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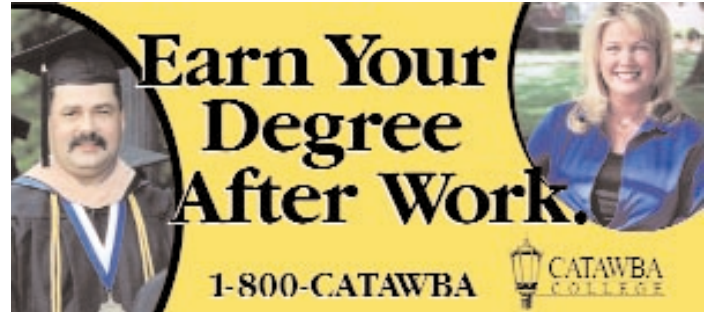
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Catawba Celebrates Capital Campaign Success on the Road with President Knott

In an effort to say "Thanks" to all of the alumni and friends who made Catawba's \$56.5 capital campaign a success, the college's Development Office has hit the road and taken the college's new president, Dr. Robert E. Knott along. Thank You Celebrations have been held or are pending in five North Carolina cities and more are planned later in the school year.

"The celebrations we have held thus far have been very well-attended," says Catawba's Senior Vice President Tom Childress. "Catawba supporters have had a chance to gather, hear our words of appreciation, and meet the college's 20th President. We've found these events a wonderful way to stay in touch with our different constituencies and give them a chance to share in our success."

The celebrations began in early September with a celebration held on campus for Rowan County alumni, supporters and campaign volun-

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Opening Convocation at Catawba

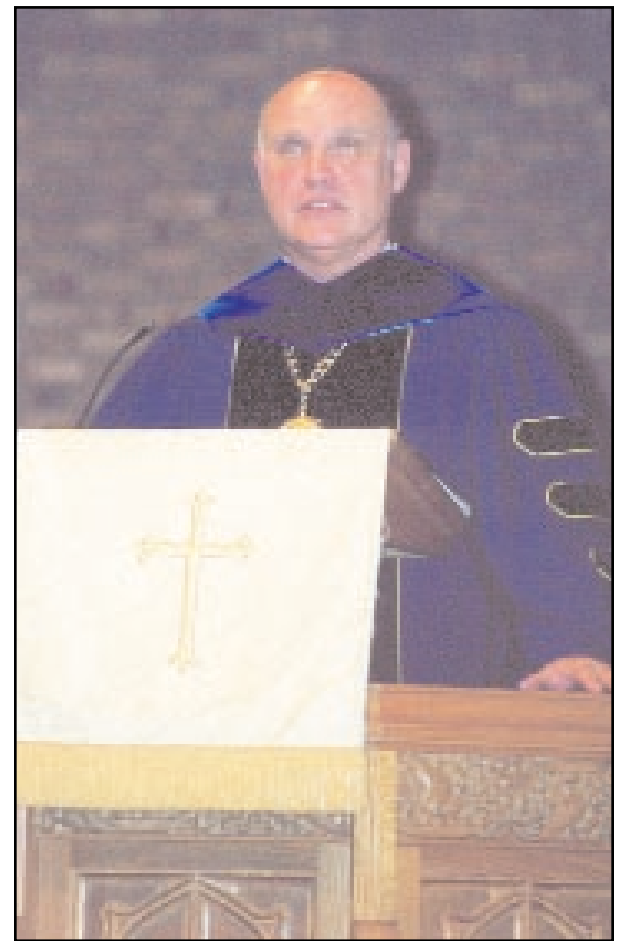
Before an audience of more than 750 students, trustees, faculty and staff members, Catawba College's 20th President Dr. Robert E. Knott officially convened the college for its 152nd academic year on September 5 in the Omwake-Dearborn Chapel on campus. Members of the senior class donned their caps and gowns for the first time and processed with the faculty clad in academic regalia.

In his convocation address, Knott said, "Catawba College is greater than any one of us, or any group of us." He urged those gathered to "reflect on the coming year and to think with me about the nature of the college." He noted that each member of the college community had "chosen to be at this place at this time," but said that without those members supporting a "a common good" there could be no community.

"You have seen articles in the newspaper in recent weeks and each assumes something is wrong at Catawba and asks what we are going to do about it," Knott said. "I suggest that it is not a matter of what is wrong with Catawba College, but rather a matter of our reflecting on what is distinctive about us and honoring it. We have much to offer that others cannot 'match.'"

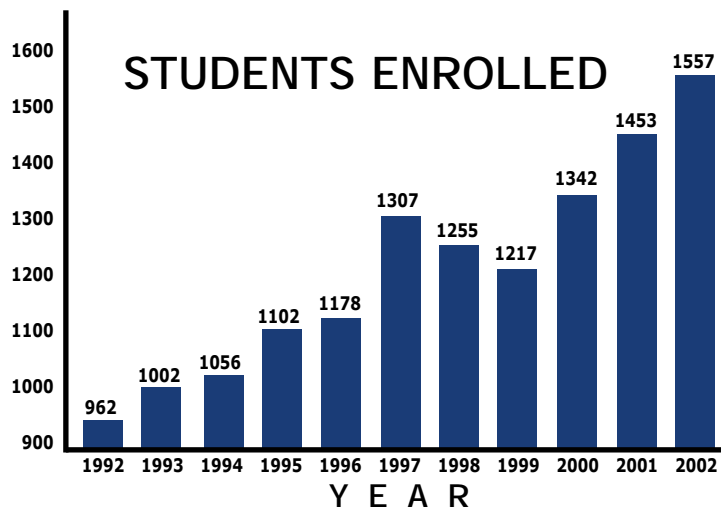
He suggested that the college community "is distinguished by a shared quest for practical wisdom," which he described as "the understanding which gives foresight to our actions and the consequences thereof" and "helps us better ourselves and our world."

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Dr. Knott delivers Convocation Address

Another Year of Record Enrollment



Catawba's total enrollment set a new record again this year, with 1,557 students, more than a seven percent increase over last year's enrollment total of 1,453. And, students from North Carolina continue to make up the majority of that enrollment figure.

"I think the numbers indicate that students continue to make Catawba their first-choice college," Catawba College Chief Enrollment Officer Brian Best said. "And, we are very pleased with the academic profile of this year's freshman class. The S.A.T. average increased by 22 points and the grade point average of the students increased as well."

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Dr. Robert Knott

President's Letter

We have opened the 2002-2003 academic year with another fine enrollment. Our total enrollment is 1557 which compares to 1453 for the fall 2001. The success of our growth in numbers of students now brings to the forefront the questions about adequacy of facilities and parking, and quality of students and programs. These questions will direct our strategic planning process during the fall semester.

We opened the academic year with a call to renew our Spirit of Community and to remember our common good as we plan for our future. At Opening Convocation we recognized faculty and staff for their many years of service to Catawba College. Seventy-three members of the faculty and staff have given 20 or more years of service to Catawba College. Twelve members of the faculty and staff were recognized for 30 or more years of service. These twelve have collectively given Catawba College over 400 years of service.

The strength of Catawba College has always been our people. When our alumni reminisce about their days on the Catawba College campus, foremost in their thoughts are members of the faculty and staff who made a significant difference in the life of the alumnae or alumnus. At the center of the Catawba College community and that which we cherish as a Catawba College education, is the uplifting exchange among people which transforms lives. The common good of the Catawba College community is served whenever and wherever these exchanges occur.

The common good of the Catawba College community and the liberal arts educational tradition from which we come, is the shared quest for practical wisdom. Practical wisdom is understood to be the ability and knowledge to act intentionally with well-formulated goals and with thoughtful foresight of the probable results and consequences of our actions. Our honored educational tradition teaches us that we are responsible for our actions and accountable for the consequences of those actions for ourselves and others. When we remember and honor these distinctive features of our educational tradition, we sustain the best of the Catawba College education.

We, who are on the campus daily, are grateful to the many alumni and friends of the College for your continued participation in the life of Catawba College and your support of our educational work.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Knott
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Trustee & Benefactor Honored

Catawba College Trustee and co-founder and chairman emeritus of Food Lion, Ralph W. Ketner, was honored this spring by being inducted into the new National 4-H Hall of Fame. Ketner was one of the first 100 people so honored by the organization which began in 1902 and this year is celebrating its centennial.

Ketner and his wife Anne became interested in the 4-H program after attending a Rowan County 4-H banquet in the 1980s where the large family of Gary and Brenda Morris picked up numerous 4-H awards. The Ketners' interest led to their involvement with the organization and to their financial support of it. In 1988, the couple made a gift of \$1 million to the national organization, the largest single gift an individual ever gave 4-H. That gift was used to build the Ralph W. Ketner Hall, a building at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Md. It includes an auditorium for educational

programs, office space and residential facilities.

Earlier this summer, Ketner was also recognized by the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners for 11 years of supporting a county employee productivity awards program in the state. Ketner annually makes a \$10,000 contribution to this organization to fund the Ralph W. Ketner County Employee Productivity Awards Program. County employees who have come up with the best cost-saving ideas apply annually to receive one of 10 financial incentive awards.

According to C. Ronald Aycock, executive director of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, the 10 previous awards programs drew a total of 874 productivity improvement applications, representing a total savings to county governments of over \$75 million. Aycock lauded Ketner for his "generosity and commitment to county government."



Catawba Trustee Ralph W. Ketner

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teers. Similar events have been held or are scheduled through October 1 in the following cities on the following dates: Greensboro, Sept. 10; Charlotte/Concord, Sept. 12; Raleigh, Sept. 17; Winston-Salem, Sept. 28 and Hickory, Oct. 1. In all, 14 area celebrations in different geographic areas up and down the East Coast are planned.

Childress lauded the alumni for their strong support of the institution noting that alumni in very different geographic areas not only stepped up to help support the college's capital campaign, but actually exceeded the area goals set for them. Alumni in several different areas made financial commitments to the campaign which more than doubled their goal. For example, Catawba alumni in the Raleigh area of North Carolina had a goal of \$100,000, Childress said. They exceeded that goal by 226.9%, pledging \$226,822 instead. Alumni in the Hickory area exceeded their goal of \$200,000 by 208.7%, pledging \$417,308.

In total, Catawba alumni, excluding gifts from Catawba College trustees, gave or pledged \$7,502,927, more than 123% of what they were asked to give. Examples of alumni participation like this, Childress says, is what keeps Catawba outperforming its sister institutions in the state in terms of alumni participation. Catawba ranks fourth among all private institutions in North Carolina in alumni participation at 31%, trailing only behind Davidson, Duke and Wake Forest.

"Our challenge for the future," Childress says,

"is to move the level of alumni participation to 40%. This would place Catawba College clearly above many of our benchmark institutions. By moving to this level, it would mean adding approximately 650 more alumni to our donor pool."

As of July 31, 2002, Childress explained, there were 11,546 Catawba alumni of record, but each year, as students graduate or as alumni are "found," more are added. The Development Office's goal is to add another 200 to the alumni of record this fiscal year. "We must prepare our current students to assume the role of support and establish a tradition of giving to Catawba," he said. "This will involve us working more closely with our students while they're here."

Even as the handshakes and celebrations continue, Childress and his staff are looking to the future rather than resting on the laurels of the Campaign for Catawba. That five-year fundraising effort exceeded its goal by raising \$59.6 million, \$3.1 million more than anticipated.

"We must use the Campaign for Catawba as an opportunity to bridge the support from the present into the future for Catawba," Childress explains. "Strategy must be put in place to develop a post-



Catawba supporters gather at Rowan County event to celebrate success of Capital Campaign

campaign plan that outlines in detail how many remaining unfilled needs will be achieved."

Those unmet needs include renovation and upgrades to the Corriher-Lynn-Black Library, possible construction of a new residence hall and more on-campus parking. Additionally, the Shuford Stadium construction project, not a part of the college's capital campaign fundraising effort, has experienced unanticipated cost-overruns. To date, \$1.8 million has been raised in the stadium fundraising drive, but \$1.6 million is still needed to cover its \$3.4 million costs.

Childress noted that over the past decade, Catawba has raised an average of \$5.5 million per year.

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This year's overall enrollment breaks down like this: 1012 students in the traditional day program; 511 students in the Lifelong Learning program for working adults; 19 graduate students pursuing a master's degree in education; and 15 students seeking teacher certification. The number of residential students living on campus totaled 735.

As part of its scholarship/grant program, Catawba offered major-specific scholarships in

10 different academic majors this year including theatre arts, teacher education, environmental science, biology, chemistry, music, athletic training, psychology, foreign language and mathematics. "These scholarships were created to help bring in the best and the brightest students in these academic areas," Best said. "But, it was the Catawba faculty members in each area who actually selected and reviewed the student applicants and then decided who would receive

these awards."

Catawba College continues to be more than a regional college though, drawing students from more than 33 states including Wisconsin, Texas, Arizona and Vermont, and 16 foreign countries, including Tanzania, China, Iceland, Finland and Uruguay. "The diversity among our students is wonderful and indicative that many students from different backgrounds see Catawba as the place to earn their college degrees," Best said.

New Director of Public Safety "Comes Home"

Sylvia Chillcott believes her life has brought her full circle, back to Salisbury and back to Catawba College, the playground of her youth. She is Catawba's new director of the Office of Public Safety and she says she is both home and here to serve.

"Catawba is what you think a college campus should be. It's about providing an individual with an opportunity for an education and all that entails - the whole well-rounded environment," she says.

Chillcott is not just an employee, she is also a 1994 alumna of the college. And, she is intimately familiar with Catawba; her family home was located on the corner of Lantz Avenue and Robin Road, and she and other neighborhood children made themselves at home on the campus. "This has been my home," she says, "not just Salisbury, but Catawba, and it is so ironic for everything to have worked out like it has and brought me full circle back to my beginning.

"There were just gravel roads around the campus back then and the kids were just part of the Catawba neighborhood," she recalls, laughing. "I got run off more than once for riding my bike on campus. And, we used to trick or treat on campus - those students used to give away the best candy."

Chillcott, the daughter of the late Salisbury chiropractor Dr. R.L. Chillcott, Sr. and his wife Ruby, notes that she "floundered" in her mid-20s about what she wanted to do. "As a younger person, I did not sit down and say, 'When I grow up I want to be a security director for a college.'" She was living in Charlotte, working retail security and seeking an associate's degree in

Industrial Safety, Health and Security at Central Piedmont Community College when her mother's health began to fail.

"This was after my father's death and I felt like I was needed at home," Chillcott explains. "I needed a job, so I came over to Catawba and applied for a job with Laura Vestal, the woman who actually started Catawba's security program. That was in the late summer and early fall of 1986. She gave me a third shift job."

When Vestal resigned in 1987 to take a job with the Rowan County Sheriff's Department, Chillcott became Catawba's interim director of security. "After a three-month trial as interim," she says, "they made me official director. I was thrilled. That's when I started building the department.

"It's not like it is today," she continues. "In the late 80s, we were really trying to get a handle on a truly organized security office that could respond to

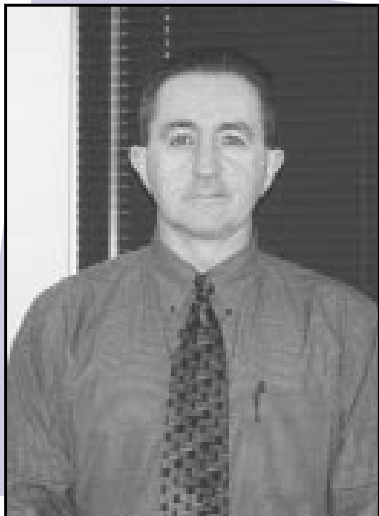


Sylvia Chillcott New Director of Office of Public Safety

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New Dean of Students Is at the Right Place at the Right Time

Catawba College's new Vice President and Dean of Students Dr. Roy W. Baker is sure that he is in the right place at the right time. Baker, who served as the Associate Dean of Students responsible for fraternities and sororities at Bucknell University in Pennsylvania, joined the college community in August.



Catawba V.P. and Dean of Students Dr. Roy W. Baker

His arrival coincided with the return of students for the 2002-2003 academic year and thrust him right into the middle of campus life - exactly the place he likes to be. "I have an awesome, ideal job and my friends are envious because I really have an opportunity to impact students' lives."

Baker selected his profession because of the impact one of his former deans had on his life. While in undergraduate school at Clinch Valley College in Virginia, Baker flunked out of school twice during his freshmen and sophomore years. "I had no credits, a low GPA and my dean of students intervened on my behalf," Baker remembers. "No matter what I did, he wasn't going to turn his back on me, so I said, 'I want to do that for a living. I don't know how to do it, but I want to do it.'"

Baker says the Dean at Clinch Valley College, Richard Davidson, became a father figure in his life who really believed in him. "His motto has become mine. He always said, 'You've got to learn that you can make all of the mistakes you need to make in college as long as you don't

repeat the same one twice. When you do, you show that you haven't learned anything from that mistake.'"

Catawba students have quickly learned not be fooled by Baker's suit and tie or by the fact that he asks them to call him "Dr. Baker" or "Dean Baker," or even that he addresses them by "Mr." or "Miss." Just beneath that professional demeanor is a fair, caring and understanding man intent on teaching students about respect and etiquette. "My job is to teach and not just to supervise and we can only teach by doing. I want to present a professional appearance that says, 'This guy's competent,' and by my demeanor, they will see that I am someone they can trust.

"You've got to look at each student and each incident as an opportunity to communicate with a student. You do this not by imposing your values on students, but simply by making them aware of the consequences of their actions so they can make their own choices and hopefully, the right choice. I also expect the students to be good consumers and to tell us what we're not doing to meet their needs or expectations."

"It's okay for them to complain, but they need to do it in a respectful way and they need to know which line to cross."

Baker uses the students' own words when discussing their actions and outcomes with them. "Don't be stupid" is their phrase and that's the bottom line," he says. Particularly concerning alcohol, Baker is hopeful that consistent policy messages from his office along with fair and expected outcomes or sanctions get into students' heads.

"Alcohol is the biggest challenge we face on campus," he explains. "Students come to college with a pre-conceived notion about drinking. They come to college believing everybody drinks and you have to drink a significant amount to have a good time and that is just not

true."

One of the first items on Baker's agenda since arriving at Catawba was to have his office provide more late night programming on weekends for students so they would have something to do rather than sit in their rooms and drink. Events staged thus far have met with moderate success, but he is hopeful participation will increase as the year progresses. In the meantime, those underage students who choose to drink face sanctions that will be strictly enforced.

Recalling his reasons for coming to Catawba, he says, "I felt like this was an opportunity for me to have a real significant impact on the institution. There was something to do here that was clear, but I guess I was not aware of just how much there was to do."

"My friends and family say that this is exactly the type of situation that I'm good at - walking into a new setting and putting structure in place," the native of Wise, Virginia continues. "When I left Bucknell, there was a system in place that brought some order to an outstanding fraternity and sorority program, but my challenge there was looking for ways to make that system more effective and efficient."

Baker earned his master's degree in social work at Saint Louis University and his doctoral degree in higher education administration from The University of Virginia. Prior to his position at Bucknell, he held posts in student life at Clinch Valley College, Parks College of Saint Louis University, Georgia College and State University and Bluefield College. Now at age 49, he is still sure that he chose the correct career path for him.

"I have never gotten burned out working with students," he concludes. "That's what we're here for and that's what I do for a living - I work with students. You never know who you're going to touch or how you're going to touch them."

Plans for 17th Annual Brady Author's Symposium

Author Frances Mayes is scheduled to speak March 6, 2003 at the 17th annual Brady Author's Symposium at Catawba College. Mayes is best known for her book, "Under the Tuscan Sun," which was listed on the New York Times Best Seller list for over two years and has sold more than two million copies worldwide.

Mayes, a widely published poet and essayist, received international recognition for "Under the Tuscan Sun," "Bella Tuscany," and "In Tuscany" about her adventures in Italy and her 200-year-old abandoned villa. "Under the Tuscan Sun" is currently in production as a major motion picture, featuring actress Diane Lane. Mayes' first novel, "Swan," loosely based on several incidents from her childhood, will be published in October of this year.

"We are very pleased that we continue to be able to bring authors of Mayes' caliber to our annual event," Catawba's Dr. Janice Fuller, writer-in-residence and one of the coordinators of the annual event, said. "She is a well-respected travel writer in the creative writing community. Her accounts of her years in Italy are sure to have an appeal for many of our book club members and supporters of the symposium."

Mayes first traveled to Italy more than a decade ago to look at both the architecture and art she had briefly studied in graduate school. She also wanted to learn why others raved about Italian cuisine and culture. She fell in love with Italy's simple pleasures and its people.

That love drew her and her husband Edward Mayes from their home in San Francisco to Italy again and again. They eventually bought a second home in the village of Cortona. It was a 200-year-old villa, Bramasole, on five acres of land. The house had been unoccupied for 30 years and the land was overgrown. As the couple began renovating the house and the land, Mayes began writing, keeping notebooks of the experience. Those notebooks grew into her three published works, noted for their inclusion of many of her wonderful Italian recipes.

Because she has become so identified with Tuscany, many of her readers believe that Mayes is actually Italian. In fact, she was born and raised in Fitzgerald, Georgia. She obtained her undergraduate and graduate degrees in English from universities in Virginia and Florida and began writing and publishing her poetry. In September 2000, she concluded a 23-year position as professor of creative writing at San Francisco State University and became a full-time writer.

A November 1996 New York Times Book Review by Alida Becker

called Mayes' "Under the Tuscan Sun" "a romance for people who'd rather read M.F.K. Fisher than Barbara Cartland."

"Casual and conversational," Becker's review continued, "her chapters are filled with craftsmen and cooks, with exploratory jaunts into the countryside - but what they all boil down to is an intense celebration of what she calls 'the voluptuousness of Italian life.'"

Mayes will join an impressive group of authors who have spoken at previous Brady Author's Symposia, including Reynolds Price, Doris Betts, Lee Smith, Kay Gibbons, John Berendt, Pat Conroy, Gail Godwin, and in 2002, both Ann Hood and Tim McLaurin. McLaurin, who waged a long battle with cancer, died this summer while on a family beach vacation.

In 1987, at the urging of member of the Peripatetic Reviewers Book Club in Salisbury, Catawba College launched the annual author's symposium. With an endowment gift from Charles and Alma Brady, the event was named the Brady Author's Symposium in 1991. Six years ago, the Peripatetic Reviewers launched an on-going fund-raising project, Campaign: Authors of Excellence, in an effort to augment the symposium endowment, thereby providing additional funds to cover honoraria. Supportive members of the Peripatetic Reviewers include Mimi Carlton, Suzanne Casey, Anne Crawford, Nancy Dunham, Elizabeth Gish, Dottie Goodnight, Nancy Holshouser, Jean Jordan, Susan Ketner, Margaret Kluttz, Beverly Mitchell, Babe Nobles, Jane Riley, Carol Sayers and Trudy Thompson.

Tickets for the March 6 symposium will be available to the public in February. Activities include an 11 a.m. lecture in Keppel Auditorium, a 12:15 p.m. seated luncheon in Peeler Crystal Lounge, followed by a book-signing in the lobby of Keppel Auditorium, and a special workshop Mayes will lead on creative writing. For more details, call the Catawba College Public Relations Office at 704-637-4393.



Author Frances Mayes

Musician Joins Catawba College Faculty

Dr. David Fish has joined the faculty of Catawba College's Music Department as coordinator of music management and music technology. He hopes that his background will broaden the musical perspective of his students.

"I don't care how talented you are, success in the world of music requires both musical ability and business savvy," Fish says. "As I remind students, music is not just an art, it's a profession. My job is to give our majors the know-how to succeed professionally, whether they are managing their own musical endeavors or those of other artists."

Fish adds, "It's also important for musicians to be technologically savvy. Music technology has found its way into all types of music, and a musician who is technologically illiterate in this day and age is at a true disadvantage." To this end, Catawba's Music Department is now creating a digital project studio for use by its students. "It will be truly state-of-the-art. Composers and songwriters will be able to use the facility to create multi-track CD-quality recordings of their original works."

"I guess you could say that I have a holistic view of music business and technology. Both subjects can be pursued as disciplines in themselves, but I also see them as part of a greater whole," Fish explains. To cite an example, Fish mentions the songwriting course he hopes to teach this spring. Students will use the technology in the department's new project studio to record a demo of original songs written for the class. They will then learn something about the music business by submitting their demos for consideration by the A&R staff of Universal Music Group, whose labels include MCA, Island, Def Jam, Geffen and A&M.

"We are currently discussing the establishment of a long-term relationship with Universal Music Group, one that would allow our students to intern with major companies within the music industry in LA or New York," he says.

In addition to his background in management and technology, Fish also holds a Ph.D. in ethnomusicology. He explains that ethnomusicology has two definitions. First, it is the study of musics of other cultures, and secondly, it is also the study of the cultural aspects of music.

Fish himself had an opportunity to explore the dimensions of both definitions when he spent three years in Tokyo in the late 1980s doing fieldwork for his dissertation.

Before nurturing his affinity for all things Japanese, particularly the music, Fish says he was a jazz saxophonist who performed with the likes of Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald, Cher and the Temptations. He has also recorded as a performing songwriter.

Fish served for ten years as a professor of music and Asian studies at St. Andrews College, where he also chaired the department of music. He earned his master's degree from Western Michigan University and his Ph.D. from the University of Michigan.



Dr. David Fish plays bamboo flute

Strategies Address Alcohol and Drug Use on Campus

College Trustee Sara Cook, along with other members of the Board of Trustees-directed Task Force on the Enrichment of Student Life which she chairs, saw some Task Force recommendations implemented when students returned to the Catawba campus this fall. The purpose of the Task Force and its recommendations is to reduce problems associated with high-risk drinking and drug use on campus and to also change students' attitudes toward binge drinking.

The Task Force, born in February of a recommendation by the Catawba Trustees' Student Affairs Committee, is the impetus behind two important strategies in place for the 2002-2003 academic year. "Our strategies are works in progress," Cook admits, "but they're important because substance abuse and high risk drinking continue to devastate families in our society."

Operation Six-Pack, targeted to freshmen, is one vehicle both Task Force members and college officials predict say educates students and parents about the campus alcohol policy in a non-threatening way. In this program, a six-pack of soft drinks, along with a flyer about the college's alcohol policy, were placed on the bed to greet each freshman as he or she arrived and moved into their residence halls. Parents helping students move into the residence hall could also see the six-pack and become familiar with the College's policies. Operation Six-Pack is modeled after a successful program implemented at Radford University in Radford, Va.

The flyer attached to the six-packs contains these statements along with

"If you are under 21 years old, a six-pack of soda is the ONLY six-pack you are allowed to have on campus."

- message on Operation Six-Pack

appropriate elaboration on each:

"If you are under 21 years old, a six-pack of soda is the ONLY six-pack you are allowed to have on campus."

"This six-pack keeps you out of trouble - another kind is trouble."

"This six-pack is FREE - another kind will cost you."

"You don't care if your parents know you are drinking this six-pack."

Catawba's alcoholic beverages regulations, as well as the Alcohol Beverage Control laws of North Carolina, prohibit students under the age of 21 from purchasing, possessing, or consuming any alcoholic beverage. Students over 21 may consume legal alcoholic beverages only in the privacy of residence hall rooms. Alcoholic beverages or containers may not be consumed or displayed in any public area on campus, including residence hall entrances, lobbies and hallways.

It is Catawba's policy to notify parents or guardians of students found to be in violation of the College's policies regarding the possession or use of

alcohol or other drugs. Sanctions for violation of Catawba's alcohol policy are as follows:

First Offense: \$50 fine, five hours of community service, conversation regarding policies, expectations, sanctions for subsequent infractions.

Second Offense: \$100 fine, 10 hours of community service, counseling and assessment with cost for it to be borne by the student.

Third Offense: Suspension.

The use, possession, distribution or sale of any illegal drug or controlled substance for which the student does not possess a prescription from a physician is strictly forbidden on Catawba's campus. Violation of this policy will subject the student to the possibility of immediate suspension from the College.

Sanctions for violation of the campus drug policy range from a minimum of community service hours, combined with random drug testing at the student's expense and notification of parents to expulsion from the College and referral for criminal prosecution.

In addition to Operation Six-Pack, another strategy recommended by Cook's Task Force is a comprehensive awareness and education policy targeting not only students, but the College administration, faculty and staff. Geoffrey "Jeff" Georgi, senior clinician at and established trainer for the Duke Additions Program at the Duke University Medical Center in Durham, spent Aug. 21 on campus in a series of lectures and discussions with different campus constituencies.

Georgi met separately with freshmen, athletes, faculty/staff and resident assistants during his visit to Catawba. Although his theme was the same, his message was targeted to each specific group.

"The Catawba College community is grateful for the efforts of the Task Force in helping put into place two strategies we hope will help set the tone for our upcoming academic year," Catawba President Dr. Robert E. Knott said. "Our students succeed and a strong campus culture is perpetuated when we all collaborate on addressing issues such as alcohol and substance abuse."

In addition to Cook who is a 1965 alumna of Catawba, members of the Task Force on the Enrichment of Student Life include Catawba College alumni Judy Newman '81, Dr. Shirley Ritchie '52, Trent Newell '98, and Tom Smith '64; along with Catawba faculty and staff including Dr. Knott, Dr. Gary Freeze, Jan Gillean, Dennis Davidson, Dr. Karen Horner, Joyce Caddell, Dr. Roy Baker and Dr. Ken Clapp; and Catawba students Chris Slaughter, Courtney Ayers, Doug Carroll, Mike Beber, and Josephine Gantt.

A gift to Catawba from Sara Cook and her husband Robert helped underwrite the funding for implementing both strategies aforementioned.

A third initiative for the coming academic year is the work of Dr. Kenneth Clapp, Catawba's Senior Vice President and Chaplain. Each month, he will host a birthday dinner for those students who turn 21 that month. Each celebrant will be allowed to invite a professor to accompany him or her to the dinner. That professor will be invited to speak briefly

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"By Drinking, You Unlearn What You've Learned," Duke University Medical School Clinician Tells Freshman

"If you're getting a buzz, you're interfering with your brain's function and it will impair your learning," Geoffrey "Jeff" Georgi told almost 300 Catawba College freshmen Aug. 21. The students were gathered in Keppel Auditorium on campus with their advisors for a session on alcohol and substance abuse.

The students' body language did not belie their interest in what Georgi, a senior clinician with the Duke University Medical School, explained to them, their questions near the end of the session did. Georgi's appearance on campus was just one of the efforts Catawba College officials made at the

advent of this academic year to educate new students about the dangers of alcohol and substance abuse as well as the college's policy on alcohol use.

Georgi explained that he was there to share with the students "what the science tells us" about alcohol, nicotine and other drugs. "You're starting an extraordinarily important time in your life," he said, "and what you need to be armed with is the truth. And we all know that information or truth does not necessarily change behavior.

"I don't want to insult you," he said, "but from a biological standpoint in terms of the development of your brains, you're still kids. Between the ages

of 14 and 24, your brain is differentially sensitive to alcohol and it will interfere with learning. If I were king, I would keep you away from alcohol until you're 24, because at that age your brain is more developed."

"Are there permanent long-term effects of drinking under the age of 24?" a student asked. And, Georgi patiently answered, using scientific terms with which some in the freshmen audience were familiar. He said alcohol, a central nervous system depressant, affects the hippocampus, the area of the brain that generates short-term and long-term memory, preventing it from sending what has been

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New Professor Will Teach Freshman How Bubbas and Ballots Mix in North Carolina Politics

Among the first things you notice about Michael Bitzer are his enthusiasm and knowledge of Southern politics. Then, as you are drawn into a conversation with this South Carolina native, you may be surprised to hear him actually refer to himself as a "Bubba."

Bitzer, a new visiting instructor in Catawba College's Political Science Department, will take up the challenge this fall of instructing a group of freshmen about how Bubbas, like him, and ballots converge to impact North Carolina politics. He is one of sixteen faculty members at Catawba who will try to engage small groups of first-year students in their passion. For Bitzer, that passion is Southern politics.

"There are two types of Bubbas in the South," Bitzer explains. "There is the old Bubba, clad in overalls, driving a Chevy pickup with a gun rack in it, and snacking on Moon Pies and RC Colas. This old Bubba is more Democratic in his party allegiance because of his historic commitment with the Democratic Party.

"Then, there is the new Bubba, wearing Brooks Brothers' clothing, driving a BMW and supping on quiche with bottled water," he continues. "This Bubba lives in an urban area and his political philosophy is more closely tied to that of the Republican Party. Both of these Bubbas are part of the South, but each represents different aspects of it."

It is this division within Southern politics that makes for sometimes unpredictable outcomes, Bitzer says. "Old" Bubbas would leave their party allegiance and vote for Jesse Helms repeatedly, while some "new" Bubbas might be uneasy about Helms' past use of racial politics. But bringing out the core supporters was always a sure bet whenever Helms was on the ticket, and those core supporters helped him win five six-year terms to the U.S. Senate since 1972.

"Throughout his political career, the staunchly-Republican Helms has always appealed to white registered Democrats, otherwise known as 'Jessecrats,'" Bitzer says. The support of Jessecrats often helped to counter high voter turnout by African-Americans for Democratic candidates.

"These were the people Helms could rely on to put him there," he says before asking, "Where do these people go now that he's not running? Now it is an issue of 'Do I stick to the Party I've been supporting or do I stay home?'"

The U.S. Senate Race shaping up between Republican Elizabeth Dole and Democrat Erskine Bowles will be, Bitzer predicts, the test case which answers these questions.

"When you have two big national players, as in the North Carolina race, they command the field and set the tone for the November election. Here, the swing voters in this election are going to be the Jessecrats," he asserts.

"Supporters of Jesse Helms and former N.C. Governor Jim Hunt have been key players in N.C. politics in recent memory. I see Jim Hunt voters shifting their allegiance to Erskine

Bowles because that is an easier fit for them than it is for Helms voters to automatically shift to Elizabeth Dole. This will force the Dole campaign to really focus its message on strategy."

Bitzer, a self-proclaimed Bubba, is clean-shaven, engaging and youthful. His enthusiasm, however, is very much the product of his experience. He was baptized in Southern politics in the early 1980s while in high school, landing a job as a page in the Washington, D.C. office of South Carolina Senator Strom Thurmond.

What Bitzer learned from working with the legendary senator from South Carolina was "that you had to run to keep up with him as he walked down the hall" and that at some point in the recent past, Senator Thurmond's status in South Carolina changed from simply "elected official" to "political institution."

"With South Carolinians, a lot of loyalty depends on the institution and Senator Thurmond is now viewed as an institution," Bitzer explains. "His age in the past several years has been an issue, but the power that he has in the Senate is incredible - seniority in the Senate is the key to having power."

Thurmond, a former S.C. governor and one-time Democrat, made history in 1954, becoming the first individual ever elected to the U.S. Senate as a write-in candidate. In 1964, he switched political affiliations, shifting his alle-

giance to the Republicans. Thurmond's departure from politics and the election of his successor from South Carolina, according to Bitzer, is as significant on the U.S. political scene as the N.C. contest for Helms' Senate seat.

Bitzer hopes the 19 freshmen in his seminar course discover that it is "not only an introduction to N.C. politics and this year's campaign, but also an introduction to College 101." Students in his class will be exposed to a "hidden curriculum" in which they learn to take effective lecture notes, study for essay exams and manage heavy reading loads.

"I see this seminar class as a chance to get some students headed in the right direction," he says. "I will also have an opportunity to create an educated voter. We as a group can come together and learn the rules of the (political) games. That is what a liberal arts education does. It gives you a foundation, which with resources, you can turn that into just about anything."

Bitzer is a doctoral candidate in political science at the University of Georgia. He received his undergraduate degree in English from Erskine College and earned his master's degree in history at Clemson University. Before beginning work on his doctorate, he was a newspaper reporter and a public affairs director at Clemson University.



Michael Bitzer, visiting instructor in Political Science uses graphic to make a point.

Catawba Graduate Earns Scholarship

A scholarship with a full ride and guaranteed job would seem like an accomplishment worthy of bragging rights to some, but not to Mary Hill. Mary, a May 2002 magna cum laude graduate of Catawba College, is not in the habit of tooting her own horn. Her quiet, humble manner requires that someone else sing her praises.

Mary recently received the Carolinas Cyber Defender Scholarship to attend the Information Technology master's program at UNC-Charlotte. The scholarship aims to recruit the best and brightest to work in computer security for the federal government. The scholarship will enable Mary to earn her master's degree in Information Technology. Recipients of the scholarship are required to do research, internships over the summers, and, upon graduation, work for the federal government. It is one of those rare opportunities that confirms what Mary's family and friends have known all along.

She started at Catawba in the fall of 1998 determined to complete a degree in elementary education, but in the course of her studies, she discovered the merits of an English major and never looked back. Mary's parents, Terry and Susan Hill of Salisbury, questioned the value of majoring in English. "Mom and Dad felt that an English major was impractical," Mary recalls. So she decided to add Information Systems as a second major to give them peace of mind. "I thought it would seem more sensible to do something with computers, especially since I've always enjoyed working with them," she says.

Since Mary no longer planned to be a teacher, the future was wide open. However, her uncertainty did not last long. "My senior year in an accounting class, Mr. Bill Trenchard (Chair of the Ketner School of Business and a professor of Accounting at Catawba) told us about the difficulty of graduate school and how students often feel that they are 'hanging on by their finger nails.' Something about that was appealing to me," Mary recalls.



Catawba Alumna Mary Hill

Catawba Welcomes Many New Hires

Individuals who started at Catawba since January 1 of this year include:

1/1/02	Ryan Haglan	Assoc. Dean of Students
1/1/02	Dr. James Slate	Assoc. Prof.-Economics
1/14/02	Ron Shelton	Director of Major Gifts and Grants Proposals
1/14/02	Regeana Cashion	Coordinator of Admissions Data
1/15/02	Michael Bloomgren	Asst. Football Coach
1/15/02	Robert S. Handy	Asst. Football Coach
2/1/02	Matthew Barrett	Asst. Football Coach
2/1/02	Sandy Moore	Asst. Baseball Coach. Asst. Director of Compliance
2/11/02	Jennifer Cannon	Asst. Manager- College Bookstore
2/11/02	Dana Hartman	Telephone Services Administrator
3/18/02	Brenda Jones	Accounts Payable Clerk
4/1/02	Dr. Robert Knott	President of the College
4/15/02	Carol Julian	Administrative Assistant- CFO
5/28/02	Christina Clifton	Cashier- College Bookstore
6/1/02	Benjamin Paz	Executive in Residence
6/1/02	Allen Hinson	Public Safety Officer
7/1/02	Regina Pearson	Administrative Assistant- Lifelong Learning
7/8/02	James Duffy	Admissions Counselor
7/8/02	Nancy Mott	Administrative Assistant- Lifelong Learning
7/15/02	Jane Snider	Administrative Assistant- Teacher Education
7/22/02	Karen Setliff	Academic Advisor- Lifelong Learning
8/1/02	Dr. Roy Baker	V.P. of Students Affairs and Dean of Students
8/1/02	Abby Hunjo	Area Coordinator
8/1/02	Calvin Hunter	Asst. Football Coach
8/1/02	Ricky Joines	Asst. to Athletic Dir. and Asst. Coach Women's Basketball
8/1/02	Erin McGinnis	Asst. Coach- Women's Basketball
8/1/02	Gray Wehrley	Adj. Faculty Lifelong Learning and Educational Specialist
8/1/02	Dr. Geoffrey Holloway	Asst. Professor- Chemistry
8/1/02	Nicholas Hopper	Instructor-Athletic Training
8/1/02	Darin Spencer	Lecturer- Accounting Lifelong Learning
8/1/02	Joseph Todd	Asst. Football Coach and Area Coordinator
8/8/02	Kristen Clary	Administrative Asst.- Public Relations
8/12/02	Melissa Barnes	Visiting Asst. Professor- Theatre Arts
8/12/02	Sarah Carrig	Visiting Instructor- Spanish
8/12/02	Dr. Phillip Jen	Visiting Asst. Professor- Biology
8/15/02	J. Michael Bitzer	Visiting Instructor- Political Science
8/15/02	Dr. David Fish	Assoc. Professor- Music
8/15/02	Dr. John Green, Jr.	Assoc. Professor-Marketing
8/15/02	Dr. Woodrow Hood	Assoc. Professor- Theatre Arts
8/15/02	Dr. David Schroeder	Assoc. Professor- English
8/17/02	Sylvia Chillcott	Director of Public Safety
9/1/02	Jeffrey Alley	Public Safety Officer

Trenchard's words inspired Mary to give graduate school a try, and she started looking to pursue a master's degree in Information Technology. Remembering Trenchard's warnings she says, "I guess I'm a glutton for punishment or something."

She was accepted into that program at UNC-Charlotte. Soon after her acceptance, she received an e-mail encouraging her to apply for the Carolinas Cyber Defender Scholarship, which would pay her tuition and expenses, plus a stipend. "I didn't really think I would get it, but I thought it was worth a try," she admits.

This latest achievement was not so shocking for those who know her. Trenchard notes, "I have had the privilege of serving several students who were significantly above-average in their studies, but Mary separates herself from

other top students in her ability to focus on several tasks at the same time. Mary's focus, drive and multi-tasking abilities will take her a long way."

Graduate school is a new challenge, but as reflected by her past hard work, Mary is definitely up for it. She does not plan on cutting anything out of her already busy schedule to accommodate her new classes. Somehow she fits these new responsibilities in with her 20 plus hours a week job at Catawba assisting with institutional research and the work she puts in on the weekends at her parents' store. Although the workload seems like enough to keep two people busy, Mary takes it on cheerfully.

Of course, if you ask Mary about it, she modestly downplays her successes. At a young age, she possesses a genuine humility uniquely combined with a rarely seen drive for success.

Lifelong Learning Programs Growth Continues

Continued growth in Catawba College's Lifelong Learning program is a strong indication to college officials that they are doing something very right. The block format in which the courses are offered may be the main reason or the students' ability to enroll in classes they need when they need them may be another, according to Lifelong Learning Director Dr. Karl Rodabaugh.

"The word has spread very quickly from our adult students to their peers in the community," Rodabaugh said, "that one can actually get a bachelor of business administration degree in four years or less. And what we're seeing are people who generally come from the Rowan County area seeking a bachelor's degree, or wanting to finish one that they have not yet finished. The block format helps the students manage the course work, one course at a time."

This academic year, 511 students are enrolled in the Lifelong Learning program, up from 395 in 2001 and 294 in 2000. But growth has not come without its own set of growing pains.

Availability of on-campus parking has been an issue accompanying increased enrollments. This fall, college officials graveled, marked and lighted two lots, adding 140 parking spaces to meet the needs of the Lifelong Learning students. Additional staff and faculty members were also added in the program. The additional staff will help process and advise the students on the appropriate coursework required for their particular majors, while the additional faculty members will assist in keep-

ing the program's class sizes manageable and conducive to learning.

Staff members for the Lifelong Learning Program include two new administrative assistants, Nancy Mott of Salisbury and Regina Pearson of Rockwell, along with a new academic advisor, Karen Setliff of Salisbury. The responsibilities of several staffers have been shifted. Former administrative assistants Ramona Barrow and Edna Gibbons have been named coordinator of program operations and assistant to the director, respectively. Ann Dunn, former assistant director of the program, has been named associate director of Lifelong Learning, while Ed Goodnight, formerly manager of marketing and recruiting, has been named assistant director.

"We want to continue to be a high caliber program serving the region," Rodabaugh said.

"As a campus community this fall, we will begin the process of determining what we offer along with who and how we will serve those in the program."

"...one can actually get a bachelor of business administration degree in four years or less."

- Dr. Karl Rodabaugh

Area residents can expect to see new billboards and print ads concerning Catawba's Lifelong Learning program, beginning in September. Using photographs of current students and graduates of the program, their messages will be clear and simple: "Earn Your Degree After Work."

Earn Your Degree After Work.

1-800-CATAWBA

CATAWBA COLLEGE

Geothermal Heating and Cooling Systems Save Money

Six years ago, Catawba College began the installation of its first geothermal heating and cooling systems. Four of the college's 11 residence halls were equipped with the new technology, which involved drawing water from a series of wells, circulating it through heat-exchangers and returning it to its aquifer in an open-loop system.

The initial costs for these geothermal systems were more than a conventional boiler/chiller system would have cost, but college administrators were committed. They anticipated spiking energy prices and believed that lowered maintenance and energy costs would help them realize a payback on their initial outlay within 10 years. Additionally, the geothermal systems were more environmentally sensitive and easier to install in existing buildings than adding the necessary ductwork for conventional systems.

Other facilities on campus have also had geothermal systems installed as they have come on line. The Williams Music Building and Hurley Hall,

both existing facilities at Catawba, received open-loop systems after they were renovated three years ago. Catawba's \$6.5 million Center for the Environment, which went on line in the fall of 2001, received its own closed loop geothermal system. And college officials opted for an open loop geothermal system for the new Mariam and Robert Hayes Athletic Field House, dedicated this spring. Now, half of the college's square footage is heated and cooled by geothermal systems and the experience has been, according to Catawba Senior Vice President Kenneth Clapp, "that the added initial cost was recouped in the first five years."

"We're committed to utilizing this manner of heating and cooling for any future buildings," says Clapp. "These systems, although relatively new in this part of the country have been used in areas of the southwest United States for more than 30 years. The maintenance is very low on them because they have a minimum number of moving parts."

Fast forward to September of this year and

Catawba, when comparing its annual energy costs per student with other colleges, is realizing a substantial savings, Clapp asserts. He bases that assessment on the 8th Annual College Maintenance and Operation Study printed in the April 2002 edition of "American School and University."

That study shows that the average four-year cost all colleges spend on natural gas per student is \$180.00, compared to Catawba's \$89.88 per student cost for the same. Savings on electricity were also greater for Catawba per student over a four-year period, with all colleges spending an average of \$294.11 and Catawba spending \$254.68.

Clapp admits the savings are an important factor in Catawba's decision to opt for geothermal systems rather than for traditional systems, but he also believes the college's decision is a message for students. "We're putting into practice what we teach students," he says. "Our institutional actions encourage students to employ similar practices in their own lives."

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calls on campus. There wasn't a book to read or a website to go to to find out how you ran a security department on the campus of a church-affiliated college. We created it as we went, custom-fitting the department as Catawba needed it."

While employed at Catawba, Chillcott, at the encouragement of Dr. Edith Bolick, professor and chair of the sociology department, and Dr. Martha Swain, professor of political science, also began working to complete her four-year degree. She was a sociology major with a history minor when she received her degree in 1994 and she now had supervisory experience thanks to her job at Catawba.

She saw an ad in the Chronicle of Higher Education for a director of public safety at the Ringling School of Art and Design in Sarasota, Fla. She applied for and got that job which began in August of 1994. During the three years she spent in Sarasota, Chillcott says, "I had the opportunity to get involved in the political aspects of my job on a state and national level, serving as treasurer for the Florida State Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators. I educated myself about the Jeanne Kleary Act (Student Right to Know Act of 1990) and I became more knowledgeable about liability and legal issues affecting college campuses

from a public safety point of view."

Another Chronicle of Higher Education advertisement prompted her move from Sarasota back to the area in December of 1997. Guilford College needed a director of public safety and Chillcott applied for and also received that position, replacing a retiree there. Guilford gave her more experience. "Being there taught me a different way of doing my job," she explains. "Guilford is very liberal and diversity is embraced. It has a very different college culture."

This summer, Chillcott had a chance to come home to Catawba and she did not hesitate. "I feel very blessed to have the opportunity to work with each individual student as an individual and not a number," she notes. "They're not here for me. That's not what it's about. I'm here for them and my part is just being an aspect of their total educational experience. If that means I help them understand civility and to take responsibility for themselves or even to assist them in understanding what is right and wrong, therein lies an opportunity to teach and to have an exchange of ideas. My classroom is the entire campus and wherever I meet the students even if that is off-campus.

"I'm trying to make a difference by using my ability to be able to tune in with what the students are all about at one moment at one point in time."

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"In drawing out and developing the abilities and talents of each one of us so we can put them in service of the common good, we also draw out from among us those who could and should lead us."

Knott alluded to the film, "Gladiator," and asked the audience to reflect on how two characters in that film, Maximus and Commodus, and their respective approaches to life, were juxtaposed. He cited the classic character virtues embodied in Maximus - moral and physical courage, fairness and a sense of justice, moderation and self-control, and a quest for wisdom. "A new set of virtues," Knott said, "were espoused by Commodus - instead of courage, the ability to survive; in place of fairness, the rewarding of friends and the punishment of enemies; rather than self-control, unbridled ambition; and cleverness or ingenuity above wisdom. The virtues of Maximus are those cultivated by pursuit of the liberal arts."

He asked those assembled to examine the virtues each embodied in the context of qualities governing the college community. "Have we learned to disagree in a way that promotes common understanding?" he queried rhetorically. "Or do we engage in uneven treatments and expectations of students and each other?"

And as if in answer to those questions, Knott concluded, "We at Catawba College are at our best when we diligently pursue practical wisdom as evidenced in our respect for others and ourselves, as evidenced in our respect for ideas and our commitment to each other by acting to build a strong community. In so doing, we give tangible expression to our desires to succeed in building a better life for ourselves and to assist others to succeed as well. As we begin this year, may we be found worthy of our traditions."

FACULTY & STAFF HONORED FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

Members of the Catawba College faculty and staff were honored for their years of service to the college at the Opening Convocation event. Dr. Knott said, "Service to the college community is embodied in those recognized."

Those college employees with 30 or more years of service were presented with a certificate and a crystal bowl engraved with the college seal. Those so recognized included Dr. Bruce Griffith, professor of history, and Dr. Patricia Whitley, professor of physical education, 38 years of service; Dr.

Karl Hales, professor of communication arts, and Dr. Andrew Vance, professor of foreign languages, 36 years of service; Mr. Al Carter, professor of business, 34 years of service; Dr. Bethany Sinnott, professor of English, 33 years; Mr. James Parker, professor of theatre arts, Dr. Albert Roberts, professor of psychology, and Dr. Sanford Silverburg, professor of political science, 32 years of service; Mrs. Eleanor Ijames, bookkeeping, and Mrs. Brenda McIntosh, administrative assistant in the academic dean's office, 31 years of service; and Mrs. Evelina Tseng, professor of library science, 30 years of service.

CATAWBA'S JUNIOR MARSHALS RECOGNIZED

Seventeen junior class students were recognized during Opening Convocation for both their academic achievements and their willingness to serve the college as Junior Marshals.

Each year, Junior Marshals are chosen from the rising junior class on the basis of academic excellence. They officially represent the college in the formal ceremonies of the academic year, including Opening Convocation, Awards Convocation, Baccalaureate and Commencement, where they add order and dignity to the proceedings. Additionally, the Junior Marshals serve at other college functions such as the Service of Lessons and Carols, special assemblies and presidential social gatherings.

Junior Marshals for the 2002-2003 academic year are Gina Austin, an elementary education major and the daughter of Ken and Linda Austin of Salisbury; Ashley Barrow, a theatre major and the daughter of Teresa & Ricki Barrow of Hendersonville; Antonia Bowden, an English major and daughter of Linda and Harold Bowden of Burlington; Tonya Bowman, an elementary education major and daughter of Roy and Joyce Harman of Salisbury; Justine Buckwalter, a physical education major and son of Richard and Brenda Buckwalter of New Holland, Penn.; Lauren Corriher, a political science major and daughter of Randy and Nancy Corriher of Landis; Elizabeth Gill, an athletic training major and daughter of Janet and William Gill of Woodbury, N.J.; Christopher Goff, a business and Spanish major and son of Ray and Kathy Goff of Raleigh; Sandra Sides Greene, a communication arts major from Salisbury; Amy Hardister, a middle school education major and daughter of Pat and Sam Hardister of Clemmons; Laura Hartis, a communication arts major and daughter of Michael and Judy Hartis of China Grove; Ashley Holmes, an information systems major and daughter of Brenda and Joseph Holmes of Mocksville; Annie Horton, a religion and philosophy major and daughter of Thomas and Theresa Horton of LaPlata, Md.; Alan Jacobs, an information systems major and son of Donald and Helen Jacobs of Mocksville; Kristen Prather, an American politics and history major and daughter of Doug and Lynda Prather of Alliance, Ohio; Christopher Slaughter, a business administration and Spanish major and son of Ronald and Nancy Slaughter of Whitsett; and Maryia Zhuk, an accounting major and daughter of Liudmila VI Zhuk of Davidson.



Dr. Knott presents Eleanor Ijames with certificate for years of service

Catawba's Class of 2006 Moves In

Billy Barber of Pinehurst met Rich Bergeron of Florence, N.J. for the first time August 17 and their first take of each other was positive.

These two freshmen, among the 294 expected in Catawba's Class of 2006, will share a room this year in Abernethy Residence Hall, designated for freshmen males. The two stood in the hallway with their relatives talking about first impressions and smiling broadly as their parents spoke about leaving them together to begin their first year of college.

"We'll know in two weeks if they'll get along," Marsha Bergeron joked while looking at Rich, the youngest of her three children. "They'll call and say 'I want to come home.'"

"Or send money," added William Barber, Billy's dad.

Across campus at Woodson Residence Hall, a coed facility for male and female freshmen students, similar scenes were played out.

Glen Hallums of Clinton, Md., stood on the sidewalk stacking trunks, a small ironing board, and bedding onto a portable hand truck. The eldest of his two daughters, Cyonna, had left him to gather her belongings while she and her mother went in search of her fourth floor room.

"It'll be hard for her mother to let go," Hallums explained. "The biggest thing is that she's excited for her (Cyonna) right now, but we'll see what happens later when we start to drive back home."

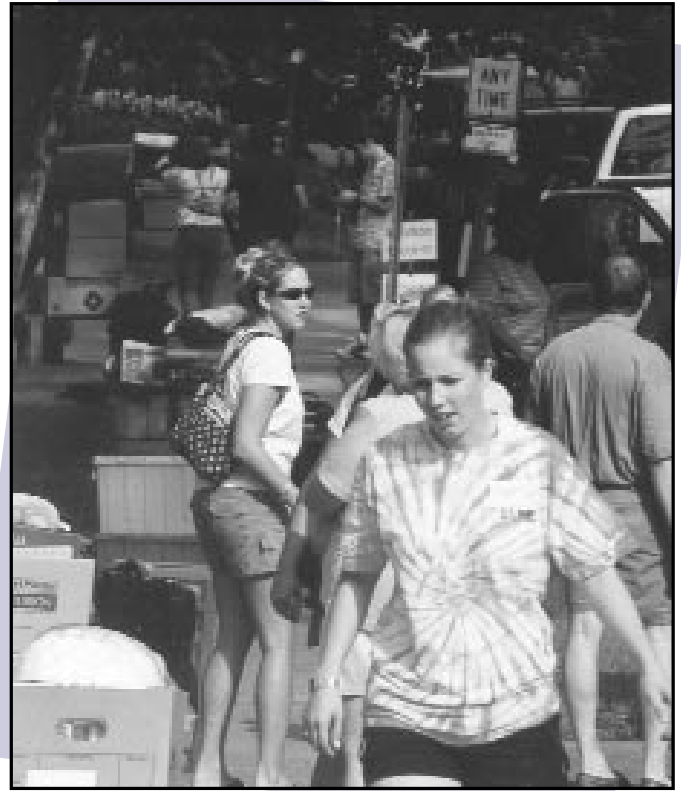
"Cyonna's going to have to put into practice all of the things we've tried to teach her," Hallums continued. "There's going to be lots of kids around and she'll need to study and she's going to have to make time to do that."

This year, freshmen students moving in were welcomed with a six-pack of soft drinks to which was affixed a flyer concerning both N.C. and Catawba's alcohol policy. The soft drinks and flyers are key components of Operation Six-Pack, a program implemented this year by the Office of Student Affairs as a way to heighten the awareness of both students and their parents about underage drinking.

Forty Alphas, Catawba upperclassmen, assisted the freshmen students as they moved into their dorms. They wore bright orange and yellow tie-dyed t-shirts that read, "Looking for Direction? Alphas Know the Way." They munched on doughnuts in between trips from the residence halls to U-Hauls and vehicles, and they smiled, laughed often, and answered countless questions.

Also smiling were Doris and Jolly Rogers, parents of Freshman Misty Rogers of Pilot Mountain. "She's our baby, the last one at home," Doris said of her daughter and added, "and we keep wondering what we're going to do without any kids at home."

Catawba's Admissions and Business offices were open and busy, as was the campus bookstore. "We opened at 10 a.m. and we'll close at



Alphas assist students as they arrive on campus.

5," explained bookstore employee Christy Clifton, "and we've been really, really busy, selling shirts and clothing, supplies and some books." A table of cookies and punch stood near the cash register, the bookstore's way of "making folks feel welcomed," Clifton said.

Catawba's upperclass students moved into the residence halls on Aug. 20 and with their return, the residence halls are close to capacity.

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about the student and the potential he or she sees in the student and to challenge the student to realize that potential. The parents of the student turning 21 will be invited to send a letter of congratulations and encouragement that will be read at the dinner. This program, similar to one at Elon University, will seek to emphasize the worth and potential of the student as he or she becomes an adult and approaches the opportunities of adulthood.

These on-campus initiatives are but the initial efforts to implement proposals approved by the Catawba College Board of Trustees at its May retreat in Asheville. Other strategies planned, according to Cook, include the creation of a campus/community task force to provide increased communication, collaboration and support for consistent enforcement of policies by both Catawba College officials and the Salisbury-Rowan community. Members would include both the Salisbury Chief of Police and the Rowan County Sheriff, the chief of the local ABC Board, along with staff, faculty and students.

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learned on to the neocortex, the thinking part of the brain.

Of particular concern "to nerdy guys like me," Georgi said, "is a pattern of drinking called binge drinking, where males drink 4-5 drinks in a sitting and women, 3-4.

"What you will do (by drinking)," he asserted, "is unlearn what you have learned, thereby negating the very reason you're here - to get an education.

"The brain is the energy hog of the body. It uses one-third of your entire energy and needs to hydrate with water. Alcohol is a dehydrating agent. It pulls water out of cells in your body," he said.

Georgi noted the importance of sleep in the learning process, causing one male student to ask, "So what you're telling us is that after we study we should take a nap, right?" Later, Georgi said, "I could have hugged the kid! He got it!"

Georgi, when speaking to a group of Catawba faculty and staff members, emphasized the importance of recent scientific research concerning the adverse effects of alcohol in 14-24-year-old population. "Alcohol use which used to be looked at as a rite of passage is not an innocent drug. It can have an impact on a student's capacity to learn and integrate information."

Due to the research that documents brain insult associated with alcohol use, he contended, "We

can no longer be quiet about the issue of abstinence. We as a society and you as educators have to adopt a zero tolerance for abuse and a tremendous tolerance for treatment.

"We've got to pay attention and to send a message to our young people that what in our generation was seen as normative experimentation and use, given the current climate of research and information available to us, is no longer acceptable."

As Georgi spoke to the freshmen students, faculty and staff and upperclass athletes on campus, he noted the dangers of other drugs, including marijuana, oxycontin, cocaine, LSD and Ecstasy. Despite the availability of all of these drugs, "the legal ones are the ones that cause the most damage," he said.

"Nicotine is not a safe drug," he explained, calling it "aggressively addictive." He said that people who begin to smoke between the ages of 14 and 23 "only have a 10 to 25 percent chance of breaking the habit" in their lifetimes.

Georgi encouraged students as well as faculty and staff to "capitalize on that sense of community and belonging" and to "support each other in making proper decisions."

"This is not a time just to study," he concluded to the freshmen gathered, "but a time to learn about who you are and a time to have fun and get to know each other."

Chiefs Club 'Pick Your Seat Week' Is Successful

The Catawba Chiefs Club has sold more than 530 reserved seats in its new Shuford Stadium, according to Bill Pieczynski, Chiefs Club Coordinator. And a limited number of good seats are still available.

These reserved seats were actually selected when Chiefs Club members began July 29 to purchase their tickets for this year's athletics events during "Pick Your Seat Week." Although the stadium is not scheduled for completion this playing season, purchasing tickets for this year's athletic events, beginning with football, ensures Chiefs Club members the seats they want for next year and subsequent years, Pieczynski explains.

This year's Chiefs Club President Bill Hall says, "We're excited about all of the athletic events scheduled for this year, but that excitement is sure to grow stronger next year when we have the opportunity to play in a new Shuford Stadium."

In actuality, Chiefs Club members who purchase a reserved seat in Shuford Stadium are also purchasing a pass to all home athletic events at Catawba, including basketball and soccer, and to this season's football games to be played at Salisbury High School. This athletic pass is not valid for NCAA or SAC playoff games held at the college.



Billy Walker selects his seats in new Shuford Stadium

"It is still not too late for someone to become a Catawba Chiefs Club member," Pieczynski notes, "however, only people joining this year will have the opportunity to lock-in the seats they want to purchase for next year in the new Shuford Stadium."

Catawba's first regular season home football game was Saturday, Sept. 21 against Fayetteville State.

For more information, contact the Catawba College Development Office at 704-637-4394 or visit the college's sports website at www.goindiansgo.com.

Alumni Jam Session Planned For HOMECOMING

Donald B. Orander '52 invites former members of Catawba College's Men's Octet and their spouses to join with him from 10:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 19 in the Williams Music Building on campus for some fun and remembrances. He asks that octet members contact him to let him know if they plan to attend Homecoming activities and can join him either by phone at 317-888-2945, e-mail at donandmaryjean@aol.com; or snail mail 8414 Gallant Fox Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46217-4807.

Members unable to attend are encouraged to send a note to Don updating "what you've been doing during the past 50 years."

In addition to Orander, former octet members include Charlie Wrenn, Bill Young, Jim Stirewalt, Earl Sides, Don Scarlett, Hillery Rink, Dick Peeler, Bill Milholland, Bob Keppel, Albert Gminder, George Fidler, John Faust, Russell Custer, Leonard Crotts and Earl Koehler, along with the late Joseph Austin, Herman Lineberger, Robert Simpson and Ray Strunk.

ATTENTION ALL ALUMNI!

We hope your calendar is marked for Homecoming Weekend, October 18 - 20. An abbreviated schedule is provided here in addition to the brochure you should have already received at your home address.

We welcome you to come back and enjoy the campus, reacquaint with old friends and create new memories.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18TH

8:00 a.m. (1st of two start times)

Homecoming Weekend Alumni golf tournament

9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Golden Club Coffee, Meeting and Luncheon. A special invitation is extended to the Class of 1952, who will be inducted to the Club during the meeting.

1:30 p.m. (2nd of two start times)

- Homecoming Weekend Alumni Golf Tournament

6:30 - 8:30 p.m. - Presidential Alumni Reception at the President's home

7:00 p.m. - Class of 1952 Reunion Dinner

8:00 p.m. - Alumni and Student Activities Entertainment

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

9:00 a.m. - Alumni Lacrosse Game

9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Homecoming Check-in

9:30 a.m. - New Buildings Tours

11:00 a.m. - Alumni Field Hockey Game

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Barbecue Luncheon

12:00 p.m. - Distinguished Alumnus Awards and Dedication of Basketball Court to Sam Moir

2:00 p.m. - Football Vs. Wingate University
Salisbury High School

8:00 - midnight - Alumni Dance Party and Reception
Holiday Inn, Salisbury

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

9:00 a.m. - Homecoming Worship

Class Reunions! A special invitation goes to the following classes to join us at the All Alumni Dance Party to celebrate their milestone years!

1952, 1957, 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997.

ACCOMMODATIONS!

Days Inn, 704-633-4211, Confirmation # P04017

Hampton Inn, 704-637-8000, Group code: CHC

Best Western, 704-633-5777, Refer to: Catawba Homecoming

Comfort Suites, 704-630-0065, Refer to: Catawba Homecoming

Turn of the Century Victorian B & B, 704-642-1660 or 1-800-250-5349

Rowan Oak House B & B, 1-888-828-9792

Holiday Inn, 704-637-3100, Refer to: Catawba rate. Rate also includes breakfast buffet

!!!!CORRECTION!!!!

The location for the Saturday, Oct. 19 Homecoming Dance Party was incorrectly listed in the Homecoming Brochure. Instead of the party being held at the Salisbury Country Club, plan to join us at The Holiday Inn from 8 p.m. until midnight.

The Alumni Choir will NOT be singing the National Anthem at the football game but are welcome to join in singing at the Sunday Worship Service.

VALUE ADDED

On the Mountaintop...

Alumni Meet Again for Fellowship and Reflection

They came from as far away as Atlanta and were a diverse group of Catawba male alumni - teachers, coaches, accountants, managers and chefs. For some, it was the ninth year that they had gathered on a N.C. mountain top to share with one another, to laugh, to talk about the meaning of life and life's opportunities and challenges, and to complain about "Dr. Clapp's 'death march' hikes." But the contrasts between this gathering and the first such event were amazing.

That first retreat in 1993 involved Catawba College students who were inductees of the newly constituted Dead Athenian Society (DAS). There was a high level of anxiety since most of the participants barely knew one another. They were going to a place they never had been, accompanied by a professor and college administrator they hardly knew. There was adequate time for informal conversation, but the gathering was heavily programmed with sessions designed to help the men get to know one another, to examine their own lives, to wrestle with goals and expectations for the college experience, and to ponder their roles as members of a larger society.

A more relaxed atmosphere prevailed as some of the same men assembled for this year's retreat. Hiking, the worship service and lengthy conversations about goals and careers filled their time. On this occasion, the group drank more coffee and ate more vegetables than at the first retreat. In contrast to that inaugural year when they had engaged in contests to see who could engulf the most pizza, this year they fought over the salad.

The topics of conversation turned from girls and course expectations to words concerning family, including wives and kids, jobs and their professional challenges, and talk of helping others. Finding balance in life was a major concern expressed by a couple of the retreat participants. In the prior year, there almost had been a consensus among those gathered that jobs had to take a priority in order to get 'ahead' in the world. Now, several offered insights into why relationships and spending time with family and friends needed to take a priority.

David Najarian '97 of Salisbury who heads up the special projects unit at Catawba noted that the birth of his son during the past year had helped him reassess priorities in his life. Two members of the group were absent from this year's gathering because of family obligations. There was discussion about the commitment that one absent member and his wife had made recently when they added to their family of two children an adopted child who had been neglected and would require considerable medical and psychological treatment.

An accountant with Deloitte and Touche, Nathan Hrinsin '96 of Raleigh recently was

named project manager for Progress Energy. His job is now very high profile because of the scrutiny all energy companies are under as a result of the Enron debacle. Nathan shared with the group ways his Catawba education has prepared him for what he faces in his work, decisions he must make, and how it provided role models that serve him well both professionally and in his personal life.

"My classes gave me what I needed to do well in graduate school (he graduated at the top of his class in the Masters of Accountancy program at N.C. State University), but the experiences outside of class, being a part of DAS, being pushed to think through situations, having to work with other people on projects, being a part of building a Habitat House...these are the things that have really made the difference for me," Nathan said.



(2001 group gathering) L-R 1st row: Ryan Buchanan, Ken Clapp, Neil Casstevens and Jamie Gillis. L-R 2nd row: Nathan Hrinsin, David Najarian, Trent Newell, Tom Riley and Kyle Snider

One theme that has not changed in the years these men have gathered on the mountaintop is 'What is worthwhile, meaningful and fulfilling in life?'

Kyle Snider '96 of Woodstock, Ga., a 'knowledge engineer,' has been working on a new style of airplane that has the potential to change the way people approach air travel. He recalled how important it had been to have individual professors at Catawba challenge him to think differently about various subjects. Kyle also noted that it was social opportunities such as those afforded by his participation in DAS that had and continue to mean so much to him.

As president of the Catawba Alumni Association, Trent Newell '98 of Charlotte stays in close contact with his alma mater. He is now part of a large company that hires many people right out of college. Trent shared the experience of being part of a team at work that had interviewed a potential employee who did not know how to dress for the occasion. "Dr. (Kenneth) Clapp (a 1970 alumnus and Catawba's chaplain and senior vice president) used to conduct sessions on building a wardrobe and what to wear for various occasions, and he and Ms. Margaret Wilsey (a 1989 alumna and Catawba's director of alumni and parent relations) were always teach-

ing us about table etiquette and what to do in various situations," Trent said. "I can't tell you how many times that has helped me be comfortable or function well in important meetings or events."

Then there was the conversation about faith. It followed one person's comment about the search for a church home. Jamie Gillis '97 of Salemburg, N.C. became a father in December. He noted that he and his wife wanted to be sure they provide opportunities for their son to grow in the Christian faith. Several

retreatants noted that while they had not been highly active in the religious life of the campus, Catawba had afforded them opportunities to grow spiritually and had prompted them to continue to make faith a part of their lives.

One theme that has not changed in the years that these men have gathered on the mountaintop is 'What is worthwhile, meaningful and fulfilling in life?' Tom Riley '96 of Morganton, N.C. discovered in Dr. Pat Whitley's therapeutic recreation classes the fulfillment that comes from helping people with special needs. This fall, he will coach the football team for the N.C. School for the Deaf at Morganton. This will permit him to combine his job with a special way of helping a special population.

All noted the importance of family and the friendships they have cultivated, many dating back to their days at Catawba. And all provided testimony to the vital influence that Catawba professors, the old Freshman Program, a variety of extracurricular activities and membership in the Dead Athenian Society has had in helping them find this fulfillment and meaning in life.

The 2002-03 athletic season is off and running

Catawba's 2002-03 athletic season is off and running and most of the teams are off to a rousing success. Both soccer teams, as well as football and cross country, have appeared in either regional or national ranking in the early going.

FOOTBALL

The Tribe opened the season with a 30-22 win over Livingstone. It was the first time the Indians had played on the Blue Bear turf. Catawba jumped out to a 10-0 lead in the opening quarter, then had to fight back from a 15-10 deficit before leading 23-15 at the half. Catawba traveled to Indiana, PA, also ranked nationally, the following week and dominated play for three quarters. The Indians led 26-7 in the fourth quarter, but the IUP passing game heated up and Catawba eventually fell 27-26.

Rodney Wallace had a great game at IUP, running for 115 yards and moving into the top 20 on the all-time rushing list. He should crack the top 10 in a few weeks. Nick Means is also nearing the record for all-time receiving yards. He needed just 16 yards to break Ike Hill's mark as the team prepared for its home opener on Sept. 21 against Fayetteville State.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

The Lady Indians roared out to a 5-0 start, including four wins by shutouts. The team broke into the regional ranking at the #7 position, but were gearing up to face to other top 5 regionally ranked teams at press time. Kim Clayton posted the four shutouts in goal and with 25 in her career has set a new school standard and is nearing the league mark of 26. Offensively the Lady Indians have nearly matched last seasons goal total of 21 in 16 matches. Catawba already had 16 in the first five matches this year. Jamie Fink had a pair of two-goal games to open the season, while freshman Kyley Thompson has three goals and five assists. Eight different players have scored goals thus far.

MEN'S SOCCER

The Indians jumped to 10th in the regional rankings after winning their three matches. Catawba then faced some tough competition in a Florida Tournament, falling to host Nova Southeastern and to second-ranked Lynn University. Four players have scored at least two goals in the early going, led by Brennan Regner with three. Freshman Tyler Kulp, Ryan Hudgins and Mo Norman each have two goals.

VOLLEYBALL

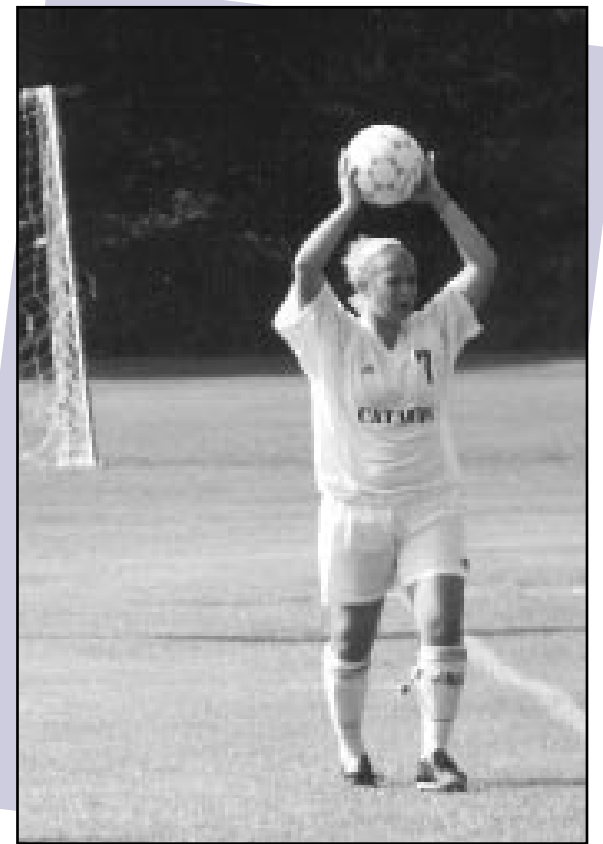
Catawba recently opened SAC play with a thrilling five-set win over Wingate. The Lady Indians are currently 8-3 on the year. Senior Rachel LaRoche leads the team with 121 kills, while Hope Miller has 103 and a team-leading 152 digs. Crystal Bonner is among league-leaders with 26 aces and Elizabeth Hewitt has 57 blocks and has recorded over 10 blocks in two of the last three matches.

CROSS COUNTRY

Two freshman, Ryan Willis for the men, and Carol Marquis for the women, have led the Tribe in each of the first three races. Willis has twice finished third and was named SAC Runner of the Week following the race hosted by Catawba. He was third despite stopping to help up a Mars Hill runner that had been pushed down, before continuing to the finish. Marquis has posted two top 10 finishes. Two-time all-region runner, Jesse Howes, has been second for the men in each race, while Rebecca DeFeo has been just behind Marquis for the women in each race.

FIELD HOCKEY

Catawba dropped its home opener to NCAA I Radford, then played well in three losses at the Wesner Memorial Tournament at Longwood. Freshman Ashley Ennis has scored the lone goal, while freshman Lauren Weitzel has recorded 69 saves in four games in goal. Catawba recently added a Sept. 26 home game against Salem at 4:30.



Erin Drickey passes the ball back into play.

HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS

The Catawba Chiefs Club (Hall of Fame Selection Committee) annually inducts qualified candidates into The Catawba College Sports Hall of Fame. We invite you to nominate any person you feel is worthy of consideration and provide any supporting documentation or data on their performance. Listed below are the eligibility requirements for being considered as a candidate:

- a) Must have completed his/her varsity career at Catawba College at least 10 years immediately preceding the date of induction.
- b) Athletic achievements and contributions to sports while at Catawba College or as an alumnus must have been widely recognized over the area served by the College, enhancing the reputation of the College as well as himself or herself.
- c) Must be of good character and reputation.
- d) Must have attended Catawba College at least two (2) academic years or must have held a responsible staff position for at least five (5) academic years and must have been in good standing at the termination of such relationship with the College.

Please send nominations to Bill Pieczynski (bpieczyn@catawba.edu) in the Development Office.

Mail to: Catawba Chiefs Club
2300 West Innes Street
Salisbury, NC 28144

Catawba College Hall of Famer Dies

Donald Clifford Hanley of Lewes, Del. died Aug. 28.

A native of Altoona, Penn., Hanley graduated from Altoona High School. His college career at Catawba was interrupted from 1943 to 1946 while he served as a U.S. Marine Corps lieutenant. He returned to Catawba to complete his senior year. While at Catawba, Hanley was a standout athlete in football, basketball and baseball.

After graduation from Catawba, Hanley began a career of teaching and coaching at Lewes High School in 1947. Along with his friend Tony Georgiana '47, he began the football program at Lewes High School and continued to coach there until 1963. He also coached basketball there from 1947 until 1963 and served as athletic director in 1961 and started the track and cross-country programs in 1963.

During his career of coaching, Hanley coached championship teams in football in 1949 and 1951, and basketball in 1952 and 1959. He played baseball from 1947 to 1955 for the Lewes Town Team and the semipro Berlin, Md. Team.

Hanley retired in 1983 from the Cape Henlopen School District as an elementary physical education teacher. In 1987, he was inducted into the Catawba College Sports Hall of Fame. Earlier this year, Hanley and his friend Georgiana were among four coaches honored when the high school stadium in Lewes, Cape Stadium, was officially renamed Legends Stadium as a tribute to them.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Julie; two daughters; and six grandchildren.

Catawba Benefactress Dies

Rebecca B. Frock of Hanover, Penn. died May 21.

She was the wife of E.B. Frock, a longtime Catawba College trustee and '33 alumnus, who preceded her in death in 1991. Frock Athletic Fields at the college are named in his honor. Even after her husband's death, she continued to be a strong supporter of Catawba.

She was a member of Emmanuel United Church of Christ and served as a Gray Lady at Hanover Hospital. An honors graduate from Hanover High School, she attended St. Joseph's Academy.

Survivors include two sons, Edmond B. Frock and J. Daniel Frock, and a daughter, Judith F. Bortner, all of Hanover, Penn.; and grandchildren, **Carole Baublitz-Frederick '82**, Edmond B. Brock III, D. Benjamin Frock, **John D. Frock '91**, Alane S. Bergman, **Julie F. Crapster '74**, Christopher A. Garrett and James W. Garrett.

In Memoriam

'38 **Bryte Goodman Fite** of Lexington died July 12.

A member of First United Methodist Church, she taught for 30 years in the Lexington Schools before her retirement.

Her husband Fred W. Fite preceded her in death in 1995. Survivors include two daughters, a brother and three sisters.

'40 **Dr. William Clayton Morgan** of Salisbury, Md. died September 12.

After graduating from Catawba, he attended Duke University School of Medicine and graduated with a M.D. degree in 1944, having been elected to Alpha Omega Alpha, a national medical honor society. Following his graduation from Duke, he served in the Army Medical Corp from 1945 to 1947, attaining the rank of captain. He moved to Salisbury, Md. in 1949 and practiced pediatrics until his retirement in 1985.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Louise Vaughan Moran; a son, William Morgan Jr. of Parris Island,

S.C.; two daughters, Susan Wilkin of Lilburn, Ga. And Carol Breslau of Salisbury, Md.; a sister, **Evelyn D. Morgan '44** of Durham; and five grandchildren.

'44 **Mary Rankin McKenzie** of Trinity Oaks, formerly of South Fulton Street in Salisbury, died Aug. 16.

She retired from the Rowan County School System after spending 30 years as a second grade teacher. A member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, she was a volunteer for the Salisbury Meals on Wheels program.

Survivors include numerous cousins.

'49 **Dr. Barry Green Miller** of Statesville died July 6.

He established the first pedodontic practice in N.C. A Fulbright lecturer, a fellow in Lima, Peru, he headed the Fluoride Prevention Study for the National Institute of Health. His civic membership included the Charlotte Rotary Club, where he served as president from 1971-1972; the N.C. 4-H Foundation Board of Directors; N.C. Cerebral Palsy, serving as president from 1966 to 1970; and Boy Scouts of Mecklenburg County, serving as president from 1977 to 1979. He also

served as captain in the U.S. Naval Reserve.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, **Louis Safley Miller '47**, four children, four grandchildren and five siblings.

'50 **Max Carr Harmon** of Greensboro died May 28.

A native of Kannapolis, he attended both Duke University and the University of South Carolina before graduating from Catawba. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He enjoyed a sales career with E.I. duPont de Nemours, Inc., in the textile dyes and chemicals department. During his retirement, he was active in the Figure Eight Island Yacht Club and he spent time in Cairo, Egypt as a consultant with the International Executive Service Corps.

Survivors include his wife, Mildred Stalnaker Harmon, a son, a daughter and a grandson.

'54 **Henry "Grady" Withers, Jr.** of Salisbury died September 25.

He served in the U.S. Army for two years and with the Army Reserve Corps for five years. He served as a teacher in the Rowan County System and was also employed by Burlington Industry. He retired in 1994 from Chem-Marc Inc.

His wife, Phyllis Agner Withers preceded him in death in 1993. He is survived by a sister.

'56 **Edward M. Wallace, Jr.** of Denton died May 29.

A veteran of the Korean War, his three years of active duty included a year in Korea as a Navy Hospital Corpsman assigned to the 1st Marine Division. He also worked on various military newspapers, before being discharged in 1954. He was the former publisher of the Denton Record, a weekly newspaper, and a former member of both the National Motorsport Press Association and the N.C. Press Photographers Association. While a student at Catawba, he was managing editor of The Pioneer, the student newspaper.

Survivors include his wife, **Venus Beck Wallace '56**; two daughters, **Theresa Matthews '79** and Suzi Fire, both of Denton; one brother, a sister and three grandchildren.

'59 **Carolyn Burns Kesler** of Salisbury died July 6.

She was a retired teacher who taught in the Rowan County Schools for 30 years. She was a member of John Calvin Presbyterian Church where she was on the church session and a member of the choir. Active with Meals on Wheels, she also volunteered as a reading tutor, a guardian ad litem and helped with Rowan Helping Ministry and Rufty-Holmes Senior Center. She was a member of Sigma Alpha Gama Sorority.

Survivors include her husband of 40 years, William "Bill" L. Kesler, a daughter, a son, a sister and two grandchildren.

'70 **R. David Arthur** of Greensboro died September 25.

A former employee of Holt Hosiery in Burlington, he was a member of Gethsemane United Methodist Church where he served as a Sunday school teacher and was active in the United Methodist Men.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy Scott Arthur, his parents, a sister, a brother and several nieces and nephews.

'91 **Patsy Ramsey Randall** of Salisbury died July 18.

A controller for Pauline Knitting for 12 years, she also served as financial manager for the Head Start Program for the Rowan Partnership for Children. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church, the National Scholarship Association, and had achieved a Life Master status as a bridge player.

'00 **Matthew R. Pollitt** of Havre de Grace, Md. Died Aug. 15.

He was employed by SBCOM-ORISE, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. as an environmental scientist. He played indoor soccer and umpired Little League Baseball. In the last six months of his life he had acquired a love of golf.

Survivors include his parents, Timothy and Barbara Pollitt of Havre de Grace, Md., a brother, Michael R. Pollitt, a niece and two nephews.

'01 **Donnie Vernon** of Concord died Sept. 7.

A recreation leader for Salisbury Parks and Recreation and a member of Homeland Baptist Church, he was also involved in Athletes for Children. During his four years at Catawba, he played football.

Survivors include his wife, Kristie Hoffman Vernon, his five-month-old son Jadon Lee Vernon, his mother, Tammie Hull Vernon, and his maternal grandparents, Warren Ray and Muriel Hull.

Class Notes

'51 **Melvyn Curlee** writes that he is glad to be a member of the Catawba family. He received a master's degree in Theology at Southwestern Baptist Seminary in 1956. He retired after 42 years in active ministry in 1945. His wife, Martha Fisher Curlee, died in Dec. 2001. He has 2 children, 5 grandchildren, and 3 great grandchildren.

'56 **Dr. William Joyce** of Cornerstone Internal Medicine in High Point has retired at age 68.

'59 **David E. Wilson** and wife **Marianne Corriher Wilson '58** have just moved from the mountains of north Georgia, where they lived for 29 years, to Landis. They miss the mountains, but now live close to their son and family. they can be reached at P.O. Box 72, Landis NC 28088, 704-855-1673

'60 **Bob Flynn** writes that he is retired from State Farm Insurance. He and his wife Dee winter from November to May in Naples, Fla. They can be reached during these months at 7092 Barrington Circle #101, Naples, FL, 34108 or (239) 594-0621.

'68 **Nancy C. Ludwig** writes that she has reached the age of 81 and is enjoying each day. She is visiting in Pasadena, Calif. She has 8 grandchildren, one of whom graduated from the University of Scotland. Others are attending U.S. colleges.

'73 **Cathy Honeycutt's** address has changed to P.O. Box 101, North Myrtle Beach, SC 29579. Her e-mail address is cathyh@wfxb.com.

'74 **Diane Dillon Hooper** would like to announce that she is a grandmother for the second time. Dylan Kyle Berry was born on September 22 and joins brother Tyler, 3. Diane, the Executive Director for the Historic Salisbury Foundation, has been busy preparing for the Foundation's 27th annual October Tour of historic homes on Oct. 12 and 13. She would love to see Catawba alumni come check it out. She can be reached at dianedhooper@netscape.net.

'78 **Scott Alexander** is now living in Mansfield, Texas and is busy teaching. He can now be reached at 611 Joy Lane Mansfield, TX 76063, 682-518-1444. Email: scooterpoop56@yahoo.com.

Mark Mojesky is teaching Chemistry and Physics at Danville High School in Kentucky. He has also been coaching tennis, as well as acting as the summer tennis pro at the Danville Country Club and the Tennis Director for Danville Parks and Recreation. He has two children, Colta, 13 and Aubrey, 9.

'79 **Nancy Elias** graduated from training in **S o m a t i c Psychology** and opened a new office this year in West Chester, Penn. She visited her son Eli, 17, in Thailand this January.

'80 **Kenneth W. Austin** writes that he is currently Associate Dean for Central Texas, operating educational programs for the U.S. Navy. He and his wife Debbi adopted Amanda Mei Yuchen Austin from China in April of 2002. She was born May 4, 2001.

Burleigh "Chip" James Withers, Jr. writes, "I am forever thankful to Dr. Frank 'Dutch' Meyer for recruiting me to Catawba College. To 'Coach,' I am proud to have had the opportunity and the honor to be a part of (your) Catawba Wrestling team. Your daily mantra at practices: 'It's a good day to work,'

encourages and inspires me to this day! Thanks 'Coach,' and thanks Catawba!"

'81 **Thomas James Shone** married Andrea Nan Johnson on Apr. 27. The bride is a marketing specialist for PR Stump and Stuff Inc. The groom is founder and president of Risk Advisory Group.

Major Dale T. Waltman has been deployed to Bosnia as a part of the peacekeeping Stabilization Force. This is his second deployment to Bosnia. He can be reached by e-mail at dale.waltman@us.army.mil. Major Janice (Palmer) Waltman '81 serves with the U.S. Army Reserve in Lancaster, Penn. Janice can be reached at Janice.waltman@us.army.mil.

'83 **Laura "Libby" Beach** married Martin Nessley on Aug. 17 at Duke Chapel. Libby is a QA Manager for ARCADIS. Marty is a 1987 Duke graduate who spent 5 years playing professional basketball in the U.S. and abroad. He now manages a restaurant and lives with Libby in Durham.

Linda Nöe spent a year at Catawba as an international student from the Netherlands. Since her year here, she completed her master's degree in Psychology at the Free University in Amsterdam. She is currently senior HR manager at KPMG. She has been married for almost 10 years and she and her husband Eric have two children, Sebastiaan, 7, and Juliette, 4. They live in Amstelveen and Linda would like to invite any classmate from her year at Catawba to come visit if they are in Europe. She can be reached at Noe.Linda@kpmg.nl.

'84 **M. Leland Bobo, II** recently accepted a position as Vice President of Corporate Realty for SouthTrust Bank in Charlotte. Friends can reach him at (704) 717-4563 or e-mail at lee.bobo@southtrust.com.

'85 **Carol Gilligan** writes that she would like to hear from old friends. She can be reached at carol23@prodigy.net.

P. Wayne Kimbrell Jr. was recently elected Sr. Vice President Retail Portfolio Manager at Lexington State Bank. He would like to hear from classmates. He can be reached at wkimbrell@lexcominc.net

'86 **Melissa A. Broughton**, formerly Ann Masten, is now living in Kentucky. She can be reached at 3935 S. 1st Street, Louisville, KY 40214.

LTC Chester "Trip" Buckenmaier III, MD recently completed a fellowship in regional anesthesia at Duke University and has moved to Crofton, Md.

'87 **Carolyn J. Ward** married James Alexander Fry on Nov. 10, 2001 in Winter Park, Fla. Maura Krah '88 served as a bridesmaid. Jeannie Caussin '87, Ralph Shipley '85, and Marcia Hoover Coatta '84 were also in attendance. Alex is an Optical Engineer with FLIR Systems and Carolyn works as a recruiter for Aquent Partners. The couple just purchased a home in the Delaney Park suburb of Orlando. Carolyn would like to hear from friends and can be reached at Cward@aquent.com.

'89 **Benjamin Pratt** is currently employed at the law firm of Harmon & Davies in Lancaster, Penn. as a labor and employment attorney.

'90 **Kevin Clement** of Duluth, Ga. Reports that he has been involved for the past two years in raising money for the Aicardi Syndrome Foundation and FOCUS, Families of Children Under Stress. These organizations, he says, assist families, fund camps for special needs children, offer respite care and assistance to families who need to purchase special equipment and they also fund research.

Kevin and his wife Sara are the parents of Morgan Elyse, 3, and Bonnie Ashlyn, 1. When Morgan was six weeks old, she was diagnosed with Aicardi Syndrome, an extremely rare brain and seizure disorder.

Classmates and friends who want more information about making donations or volunteering to assist the aforementioned organizations are encouraged to call Kevin or Sara at 678-296-2336.

Daniel Forlano, his wife Elizabeth (Lissa) and son Christopher, 7, have just moved to 7556 Auburnwood Dr., Summerfield, NC 27358. Daniel owns a consulting business and Lissa is a realtor with Coldwell Banker.

'91 **Carole Goza Meyer** writes that she has been working for Post Properties for 2 ½ years. She is an Assistant Manager on a 770 unit property to the Corporate Housing Division of the company and enjoys all aspects of the job.

'92 **Karen Bell Gaskill** of Salisbury, director of finance and administration for Shat-R-Shield, Inc., was recently nominated to serve a three-year term on the N.C. Association for CPAs Board of Directors. She is a member of the Central Piedmont Chapter of NCACPA and served as president, president-elect and secretary of the chapter. She and her husband Scott have three children.

'93 **Todd Blake** writes that he is now the Production Manager for Pulte Mortgage

1960s Close-up

Phil Kirk Honored by Boy Scouts

Phil Kirk '67 of Raleigh, N.C. was honored recently by the Central N.C. Boy Scouts Council that named him the recipient of its inaugural award, N.C. Citizen of the Year. Kirk, who serves as president of N.C. Citizens for Business and Industry and chairman of the N.C. State Board of Education, used the occasion to thank contributors attending the fund-raising event in Salisbury for making a difference in their communities.

Kirk, a Salisbury native, was a public school teacher early in his career and served as a N.C. State senator from Rowan County. He later became chief of staff for N.C. Govs. Jim Holshouser and Jim Martin and U.S. Sen. Jim Broyhill. He also served as N.C. Department of Human Resources secretary for two governors.

Kirk and his wife Margaret are parents of four daughters.



Atlanta Division. He and his wife Shannon are expecting their second child, a girl (Anderson Blackwell) in late September. He can be reached at Todd.Blake@Pulte.com.

Elizabeth Etheridge married Brian Coughenour Sept. 1. Beth would like to hear from her friends and can be reached at see752000@yahoo.com.

Angela Harbour Mayfield and her husband W. Mark Mayfield had a baby boy, James William on Sept. 12, 2002. He joins his sister Madeline, who is 2 years old.

Jonathan Padget and the **Rev. Scott Wells** are pleased to announce their engagement. Jonathan is the Arts editor at Metro Weekly magazine in Washington, D.C. Scott is the Senior Minister at Universalist National Memorial Church, where a July 2003 wedding is planned. Jonathan and Scott reside at 1661 Crescent Place, NW, Apartment 606, Washington, D.C. 20009. Their web address is www.padgetwells.com.

Donna Grubbs Rymer and husband Rodney had a baby girl, Kira Noel, on August 26. She was 8 lbs. and 20 inches long. She joins her brother Caleb who is 18 months old. Donna would like to hear from friends at dgrymmer@catawba.edu.

'94 **Scott Gaskill** and his wife **Karen Gaskill '92** would like to announce the birth of their third daughter, Meredith Grace who was born Aug. 14. She weighed 8 lbs. 15 oz. and was 21 inches long. She joins her sisters Jessica, 12, and Lauren, 7.

'95 **Andrea Bryant** and **C. Eric Castor** were married on July 13 at Omwake-Dearborn Chapel. The bride is an attorney with the firm of Whitley and Bryant in Salisbury. The groom is a sales representative for Hertz Heavy Equipment in Charlotte. The couple lives in Salisbury.

Dawn Rae Bucher and Jarrod Geoffrey are engaged to be married Sept. 20, 2002. Jarrod is originally from Vermont and he works with Prism Technologies as a Technology Manager. Rae recently opened Highland Repertory Theatre in Asheville. She spent several years in Chicago as an ensemble member and Managing Director of The Wing & Grove Theatre Company.

Allison Ankeron Makovec and husband Mark had a son, Mason Garrett on Aug. 2. He was 9 lbs., 15 oz. and 22 1/2 inches long. Allison would like to hear from friends at markalli2001@yahoo.com.

'96 **Meredith Knowles Abramson** and her husband Andy had a daughter, Macy Duray on May 21. She was 6 lbs., 15 oz. and 19 1/2 inches long.

Ian Brinkley, who is a helicopter pilot in the US Marine Corps, writes that he has returned to Camp Pendelton, Calif. after a six month deployment to Okinawa, Japan. He participated in exercises in Tinian, Saipan, Guam, Republic of the Philippines, and Thailand.

Timothy Shore and **Kim Newton** were engaged on May 28 and plan to get married May 17, 2003 in Southport, N.C. Tim will graduate with a master's degree in physical therapy in December of this year.

Michael Sugg Drumwright married Virginia Kathryn Eason on May 4. Virginia works with the District Attorney's office in Rockingham. Michael is employed with the Richmond County Sheriff's Department. The couple resides in Ellerbe.

Jonathan Daniel Moran Married Lisa DeAnne Cottle on July 27. The bride is a 2nd grade teacher at Brushy Creek Elementary. The groom is employed by Performance Data in Hendersonville. The couple lives in Taylors, N.C.

Steve B. Ryan married Susan Patricia Culcasi on Sept. 15 at St. Augustine's Catholic Church in South Glastonbury, Conn. They currently live in Glastonbury. Steve is an attorney at Cramer, Alissi & Fontane, P.C. and Susan is an executive at Travelers' Property Casulty.

'97 **Sarah Elizabeth Etheridge** was married to Brian Lynn Coughenour on Sept. 1. Sarah works with Rowan County Social Services. Brian is self-employed. They are living in Rockwell.

Ashley Nobel Donahue and her husband Craig have moved to 4021 Clinard Road in Clemmons, N.C. They write that they would love to welcome old friends to their new home. They can be reached at catualumni@aol.com.

Sokolowska Jowita is engaged to Richard Williams and will be married in December. She is now living in Boiling Springs, N.C. and can be reached at 704-434-6741.

Pam Steffee is engaged to Jeff Rife. They plan to marry May 3, 2003 in Fairfax, Va.

Susan M. Sullivan writes to announce her engagement to HM2 Jason Fisher, USN. They plan to marry in April of 2004 in Fredricksburg, Va.

'98 **Aidy-Marie Almodovar** married James "Jimmy" Schneider on Sept. 29. The bride teaches Spanish at Concord High School. The groom is studying basic law enforcement at Rowan-Cabarrus Community College. The Schneiders now live in Rockwell.

Wilson Allan Beaver would like to thank the faculty and staff at Catawba for helping to make his life-long dream of becoming a professional in the field of athletics a reality. Wilson is a Football Equip. Coord. for Coastal Carolina University.

1960s Close-up

Catawba Alumna Receives Prestigious Award

University of Missouri-Kansas City Chancellor Dr. Martha Winters Gilliland '66 was recently awarded the prestigious 2002 Hubert H. Humphrey Award by the national Policy Studies Organization. Gilliland was honored at the organization's annual meeting in August as the nation's "most outstanding public policy practitioner."

Gilliland joins a prestigious list of former award recipients including Jeanne Kirkpatrick, former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations; Zbigniew Brzezinski, national security advisor during the Carter Administration; U.S. Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan; and Andrew Young, politician and civil rights leader. Gilliland was selected for the Hubert H. Humphrey Award because of strong stands she has taken over the last year in defense of academic freedom and her fight opposing state cuts to funding for higher education.

Gilliland became chancellor of UMKC in April 2000. Prior to that, she was employed as provost at Tulane University in New Orleans, La. She holds a doctorate in environmental engineering/systems ecology, a master of science degree in geophysics, and a bachelor of science degree in geology and mathematics.



1960s Close-up

Catawba Alumnus Says Vows in Scottish Castle

Dressed in a kilt made of tartan commissioned and designed especially for the Moss family, George Moss '64 exchanged vows June 26 with his bride Doris Elliott. The couple chose the venue for their wedding, Dunnottar Castle built in 1150 A.D. on a high cliff overlooking the North Sea, after an Internet search for the perfect wedding site.

The ceremony took place in the ruins of the castle chapel as Scottish minister Finlay Squires officiated. With bagpipes playing, a few family members and close friends were there to share the occasion with the couple. All the men in attendance at the ceremony donned kilts, Prince Charlie jackets and ghillie brogues. Family and friends attending included best man, Mike Amick '64, Moss' brother William Moss, and matron of honor Linda Johnson of Orlando, Fla.

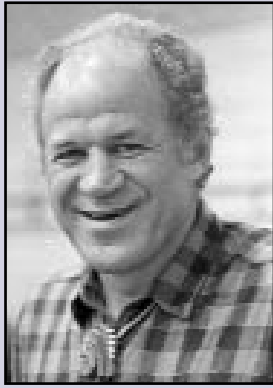
The couple now makes their home in Orlando where George is employed as a Boeing 727 captain for Pan American Airways, Inc. Doris, a native of Wingo, Ky., is employed as principal at Lockhart Elementary School in Orange County, Fla.



1960s Close-up

Alumnus is New Inductee into N.C. High School Athletic Association's Hall of Fame

Catawba College Alumnus Ray Oxendine '61 of Maxton will be one of a half dozen new inductees into the N.C. High School Athletic Association's Hall of Fame. The announcement was made in July by Rick Strunk, associate executive director of the state association.



Oxendine and other inductees will be honored during the halftime ceremonies of a Nov. 9 football game between UNC-Chapel Hill and Clemson at Kenan Stadium in Chapel Hill. His official induction will take place next spring at the annual Hall of Fame banquet scheduled in Chapel Hill.

A graduate of Pembroke High School, Oxendine went on to Catawba College where he captained both the football and baseball teams before graduating. He taught and coached at Greensboro Grimsley and then did the same thing at the college level for 10 years at Catawba, where he was the Carolinas Conference baseball coach of the year twice.

Before retiring July 1 from the Scotland County School System, he served as principal at a number of schools including East Montgomery, West Montgomery, Purnell Swett, South Robeson as well as Scotland. He is a member of both the N.C. American Legion Baseball Hall of Fame and the Catawba College Sports Hall of Fame.

CAMPUS Readership Survey (Please clip the completed survey and mail it to: Editor/CAMPUS Catawba College, 2300 W. Innes St., Salisbury, NC 28144)

1. How much of the CAMPUS alumni newspaper do you read?

Read it cover to cover Read most of it
 Read some sections regularly Just Skim it Read none of it

2. Reading the CAMPUS makes me feel:

Much more positive about Catawba Somewhat more positive about Catawba
 About the same Negative about Catawba Much more negative about Catawba

How and why?

3. Please indicate how frequently you read these sections of the newspaper:

Always Often Sometimes Rarely Never

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Features

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8. What would you like to see less of?

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10. Please provide any interesting ideas you have for future feature stories in the CAMPUS.

11. Name particular professors, administrators, or staff members you remember with fondness:

12. A topic you would like to see the CAMPUS address in depth is:

13. An interesting graduate who deserves a profile story is:
(please include contact information if possible)

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Christine Lee Berna is engaged to Ken Link of Rhode Island. Ken is a therapist with Salisbury Psychiatric Associates. Christine is a Lab Technician at Meredith College. They plan to marry in October 2003.

Jeffrey E. Campbell married Kimberly A. Babula July 20 at Immanuel Lutheran Church. He is a certified public accountant with Centermark Professional Services in Mint Hill.

Jacqueline (Owen) Everhart and **Matt Everhart '97** live in Norfolk, Va. Their daughter Madeline Grace was born on Sept. 17. Matt is currently employed with Aramark Uniform Services as a district manager and Jackie is a teacher. They would like to hear from friends at jeverhart@hamptonroads.com.

Michele and **Philip Fox '98** are expecting their first baby in November. They would like to hear from friends and can be reached at michelelfox@earthlink.net.

Jonathan Matthew Mullins married Joanna Susan Coleman on May 18. Matt is a salesman for Champion Roller and his new wife is currently pursuing a degree in nursing at Virginia Commonwealth University. The couple lives in Richmond, Va.

Carpaccio Owens and wife **Robyn '00** are expecting a child in March of 2003. Carp is in the U.S. Army and Robyn is an Insurance Agent.

'99 Randi Jo "Pixie" Bruner recently had her first book, *Mind's Eye Theatre - Laws of the Wild - Changing Breeds 3* published by White Wolf Gaming Studio and is having a great time writing her second book for them. She is married to Paul A. Shuford and they live in Atlanta. Pixie would like to hear from old friends at pixie@charterchemical.com.

Melissa Denise Hendrix married Phillip Taylor Barnum on Sept. 15 on the Catawba Queen. The bride owns her own business in the Charlotte area. The groom works for Industrial Pressure Works in Concord. The couple lives in Concord.

Christie McMullen has been promoted to assistant testing administrator at the Salisbury Tutoring Academy Ltd. She will be assisting with the regular re-evaluation of all academy students.

Melissa Ellen Parziale graduated in May from Regent University with a Master's degree in Education. She is engaged to Vic Shandor and plans to be married next September. She would love to hear from all friends, especially **Pete '98** and **Murph '98**.

Anne Perod writes that she is no longer Food Lion Anne. She is now in Healthcare Recruiting. She would like to hear from those with whom she has lost contact at alperod@hotmail.com.

Mike Weir married **Holly Marie Myers '00** on May 5. **Kathleen Ledlie**

Verburg '00 and **Patricia Verzier '00** were in the wedding. Holly is a graduate student at the Wake Forest School of Medicine and Mike is a water plant operator for Davie County. The couple now lives near Winston-Salem and looks forward to hearing from friends.

'00 Tabitha Mouhot Bateman would like to announce that she has been married a year and a half to Lane Bateman.

She is pursuing her master's degree in human resource management through the University of Phoenix online program and is expecting her first biological child in early 2003.

Cybil Elaine Dyson married Kevin Thomas Jones on Sept. 22, 2002 at First Baptist Church in Salisbury. Cybil is a physicians assistant student at East Carolina Brody School of Medicine and is pursuing a Master of health science degree at Duke University. Kevin is financial director at Campus Outreach of Charlotte. The Joneses lives in Charlotte.

Karina Ferry rode in the Washington DC AIDSride Sept. 13-16.

Mirna Franjul married Matthew Williams on Sept. 8. Mirna is a category manager for the Hispanic business at Food Lion Support Center. Matthew currently pursuing a degree in business administration at Catawba and is sales marketing manager for Air Masters Technologies. The couple is living in Statesville.

Andy and **Amy Palmer '00** have both completed Masters Degrees at FSU and are working in Polk County, Florida. Andy is working as Grants and E-rate Specialist with the Polk County Public School System and Amy is a City Planner for Auburndale, Fla. The couple currently resides in Winter Haven and can be reached at appalmer@hotmail.com, achenry704@aol.com or 121 Lake Thomas Dr, Winter Haven, FL 33880.

Friends and classmates of the late **Matthew R. Pollitt** may honor his memory by making contributions to the Matthew R. Pollitt Environmental Scholarship Fund, c/o Mr. Don Oman, 700 Congress Ave., Havre de Grace, Md. 21078.

Laurie Janece Reynolds married Jamie Grant Bowles on Sept. 15. Laurie is a registered nurse at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. Jamie is an assistant project manager for John S. Clark Construction Company. The couple resides in King.

Ruth Taylor and **Bryan Wareham** were married Mar. 9 at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Lakeland, Fla. Ruth and Bryan live in Richmond, Va.

'01 Kathryn Stollerman writes that she has just moved to Myrtle Beach. She invites old classmates to get in touch with her if they are in the

1990s Close-up

1999 Alumna is a Peace Corps Volunteer in East Timor

Lindsey Suggs, a 1999 alumna of Catawba, is among the Peace Corps volunteers now serving in East Timor, a newly independent nation that was formerly part of Indonesia. Suggs, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Suggs of Greenville, N.C., was among the first group of volunteers to arrive in East Timor in September, just a month after the country was granted independence. Members of her group of volunteers had all recently finished a two-year Peace Corps assignment in another country. They will spend the next year helping to establish a Peace Corps presence in East Timor and setting up foundations for sustainable development projects there.

The volunteers spent their first four weeks in Dili, East Timor's capital, participating in language, cross-cultural, safety and security, medical and job-related training. They learned Tetun, one of the two official languages in the nation and the one most used by the majority of Timorese people.

Prior to joining the Peace Corps in 2000, Suggs earned her master's degree from Rutgers University. Her first Peace Corps assignment involved spending two years in Paraguay.

area. She can be reached at KatsMeow713@cs.com.

Friends and classmates of the late **Donald "Donnie" Vernon** may make memorial donations to a fund which will benefit his widow, Kristie, and his five-month-old son, Jadon. Direct gifts to Donnie Vernon Cancer Fund, c/o First Union National Bank, 125 N. Main St., China Grove, N.C. 28023.

'02 Wilson Beaver moved to Myrtle Beach, SC to take a job at Coastal Carolina University as an Assistant Coach/ Equipment Coordinator for the football team under the direction of former Catawba College Football Head Coach David Bennett.

Michael Donald Cundiff married Ashley Heather Gage May 17. The couple resides in High Point.

Vanessa Randazzo has taken a job as a make-up artist for Yves Saint Laurent at Saks Fifth Avenue, N.Y.C.

William Sowers started at Lancaster Theological Seminary this fall.

CORRECTION

In the President's Report & Honor Roll of Donors, an error was made on Page 17 under the class of 1965. This group of individuals was listed incorrectly as the Century Circle. They are Patron Circle donors (\$500 to \$999).

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One Year Anniversary

Rocking chairs and extensive landscaping, including native plants and water features, have been added to Catawba College's Center for the Environment since its opening in September 2001. Don't be fooled by its tranquil visage as it sits on the edge of the college's 189-acre Ecological Preserve. Dr. John Wear, director of the Center, says thousands of visitors have passed through its doors during the course of the year for a first-hand look at a sustainably designed green building.

Shuford Stadium

Progress Underway



Work continues on the new press box at Shuford Stadium. A \$1 million gift from the family of the late J. F. Hurley, Jr., who made a donation to build the original press box, has helped fund construction efforts.



Another view of construction at new Shuford Stadium. This shows footings for new bleachers in place and the track ready for resurfacing.