Professor Pam Thompson, chair of the Ketner School of Business; Mark Hollis of Duke Energy and a member of the Business Advisory Board; Dr. Ken Clapp, Catawba vice president and chaplain; and Kirk.

**Sponsorship opportunities for the event are available by calling Cecilia Stach at 704-637-4405.**





*The Adrian L. Shuford, Jr.  
Award for Distinguished Service*

# Four honored at Catawba College with prestigious Adrian Shuford Award

Two Catawba College Trustees and the Catawba's retiring 20th President and First Lady were honored Wednesday, May 14 as the recipients of the prestigious Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. Award for Distinguished Service.

The award presentations were made to Trustees Charles G. Potts '53 of Charlotte and Wade Hampton Shuford, Jr. '50 of Hickory, and to College President Dr. Robert E. Knott and First Lady Brenda S. Knott during the College's annual President's Circle Dinner, held to recognize the institution's major donors, in the Cannon Student Center on campus.

The award is given each year to the individual(s) who has played a major role in supporting the college and its programs through their time, talent and resources. It was established in 1983 in honor of trustee emeritus Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. of Conover, who died in 2000.

Catawba College President Dr. Robert Knott presented the awards to the two trustees in front of an audience of close to 300 individuals. He said Potts and Shuford were men "who have greatly enhanced the institution by their willingness to commit to long-term service on the Board." Potts joined the Catawba College Board of Trustees in 1988, while Shuford joined it in 1960, elected to the post by the Southern Synod of the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

Tom Smith '64, chairman of the Catawba College Board of Trustees, made the award presentation to President Dr. Robert Knott and First Lady Brenda Knott. The couple has retired to Brevard, N.C., at the end of the academic year after Dr. Knott served for six years as Catawba's 20th president. Smith called Dr. and Mrs. Knott "a team which has enriched Catawba College greatly with its service and dedication." He said the couple's history with the college stretched back more than 25 years.



## Charles G. Potts

Potts earned his bachelor's degree in Accounting from Catawba's School of Business. He is the former president of Chaz, Inc., a hair salon business, and has served on the board of directors of the International Chain

Salon Association.

He has served on the board of directors and as treasurer for both Rotary International and the Carmel Country Club. A member of Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, he has served there as an elder and as chairman of the church's board of trustees.

A loyal supporter of his alma mater, Potts has served as a member of the Catawba Alumni Association Board of Directors before being tapped for service in 1988 on the College's Board of Trustees. In 1996, Catawba honored him as the recipient of its prestigious O.B. Michael Award, given annually to an alumnus of merit during graduation exercises.

A longtime supporter of Catawba, he has established at First Family Scholarship at the institution and has consistently contributed to various campaign efforts, including the recent Shuford Stadium effort, Catawba's \$56.5 million capital campaign, and its \$35 million endowment campaign. He has also served on the steering committee for the endowment campaign.



## Wade Hampton Shuford, Jr.

An entrepreneur and a lifelong learner, Shuford has worn several very different hats during his professional career. He served as a public school teacher, an associate vice president for a bank, a director of Christian education at a United Church of Christ in Virginia, and as an international tour organizer and guide.

Following his graduation from Catawba, he served a year in the United States Air Force at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, as a personnel research technician engaged in psychological testing and evaluation. He later completed graduate courses at UNC Chapel Hill and the University of Texas before earning a degree in Christian education from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

He is an active volunteer at his church, Corinth UCC in Hickory, where he works in its Adult Life program. He is a member of the Hickory Lions Club, various foreign language clubs, and also volunteers with Habitat for Humanity and Cooperative Christian Ministry.

Shuford has consistently supported Catawba with his financial resources, establishing a First Family Scholarship at the institution, and through the early 1990s, providing financial backing for Catawba's annual choir tour. In 2001, Catawba honored him with its Distinguished Alumnus Award during homecoming festivities.

He is married to wife Joanne and is the father of two sons.



## Dr. Robert E. Knott and wife Brenda S. Knott

Dr. Knott worked for Catawba twice, once serving as Provost of the College between 1982 and 1989, and from



2002-08, serving as the institution's President. Under his leadership, Catawba successfully and unconditionally completed its reaffirmation of accreditation process with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in 2006.

During Knott's tenure as president, the College embarked on a campaign to grow its endowment and successfully completed this effort a full year ahead of schedule, surpassing the campaign's \$35 million goal. The institution's student body was transformed under

his leadership, with incoming students arriving with stronger SAT scores and higher grade point averages. The college's retention rate for freshmen to sophomore students has also substantially increased, now standing at 72 percent.

While the student body has changed, so has the face of the campus. Under Knott, Catawba embarked on and completed an ambitious campus facilities effort. It included the construction of five new residence halls comprising Abernethy Village; renovations to Hoke Hall to house the college's information technology center; renovations to the Corriher-Linn-Black Library; creation of the William F. Palmer Archives; and renovations and an addition to the Cannon Student Center. The College has also made great strides in updating its information technology infrastructure on campus with wireless connectivity now available in all residence halls on campus and in the majority of other buildings.

Mrs. Knott, Smith said, has been a helpmate to her husband and a willing and active participant in his vocation. She has done double-duty for most of her married life, as the mother of the Knott's children, as a caregiver to their family, and as a college first lady and hostess. Smith called her a "loyal and patient partner" for Catawba's leader.

Smith described Mrs. Knott as a woman of "quiet strength, a patient outlook, and always a warm countenance and a ready smile." He noted her love of literature and the role she has played as hostess of Catawba's annual Brady Author's Symposium.

The Knotts are parents of two adult children and have three grandchildren.

## Other Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. Award Recipients

Hampton and Williamson are respectively the twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth recipients of the Shuford Award. Other recipients and the year in which they received the award include Dr. Theodore P. Leonard, 1983; Enoch A. Goodman, 1984; Clifford A. Peeler, 1985; James F. Hurley, 1986; Ralph W. Ketner, 1987; Elizabeth C. Stanback, 1988; Roy E. Leinbach, Jr., 1989; Frances H. Johnson, 1990; Patricia P. Rendleman, 1991; Mariam Cannon Hayes, 1992; Tom E. Smith, 1993; Claude S. Abernethy, Jr., 1994; Millard F. Wilson, 1995; Fred J. Stanback, Jr., 1996; Paul E. Fisher, 1997; Daniel E. Kirk, 1998; Mary O. Dearborn, 1999; Wilson L. Smith, 2000; Marion M. Richard, 2001; J. Fred and Bonnie Corriher, 2002; William C. Stanback, 2003; Jacqueline C. Leonard, 2004; Charles Taylor, Jr., 2005; Newton O. Fowler and C.A. "Junie" Michael III, 2006; and Claude B. Hampton, Jr. and James L. Williamson, 2007.

# Four to be inducted in Second Annual Business Hall of Fame at Catawba College

Four outstanding business leaders will be inducted into the Catawba College Business Hall of Fame on Saturday, November 8 in the Peeler Crystal Lounge in the Robertson College-Community Center.

Claude S. Abernethy Jr. of Conover, C. A. "Junie" Michael of Mooresville, the late Clifford A. Peeler of Salisbury, and Tom E. Smith, also of Salisbury, will comprise the second class of business leaders to be honored by the Ralph W. Ketner School of Business, which sponsors the event, along with the school's Business Advisory Board.

A reception, featuring the inductees will begin at 6 p.m., followed by the dinner and awards ceremony at 6:45 p.m. Joey Popp, chair of the Business Advisory Board for the Ketner School of Business, will be the master of ceremonies for the event. Tickets are available by calling Cecilia Stach at 704-637-4405.

Inducted at last year's inaugural event were Ralph W. Ketner, Lynne Scott Safrit, Claude B. Hampton Jr., Thomas S. Carroll, the late Adrian L. Shuford Jr., the late J. W. Abernethy, Jr., and the late Millard F. Wilson.

**Ticket for the Business Hall of Fame are \$45 per person or \$80 per couple. For tickets or more details, contact Cecilia Stach in the Ketner School of Business at 704-637-4223.**

## 2008 INDUCTEES



**Claude S. Abernethy**, a native of Catawba County, is an honors graduate of Davidson College and the Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration. A veteran of the U. S. Army, Abernethy is a retired Vice President of Interstate/Johnson

Lane. He is an active member of Corinth United Church of Christ in Hickory. He has received numerous awards from Catawba, including an Honorary Doctor of Business Administration degree and the Adrian L. Shuford Jr. Award for Distinguished Service. Abernethy has served as a member of the college's Board of Trustees for 48 years.



**C. A. "Junie" Michael**, a native of Lexington, graduated from Catawba College in 1970. He is President/CEO of Parkway Ford and has received the TIME magazine Quality Dealer Award. He has been a trustee at Catawba since 1997 and previously served

as a member of the Board of Visitors. Recently he chaired the successful \$35 million endowment campaign. He has received the Adrian L. Shuford Jr. Award for Distinguished Service to Catawba and Catawba's Distinguished Alumnus Award.



**The late Clifford A. Peeler** served as a trustee and trustee emeritus at Catawba for 62 years. A native of Rowan County, Peeler was a graduate of the University of North Carolina and Columbia University. He served as President, Board

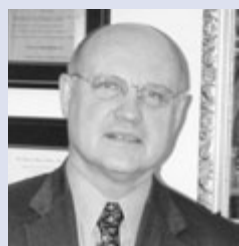
Chairman, and Treasurer of Carolina Beverage Corp. (Cheerwine) for nearly 70 years. Among the honors he received from Catawba were an Honorary Doctorate of Humanities, the Adrian L. Shuford Jr. Award for Distinguished Service, and a Life of Exemplary Service Award. Peeler was a member of the Salisbury Civitan Club for 75 years and also served as mayor of Salisbury.



**Tom E. Smith**, a native of China Grove, graduated from Catawba in 1964. He is the former President/CEO of Food Lion and has just completed 10 years as Chairman of the Catawba College Board of Trustees. He remains a member of the board.

Among the awards Catawba has bestowed upon him are its Distinguished Alumnus Award, an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree, the Adrian L. Shuford Jr. Award for Distinguished Service, and a Life of Exemplary Service Award. Other awards he has received include the Martin Luther King Humanitarian Award, a Bronze and Silver CEO of the Year, the North Carolina Grocer of the Year, and a Civic Commitment Award from the National Council on Aging. He is a former member of the U. S. Army Reserve.

## Catawba College's 20th President honored with establishment of new fund



The Catawba College Board of Trustees has established the Robert E. Knott Endowed Faculty Development Fund to honor Dr. Robert E. Knott, who retired May 31 after six years

as Catawba's 20th president. Information about the new fund, which will support faculty and curriculum development at the College, was presented to Dr. Knott at the Board's annual Trustees Retreat in Blowing Rock on May 16.

While making the presentation, Board of Trustees Chairman Tom Smith told Dr. Knott that the fund will help assure that the focus Dr. Knott placed on academics at Catawba College during his tenure as president will remain in place.

Throughout his academic career of over 40 years, Dr. Knott has been actively engaged in designing innovative curricula and in general education reform. He has led faculty in the consideration of undergraduate course requirements and the totality of the undergraduate experience. He has recruited faculty ready to reflect on the relationship between course requirements and student growth and maturation, and he has helped organize retreats, workshops, and faculty development programs devoted to examining important teaching and learning strategies.

Fittingly, the Robert E. Knott Faculty Development Fund will provide financial support for such activities at Catawba College.

**This fund, which will be administered by the Office of the Provost, will specifically support:**

**Faculty activities such as workshops or colloquia devoted to such topics as**  
**Curriculum design**  
**Assessment of learning**  
**Intellectual development of students and faculty**  
**Collaborative learning**  
**Innovative course designs**  
**Integration of technology in teaching, and**  
**Teaching and learning styles**

# '62 alumnus races against time and development



Catawba College Alumnus Alan Mizeras '62 and his volunteer colleagues in the Native Plant Rescue Group of Henderson County, North Carolina race against time and development. Their goal is to rescue and relocate as many native plants as possible before bulldozers clear various sites in their county.

A newspaper article which appeared December 30, 2007 in the Hendersonville, N.C. "Times-News," showcased Mizeras and his group's efforts. In that article, Mizeras noted that the native plants which originated in the area and were not introduced from somewhere else are "part of our heritage," worthy of preservation.

In 2007, he and the group rescued 3,000 plants, including 97 species, ranging from Bloodroot to Mountain Mint, Rattlesnake Plantain to Dwarf Crested Iris and Catesby's Trillium.

Group members try to find land set to be developed but that has not yet been bulldozed. They talk to the land owner about rescuing plants, even offering a liability waiver to hold the owner harmless if an injury occurs during the rescue. After owner permission is secured, members of the group walk the property, assessing the native plants and then begin rescuing them.

None of these rescued plants are sold, but rather, they are replanted on both private and public lands and nurtured, contributing to the health of an ecosystem. "Once you plant it, you have a vested interest," Mizeras told the "Times-News" reporter in the Dec. 30th article. "It's a commitment."

Some of the native plants Mizeras and his colleagues have rescued have ended up in public places, like the Cane Creek Trail at Fletcher Community Park, the Holmes State Forest and the nature trail at the Bullington Horticultural Learning Center. Most of those rescued plants have been relocated to private gardens, including Mizeras' four-acre property in Horse Shoe (five miles west of Hendersonville). Mizeras, who majored in Biology at Catawba and is also a Master Gardener, has between 500 and

600 different plants on his property and is committed to maintaining them. He officially retired as a Senior Environmental Auditor for American Electric Power in Columbus, Ohio, in March of 2001, but he claims he is busier now than ever.

Although Mizeras' group has only been around since 2005, its efforts to date have been fruitful, with three organized member rescues completed this spring and more rescue and replanting efforts planned. The summer and winter months, Mizeras noted, are not particularly busy periods for the native plant rescuers. During the summer, not much is "taken due to the need to water and the lower rate of plant survival due to heat stress," he said. "Fall is an excellent time to rescue as plants are going dormant. Many plants remain green and are visible until the first hard frost which often does not come until mid-November or later. It is a particularly good time for trees and shrubs and many native azaleas have been taken in the fall."

In July, some of Mizeras' peers, who are members of the Henderson County Master Gardeners, embarked on a long-term project to re-landscape the 100-year-old Lowndes House, adjacent to North Carolina's state theatre, Flat Rock Play-

house in Henderson County. The project plans include space for rescued native plants to be collected by Mizeras' group. Many of these native plants, including Bloodroot, Galax and Clintonia, will likely come from a tract called the Gosnell Estates. That tract currently lies waiting for an improved housing market which will trigger its development. Until then and with its owner's permission, Mizeras and colleagues will return to the Gosnell Estates site to dig up "Gosnell's botanical treasures" and replant them on safer grounds.

"It is our intention to showcase the natural beauty of the Southern Appalachians by providing as many species as can be accommodated and in abundant numbers as often as possible," Mizeras explained. "This (the Lowndes House re-landscaping plans) is a great example of how these native plants, which would be eventually destroyed, can be arranged to beautify a public property where thousands of citizens can enjoy them each season."

*Editor's Note: This story for CAMPUS was created using excerpts from the Dec. 30, 2007 article printed in Hendersonville, N.C. "Times-News," and e-mail correspondence between Mizeras and me. Friends and classmates may contact Mizeras at [anjmizeras@att.net](mailto:anjmizeras@att.net).*

## Center for Environment at Catawba College receives nearly \$1 million to enhance air quality initiative

**The Center for the Environment at Catawba College will receive nearly \$1 million from the N.C. Department of Transportation to help educate the region and catalyze efforts to improve air quality. The NCDOT has committed to funding 80 percent of the \$1.3 million project. The center must raise the remaining 20 percent.**

"We at Catawba College are most pleased and proud to have received this grant from the North Carolina Department of Transportation," says Dr. Craig Turner, president of Catawba. "Not only does it show the high regard the state has for our Center for the Environment, but it also allows us to make a difference for the people of our region. Dr. John Wear and the staff at the Center for the Environment are excited and anxious to continue their work to improve the air quality in this area."

The center has assumed a leadership role in this effort to reduce ground-level ozone by bringing numerous experts to the campus to talk to government officials, community leaders and concerned citizens about the various approaches to mitigating the pollution, which affects the health of area citizens and the health

of the economy.

The original investors include: F&M Bank, SunTrust Bank, Wachovia Bank, First National Bank, Bank of North Carolina, Power Curbers Inc., County of Rowan, City of Salisbury, Fred & Alice Stanback, the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, the Blanche & Julian Robertson Family Foundation and Catawba College.

Wear notes that the center will seek new sponsors in addition to the original ones for this phase of the initiative. "It is important that we broaden that base and show a high level of commitment throughout this entire community as we proceed with this project," he says. "One of our challenges will be to raise the 20 percent matching funds."

Paul Fisher, chairman of the board and CEO of F&M Bank and newly elected chair of the Catawba College Board of Trustees, says the grant is recognition of the success of the Air Quality Initiative begun five years ago. "F&M was pleased to have joined other banks, companies and foundations in 2003 that had the vision and foresight to understand there were air quality problems and that Catawba, through the Center for the Environment, was in a unique position to make a real

difference in this real problem.

"The grant validates our early thoughts and confirms our early mission," Fisher says. "Now the center is on the front lines in fighting poor air quality, and very well should be. The center earned the right to be there. We are duty bound to follow through."

The new funds will allow the Center for the Environment to bring in experts who can offer various viewpoints on air quality-related topics, which will provide valuable information for those involved in community planning and development. The center will get input from different entities, including government officials and community groups, on potential topics and speakers. It will also expand its Air Quality Initiative to include an educational component designed specifically for the public schools.

Catawba students also stand to benefit from this project because they will have increased opportunities for internships and added exposure to a variety of experts on air quality-related issues.

# THE HISTORY OF CATAWBA'S BLUE MASQUE

By Dr. Hoyt McCachren '54, *Catawba College Professor Emeritus of Theatre Arts*

The Blue Masque opened with a bang on December 7, 1925, with presentation of *The New Poor* to critical acclaim. The *Salisbury Evening Post* wrote, "There was nothing amateurish about the performance of Cosmo Hamilton's three-act farce, *The New Poor*, as presented last evening by the dramatic association of Catawba College, The Blue Masque, under the direction of Mrs. John C. Busby," and added, "each person had been carefully coached by a skilled student of the stage."

Mrs. John Busby, the former Florence Fransioli, studied at Emerson College of Oratory in Boston, acted on Broadway as "Jane Kavanaugh," married John Busby of Salisbury and moved to this small southern town in 1919. Her most significant role on Broadway was Joan of Arc in Bernard Shaw's *Saint Joan*. She was performing in *Welcome Stranger* in 1919 when an actor's strike closed Broadway theatres and she took the occasion to be married.

During her first five years in Salisbury she established her theatrical credentials with readings and discussions of theatre with local book clubs and her participation in the Salisbury Dramatic Association for which she served as president in 1924.

Dr. Raymond Jenkins chaired the English Department at the newly opened Catawba campus. He and President Elmer Hoke approached Florence Busby and engaged her as Director of Dramatics, a position she held until 1948 when she retired and married Lotan Corriher of Landis, North Carolina. John Busby had died unexpectedly of influenza in 1933.

Florence Busby stressed detail of production as a director and emphasized playwriting and staging techniques as a teacher. She presented the College a large loving cup on which the name of the winning student playwright was engraved each year. She and the club were active in the Carolina Dramatic Association where

Blue Masque productions and Catawba students often won top honors at annual competitions in Playmakers Theatre at the University of North Carolina.

Upon her retirement a *Salisbury Post* article stated: "As founder and director of the Blue Masque . . . she has contributed in substantial and memorable manner to the cultural and artistic betterment of the community and to the high standing of the college in forensic and dramatic accomplishments."

Joe Cohron became director of the Blue Masque upon the retirement of Florence Busby. He maintained the high quality of production established by her during his two years at Catawba.

Burnet Hobgood joined the Catawba faculty in 1950, bringing a small ivory turtle mounted on an ebony wood base. "Myrtle" became a Blue Masque icon.

Hobgood built on the solid foundation established by Florence Busby, developed the Department of Drama and Speech and created a full major in Drama.

Hobgood's eleven years at the helm saw many innovative programs, academic accomplishments and experiments in production styles that ranged from the intimacy of *The Glass Menagerie* in arena staging to epic productions of *Showboat* and his adaptation of *The Iliad*. The theatre program reached a zenith in 1957 when the Blue Masque was chosen to represent the United States at the first International Festival of Amateur Theatre in Monte Carlo, Monaco. The production presented was *The Other Side of the Fence*, by student Franklin Leonard. The production proved to be the hit of the festival.

A major factor in the selection of the Blue Masque for this honor was "The Contemporary Series," a program of new play production initiated by Hobgood in 1955. Promising playwrights were brought to campus each year for final rehearsals of a never-produced play. The program was highly regarded in educational theatre circles and inspired other academic theatre programs in the country.

The Contemporary Series was one of several innovative programs initiated by Hobgood. "The Living Anthology," was a listing of the "thirty finest plays of all times" as selected by a jury of well-known drama critics and theatre professionals throughout the country. The idea was that all of the selected plays would be produced eventually by the Blue Masque. (All but five have been.)

"The Broadway Project" was a trip to New York each spring for students to experience the professional theatre.

"The Laboratory Stage" included staged readings, including student written plays, before an audience.

"The Review/Preview Banquet" began in 1954 and has continued to the present time. It offers opportunity to review the accomplishments of the season and to project the program into the following year. Various recognitions and awards are a part of the evening.

Growth led to the addition of a faculty member in 1954 when Arnold Colbath joined Hobgood. He directed *The Other Side of the Fence* and toured to Monte Carlo with the Blue Masque in 1957. It was that fall that Hoyt McCachren joined Hobgood and Colbath as the third member of the drama faculty.

The quality of dramatic activity at Catawba firmly established by Florence Busby and expanded by Burnet Hobgood provided a solid foundation for Catawba's theatre program. The Carolina Dramatic Association recognized Florence Busby Corriher with their Alumni Award in 1962. The citation stated: "The program which you inaugurated at Catawba College in the 1920's was so sound, and the producing organization which you founded there – the Blue Masque – has continued to operate in so vigorous a fashion, that the reputation of both has spread beyond the bounds of the state and nation to become familiar upon the European scene."

Until the Department of Drama was established in the early 1950s, The Blue Masque and Catawba College Theatre were one and the same. During the Hobgood years a separation was

recognized between the academic department and The Blue Masque student organization. Each maintained activities and responsibilities within the total theatre program.

Colbath resigned to pursue the doctorate in 1960 and Hobgood in 1961. Early planning was underway for the erection of a new theatre facility when Hobgood left.

Professor Fred Vacha headed the program during the two years he was on the Catawba faculty and Hoyt McCachren was interim director until Dr. Gerald Honaker took the reins in 1964. During the three years between Hobgood and Honaker, plans were completed, funds raised and a modern facility, the College Community Center, was constructed housing an intimate 250 seat theatre and a larger auditorium seating 1500. From that point to the present the Catawba theatre program has continued to grow in student majors and academic programs, as well as in the number and variety of stage productions.

Honaker was given administrative responsibilities by the college in 1975. From that time to the present the theatre program has continued forward progress under the direction of Hoyt McCachren, James Parker, James Epperson and Woodrow Hood. Success of the program, both academically and in theatre activities, led to the program being recognized nationally and in 2007-2008 was ranked fourth among college and university theatre by the *Princeton Review*. Degrees offered by the department include the BA, BFA and BS, with majors in Theatre Arts, Musical Theatre and Theatre Arts Administration, with minors in Dance, Musical Theatre, Studio Art and Theatre Arts. The program includes eight full-time faculty as well as several adjunct teachers.

**The Blue Masque was born in 1925 and has matured into a theatre program with more than 100 students that presents six or seven major production as well as experimental student works and dance programs each year. Florence Busby gave it birth.**

## The Blue Masque will be 83 years old September 30.

Catawba College had just reopened in Salisbury in 1925 after closing the Newton campus two years earlier. Florence Busby, Teacher of Dramatic Art, called a meeting of "all students interested in forming a dramatics club." That club was formed and named "The Blue Masque" based on Catawba colors of blue and white

# Catawba College to recognize outstanding theatre contributions

By Dr. Jim Epperson, Catawba College Professor Emeritus of Theatre Arts

The Blue Masque Hall of Fame will induct its first class of honorees on the Sunday of Homecoming Weekend, October 19th at 10:30 a.m., in the Peeler Crystal Lounge of the Robertson College-Community Center.



The purpose of the Catawba College Blue Masque Hall of Fame is to recognize and perpetuate the noteworthy theatre tradition of Catawba College by honoring and memorializing individuals who have made outstanding contributions to this tradition. Inductees into the Hall of Fame must have either attended Catawba College as a full time student, been employed at Catawba as a full or part time faculty/staff member, or contributed to the success of the Blue Masque by performing outstanding service as a volunteer. The following individuals are recognized for their meritorious life in theatre.

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### Florence Fransioli Busby Corriher

joined the Catawba faculty in 1925. Shortly thereafter, she founded the Blue Masque drama club, the first club on the new Salisbury campus and directed its first production, *The New*

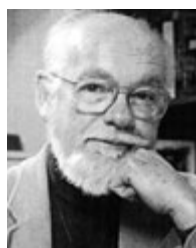
*Poor*. In addition to directing high quality productions and developing Catawba's first academic studies in theatre, Corriher was also very active in the state drama association, serving as its president and directing award-winning productions for its yearly play festival. She died in 1979.



### Cecile Rowe Bost

was Catawba's first theatre arts major, graduating *cum laude* in 1946. After graduation Bost distinguished herself as a pioneer in radio and television, becoming one of the first female newscasters in North Carolina. She served as

president of the North Carolina Chapter of American Women in Radio and Television, was named to the Broadcast Pioneers Library in Washington, and was listed in *Who's Who of American Women*. Bost died in 1991.



### Burnet M. Hobgood

joined the Catawba faculty in 1950. He established the department of drama and speech, developing its first full major in drama. Under his leadership, Catawba theatre gained national attention because of its innovative

programs, which included bringing budding playwrights to campus for premier productions, and international acclaim when it represented the United States at the first International Festival of Amateur Theatre in Monte Carlo. Hobgood died in 2001.



### Hoyt M. McCachren, Jr.

spent 41 theatre seasons at Catawba before retiring from its faculty in 1994. An undergraduate theatre major at Catawba, McCachren also holds an M.A. from the University of Oregon and the Ph.D. from the University

of Georgia. Joining the theatre faculty in 1957, he served as theatre arts department chair from 1974 to 1983, then served as dean of the school of performing arts from 1983 until 1991. McCachren was recognized twice with the Catawba Trustee Award for Outstanding Service, while the North Carolina Theatre Conference presented him with its Distinguished Career Award.



### Robert B. Hill

received his degree in theatre from Catawba in 1961. He later gained the MFA degree in theatre from Southern Methodist University before teaching at the University of Southern Mississippi from 1970

until his retirement in 2000. Accomplished in teaching, technical theatre, acting, and directing, Hill received the Mississippi Theatre Association Award for Career

Contributions to Theatre and had two USM productions selected to be performed at the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival in Washington, D.C.



### James E. Parker

retired from the theatre arts department in 2003 after 33 years of service. Holding the MFA in theatre from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Parker was the department's costume designer for most of his

tenure, while also teaching many of its technical theatre courses. As a director, among others, he mounted 14 Shakespearean productions. He adapted plays, taught performance and literature classes, and acted. Parker was awarded Catawba's Swink Award for Outstanding Classroom Teaching.



### J. Denise Nuzum Perrino,

theatre arts teacher in Fairfax County, Virginia for 30 years, graduated from Catawba's theatre department in 1974. In addition to teaching at two high schools and two middle schools during her career, she has directed

hundreds of productions, and is an area theatre leader and mentor. The recipient of numerous teaching and directing awards, Perrino was most recently chosen to direct a production at the American High School Fringe Festival in Edinburgh, Scotland.



### Scott Holmes

is a 1974 Catawba theatre and music graduate. He has appeared in numerous productions on Broadway and in Broadway touring companies, including *Evita*, *Grease*, *The Robber Bridegroom*,

*Shenandoah*, and *The Rink*. Holmes is best known for his 31-year run as Tom Hughes in the daytime drama, *As The World Turns*, for which he has received best supporting actor and best actor awards and nominations. His nightclub act, *Alone For The First Time*, is another extension of his strong talent.

Attendance at the induction ceremony and brunch is open to the public by reservation only. Tickets may be obtained through Catawba homecoming registration or by contacting Beth Slate in the theatre arts office at 704-637-4440.



# Living the dream

If it has ever happened, it has been quite a while. This spring, after they graduated from Catawba College, three student-athletes, all baseball players, were drafted by three different major league teams.



## Three Alumni, All Student-Athletes, Playing in the Majors

Right now, these young men are living their dream. David Thomas was drafted by the Oakland A's and is playing with the Vancouver Canadians in the A League; Jerry Sands was drafted by the LA Dodgers and is playing with the GCL Dodgers in the Rookie League; and Tim Smith was drafted by the New York Mets and is playing with the GCL Mets in the Rookie League.

Their former coach at Catawba, Jim Gantt, could not be happier for them or prouder of them. "David, Jerry and Tim were three of the hardest working players we've had," he said. "They had team-before-self attitudes, were great students and were even better people. I would trust all three of these guys with anything in my life. They exemplify the Catawba 'family tradition.' I am so proud of them because they deserve to be where they are. They will also be very successful after baseball ends. They're just three great people."

## Career Catawba Stats for Three Draft Picks



### David Thomas

Batted .386 with 344 hits in 892 at bats ...  
Scored 281 runs and had 188 RBI  
Had 67 doubles, 14 triples and 48 home runs  
Stole 91 bases ... had a .481 on-base percentage ...  
Had .996 fielding percentage, making just two errors over his four years

### School Records:

101 hits in a season (2008) ... hits in a career - 344  
Runs in a season (84 in 2006) ... runs in a career - 281  
Tied record for triples in a career - 14  
.996 career fielding percentage

### Career stat rankings at Catawba in addition to records:

#3 career average - .386  
#3 career RBI - 188  
#2 career doubles - 67  
#3 career homers - 48  
#7 slugging percentage - .654  
#5 on-base percentage - .469



### Jerry Sands

Batted .381 with 241 hits in 633 at bats ...  
Scored 201 runs with 205 RBI  
Had .752 slugging percentage and  
.482 on-base percentage ... drew 132 walks  
Had 46 doubles, three triples and 61 home runs ...  
Stole 20 bases

### School Records:

RBI in a season (85 in 2008)  
Tied home runs in a season with 24 in 2008 ... record with 61 career homers  
Walks in a season (56 in 2008) ... walks in a career - 132  
Slugging percentage for career - .752

### Career stat rankings at Catawba in addition to records:

#7 career average - .381  
#8 career hits - 241  
#2 career RBI - 205  
#10 career doubles - 46  
#2 on-base percentage - .482



### Tim Smith

Pitched in 78 games and started 46 ...  
Had a 31-13 record with two saves  
Pitched 326 innings with a 4.39 ERA ...  
Walked 112 and struck out 239

### School Records:

Most wins in a season (13 in 2006) ...  
Wins in a career - 31

### Career stat rankings at Catawba in addition to records:

#3 in innings pitched - 326  
#6 in strikeouts - 239  
#3 in games started - 46  
#3 in games pitched - 78



## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Field Hockey Reunion, **October 4th, 2008**
- Volleyball Reunion, **October 31st and November 1st, 2008**
- Softball Reunion, **April 18th, 2009**

# 2008 CATAWBA COLLEGE FALL OUTLOOKS



## FOOTBALL

**The Catawba Indians were picked third in the pre-season coaches' poll and were 19th in the pre-season AFCA national rankings,** but the Tribe fell to St. Augustine's 14-7 in the season opener. It marked the first season-opening loss since 1995 for Catawba.

On offense, Howard Williamson has taken over the reigns from 2007 SAC Player of the Year and All-America quarterback Brad Roach. The Catawba Indians return a host of players on offense, including two of its three top rushers, two of its top four receivers and five starters on the offensive line. On defense, losses of All-American Ron Ellington, a starting linebacker and two starters in the secondary will hurt, but the Catawba Indians have back one of the deepest lines in NCAA II, along with a pair of linebackers and two starters at defensive back. Catawba also returns all its specialists.

Williamson played well in the opener, completing 14-of-22 passes for 171 yards and a score. The offense was limited to just 235 yards as the ground game could muster a mere 64 yards against a strong St. Augustine's defensive unit. Turnovers also hurt the Tribe, including a ball that bounced off a defender on a punt that set up the winning score by the Falcons early in the fourth quarter.

The Tribe defense held St. Augustine's to only 247 yards and the only scores it allowed came after turnovers in Catawba's own territory. Freshman linebacker Lakeem Perry made an immediate impact with 10 tackles in his debut. Julian Hartsell had three stops for losses and was in on two sacks.

## WOMEN'S SOCCER

**The Catawba Lady Indians have been on the doorstep of the NCAA Regionals the past two years, but have come up short in the league tournament final, including a shootout loss last season.**

The team will be looking to replace five starters, including leading scorer Alex Beshk, who transferred to the University of Kansas. The sophomore scored 15 of the team's 53 goals. The season kicked off with a pre-season training trip to England and Ireland.

The team opened with a win against defending Conference Carolinas Tournament champ Queens and moved to #11 in the country. They became the top-ranked team in the region with that win.

Alexa Baird, a freshman last season, is the top returning scorer with six goals a year ago. Other key offensive returners are Tasha Wilhelm (4 goals, 5 assists) and Lainey Nichols (4 goals, 3 assists). Andrea Dunshie had scored three goals before a late-season injury.

Alyssa Schoenberg will anchor the defense as the senior was an all-region pick last season. In addition to helping the squad to 10 shutouts over 21 matches, she chipped in with four goals and had two assists. Several

goalkeepers will look to take over for Kathleen Blake, who finished her career third all time with a 0.93 goals against average and added 16 shutouts.

## MEN'S SOCCER

Catawba managed just 32 goals in 19 matches last season and half came from departed senior and All-America selection, Ryan Villiard. In fact, **Catawba graduated five of its top six scorers from a year ago, but have several key returners and several newcomers that look to get the program back into regional play.**

Villiard's brother, Chad, is the top returning scorer as he tied for second on the squad last season with three goals. Another returning offensive weapon will be Andrew Landry. The junior had just one goal last year, but tallied seven and added five assists in his freshman campaign in 2006.

Both goalkeepers, Tyler Held and Ross Willard, return. Each shared time over the season with similar numbers. Villiard played about 150 less minutes with a 2.48 goals against average and a shutout. Held had a 2.50 GAA with 49 saves and combined with Held on a shutout. Starting defenders David Bloom, Lucas Thore and Matt Halton, who was injured much of last year, also return.

## VOLLEYBALL

Catawba won 25 matches last season and will return several key weapons, including all-region performer Melissa Powers, who set the school record with 674 kills last year. The ladies will need to overcome the loss of All-South Atlantic Conference setter Andi Henderson and All-SAC libero Nikki Bozick.

**Catawba was picked second in the SAC in the pre-season coaches' poll.**

Powers picked up where she left off last season, registering a school-record 37 kills in the opening match of 2008. She went on to be named the league Player of the Week. The ladies headed out to Alaska for a tournament the first weekend of September.

Joining Powers up front will be fellow senior Melissa Griffith who, like Powers, has recorded over 1,000 kills in her career. Also an all-league selection, Griffith posted 416 kills and 546 digs last season while serving up 40 aces. Junior Mai Zoua Lo is another all-around player like Griffith. She was third on the team with 304 kills and 478 digs and added 36 aces.

Two freshman recruits, who stand over six-feet, will join sophomore Katie Moran to give the ladies some added height in the middle. Powers led the team with 139 blocks and was followed by Jasmine Chunn, who added 89. Tiffany Andrassy saw action last year as the reserve setter and could have a challenge by freshman Megan Courson for playing time. The new NCAA II regional alignment, which takes Catawba out

of competition with the Florida teams, should aid in reaching the post-season.

## FIELD HOCKEY

The program struggled in the early part of the decade with just five wins from 2001 to 2004, but looks to be on the rebound with **13 wins over the past three years, including five last season which marked the best record since 1999.** Of the 19 goals scored a year ago, players who combined for 18 of those are back. The team did graduate four seniors, including a pair of key defenders, Emily Morgan and Katie Faulkner, and goalie Heather Kick.

Senior Susan Hearn will draw lots of attention from opposing defenses. She led the team with six goals and two assists last year and has tallied 29 goals entering her final season. The school mark of 48 is likely out of reach, but Hearn had 15 goals as a freshman and could move past current assistant coach Nan Whitley (39 goals) for third all-time. Hearn scored three goals in the opening two games of 2008.

Fellow senior Nikiah Knox, who doubles as a tennis player at Catawba, was right behind Hearn last season with five goals and two of those proved to be game-winners. Patrese Morris, Dana Dolbow and Jill Archambault each tallied twice in 2007 with freshman Ashley Kratochvil adding a goal and sharing team-high honors with a pair of assists.

## CROSS COUNTRY

**Both the men's and women's programs have finished well enough in the league to run in regional action in recent years and healthy numbers on both sides should have the team in a more competitive situation in 2008. The women may have an edge on a huge improvement with several key recruits and the return of All-SAC runner Maleah Cole.**

Cole has earned All-SAC honors in each of her first two seasons and led the ladies in all seven meets last year. She also ran as an individual at the regional meet. Brittany Parker and Hannah Thomas, who were consistent top five runners on the team last year, also return.

On the men's side, team leader Chris Haney is back. He led the men in all but one race last season, including a 23rd at the SAC meet and a 42nd finish at the regional meet. Donald McKenzie is another runner returning who was also among Catawba's top five each meet.



# Couple's estate gifts designated for establishing new Catawba College scholarship

Gifts from the estates of the late Henry Wilson Tysinger, Jr., and his wife, Helen Bost Tysinger, have been designated for the establishment of a new scholarship at Catawba College, memorializing Mr. Tysinger's late sister, Catherine Victoria Tysinger, a Catawba College alumna of the class of 1937.

**Preference for the Catherine Victoria Tysinger Memorial Scholarship will be given to students from North Carolina who demonstrate financial need.**

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tysinger, Jr. and his sister, Catherine Tysinger, were all natives of Rowan County. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tysinger, Jr. were married at Unity Presbyterian Church and spent the first 20 years of their married lives in Salisbury before moving to Charlotte in 1960. They lived in Charlotte until 2005 when they moved to Winston-Salem to be near their

only son, Henry W. Tysinger III. The couple died one week apart in January of 2007.

Catherine Tysinger, who never married, actively pursued her career in library science. Following her graduation from Catawba, she enrolled at UNC Chapel Hill where she earned a bachelor's degree in library science in 1941. In the early 1940s, she worked at Duke University on the women's campus. She later worked at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Va.; at the University of Alabama in Birmingham; and at the University of Georgia in Athens where she retired. According to her nephew, Henry W. Tysinger III, his aunt died the same month she retired in 1982.

Catherine's brother, Henry Tysinger Jr., was the executor of her estate. He made the decision to create the memorial gift at Catawba in her honor. Catherine was the only one of the three children in the Tysinger family who graduated from college, although both of her brothers, Henry and Murray, received additional education

beyond high school and had successful careers as bookkeeper/accountants. Henry Tysinger Jr. was the secretary/treasurer for the Charlotte-based trucking company, Bruce Johnson Trucking Company, Inc.

Henry Tysinger III described his Aunt Catherine as "quiet and studious" with a love of genealogy. He recalls visiting her at her places of employment and playing in the stacks before "taking your child to work day" was created. Today, he and his wife, Cynthia, make their home in Winston-Salem where he serves as organist and director of music at a Presbyterian church there.

Catawba College Senior Vice President Tom Childress lauded the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tysinger, Jr. for the forethought they had in creating the scholarship fund as a memorial to Catherine Tysinger at her alma mater. Henry Tysinger III said his father maintained the principal from Catherine Tysinger's estate especially for that purpose.

## A dad remembered and deserving students assisted with new scholarship

**The late Daniel H. Elkins, Jr. never attended Catawba College, but his two sons did, both graduating from the institution. Daniel Elkins, however, was a great advocate for the institution. According to son Gary Elkins '75 of Winston-Salem, Daniel Elkins believed Catawba College embodied everything a college should be - a beautiful campus, gracious and friendly people, and graduates who made fine employees.**

Daniel Elkins, originally from Locust Grove, Ga., enjoyed a career which spanned more than 40 years as an executive for McLean Trucking Company. He often visited the Catawba College campus to recruit for his company. "He recruited at Catawba," his son, Gary, explained, "and he was treated well there and he got some good prospects. Through his visits to Catawba, he sort of visualized the institution as the perfect place to go to college.

"He was the tightest person you'd ever meet, but one thing he would spend his money on was education. Because he didn't have a college education, he knew how much it meant."

To pay tribute to his father, Gary established the Daniel H. Elkins, Jr. Memorial Scholarship which will assist deserving students with financial need.

"This scholarship was established to honor Dad and I wanted to do something for Catawba," Gary said. "My brother (Ken Elkins '79 of Temecula, Calif.) and I made a good choice and have pleasant memories of our time at Catawba — we had nothing but good experiences there. If it hadn't been for my dad, we may have ended up somewhere else."

Gary, who serves on Catawba's Board of Visitors, is employed by Amarr Company of Winston-Salem, one of the country's leading manufacturers of garage doors. He worked for 19 years as treasurer and controller of the company; for the last three years, he has been charged with establishing the company's first process improvement department. He is married to his wife of 33 years, Trudy, who runs her own consulting business as a dietician for long-term care facilities. The couple has two children, daughter Stacy Broughman of Bethune, S.C., and son Brendan Elkins of Kernersville, and a grandson Levi, Stacy's son, who is 20 months old.

"I would say that my Dad's philosophy was that actions speak louder than words. It's not what you say but what you do, and he kind of lived that philosophy whether he articulated it or not, Gary recalled. "The adjective I would apply to him more than anything else was 'gentleman,' a southern gentleman. My dad traveled a lot and I didn't get to spend as much time with him

growing up as I would have wanted to but he certainly set a good example. He was careful with what he said, kind to everyone, and a gentle man."

Daniel Elkins died in 1998. He is survived by his wife, Annette Klements Elkins, of Winston-Salem, and his two sons.

Gary noted that his Catawba family connections are extensive. Both of his in-laws, Athaleta Harren Hendrix of Winston-Salem and the late Omer Hendrix, were 1950 Catawba graduates.

Gary, who majored in business at Catawba, said that the late Drs. Bruce Griffith and King West were "two professors I really enjoyed. They really were experts in their respective fields and their classes were always interesting. They both taught you to think, which I believe is really the ultimate objective."

Now, over 30 years after his graduation, returning to Catawba's campus is a pleasure for Gary. "I just love coming to campus and walking around. It still feels very similar to what it did when I was a student. I come into campus from Mocksville on 601, and what you see now is what you saw then. From Innes Street, it looks exactly like it looked 35 years ago, then, when you get back into the interior of campus, there's a new football stadium and new dorms. It's just gorgeous. I would challenge anyone to go anywhere and find a prettier campus. I think all the changes and things that have been done on campus are great."



# New Catawba scholarship is both a nod to one family's history and a leg up for future students



**Frances Bradsher Busby of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., is paying tribute to her family's involvement with Catawba College through a new First Family Scholarship she has established at the institution.**

**The Florence Busby Corriher First Family Scholarship is established in memory of Mrs. Busby's late mother-in-law, the former director of dramatics at Catawba and founder of Catawba's Blue Masque. Preference for this scholarship will be given to students majoring in theatre arts.**

Born in Salisbury, Frances Bradsher Busby attended Catawba as a day student between 1942 and 1944. Although Florence Busby Corriher was a member of the faculty during that time, Mrs. Busby did not study under her. Mrs. Busby says that instead, she filled two other important roles in Florence Busby Corriher's personal life: she married Florence Busby Corriher's middle son, Philip Busby; and she introduced Florence Busby Corriher's third son to the woman he married.

Mrs. Busby describes her late mother-in-law like this: "She was a perfectionist and very strong on that. If the students would come to the plays without their property, she would give them grief. The Catawba performances were so popular that all of Salisbury came to see them.

"She (Florence Busby Corriher) was about five feet tall with a rounded shape, you might say. In order to increase her presence, she took small steps and walked fast. She had two distinctive outfits, one dark brown, and the other black, and she had dark hair and dark eyes and wore her hair on top of her head in ringlets. She was definitely an actress and my husband definitely inherited that from her."

Mrs. Busby recalls that Florence Fransioli Busby Corriher was originally from Memphis, Tenn., where her father ran the Fransioli Hotel there (later the Peabody Hotel) around the turn of the century. Florence Fransioli's mother made sure that she was sent to all sorts of lessons while she was growing up, including acting and voice lessons. When it came time for Florence to go to college, she chose to attend Emerson College of Oratory in Boston, Mass., which was known for its strong theatre arts program.

While at Emerson, Florence Fransioli had two life-changing events occur: her parents died before her graduation in 1916, and she met her future husband, John Busby, who was a student at Harvard Law School. After she graduated, Florence went to work on Broadway and John Busby returned to Salisbury where he opened a law practice. John Busby suspended his law career to serve in the U.S. Army in France during World War I (February 1918 until April 1919).

When he returned from the War, his friendship with Florence Fransioli continued to evolve. He visited

her backstage on Broadway during a performance where she acted under the name of Jane Kavanaugh. When an actors' strike closed theatres in New York, Florence Fransioli and John Busby seized the opportunity and were married in July of 1919. Thereafter, they came to Salisbury and began their married life together.

John Busby resumed work at his law practice, and in 1920 and in 1922, the couple's first two sons, John, Jr. and Philip, were born. Florence Fransioli Busby began work in 1925 in Catawba's fledgling theatre arts program. The couple's third son, Christopher was born in 1929. Then, in 1933 at the age of 39, John Busby died of influenza and pneumonia, leaving Florence a widow with three sons.

Florence Busby continued in her role at Catawba until 1948 when she resigned and married Lotan A. Corriher of Landis, N.C., a prominent textile manufacturer and longtime trustee and benefactor of Catawba College. She died in 1979.

Mrs. Busby says of the Catawba scholarship she established in memory of her mother-in-law: "She was Philip's mother and our families both originated in Salisbury. I felt like the scholarship would offer the most talented theatre students some help and our involvement with Catawba has been mostly in that area. Florence Busby Corriher has already established her reputation there (at Catawba) and one can only enhance it.

"This scholarship speaks to how involved our family was at Catawba with Florence Busby as our founding matriarch, and it speaks to how appreciative and hopeful we are for Catawba's future," Mrs. Busby notes.

Catawba College's Theatre Arts Department continues to be nationally ranked. It was rated fourth in the nation for best college theatre, according to the 2008 edition of The Princeton Review's "Best 366 Colleges" guide which hit bookstands in late August of 2007. Leading Catawba in the Princeton Review's top three rankings for best college theatre were Yale University (Connecticut), first; Wagner College (New York), second; and Emerson College (Mrs. Busby Corriher's alma mater in Massachusetts), third.

After spending two years as a student at Catawba, Mrs. Busby's transferred to Duke University's School of Nursing where she graduated in 1947. Although she is not a Catawba alumna, two of her siblings, both now deceased, were. Mrs. Busby's half-brother, Allen Dobey, graduated in 1930 from Catawba, while her sister, Nancy Bradsher Hamilton, graduated in 1950.

Mrs. Busby has fond memories of her time at Catawba. "I enjoyed my professors at Catawba, especially Dr. Raymond Jenkins," she remembers. "The government actually paid for me to go to nursing school at Duke and when I told Dr. Jenkins that I was transferring there and that I had to take a psychometric exam, he laughed. He thought that was the funniest name for an exam. He was a delight. I did typing for him at Catawba – it was a little part-time job.

"I had Dr. Faust for a religion professor and once I skipped his class to study for an exam in another subject," Mrs. Busby continues. "He found out about it

and told me: 'You're robbing Peter to pay Paul,' and that comment seared my soul."

Mrs. Busby only practiced nursing for a short time after her marriage until her children began arriving and she felt she needed to stay at home and manage things for the family.

Her husband Philip, who like his father graduated from Harvard, enjoyed a long and successful career in shipping until his death in November 2006. One of his first jobs was for McLean Trucking Company in Winston-Salem. As a young, new employee and while a newlywed, he was moved around quite a bit to learn that business.

"Mr. McLean was known for selecting very bright, hungry men to work for him," Mrs. Busby recalls. "Philip served in many positions in that company. One of those positions was to negotiate labor contracts and he was a wonderful negotiator. He inherited many of those qualities that came in handy in his work from his mother."

It was while Philip Busby and his family were living in Atlanta that the company owner, Malcom McLean tapped him for a new venture; he wanted Philip Busby to work for him at a newly acquired company, Waterman Steamship, to develop a containerization program for shipping. That company eventually became Sea Land, and Philip Busby held many positions in it before developing a specialty for containerized shipping in the Caribbean and Central America. In his later years, Philip Busby started two different companies that specialize in containerized shipping in the Caribbean and Central America, Transportation Services Inc. and Carrier Equipment Inc. One of his sons, Byron, runs those companies today.

Today, the Busbys' family history, which spanned 59 years of marriage, continues through their four children, Philip Fransioli Busby Jr. of Apex, N.C., Byron Allen Busby of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Spencer Shuford Busby of San Diego, Calif., and Bonnie Frances Busby also of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; eleven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

**"The Busby and Bradsher families have a long legacy at Catawba College and this new scholarship established in memory of Mrs. Florence Busby Corriher is one way to assure that that legacy is remembered," remarked Tom Childress, Catawba Senior Vice President. "I commend Frances Busby for establishing this new scholarship. It is both a way to pay tribute to her family's past at Catawba and to assist future Catawba students who want to pursue a career in theatre."**

# CAMPUS CLASSNOTES

## 1951

**Joseph "Joe" C. White** of Gainesville, Ga., writes that he would like to hear from students who attended Catawba between 1947 and 1949. He notes he spent his freshman and sophomore years at Catawba before he had to transfer to Lenoir-Rhyne so he could live at home and work. While at Catawba, he notes that he lived in the "barracks" located below the dining hall with 80 other students, mostly World War II veterans. He learned "a lot during those four months – some good, some bad." During his second semester of his freshman year, he lived in Foil House and during his sophomore year (1948-1949), he lived in "the new dorm" (Salisbury-Rowan). Contact him by phone at 770-532-0601 or by e-mail at josephcwhite@bell-shouth.net.

## 1957

**Samuel "Sam" Loraine Cope** and wife **Claire Pinkerton Cope '56** of Brevard, N.C. are both retired and write: "SO BUSY! How did we ever have time to work? Sam is in his 30th year as organist at The Church of The Good Shepherd in Cashiers, N.C., and enjoys singing with The Asheville Choral Society. Claire keeps adding another fabric craft to her list of hobbies."

**Patty Ludwig Jung** reports that her husband, James M. Jung, has retired as a chemistry professor from Campbell University after 46 years of teaching. Jim attended Catawba in 1954-1955, taking classes in the Education Department after completing several years of military service. He earned his undergraduate degree in 1949 from Davidson College and his Ph.D. from UNC Chapel Hill in 1962. The couple has five children, 12 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Contact Patty at dragonfly@charter.net.

## 1950s closeups

### '58 Alumnus Touts Value of "Liberal Arts" with His Lesson of the Nondistributed Middle

As I eagerly await my 50th college reunion this fall, I keep seeing articles in the press and elsewhere questioning the value of liberal arts colleges. These articles often ask whether or not colleges should become "universities." My answer is emphatic and robust. Catawba and likeminded schools should stay with their mission. Let me explain.

This past July, my wife and I were in Ocean City, Maryland enjoying a few days away from work. While there, we spied a young woman wearing a Catawba tee shirt. She turned out to be Paige Barton of the class of 2008. It was a pleasure to meet another enthusiastic Catawba graduate. We talked about our love for the Catawba learning experience. We compared notes about what was taught at Catawba fifty years ago and what is being taught now. We found common ground in our liberal arts education. And, I shared with her a story of how I used that education.

In 1955, I had College Logic taught by Dr. Bruce Wentz. In that course, I learned about logical fallacies. One was called the fallacy of the "Nondistributed Middle." It goes like this:

All men wear pants. Jane wears pants. Therefore, Jane is a man.

During my tenure as a prosecutor in Baltimore City, I had occasion to draw on what I learned in Dr. Wentz's class.

I tried the ringleader of a group of drug dealers who killed five people in what, at the time, was the largest mass murder in Baltimore City. In the course of the trial, a crucial witness testified that the killers tossed guns out of a car window as they were fleeing along a country road north of Baltimore City. Notwithstanding our efforts to recover the guns with the help of National Guard troops and police cadets, we were unable to recover any of the murder weapons. In an effort to discredit our witness, the defense attorney argued that since we did not find the guns, the guns were not disposed of along that road. Hence, our witness was lying and should not be believed at all.

In response to defense counsel's argument, I drew upon the fallacy of the "Nondistributed Middle." I told the jury that the defense attorney was trying to sell them on a faulty way of thinking that students learn about in college logic. The argument he was trying to sell goes like this:

"All defense attorneys are crooks. Mr. Jones is a defense attorney. Therefore, Mr. Jones is a..."

Before I could finish, the entire courtroom erupted in laughter. It took minutes for the judge to restore order after he himself stopped laughing. The jury took less than an hour to convict and the defendant is now serving five consecutive life sentences.

Paige Barton shared with me that she had that same college logic instruction at Catawba in a course called "Critical Thinking." The liberal arts tradition goes on. Go Catawba!

The defense attorney is not really a crook; he just went to a big university.

*Ed Wenck '58*

## 1958

**Marianne Corriher Wilson** and husband **Dave Wilson '59** of Landis, N.C., are retired after teaching many years of school music (K-12) and continue to be active in choir music. The couple recently celebrated their 51<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary. They write that they are living back in N.C. after 42 years in Georgia, mostly in the northeast Georgia mountains. They have two children, six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Friends may contact them at davmarwils@ctc.net.

## 1960s closeups

### 1968 Alumnus Receives Honor

Dr. Charles T. Muse, class of '68, vice president for academic affairs at Florence-Darlington Technical College (FDTC) recently received the prestigious Andrew Heiskell Award for innovation in international education, Honorable Mention for FDTC.

The award was presented at the United Nations in New York. It was established by the Institute of International Education to promote and honor the most outstanding initiatives in international higher education.

FDTC is only one of two U.S. institutions recognized by the New York-based institute and the only two-year college singled out for excellence in internationalizing the campus. Dr. Muse began FDTC's international program more than 15 years ago. Through his leadership, the program has received several grants to include a four-year FISPE grant and a Title VI B grant from the Department of Education. He has been instrumental in developing student and faculty exchange programs in Canada, Mexico, France, England and Germany. His use of an interactive television innovation has also been recognized by the Community College International Development organization. Dr. Muse has traveled in Germany extensively and was awarded a German Administrator Fulbright Scholarship in 2004. He resides with his wife, the former Susan Hutchins, and son Matthew in Florence, S.C.

### "The Studs" Reunite after 40 Years

The original Catawba College band of friends, "The Studs," with members from the Catawba class of 1968 or 1969, reunited for a performance on August 14 in New Smyrna Beach, Fla. The group, whose members include **John Hostetter, Kilbourne "Skip" Henry '68, Jeff Manz '69, Ken Kambis '68 and David "Cockroach" Young '68** played at Peanuts during New Smyrna Beach's first annual Shrimp and Seafood Festival. Their goal for that one evening was to "relive the joy of making music together and make forty years disappear in a song."

During their reunion performance, the band tried to recapture the magic they created in the mid-60s when New Smyrna artist and then Catawba student, John Hostetter, teamed up with his bandmates at Catawba College.

Here's how an official press release about the performance described the band:

"In the '60s, the band was influenced by the heyday of the British invasion bands and the blossoming of young blues artists like Paul Butterfield. They had a rich tapestry of sounds to feed their imaginations and musical talents. They gigged regularly at local haunts with classic names like The Twilight Lounge and The Keg, where college kids and factory workers came together to dance and fight. Performing songs from The Beatles to The Hollies to The Who, plus originals, blues covers, and, of course, the essential Louie Louie, The Studs played a summer at Turk's Rat Hole in Myrtle Beach, S.C., and stole the show while opening for Mitch Ryder in Richmond in '68. And then they went their separate ways.

Lead guitarist, Skip Henry, did a tour in Vietnam before settling in as a C.P.A. Bass player, Jeff Manz, has owned a printing company, done real estate sales, and calls himself a "recovering lawyer." Guitarist, Ken Kambis, is the chairman of the Kinesiology Department at the College of William & Mary. Vocalist, David "Cockroach" Young, has been a healthcare management consultant for over thirty years. Drummer, Robert Hudson, works for an EPA human studies facility as an engineering technician. And after many years as an actor in L.A., John Hostetter, who began his college career at Catawba, settled in New Smyrna Beach to become a painter and start up a new band called The Pirates."

After The Studs' reunion performance, John Hostetter reported that "the evening was a triumph!" In a post-concert e-mail to Catawba Alumni Director Margaret Faust '89 he wrote:

It has been a solid groove to be together with these friends from so long ago. Meeting their families and being reminded of lots of moments from back then, many of which I must admit for me had faded into the ether. Skip Henry even got up and performed three songs with his two sons...the next generation of studs or studlings as we came to call them.

...It was definitely a special time that none of us will soon forget. ...As the Lovin' Spoonful said, "...believe in the magic of rock and roll."



## 1959

**Jerry L. Satterwhite** reports that he retired from the Department of Veterans Affairs in December 2006 after 40 years of service. At the time of retirement, he had been the Chief of Social Work Service at the Birmingham Va. Medical Center for 31 years. In August 2007, he was inducted into the Association of Virginia Social Work Hall of Fame. Friends and classmates may contact Jerry at JSatter141@aol.com.

## 1962

**David Allen McGaha** of The Villages, Fla., writes that 70,000 people reside in The Villages where he and his wife, Yvonne, live. David would like to know if there are other Catawba College alumni living there because he is interested in starting a social group. Contact David at Allen5671@aol.com.

## 1966

**Dave Robbins** has retired as the head basketball coach for Virginia Union University in Richmond, Va., after 30 years of coaching at that institution. He was the first white coach in the historically-black CIAA. He retires with a 713-194 record as VUU head coach and as one of only 26 coaches in NCAA history with 700 or more wins. His teams won national titles in 1980, 1992 and 2005, 13 CIAA tournament titles and five tournament runner-up finishes. He coached five eventual NBA players, including current or former All-Stars Charles Oakley and Ben Wallace. While he has retired as head coach, he is still under contract with VUU and is working as a fundraiser as a senior administrator of the athletic department.

## 1967

**Phillip J. Kirk, Jr.** has been tapped to serve on the LearningStation Board of Directors. LearningStation is a North Carolina-based provider of customized, online solutions for the K-12 classroom.

In June, Phil was also named one of the 2008 Charlotte Impact Education Leaders in the May 2008 issue of Charlotte Business Leader magazine. Others on the list included include Dr. Richard Brownell, retired president of Rowan-Cabarrus Community College; Dr. Pamela Davies, president of Queens University of Charlotte; Dr. Phillip Dubois, chancellor of UNC Charlotte; and Dr. Peter Gorman, superintendent of Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools.

**Turner C. Pigford** writes that he has moved to Beaufort, N.C., and started a second career as a realtor. He may be contacted via e-mail at [tpigford@ec.rr.com](mailto:tpigford@ec.rr.com).

## 1968

**Sandra Lee Epperson** is employed as artistic director at Sandhills Theatre Co., in Southern Pines, N.C.

**Robert "Bob" W. Weidner** of Supply, N.C., writes that he is now "a 'semi-retired' beach bum (still searching for my Margaritaville) and living just outside of Holden Beach - which I try to get to every day. I've been working as a headshot photographer in the film industry, artist, theatrical lighting designer, college teacher, and third assistant to the fourth vice-coolie. I would love to hear from old friends, classmates, and former students." Contact Bob at [rweidner@atmc.net](mailto:rweidner@atmc.net) or by phone at 910-538-6817.

## 1971

**Tom Atkins** reports that he and wife **Bonnie Finlaw Atkins '72** of Scotch Plains, N.J., are grandparents again. Grandson Mason Gregory Atkins was born July 14, weighing 8 lbs., 4 oz., and measuring 20 inches long. Mason joins his big sister, Riley, who is two years old.

**Bill Eylar** of Thurmont, Md., and his former Catawba College roommate **Jamie Neikirk '72** of Williamsport, Md., still share stories of the good old days at Catawba, but nowadays they are also sharing stories of clients, closets and competitors. The two are working together in the business that Bill owns, Space Crafters, a space saving design firm. In fact in 2006, Jamie sold his Hagerstown, Md., business which specialized in blinds, shades and shutters to Space Crafters which now offers one-stop shopping for window treatments and organizational products. Jamie now works for Space Crafters, serving as vice president and overseeing a new showroom in Williamsport.

## 1972

**Ron and Susie Brooks Riggs** celebrated their 36th wedding anniversary this year! They were married in Omwake Dearborn Chapel the same weekend they graduated from Catawba in 1972. They now live in Carolina Shores, N.C.

## 1973

**James "Jim" Ellis Newkirk** of Baltimore, Md., retired from the Washington County Public Schools after 33 years. Presently, he is employed as an Education Program Specialist (Title I) at the Maryland State Department of Education. He is father of two adult children, Jeremy Newkirk, 31, and Lesley Newkirk Lightfoot, 28. Friends and classmates may contact him at [newkijam@earthlink.net](mailto:newkijam@earthlink.net).

## 1970s closeups .....

### '79 Alumnus Inducted into Missouri Coaches Hall of Fame

Bob Burchard, Athletic Director and Head Men's Basketball Coach at Columbia College in Columbia, Mo., was inducted into the 2008 Missouri Basketball Coaches Association (MBCA) Hall of Fame on May 30.

Burchard got his start in basketball playing at McLean High School in McLean, Va., then later at Catawba where he was a four-year letter winner. After his 1979 graduation from Catawba, he earned his master's degree in education from East Carolina University.

He began his coaching career at Jameson (Mo.) High School, before moving to Missouri Western College where he served as an assistant coach for seven years. He left Missouri Western for Columbia College where he has spent the past 20 years. Since arriving at Columbia College, Burchard has turned the Columbia Cougar men's basketball program into a perennial powerhouse in the NAIA, earning a combined record of 501-185 in just 20 seasons. He ranks fourth in the state of Missouri for wins.

Under Burchard's direction the Cougars have averaged over 25 victories per season and advanced to the NAIA National Tournament 13 times. He has received Conference Coach of the Year honors five times and the NAIA District Coach of the Year once. He is also heavily involved with USA Basketball, serving as a court coach in 2000 and as the NAIA representative in 2005. He has produced 16 NAIA All-American players and seven NAIA All-America Scholar Athletes at Columbia.

"Bob Burchard gets it. He is a teacher, mentor, coach and AD. In each of those roles, he is student focused," said Columbia College President Dr. Gerald Brouder. "He wins with humility and loses with dignity. Bob is a polished ambassador of Columbia College."

Burchard and his wife Faye, who serves as Dean of Campus Life at Columbia College, have two children, Jennifer and Bret.

### '71 Alumna Named Lady of the Holy Sepulchre

**Dr. Carol L. Houghton '71**, a member of the Diocese of Harrisburg, Pa., was one of four individuals invested into the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem during a ceremony held in September 2007 at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick in New York City. Dr. Houghton, Diocesan Chancellor and Tribunal Judge, was named Lady of the Holy Sepulchre. She also serves as associate professor of Canon Law at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Md.

The Equestrian Order traces its origins to 1099 A.D. when St. Godfrey de Bouillion, a leader of the first Crusade, selected a number of his knights to guard the Tomb of Christ, which was newly liberated from the Turks who had murdered pilgrims in the region. This new chivalric Order was recognized in 1113 by Pope Pascal II. Through the centuries, the mission of the order was preserved. The current constitution of the Equestrian order sets forth the reasons for its existence: "The Order relieves in a modern manner the spirit and ideal of the Crusades, with the arms of faith, of the apostolate, and of Christian charity." The Knights and Ladies of the Order are recognized by the use of the red Jerusalem cross - taken from the shield of St. Godfrey - as their unmistakable emblem.

## 1974

**David Barlow** of Landis, N.C. recently received the N.C.'s highest civilian honor, the Order of the Long Leaf Pine. David, who serves as captain of the Landis Fire Department where he has been active for 16 years, retired this past spring from teaching at Mooresville (N.C.) High School. He served as a teacher in Mooresville and Rowan County Schools for more than 30 years.

**Deborah Vines** reports that her musical comedy, "Love! That 4-Letter Word," was showcased off-Broadway in New York City in early June. To learn more about the show and Deborah, visit the show site at [www.lovethat4letterword.com](http://www.lovethat4letterword.com).

**Donnie Woolard** of Washington, N.C., has retired from the Beaufort County Health Department after 34 years as a health department inspector.

## 1976

**James C. Greene** of Cleveland, N.C., has been appointed by the Rowan County Board of Commissioners as a member of the Salisbury-Rowan Economic Development Commission. Jim owns and operates Greene Insurance Agency.

**Bob Rathbun** of Dunwoody, Ga., recently completed his 12<sup>th</sup> season as the play-by-play television voice for the Atlanta Hawks. He called the games on the Hawks' FSN South/SportSouth package. Last year, Bob also earned his fifth Southeastern Regional Emmy from the National Associations of Television Arts and Sciences for his work on the Atlanta Braves games.

## 1978

**Patrick McCrory** of Charlotte, a Catawba College trustee and a seven-term mayor of the city of Charlotte, is the Republican candidate for Governor of North Carolina. He faces Democratic challenger Beverly Perdue, the current N.C. Lieutenant Governor, in November.

**Scott L. Alexander** reports that he has moved to Myrtle Beach, S.C. and is living two blocks from the beach. He has also written his fourth book, "TJ the Wonderkid." His other books include "Take Me to the Rock," "My Dog Named Whatever," and "Snapshots: Chronicles of an Educator." He has also "come out of retirement" to work as a teaching associate (teaching undergraduates Early Literacy and Emergent Literacy) at Spandoni College of Education at Coastal Carolina University in Conway, S.C. He and wife Kimberly have two children, Garrett, 22, and Leslie, 8, and they invite friends to call on them at the beach. Visit Scott's website at [www.alexandereducational.com](http://www.alexandereducational.com) or contact him at [sjsimplicity@yahoo.com](mailto:sjsimplicity@yahoo.com).

## 1980s closeup .....

### Alumnus and Spouse Use Non-Profit Organization to Help Special Population

A Catawba College alumnus and his wife are devoting their professional energies to a community-based, non-profit organization, Life Enrichment Network (LEN). LEN has a goal of providing programs and opportunities in education, athletics and human services to mentally ill and developmentally disabled individuals in Mecklenburg and surrounding counties. Alumnus Richard T. Hill '89 and wife Roslyn C.W. Hill of Charlotte, have served this special population through Hilltop Comprehensive Care for more than 10 years and are now involved in starting up this non-profit organization. LEN kicks off its inaugural capital campaign and fundraising efforts with a goal of \$25,000 to support 2008-2009 academic and summer camp activities. Friends and classmates may contact the couple at [rthill@hilltopcare.com](mailto:rthill@hilltopcare.com).

## 1983

**Thomas Donald Lovette II** of Leland, N.C., recently earned the degree Doctor of Ministry from Luther Rice University in Atlanta, Ga. He and wife Bonita are parents of four children, Thomas, Quentin, Andrew and Cara. Friends may contact him at [dlov204591@aol.com](mailto:dlov204591@aol.com).

## 1984

**Bryan Jordan** is the new president and CEO of First Horizon Bank in Tennessee. He joined the bank as CFO in May of 2007 and had previously worked as CFO at the Birmingham-based Regions Financial, at Wachovia Corp. and KPMG. He is a member of Catawba's Board of Trustees.

## 1985

**Cecile "Petal" Strudwick Green** of Kingston, Jamaica writes that she is presently the Assistant Director of the Edna Manley College School of Music in Kingston which will begin offering bachelor degrees in both Performance and Education this school year. She is also the Head of the Music Education Department, is managing and producing shows, writing children's stories, and most of all being a single mom of two gorgeous teens, Nicola, 17, and Christopher, 14. She notes that she looks forward to returning to the States in a few years - maybe NC???? Contact her at [petiana26@hotmail.com](mailto:petiana26@hotmail.com).

**Joseph A. Giunta** of Oviedo, Fla., writes that he was recently promoted to GS15 in Federal Services for the Department of the U.S. Army and that his daughter just completed her first year of college at the University of Central Florida.

## 1986

**Jennifer Eyre Smith Dunnington** and husband Travis of West Palm Beach, Fla., welcomed daughter Reese Dombrauckas on March 20, 2008. Reese joins older sisters, Adriana Amelia, 15, and Leah Eyre, 12. Contact Jennifer at [jenotype@yahoo.com](mailto:jenotype@yahoo.com).

**Anne "Vera" Kosuda** of Goldsboro, N.C., writes that she is beginning her third year as assistant principal of Rosewood Elementary in Wayne County. Her daughter, Kelli, 19, is a sophomore in college and Kaitlyn, 16, is a junior in high school. Her husband, Joey, she notes, enjoys being a Goldsboro police officer after his retirement from the U.S. Coast Guard. She would love to hear from Cat-U friends by e-mail at [akosuda@nc.rr.com](mailto:akosuda@nc.rr.com) or on Facebook.

# OOPS!

## CORRECTIONS

The winter '07-08 edition of CAMPUS misidentified the class year for Jonathan Padget '93 and omitted the fact that he wrote the book, as well as the music and lyrics, for "The Blue Lagoon: A Musical."

**Denise Laughlin Stewart** is not long lost after all, but instead happily living in Charlottesville, Virginia with her husband, Lance, and their 14 year-old son, Ronald, whom they were delighted to adopt two years ago. In 2002, Denise earned her MFA in Playwriting from the University of Virginia. She's currently working on a one-woman show while staying active in the local theatre community, most recently with the Voice Project, performing the work of inmates of the Fluvanna Correctional Center. After losing 60 pounds, Denise has gone to work as an ambassador and leader for Weight Watchers, International and she would like to challenge any interested classmates to a crunch contest at this year's Homecoming. Those who would like to chat about the old and the new can e-mail her at [denisestewart73@aol.com](mailto:denisestewart73@aol.com).

**Cheryl Stotsenburg St. Germain** launched her new company, Blue Skys Concierge, in June 2008. Blue Skys Concierge, on the web at [www.blueskysconcierge.webs.com](http://www.blueskysconcierge.webs.com), is a lifestyle management company that helps people save time, reduce stress and increase their flexibility. It provides grocery shopping, running errands, wait services, event planning and much more, and serves Southern Ocean County, N.J. Cheryl would love to hear from classmates at (609) 661-4559 or by e-mail at [princess08050@hotmail.com](mailto:princess08050@hotmail.com)

**Heather Anne Wilson** of Memphis, Tenn., reports that she is a MFA Directing Candidate at the University of Memphis in Memphis, Tenn. Friends may contact her at [Herwil@gmail.com](mailto:Herwil@gmail.com).

## 1996

**Meredith Knowles Abramson** of Salisbury, an English teacher at East Rowan High School, has started a new business with a fellow teacher and friend, Emily Brinskelle. The business, Whimziggy Style, creates original artwork for nurseries and children's room. Meredith, who earned her M.Ed. in 2004 from Catawba, is married to husband Andy and the couple has two daughters, Macy and Miles.

**Kirstin S. Black** wants to let her friends at Cat-U know that she is engaged to Michael Garofalo of Virginia Beach, Va. A November 15, 2008 wedding in Virginia Beach is planned. She would love to hear from old friends at [kirstin.black@gmail.com](mailto:kirstin.black@gmail.com).

Marine Corps Maj. **Ian C. Brinkley** recently completed Expeditionary Strike Group Integration Training while assigned to the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) home-based at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, N.C. This pre-deployment training was the first time the 26th MEU was able to load their equipment and personnel aboard the ships that make up the Iwo Jima Expeditionary Strike Group (ESG). Brinkley and more than 2,200 Marines and Sailors from the MEU practiced and refined their rapid response planning process, planned and conducted multiple raids, and practiced beachhead onload and offload procedures. The MEU also adjusted to conducting operations aboard the ships of the ESG. MEUs are built around a reinforced infantry battalion, a combat service support element, a reinforced helicopter squadron and a command element.

With its complement of fully integrated air and ground forces, Brinkley's unit is ready to conduct real-world operations including amphibious, helicopter and boat raids, tactical recovery of aircraft and personnel, noncombatant evacuation operations and humanitarian assistance operations.

**Jason B. Duke** is working for Cirque du Soleil's production of "Love" at the Mirage Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. Friends may contact him at [Jason.duke@cirquedusoleil.com](mailto:Jason.duke@cirquedusoleil.com).

**Elizabeth "Liz" K. Magiera** of Crownsville, Md., writes that she earned her master's degree in education with a certificate of school administration from Goucher College in Towson, Md. She is employed as a mentor teacher with Anne Arundel County Public Schools. Friends may contact Liz at [lmagiera@hotmail.com](mailto:lmagiera@hotmail.com).

**Steven B. Ryan** has joined the law firm of Halloran & Sage LLP, a full service law firm founded in 1935 with offices in Hartford, Middletown, and Westport, Conn., and a branch in Washington, D.C. Steve is a member of the Insurance Law practice group. He focuses his practice on insurance coverage litigation and has experience in first-party and-third party personal and commercial policy coverage disputes. He earned his law degree from New England School of Law.

**Timothy Carl Shore** and wife Kim of Advance, N.C., announce the birth of their second son, Tyler Cason Shore, born April 15, 2008, weighing 6 lbs. and 5 oz., and measuring 20 inches long. He joins big brother, Jackson, age 2, who is enjoying his younger sibling. Friends are asked to e-mail the couple at [timshore@adelphia.net](mailto:timshore@adelphia.net).

## 1997

**Erin Dancy Eveson** and husband Todd Eveson would like to announce the arrival of their twins, Claire Aileen and Colleen Elisabeth, born on April 6, 2008. Erin was also recently named a partner with the law firm, Hedrick Gardner Kincheloe & Garafalo, in the Raleigh office. She would love to hear from friends and can be reached at [erineveson@yahoo.com](mailto:erineveson@yahoo.com).

**Dawn Geverd** and husband Guthrie Maier of Pitman, N.J., write that they expected their first child in August. Contact Dawn at [dageverd@aol.com](mailto:dageverd@aol.com).

**Luke and Kirstin Puccinelli** of Richmond, Va., report the birth of their fourth child, son Ralph Charles Puccinelli, on April 18. Ralph is named after the couple's fathers. He joins siblings, Andrew, 7, Kaitlin, 5, and Luca, 2. The family reports all are doing great.

## 1998

**Amy Douglas Gay** and husband Paul of Bell City, La., announce that a son, Michael Theodore, has joined the family. He was born May 8 and is welcomed by his sisters, Gabrielle, 6 and Katherine, 3. Amy writes: "If anyone out there remembers us, feel free to e-mail at [squeegeat@aol.com](mailto:squeegeat@aol.com)!"

**Trent Newell** and wife Ruth of Mooresville announce the birth of their third child, Daniel Knox Newell, on April 4. Daniel joins siblings, Trenton and Emma.

**Garry Lee Posey** is producing director for The Chattanooga State Repertory Theatre and the producing artistic director for his own theatre company, the Ensemble Theatre of Chattanooga, Tenn. He was recently awarded an ArtsMove grant to purchase a house in downtown Chattanooga. Friends may contact him at [garryposey@yahoo.com](mailto:garryposey@yahoo.com).

## 1999

**Kristen Carter Barber** and husband Dennis S. Barber of Salisbury welcomed a son, Evan Scott Barber, to their family on June 11, 2007. Evan joins sister Corbin Paige Barber, age 3.

## 1987

**C. Keith Bridges** is working as a playwright/director for the Charter Theatre Company in Washington, D.C.

**Patrick "Pat" A. Orndorff** of Houston, Texas, has been named the new technical director for the Alley Theatre in Houston. He writes that he would love to hear from friends, especially those in the Houston area. E-mail him at [patordorff@mac.com](mailto:patordorff@mac.com)

**Greg Shell** is happy to report "The image of the little boy on the cover of the Homecoming Brochure is our son Gabe. Come meet the next generation of Catawba grads at homecoming 2008. We missed you at our 20th reunion...." Homecoming Weekend is set for October 17 - 19th!

## 1990s closeup

### 1995 Alumnus Named North Carolina Athletic Trainer of the Year

Dean Proctor '95, ATC-LAT, has been named the North Carolina Athletic Trainer of the Year in Clinical/Industrial for 2008. The award was made by the North Carolina Athletic Trainers Association and presented to Proctor by Robert Casmus, MS ATC-LAT, and head athletic trainer for Catawba College.

Proctor, who has worked in RoMedical's Orthopaedic division for nine years, works with all seven local high school athletic training programs in the Salisbury area. He graduated from Catawba College with a bachelor's degree in sports medicine. He began his career in physical therapy before moving into the orthopaedics division at RoMedical where he assists in surgeries at Rowan Regional Medical Center. Proctor also directs a free Saturday morning sport injury clinic each fall. He is dedicated to providing the Salisbury area with quality care.

Proctor and wife Alisha live in the Salisbury area with their 8-year-old daughter, Keely.

## 1990

**Elaine C. Howle** of China Grove, N.C. is employed as a Rowan County Veterans Service Officer. She writes that "the office of the Rowan County Veterans Service Officer will be moving from the County Administration Building on West Innes Street to the Ruffy-Holmes Senior Center on Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue in late August. My goal is to assist veterans in obtaining all benefits to which they are legally entitled. If you are a veteran or your parents are veterans, please give me a call at 704-216-8138."

## 1991

**Ashton Byrum** is currently finishing his first year of graduate school. He is pursuing an MFA in Directing from the University of Cincinnati's College-Conservatory of Music (CCM). This May, he directed and Choreographed "Godspell" at CCM and "Giving Up Later" at the Cincinnati Fringe Festival. This summer he was assistant director of "The Producers" at Ogunquit Playhouse in Maine.

**Sarah Elizabeth Mitchum Hollingsworth** and husband Dwight of Matthews, N.C., announce the birth of twin daughters, Victoria Anne and Elizabeth Greer Hollingsworth, born November 28, 2007. Sarah writes that the family is doing well and notes that she would like to hear from classmates at [raynebeaux@carolina.rr.com](mailto:raynebeaux@carolina.rr.com).

## 1992

**Trevor John Allen** of Johns Island, S.C., invites folks to visit him at his new restaurant, Ladles Soups, at Freshfield's Village on Kiawah Island, S.C. He would love to hear from friends and classmates who may contact him at [cheftrev@comcast.net](mailto:cheftrev@comcast.net).

## 1993

**Margaret Elizabeth Cleaves Brott** says, "Kia Ora, Catawba!" and reports that she is now a New Zealand citizen after living there since 2001. She married Jason Brott in 2002 and the couple welcomed their first child, Isabella Trinity Brott, in September 2007. She would love to hear from old classmates and if anyone is venturing "down under," she asks that they let her know. Margaret works in television productions for Magpie TV. Friends may contact her at [magpietv@hotmail.com](mailto:magpietv@hotmail.com).

## 1994

**Carey Codd** married Meredith Jones at the Edson Keith Mansion in Sarasota, Fla., on April 5, 2008. **Ethan Herb '95** served as a groomsman. Carey and Meredith live in South Florida, where Carey works as a reporter for WFOR, a CBS-owned television station.

**Dennis Alan Weddington** of China Grove, N.C., writes that he would love to hear from all of his old Cat-U friends. He can be contacted at the home phone 704-857-4160 or e-mail at [Dkw4195@aol.com](mailto:Dkw4195@aol.com).

## 1995

**Mary Christine Grantham** is employed as box office manager at UNC Wilmington in Wilmington, N.C.

**Breon & Alison Horner Klopp** are thrilled to announce the birth of their first child, son Garrett John Klopp, on February 14, 2008. He will be a freshman at Catawba in 2026! Alison would love to hear from classmates at [alison.klopp@jostens.com](mailto:alison.klopp@jostens.com)

**Christina "Chrissy" Greene Cooke** writes that she and husband James are still living in Japan and loving the life over there. Their son, Morgan, was born in September 2007. She would love to hear from friends at [gso\\_moose@yahoo.com](mailto:gso_moose@yahoo.com).

**Etienne de la Riva** writes that he and wife Tami are "living in San Diego, Calif., and lovin' it. Hope all my Catawba friends are doing well." E-mail him at [etienne\\_de\\_la\\_riva@hotmail.com](mailto:etienne_de_la_riva@hotmail.com).

**2000**  
**Laurie Reynolds Bowles** and husband Jamie would like to announce the addition of another daughter, Rylee Claire Bowles, born May 7, 2008. She joins 2 1/2 year old Cameron in the family.

**Dr. Jonathan Slaughter** of Cincinnati, Ohio, married Dr. Laurel Malinowski on Sunday, August 24. The two met in Cincinnati where Jonathan is a second year Neonatology Fellow and Laurel is a fifth year Child Neurology Resident at Cincinnati Children's Hospital. They would love to hear from friends. Their new address is 3526 Larkspur Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45208 and their phone is 513-871-2565 or e-mail the couple at [Jonathan.Slaughter@cchmc.org](mailto:Jonathan.Slaughter@cchmc.org).

**Holly Weir** and husband **Michael Weir '99** of Advance, N.C., write to announce the arrival of Bentley's little brother, Parker Stewart Weir, born January 29, 2008.

**2001**  
**Shelley Campen Brown** of Durham, N.C. reports that she and husband, Jeff, recently celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary at the end of May. They also celebrated two birthdays of their children, Brenden Campen, 10, and Autumn Brown, 4. Shelley, a certified paralegal with Constantinou Law Group, P.A., writes that she has been accepted to North Carolina Central School of Law's evening program and plans to start this fall. She misses everyone and asks that friends and classmates "please send me an email!" at [jbsbbc@aol.com](mailto:jbsbbc@aol.com).

**2002**  
**Angela "Angie" Stancar Johnson** and her husband, Adrian, are expecting their first child in September. The couple currently resides in London, England. Angie can be reached at [astancar@hotmail.com](mailto:astancar@hotmail.com).

**Jasika Nicole Pruitt** reports that she has been cast in J.J. Abram's new television show, "Fringe," which debuted on Tuesday, Sept. 9. Jasika plays the role of Astrid Farnsworth. The following link provides more information about the show: <http://fringe-tv.com/>.

**Andrew Ross**, a 2002 alumnus of Catawba College who majored in musical theatre, recently received an award to commemorate RIAA Certified Gold Sales of More than 500,000 Copies of Lava/Atlantic Records Album, Cassette, and C.D. "Beethoven's Last Night." He is currently singing on the West Coast tour of the Trans-Siberian Orchestra and will be performing on the upcoming Trans-Siberian Orchestra Album, "Night Castle." Visit his website at [www.Andrewmross.com](http://www.Andrewmross.com).

**2003**  
**Danielle Thomas Winebarger** and husband, **Ike '02**, of Rural Hall, N.C., announce that they are expecting their first child, due Dec. 25, 2008. Danielle works as a district conservationist with Natural Resources Conservation Service, while Ike works as finance and insurance manager for Liberty Lincoln Mercury. They would love to hear from friends. Contact them at [danielle.winebarger@nc.usda.gov](mailto:danielle.winebarger@nc.usda.gov).

**2004**  
**Danielle Mora** writes that she married **Greg Speidel '05** on April 5, 2008 in Phoenix, Ariz. The couple is living in Charlotte, N.C., and would like to hear from friends at [dmora16@yahoo.com](mailto:dmora16@yahoo.com).

**2005**  
**Emily McGaughy** graduated in May with a Master of Divinity degree from the Pacific School of Religion, a member school of the Graduate Theological Union, in Berkeley Calif. At her May commencement exercises, she was one of three students presented with special awards. She was the co-recipient of the Koinonia Award, given annually to a student(s) who enhances the school's sense of community, actively participates in campus life, and demonstrates academic excellence. This fall, she begins a year-long chaplaincy residency at the Veterans Administration in Palo Alto, Calif., while continuing her social service work at San Francisco Safe House for Women Leaving Prostitution. She is currently in-care with the Southern California Nevada Conference of the the United Church of Christ and plans to be ordained in 2009.

**Tara LaRosa** of Woodstown, N.J., a veteran mixed martial arts (MMA) fighter, has signed an 18-month, four-fight contract with the American Fight League. She is expected to have her first fight this fall during a pay-per-view AFL event. She has a record of 15-1-0 and is regarded as the number one female MMA fighter in the world. She is a nine-time North American Grappling Association champion and in 2007, she made the first ever U.S. Submission Grappling Team and won a gold medal at the World Games.

**Daniel Lynch**, project manager and estimator at Jimmy R. Lynch & Sons, graduated cum laude from Norwich University in Northfield, Vt., in June with a master's degree in civil engineering. He maintained a 4.0 GPA during his schooling at Norwich. He is married to **Andrea "Andie" Overbeck Lynch '06** and the couple makes their home in Lexington, N.C.

**2006**  
**Lindsey A. Burch** of Salisbury writes that she recently earned her N.C. real estate license and welcomes Catawba alumni to contact her for any real estate needs at [lindseyaburch@yahoo.com](mailto:lindseyaburch@yahoo.com).

**Tabitha Solomon Hall** and husband Daniel celebrated their one year wedding anniversary on July 7, 2008 and recently moved to Mocksville, N.C. Friends may contact Tabitha at [tbsolomon06@yahoo.com](mailto:tbsolomon06@yahoo.com).

**Erin C Hyde** of Orlando, Fla., writes that she is working on a doctorate in physical therapy at the University of Florida. Contact Erin at [echyde@ufl.edu](mailto:echyde@ufl.edu).

**Jatana Snider Jernigan** and husband Mike Jernigan of Lexington, N.C., welcome daughter Jordyn Micah Jernigan born Dec. 3, 2007. She joins siblings Carrie, 17, Leanna, 16, Dylan, 7 and Devon, 6.

**Jon Robertson** placed second in the 2008 Arts Council of York County Literary Competition for his poem, "Dating in Haiku." The competition was open to writers in North and South Carolina.

## 2007

**Tiffany Cox** reports that she spent nine months in 2007-2008 completing an acting internship with The Pacific Conservatory of the Performing Arts Center in Santa Maria, Calif. During her internship, she was involved in children's outreach and performing in main stage productions. This summer, she worked in Costa Rica as a summer leader with Rustic Pathways. ([www.rusticpathways.com](http://www.rusticpathways.com)) in a program with high schoolers involved in community service, teaching English, restoring schools and learning leadership skills. Tiffany is now in Milwaukee, Wis., engaged in a year-long acting internship with Milwaukee Repertory Theater, one of the top 10 in the nation. Her main job is to understudy the resident company in several of the 14 plays they are doing this year and to audition for ensemble and supporting roles. In exchange for her work, she earns equity points which will be helpful in earning her own equity card in the future.

**Jessica Pruett-Barnett** is working for Roundabout Theatre Organization in New York, N.Y.

## Just sixty years and a Catawba graduation apart

### Great-Aunt and Great-Niece from Pennsylvania Share "My Catawba"

When Mollie Landers of Williamsport, Pa. graduated from Catawba in May 2008, her maternal great-aunt, Frances Shade Bower, a former student at Catawba, was in the audience. Frances was there, along with 16 other family members, to see Mollie finish her college education at Catawba, a process that she herself never had the opportunity to complete in Salisbury, N.C.

Frances came to Catawba at the urging of her minister, the Rev. William H. "Bill" Siegel '36, then pastor of Trinity Evangelical and Reformed Church (now UCC) in Turbotville, Pa., her hometown. He was a proud alumnus of Catawba as were his two children, Dr. John E. Siegel '62 and Judith '66.

"I came (to Catawba) in '46 and had to go home in '48 - it was all I could afford," Frances recalled the day before Mollie's graduation. "It was 60 years ago this month (May 2008) that I went home to Pennsylvania and never came back." After Frances returned home, she finished her undergraduate degree at Lycoming College in Pa. in 1950. She then worked in industry in Philadelphia before becoming a science teacher.

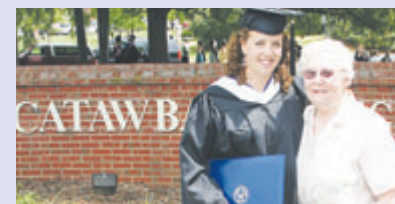
"I didn't realize when I first decided to come to Catawba that Aunt Frances had been there. I learned about that at a family Christmas party," Mollie, who majored in religion and philosophy at Catawba, with a concentration in outdoor ministry, said. "We even discovered that we both had lived on the same floor in (Barger) Zartman Hall."

When Frances arrived at Catawba, so did many veterans, attending college in the mid-40s on the GI Bill. She recalled the shocking differences between cultural mores in the North and the South. "They wouldn't let us sit in the back of the bus down South and we wanted to," she said.

She recalled her roommates in Zartman Hall, Sarah Wise (Randleman, N.C.) and Martha Lefler (Mount Ulla, N.C.), and working in the cafeteria for the late Mary Emma Knox, then College food services director. She remembered the football team's trip in 1946 to the Tangerine Bowl and the hype it caused on campus and in the community. She recollected her classes with Professor George William Greene who taught social science at the College after surviving the Bataan Death March during World War II.

In many ways, Frances' experiences at Catawba mirrored Mollie's, with favorite professors, roommates and fond memories. Mollie, however, her family notes with pride, was the first Catawba student to spend a semester abroad at the National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS) in Patagonia, Chile.

Mollie, who is attending Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C. this fall, is the last of Phil and Gail Landers' five children to graduate from college. Phil joked that he had paid college tuition for 20 years in a row and said that that cycle would conclude with Mollie's graduation.



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# CAMPUS IN MEMORIAM

**1935**  
**Ralph H. Lippincott of Nokomis, Fla., died Jan. 28.**  
He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II and achieved the rank of lieutenant commander. After the war, he was employed at Riegel Paper Company until his retirement. He was predeceased by his wife, Isabelle Fretz Lippincott. Survivors include son Dr. Craig A. Lippincott of Lakeville, Mass., two step-sons, Alan Cook, Jr. and David Cook, and three grandchildren.

**1937**  
**Allie B. Rendleman Carty of Bryn Mawr, Pa., died Aug. 14.**  
A native of Salisbury, she was preceded in death by husband James B. Carty, M.D. Survivors include three children, James B. Carty, Jr., M.D., John R. Carty, Esq., and Sarah Carty Brown, M.D., seven grandchildren and brother William J. Rendleman.

**Estelle Litaker Tilly of Fuquay-Varina died April 17.**  
She taught school for 42 years, primarily in Wake County, sharing her love of literature and her profound knowledge of grammar with many students. She was a member of the Fuquay-Varina United Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by husband A. Lee Tilley. Survivors include several nieces and nephews.

**1938**  
**Elizabeth “Lib” Gidney Webb of Shelby died April 23.**  
A graduate of Appalachian State Teachers College and Catawba College, she held teaching positions in Pittsboro, Hickory, Shelby and the Cleveland County Schools. She was a member of Central United Methodist Church, its Horace Grigg Sunday school class, and a former member of Central Church Choir. She was a charter member of Shelby Junior Woman’s Club and a member of several bridge clubs and Graham School Teacher’s Lunch Club. She was preceded in death by husband J. Cline Webb. Survivors include daughter Mary Elizabeth “Libby” Wilkes of Shelby and grandsons Charles Christopher Wilkes of Greensboro and John Cline Wilkes of Atlanta, Ga.

**1939**  
**Virginia Cowan Knox of Mount Ulla died Oct. 26, 2007.**  
She was a primary school teacher for 41 years and a lifetime member of Back Creek Presbyterian Church, where she was active in Sunday school and the women’s work. She was a charter member of John Knox Chapter DAR and held membership in that organization for over 50 years. Survivors include four sisters and numerous nieces and nephews.

**1940**  
**Richard “Dick” Towne Sutcliffe of Dallas, Texas died May 11.**  
After his graduation from Catawba, he pursued a career in journalism, working as a reporter for the Roanoke Times in Virginia. He served as an editor for the United Lutheran Church of America, and in 1969, he moved to Texas to work in communications for Southern Methodist University and the Dallas Chamber of Commerce. He was one of the creators of the TV show, “Davey and Goliath,” a Christian-themed children’s show about a boy and his talking dog that used stop-action animation. He made the Sunday-morning series, which first aired in 1960, at the request of church leaders hoping to spread a religious message without losing younger viewers with overly complicated concepts. Survivors include his daughter, J.T. Sutcliffe.

**1941**  
**The Rev. Roy Edison Bell, Sr. of Spencer died May 27.**  
After his graduation from Catawba, he earned his Master of Divinity degree from Duke University in 1933. He served his entire life in service to congregations in the Western North Carolina United Methodist Conference. He retired to Spencer where he became a member of Central United Methodist

Church. He continued to preach at various churches throughout the Piedmont until the mid-1990s. He was a Mason and past president of the Lions Club of Spencer.

He was predeceased by his wife of 64 years, Caroline Crowell Bell and son Marvin “Marty” E. Bell. Survivors include sons Roy E. Bell, Jr. of Concord, David C. Bell of Raleigh, and John C. Bell of Tampa, Fla.; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**Madeline Goodson Brown of Durham, formerly of Hickory, died June 26.**  
She was employed as a bookkeeper for Deluxe Printing until her retirement and was a lifelong member of Hickory First Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by husband, Charles F. Brown. Survivors include daughter Lynne Fromme of Chapel Hill, granddaughter Alison Fromme of Chapel Hill, grandson Chris Fromme of Charlotte and a niece and two nephews.

**1942**  
**Anna Bernice Green Gaddy of Wadesboro died April 24.**  
A homemaker, she spent her life raising her five children and helping to raise her grandchildren. Survivors include her husband of 65 years, Clayton C. Gaddy ’42; daughters Kaye Morgan and Jean Maynard, both of Salisbury, and Judith “Judy” Sheetz ’81 of Cornelius; sons Clayton Gaddy, Jr. of Summerville, S.C. and Sim Gaddy of Kernersville; 15 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

**1943**  
**The Rev. Dr. Gordon Holt Sperry of Hickory died April 19.**  
Following his graduation from Catawba, he earned his Master of Divinity degree from Lancaster Theological Seminary. He was ordained in his home church in Meyersdale, Pa., and then served a two-year internship in Christ Reformed Church in Hagerstown, Md. He served as pastor in the following churches: St. John’s Evangelical and Reformed Church in Allentown, Pa., Faith United Church of Christ in Milwaukee, Wis., and Corinth United church of Christ in Hickory. He and his wife lived in Australia for three years, where he was a member of the staff of Wodonga Parish of the United Church. When they returned to the United States, he served as assistant pastor at St. Luke’s United Methodist Church and as interim pastor of Grace Reformed United Church of Christ in Newton.

He served the Hickory community through the Hickory Rotary Club, the Hickory Soup Kitchen and as a member of the Hickory Human Relations Council. Catawba College awarded him an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree in 2004.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 57 years, Marion Pillman Speery, who died April 7, 2008. Survivors include sons David G. Sperry of Lawndale and Douglas B. Sperry ’78 of Hickory, daughter Ann E. Sperry of Conover, sister Audrey Feld of Oakland, Md., and three nephews.

**1944**  
**Louise Lyerly Bostian of Salisbury died June 23.**  
A native of Rowan County, she was a member of First United Church of Christ. She was predeceased by husband Ralph A. Bostian. Survivors include daughters Heidi Bostian of Granite Quarry and Leisa Davenport of Rockwell, granddaughter Amanda Davenport, brother Claude Lyerly of Granite Quarry; and sister-in-law Geneva Kirk.

**1946**  
**Mary Edith Ferree Neely of Mocksville died in 2001.**

**1948**  
**George Owen Weant of Surfside Beach, S.C., died June 30.**  
He was employed by Texaco in Charlotte for 36 years, retiring in 1983 as personnel division manager. He was a member of Durham Memorial Baptist Church in Charlotte and attended First Baptist Church of Surfside Beach.

He was preceded in death by wife Jacquelyn Eaton Weant. Survivors include son Owen Christopher Weant of Stanley, brothers Perry Ernest Weant, Jr. Surfside Beach, S.C., and William Francis Weant ’56 of Salisbury, sister Molly Neal Cooper of Mount Airy, and a granddaughter.

**1949**  
**Sue Klutz Bernhardt of Salisbury died April 11.**  
She taught dancing at local schools in Granite Quarry and Salisbury and also operated a dance school from her home between 1958 and 1995. She was a member of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church and the adult Sunday school class #4. Survivors include her husband of 59 years, Sidney Ray Bernhardt; daughters Suzanne B. Wellman of Stafford, Va., and Raynette B. Edge of Key Largo, Fla.; son Tony Bernhardt of Pfafftown; sister Evelyn Sills of Kannapolis; and five grandchildren.

**Ann Hudson Almond of Salisbury died June 11.**  
She taught biology at West Rowan High School for over 20 years. She was an active member of the First United Methodist Church in Salisbury.

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Review your will annually. Has marital and/or parental status changed?  
Have you moved? Are executors/trustees alive? Has financial status changed?  
Make certain any beneficiaries/heirs are correctly identified and legally named  
*i.e. Catawba College, Salisbury, North Carolina.*



She was preceded in death by husband Jacob Franklin Almond whom she married August 4, 1949. Survivors include son Jacob Franklin Almond Jr. of Kingston, Tenn., daughters Catherine Barrett of Fayetteville, Dr. Cynthia Almond Jones of Salisbury and Carol Almond of Boone, and six grandchildren.

## 1950

### **Margaret Fannie Hartness Kivett of Salisbury died April 29.**

She was retired from teaching in the Iredell County Schools. Survivors include husband Wilkes S. Kivett; daughter Margaret "Peggy" Kivett Godley '77 of Salisbury; and three grandchildren.

## 1952

### **Joseph Spencer Houston of Oakboro died June 22.**

After his graduation from Catawba, he served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and was based in Alaska. He was retired after 30 years of a successful career as a sales manager in the tape and label industry. In retirement, he realized his dream of living on a farm with a menagerie of llamas, horses, goats, cats, chickens, guineas, and his trusty dog, Trixie. He was a collector of antiques and cars.

He was predeceased by his first wife, Betty Jean Hovis. Survivors include his second wife of 23 years, Jane Hebert Houston; daughters Robin Touchberry of Ft. Mill, S.C., Lisa Fry of Manteo, and Alison Campbell of Waxhaw; and seven grandchildren.

### **Col. Arthur F. George of Shalimar, Fla. has died according to a May 2008 notificatioan from his daughter, Sidney Speer.**

## 1953

### **Bobby R. Shaver of Cleveland, Tenn., died Nov. 28, 2007.**

He was the retired owner of Bobby R. Shaver Trucking Co., Inc. He had earned his MBA from the University of Tennessee. Survivors include wife Charlotte and daughter Sherry.

## 1956

### **Harold Dean Hagler of La Quinta, Calif., died May 20, 2007.**

He was employed as an accountant for 30 years. Survivors include his partner of 31 years, Leon "Jim" Wood of La Quinta; sister Betty Weaver of China Grove; and several nieces and nephews.

## 1960

### **Thomas "Tom" Ira Bean of Denton died July 29.**

A veteran of the U.S. Army, he was retired as an administrative manager for Cannon Mills in Kannapolis and Concord. Following his retirement, he owned and operated T&J Fabrics in Thomasville. He was a charter member of Franklin Baptist Church in Salisbury and had also been a member of the Franklin Ellis Lions Club in Salisbury.

Survivors include wife Joann Walker Bean, son Edward "Eddie" Bean of Charlotte, sister Dorothy Eller of Lexington, and grandchildren Bennett Bean and Marlaina Bean.

## 1961

### **Ronald Vaden Ball of Greensboro died June 24.**

He was recruited to Catawba to play quarterback on the football team, but also played basketball and baseball while majoring in business administration. He later earned his master's degree from N.C. A&T State University. After graduation from Catawba, he joined Dan River Mills and served in the National Guard of Virginia. In 1963, he became president of Croft Business College in Greensboro, later leaving that position to teach and coach football at Northwest Guilford High School and at Page High School. In 1977, he partnered with two friends to start Learning Environments, Inc., a company specializing in providing furniture, equipment and athletic seating to school systems in N.C. He retired from that company in December of 2007.

He was an avid traveler, sports fan, and sportsman who loved fishing. He was on a fishing trip with friends in Alaska at the time of his death. He was a longtime supporter of the Catawba athletics program and a member of the Chiefs Club. He actively supported the grassroots effort to raise funds to install lights in Catawba's Shuford Stadium.

Survivors include his wife of nearly 46 years, Darlene Landis Ball '62, a Catawba College trustee; daughter Kristin Landis Ball; son Ronald Vaden Ball, II; and numerous nieces and nephews.

## 1962

### **Barbara F. Rudisill of Clayton died April 1.**

Before retiring from Parkwood Elementary School, she was an elementary school teacher for 43 years and was an active member of Parkwood Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and N.C. Association of Educators (NCAE).

Survivors include husband John H. Rudisill III, son David Rudisill of Garner, and three grandchildren.

## 1965

### **Patricia A. Heidler of Hanover, Pa., formerly of Shawnee, Kansas, died April 29.**

She met and married her husband, the late Kenneth Heidler, in 1963 while a student at Catawba. She earned her degree in English and was employed as an English teacher for 31 years. She was active in the community, serving as past director of the Hanover Area Council of churches' PAL Lunch Ministry, as a volunteer at the Hanover Hospital Auxiliary, the American Red Cross and the American Cancer Society. She was a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Hanover Lodge #763, VFW Auxiliary Hanover Post 2506, AmVets Hanover Post #22, and the Loyal Order of Moose Hanover Lodge #227.

She is survived by her father, Harry P. Hesson of Hanover, son Kyle H. Heidler of Buffalo, Mo., brother Charles Hesson and sister JoAnne Garrett, both of Hanover, and brother-in-law, Lon Heidler '59, of Falls Church, Va.

## 1967

### **Byron Franklin Willard, Jr. of Richmond, Va., died Aug. 14.**

A native of Mt. Airy, N.C., he was retired as president and CEO of Richmond Postal Credit Union. He was active in the credit union industry throughout his career. He served as director and chapter president of the N.C. Credit Union League, and was elected Outstanding Credit Union Person of the Year in 1977. He was a member of Reveille United Methodist Church where he served as an usher for many years.

Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Sara Newpher Willard, sons Franklin Woodrow Willard of Winston-Salem and Christopher Lacy Willard of Raleigh, and five grandchildren.

## former faculty members die .....

### **Dr. Francis Berneil Dedmond**

Dr. Francis Berneil Dedmond of Boone, former chairman of the English Department at Catawba College, died May 17.

A native of Salisbury and an alumnus of Catawba, Dr. Dedmond completed graduate studies at Duke University and Florida State University, and also earned his Ph.D. in American Literature from Florida State. He chaired the English Department at Gardner Webb College prior to joining the faculty at Catawba where he served until his retirement. A distinguished scholar, he published extensively in literary journals with an emphasis on the American Renaissance. He authored several books, including "Catawba, The Story of a College." He was a member of the Thoreau Society.

Survivors include wife Eris Arrowood Dedmond; stepson Alan Thomas Wilson of Monroe; sister Doris Dedmond Latham '50 of Fayetteville; three nieces, two step-grandsons and two step-great-grandsons.

### **Mrs. Sarah Linn Drye**

Sarah Linn Drye of Landis, a former piano instructor at Catawba College, died April 27.

She was a graduate of Salem College in Winston-Salem, Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia and Juilliard School of Music in New York. She taught piano for a number of years at Catawba College, followed by 40 years of private teaching in Landis. She was minister of music for more than 40 years at her home church, the former First United Church of Christ in Landis. She was an accomplished composer and was a member of American Women Composers.

She was predeceased by husband Lane Drye. Survivors include daughter Mary Linn Schnitger of Bussum, The Netherlands, and son John Whitfield Drye of Landis, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

## 1969

### **Donald Weston Leonard, Jr. of Gastonia died April 12.**

He was a regional sales manager for Dealers Supply in Charlotte and was past owner and operator of Weston Construction Company as well as Heat/Cool Specialties. He was a member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church where he was past president of the church council. He was an avid golfer, fisherman and musician, singing in the group, "Trinity." He was a volunteer at Holy Angels in Belmont.

Survivors include his parents, Donald Weston and Lois Beck Leonard, Sr. of Lexington; his wife of 37 years, Lynn S. Leonard '71; children Kristy Edens of Hickory, Billy Leonard of Greenville, and Kelly Goodman of Salisbury; sister Rochelle Leonard Bost '75 of Salisbury; four grandchildren; numerous nieces, a nephew, uncles, aunts and cousins.

## 1977

### **Dr. Paul H. Neill of Oakbrook, Ill., died April 13.**

He earned two bachelor's degrees from Catawba, one in chemistry and one in biology. He went to graduate school at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, earning a Master of Science degree in analytical chemistry. He followed in his father's footsteps to become a chemist. His career took him from working in coal chemistry at Argonne National Laboratory to developing haircare products, including perms and colors, at Unilever. He was one of the lead scientists who developed heat-activated conditioners such as the Therasilk line. Most recently, he worked on developing new products for joint compounds, textures and paints at USG Corp. in Libertyville, Ill.

Survivors include wife Sumaria Mohan-Neill, daughter Indira, son Christopher, and his mother, Jeanne Neill.

## 1983

### **Larry Phillip Campbell of Middlesex died May 19.**

After graduating from Catawba, he served as a cottage counselor at Barium Springs Home for Children. When he married in 1983, he and his wife, Mary Ellen Brown Campbell, became house parents at the Emergency Childcare Home of Iredell County. He served on the Board of Directors of the New Life Crisis Pregnancy Center in Statesville and was a youth pastor of Command Baptist Church. In 1993, he was ordained as a minister, and he and his family moved to Raleigh to become house parents at the Christian Life Home. He was the family life pastor of Faith Baptist Church where he was active in marriage counseling. In 2006, he became pastor of a new church, Renewed Hope Fellowship in Middlesex.

Survivors in addition to his wife include children Elyse Woodruff of Zebulon, Katy Campbell, and Luke Campbell of the home; mother Eula Keaton Campbell of Statesville; sisters Brenda Yates Taylor and Kathy Hester, both of Statesville; a grandchild and numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

## 1985

### **Craig G. Boyce of Salisbury, Md., died March 20.**

He was owner of his own company, Boyce CPA Company, PA. Survivors include wife Joni Boyce and children Ryan and Becca.

## 2002

### **Donovan A. Francis of Palm City, Fla. died April 30.**

A U.S. Air Force veteran of the Gulf War, he played professional soccer with the Charlotte Eagles in Charlotte, N.C., and with the Portuguese National Team in Portugal. He also played in the Palmeiras Soccer Club in Palm City. He was employed as general manager for Florida Exotic Landscaping in Palm City.

He was predeceased by mother Earleen Francis. Survivors include his father, Michael Francis, of Port St. Lucie, Fla.; brother, Michael W. Francis of California; and numerous friends.



# Catawba College selected as one of North Carolina's campuses to offer N.C. Teaching Fellows Program

**Catawba College made application and has been selected to be one of 18 institutions across the State of North Carolina to offer a N.C. Teaching Fellows program within its nationally accredited Teacher Education Department.**

Catawba College will be one of six private institutions in the program while the other 12 institutions are in the public university system. According to N.C. Teaching Fellows Commission Chair John Denning, "The Commission looks forward to seeing Catawba College provide creative and innovative experiences that will expand the traditional horizons for their students."

The first cohort of Catawba's N.C. Teaching Fellows will begin the program with the advent of the 2009-2010 academic year and all who participate in this program will have an obligation to teach in the public schools of North Carolina for four years after graduation. Those North Carolina Teaching Fellows who choose to attend Catawba College will join a program that emphasizes quality preparation of students committed to careers as teaching professionals.

Students in this program may pursue

certifications in fields of study including middle and secondary language arts, history, mathematics, science, music, physical education and elementary education.

The North Carolina Teaching Fellows Program was an ambitious teacher recruitment program enacted by the state general assembly in 1986. Its mission was to recruit talented high school graduates into the teaching profession. It was one of the components in a 10-point teacher recruitment proposal developed by the nonprofit Public School Forum.

Last academic year, 500 N.C. Teaching Fellows scholarships were awarded to students attending institutions offering the program. The average profile of a Teaching Fellow includes an SAT score over 1100, a high school GPA of 4.0 or more on a weighted scale, and a rank in the top 10% of his/her high school graduating class. In keeping with the goal to recruit males and minorities, each year approximately 20% of the program's recipients are minority, while 30% are male.

This program is available only to North Carolina residents who apply and are selected as N.C. Teaching Fellows. Selected students then choose to attend one the 18 institutions which offer the program. For more information on the

N.C. Teaching Fellows program, visit [www.teachingfellows.org](http://www.teachingfellows.org).

### Catawba's N.C. Teaching Fellows will enjoy:

- ✓ A full tuition award including the state tuition grants, financial need assistance, academic scholarships and work study
- ✓ An exciting, supportive learning community of peers, business and community leaders, and faculty
- ✓ Participation in leadership seminars, community service, and scholarly researched presentations
- ✓ Attendance at professional conferences
- ✓ Early field experiences beginning in the freshman year
- ✓ Regional travel opportunities and cultural events each year including Atlanta, Washington, D.C., and New York City
- ✓ Cultural excursion to Mexico
- ✓ Training in the integration of technology to enhance student learning; personal laptop program
- ✓ A wellness program
- ✓ Summer enrichment activities
- ✓ A nationally accredited Teacher Education Program
- ✓ A rich tradition of Teacher Education excellence since 1925
- ✓ A strong history of employment after graduation

- ✓ Stipends for optional international study opportunities, such as a semester at Harlaxton College in England or a summer term in Costa Rica
- ✓ Professional development seminars featuring national speakers
- ✓ Freshman retreats
- ✓ A mentoring program

**Catawba's N.C. Teaching Fellows will become Catawba's second scholarship program to be offered to students interested in pursuing careers in teaching. Catawba's West Scholars program, available to students from inside and outside N.C., was created in 2006 and the first 14 students who received these awards entered the institution in fall of 2007.**

Both scholarship programs are run under the auspices of the Ritchie Academy for Teaching in Catawba's Teacher Education Department and are directed by Dr. Cyndi Osterhus. Dr. Bonita Bloodworth serves as associate director of the Academy which focuses on equipping its participants with 21st Century teaching skills. **For more information on teacher education at Catawba College, including Catawba's N.C. Teaching Fellows, West Scholars or the Ritchie Academy for Teaching, contact Dr. Cyndi Osterhus at [costerhu@catawba.edu](mailto:costerhu@catawba.edu) or at 704-637-4761.**

## One Card, Many Uses – THE CATAWBA ONE CARD

This year, Catawba College students, along with faculty and staff members, are using their Catawba ONE Card. It's their official College picture ID and allows them access to almost everything on campus, but it can also be used like a debit card at some key on-campus locations and at several local merchants.

### Students use their Catawba ONE Card to:

- ✓ Get into their residence hall
- ✓ Pay for textbooks at the College Bookstore
- ✓ Make photocopies in the Corriher-Linn-Black Library

### Students, Faculty and Staff use their Catawba ONE Card to:

- ✓ Pay for meals in Catawba's dining hall or snack bar
- ✓ Check out books from the Corriher-Linn-Black Library
- ✓ Gain admission to athletic and cultural events on campus
- ✓ Make purchases at off-campus merchants participating in the ONE Card program.

Merchants currently include:

### CVS

2104 Statesville Blvd.  
704-636-1616



### Sonic

935 W. Innes St.  
704-216-2076



### Port City Java

1804 W. Innes St.  
704-638-0008



The Catawba ONE Card offers a prepaid, stored-value account feature. To use it, members of the Catawba College community simply deposit money into their account either online [www.catawba.edu/onecard/deposits](http://www.catawba.edu/onecard/deposits), via mail by submitting a deposit slip and check to the College Business Office, or in person at the College Business Office. The card balance will decline with each purchase made and additional deposits can be made at anytime throughout the semester.

With the Catawba ONE Card, there are no credit card interest charges or concerns about piling up debts, and users cannot overdraw their account and face bank penalties. The ONE Card also provides the opportunity to manage a monthly budget. If a Catawba ONE Card is lost or stolen, it is no problem; one can easily suspend activity on a card and quickly obtain a replacement.

The Catawba College Office of Student Affairs, working in conjunction with Computer Services and the College Business Office, administers the Catawba ONE Card program.

**For an updated off-campus merchant list, visit [www.catawba.edu/onecard/merchants](http://www.catawba.edu/onecard/merchants)**