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Again this year, Catawba is one of the country's best institutions for undergraduate education, according to *The Princeton Review's* new 2016 edition of "The Best 380 Colleges."



Catawba is ranked 15th among the nation's BEST Regional Colleges in the South, according to the 2016 edition of "Best Colleges," published by *U.S.News & World Report*.

Catawba is one of only 20 North Carolina public and private institutions included in *Forbes'* "America's Top Colleges 2015," and moved up 28 places on their list of the 650 best undergraduate colleges. This is the fifth consecutive year that Catawba has been named a top college by *Forbes*.

Catawba was one of only four institutions in North Carolina making the Top 100 list in *Forbes*' Grateful Graduates Index 2015. The other NC institutions were Duke University, Wake Forest University, and Davidson College. The Index ranks the best long-term value, or return-on-investment (ROI) of the top private, not-for profit colleges enrolling more than 1,000 students.

Catawba has been named one of the nation's Best Music Schools by *InTune* magazine's listing of "The Best Music Schools of 2015."

Catawba Theatre Arts has been ranked 17th in *The Princeton Review's* 2016 "Best College Theater."

Catawba is one of the country's most environmentally responsible colleges, according to *The Princeton Review*. Catawba was named again to *The Princeton Review's 2015 Green Colleges*.

Catawba College is making news for being among 181 ranked institutions of higher education with a standardized test optional policy. Catawba was included in a recent *Washington Post* blog titled, "A list of 180+ ranked schools that don't require ACT or SAT scores for admissions."

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Greetings from the CAMPUS

of Catawba College!

he start of a new academic year is exciting and full of promise – and this year is no different. There is always a sense of anticipation, especially from the group of new students and their families, as well as those who are joining the Catawba community as faculty or staff members.

It has become a touchstone for me during our opening activities on campus to share the following quote from A. Bartlett Giamatti, the late President of Yale University and Commissioner of Major League Baseball (a true Renaissance man):

> "The university today is very different from the one 25 years ago, or 50 or 100 or 250 years ago, and yet it is not different.

"It is still a constant conversation between young and old, between students, among faculty; between faculty and students; a conversation between past and present, a conversation the culture has with itself, on behalf of the country....

"Perhaps it is the sound of all those voices, over centuries overlapping, giving and taking, that is finally the music of civilization ... making the world, for its pain, work. It is a good place that continues to want to make her children better."

I can think of no more fitting description of the role of higher education in general and Catawba in particular. That sense of **engagement with purpose** is palpable across the campus.

The sense of excitement about new beginnings is heightened by the tremendous progress we are making. Although you will be able to read about many of these items in more detail throughout this publication, let me highlight just a few:

As of this writing, our enrollment picture is very strong:

 Our total undergraduate enrollment (including our evening program) has increased 2.5 % over last year at this time while our traditional undergraduate program enrollment has increased 5.4%.

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- The incoming first year class reflects significant increases in "yield" (the percentage of students who accept our offer of admission), with nearly 36% of admitted students depositing compared to under 30% last year and 23.4% in 2012.
- Our new students also show substantial improvements in their academic profile, with an average Grade Point Average of 3.64 (compared to 3.52 last year) and an average SAT of 1005 (a 21-point improvement over 984 last year).

Our financial picture also continues to improve. In the last three years our institutional debt has been reduced from over \$23 million to just over \$19 million and our endowment has grown from \$48 million to nearly \$57 million.

As you will see in greater detail in the pages ahead, our comprehensive campaign has received nearly \$43 million in gifts and pledges towards its goal of \$60 million. More importantly, these generous expressions of support are creating tangible improvements that are already visible in campus facilities, sustainability, student's academic and co-curricular experiences, and access to Catawba for deserving young people. We are all deeply appreciative for the tremendous response to the campaign - and we trust that what you read about in this magazine will encourage you to consider a gift to a program or area of the College that aligns with your philanthropic priorities.

Last but not least, we continue to receive third party verifications from national publications such as *U.S.News and World*



Report, The Princeton Review's Best 380 Colleges, and Forbes as being one of the best institutions of our kind.

We are proud that for a third consecutive year, *Forbes* listed us as **one of only four North Carolina institutions in the Top 100** of their "*Grateful Grads Index.*" The other three were Duke, Davidson, and Wake Forest. I believe this reflects our story with particular effectiveness because I constantly hear from alumni, whether they graduated five years ago or fifty years ago, that it was here at Catawba that they began to flourish – and many attribute a significant measure of their success to what they learned on this campus.

The ranking in *Forbes' "Top 650 Colleges"* list was particularly encouraging because **we moved up 28 places**. This is independent confirmation and national recognition of Catawba's progress and momentum!

I know that as you explore this edition of CAMPUS you will continue to find powerful examples of the lifelong (and life changing) Catawba Experience – and that you will be inspired to expand and enrich your own involvement with the College. We hope to see you on campus soon!

Yours at Catawba,

BRIEN LEWIS



COMMITMENTS &

Check out out Catawba's priorities & progress across campus & beyond beginning on page 20





art says he tries to approach every book he writes "as an act of trust and faith." Hart, a Salisbury native, came home on March 19 to deliver the keynote address to Catawba College's 29th annual Brady Author's Symposium. He seemed to enjoy the time he spent in the Robertson College-Community Center among his faithful readers, fans and friends as much as they did.

Coming HOME

Hart is the author of four New York Times bestsellers, "The King of Lies," "Down River," "The Last Child" and "Iron House". The only author in history to win the best novel Edgar Award for consecutive novels, Hart has also won the Barry Award, the SIBA Book Award for Fiction and the Ian Fleming Steel Dagger Award for best thriller of the year. A former defense attorney and stockbroker, today he is pursuing his passion as a full-time writer.

His fifth novel has been written and is now in the hands of his publisher being prepared for publication sometime in 2016, but he notes that this fifth novel did not come easily to fruition. He says he started what he thought would be his fifth novel, penned 300 pages, and "didn't like any of it."

"I was wasting months trying to fix it and it didn't work. I asked my publisher to forgive me and allow me to start over, and God bless them, they did. What I realized about that failed novel was that it didn't have the right main character."

Hart hopes his readers will believe his soon-to-be published fifth novel does have the right main character – a very different main character from his previous novels. This one, he confides, is a female, his first female protagonist. He says he took a risk in creating her and cannot wait to see how his readers receive her.

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Thursday, March 17, 2016

Pulitzer Prize for Fiction for her novel *A Thousand Acres*

Jane Smiley

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Catawba participates in 2015 Salisbury Sculpture Show

Catawba, along with the three other higher education institutions in Salisbury, is participating in the 2015 Salisbury Sculpture Show thanks to generous donor gifts. This is the seventh year of the Salisbury Sculpture Show, but the first year that Catawba has participated.

In all, 19 sculptures are installed as part of the show in the Salisbury downtown and on the higher education institutions' campuses within the city. These sculptures will be on display from March 2015 through January 2016.

At Catawba, four of the 19 sculptures are located on the Chapel side of the campus so visitors can see all four within a short walking distance. This side of Catawba's campus also gets the majority of the visitors' traffic.

These four sculptures include "Cube in Motion" by Hanna Jubran; "Creatures of the Sky Arch II" by Jim Gallucci; "Dancing Milkweed V" by David Boyajian; and "Fighting for Alpha" by Todd Frahm.

Catawba President Brien Lewis said Catawba's participation this year in the Salisbury Sculpture Show is "a way to be more robustly involved in the life of the community and as a way to move us toward fully realizing another goal outlined in Catawba's strategic plan."

Lewis explained that Catawba's strategic plan calls for the college to develop opportunities "to display and incorporate public art on our campus." He added that if these temporary installations prove successful, the college "may be able to continue participating in the community sculpture program in subsequent years." Dancing Milkweed V David Boyajian

Fighting for Alpha Todd Frahm





Richard "Dick" J. Seiwell

CATAWBA HONORS 1967 ALUMNUS WITH PRESTIGIOUS ADRIAN SHUFORD AWARD

atawba alumnus and trustee Richard "Dick" J. Seiwell was honored by his alma mater on Wednesday, April 15, as the 2015 recipient of the College's prestigious Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. Award for Distinguished Service.

College President Brien Lewis made the presentation to Seiwell, a graduate of Catawba's Class of 1967, during a special President's Circle Event held to recognize the institution's major donors in Peeler Crystal Lounge of the Robertson College-Community Center.

The Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. Award is presented annually to individuals whose actions and generosity to both the college and their communities emulate those of the late Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. of Conover, a businessman and a long-serving member of the College Board of Trustees. The President's Award for Distinguished Service was first presented in 1983, but in 1984, the award was named to honor Mr. Shuford and in recognition of all he had done for the college.

As he made the presentation, Lewis shared with those gathered that Seiwell "helps manage the College's investment portfolio with very good success. Dick's donated effort in managing our investments would cost the college around \$385,000 a year if we were to outsource it or if he were to charge us for it, but he does this pro bono. This is indeed a remarkable ongoing gift of expertise and stewardship." Seiwell, a member of the Catawba Board of Trustees since 1986, chairs that Board's finance committee, has chaired its endowment committee, and is a member of its investment sub-committee. He was honored by the College with its Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1999 and inducted into its Ketner School of Business Hall of Fame in 2010.

A native of Pennsylvania and the son of Catawba alumni, the late Reverend Porter Seiwell '35 (a longtime Catawba College chaplain) and wife Maria '34, Seiwell graduated from the College with a degree in business. He earned his M.B.A. from Ohio State University in 1968.

He served in the U.S. Army Reserves from 1968 until 1974. In 1977, he became a chartered financial analyst and has worked as a former partner and director of research for Cashman, Farrell & Associates, Inc.

He serves as director and chair of the investment committee of New Covenant Trust Company and as an adjunct trustee of the Presbyterian Foundation. Married to wife Linda, the two are parents of two adult children and make their home in West Chester, Pa.

Lewis described him as "a generous, civic-minded individual who knows he has been blessed and believes in paying it forward."

He has long been a supporter of Catawba's Campus Ministry and its Lilly Center for Vocation and Values. He and other family members established a Retreat Ministry Fund and an Endowed Scholarship Fund in memory of his parents.

Three Catawba College Trustees, who stepped down from service on that Board, were recognized for their service by being awarded trustee emeritus status at the June meeting of the Board of Trustees.



Paul Fisher, a native of Granite Quarry and a 1960 alumnus of UNC Chapel Hill, has been a member of the Catawba Board of Trustees since 1975. He served for four years as chair of that board.

The former chairman and CEO of F&M Bank, he now serves as chairman of the F&M Bank Board. He is a member of the N.C. Banking Commission and former president of the N.C. Bankers Association. He was a member of the N.C. Air National Guard between 1960 and 1968.

Catawba recognized his service to the College by awarding him its Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. Award for Distinguished Service and an honorary doctorate of humanitarian service. He was inducted into the Ketner School of Business Hall of Fame in 2010.

Married to wife Sue, the Fishers have two adult children.



Shirley Peeler Ritchie '52 served on the Board of Trustees from 2000

to 2014 and served in the role as secretary to the Board for several years. Her family's history with the college dates back to the 1920s when her mother, the late Lillian Caldwell Peeler, attended Old Catawba in Newton and was a member of the Class of 1926. Her father, the late Clifford Peeler, served for many years on Catawba's Board of Trustees. He was a successful businessman who parlayed locally made Cheerwine into a booming family business and large Salisbury employer.

A Salisbury native, she double-majored in religion and philosophy and sociology at Catawba and later earned her master's degree and doctorate from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Ritchie met husband Raymond, a football player, while both were students at Catawba and after the two married, they settled in Salisbury to raise their family, which consists of two sons and a daughter.

During her career, Ritchie worked as a social worker, a school counselor in the Salisbury City Schools, and as an instructor and program director for Early Childhood Gifted Project at UNC Charlotte. She joined the faculty of Catawba in 1981, and served the institution as a professor of education until her retirement in 1993.

While on the faculty at Catawba, Shirley received both the Swink Prize for outstanding classroom teaching and the Algernon Sidney Sullivan Award. Catawba has honored her with its O.B. Michael Award, the Distinguished Alumnas Award, and an honorary doctorate. She was honored by Catawba in 2007 when it named the Shirley Peeler Ritchie Academy for Teaching for her. She and husband Raymond were jointly honored as recipients of Catawba's Adrian Shuford, Jr. Award.



Jom E. Smith, a native of China Grove, graduated from Catawba in 1964. He served for 10 years as chairman of the Catawba College Board of Trustees, stepping down from that role in 2008, but remaining a member of the board. He is the former President/CEO of Food Lion.

Among the awards Catawba has bestowed upon Smith are its Distinguished Alumnus Award, an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree, the Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. Award for Distinguished Service, and a Life of Exemplary Service Award. He was inducted into Catawba's Ketner School of Business Hall of Fame in 2008.

Other awards that Smith has received include the Martin Luther King Humanitarian Award, a Bronze and Silver CEO of the Year, the North Carolina Grocer of the Year, and a Civic Commitment Award from the National Council on Aging. He has served on the board of the Foundation for the Carolinas and is a member of the UNC Nutrition Research Institute's Board of Directors. He is a former member of the U.S. Army Reserve.

Married to wife Martha, Smith is the father of an adult daughter.

2015 - GREECE

10-day excursion to Greece included the Acropolis in Athens, Mycenae, the Sanctuary of Delphi, the important archaeological site of Mycenae, the ancient theater at Epidaurus, and a day on the island of Aegina. These sites provided students with deeper contextual knowledge of the sources used in the course.

COSTA RICA

Catawba's Costa Rica Summer Language Program offered full immersion in not only learning the Spanish language but in experiencing the culture in Central America.

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CATAWBA B.O.V. DISCOVER YOURSELF,

DISCOVER THE WORLD CHALLENGE!

Board of Visitors' member, who wishes to remain anonymous but who shares a passion for Study Abroad opportunities for Catawba students, made a dollar for dollar challenge of up to \$25,000 to their fellow members. This challenger is hoping that the monies raised through this effort will benefit Catawba's Ketner Center for International Studies and its program offerings.



Catawba Hires Director of Nursing

DR. RACQUEL INGRAM



r. Racquel Richardson Ingram of Kernersville is the chair of Catawba's soon-to-be launched nursing program. Ingram's appointment as chair and associate professor of nursing at the College began at the start of the spring 2015 semester and was announced by Dr. J. Michael Bitzer, Provost.

"We're delighted to add someone of Dr. Ingram's caliber and real world experience to our faculty," Bitzer said. "She excels in her profession and will certainly assist Catawba in achieving excellence in the nursing program she will help us add to our academic offerings."

Ingram is charged with developing Catawba's nursing program and initially recruiting Registered Nurses who seek to upgrade their credentials by earning a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN). The first phase of the nursing program implementation, the RN to BSN, is expected to launch during the spring of 2016. The second phase of the nursing program, the launch of the pre-licensure BSN at Catawba for non-RNs, is anticipated to launch in the fall of 2017.

Ingram's hiring and the pending start-up of Catawba's nursing program is made possible in large measure thanks to a \$1 million grant the College received in 2014 from the Salisbury-based Blanche & Julian Robertson Family Foundation. Other gifts have also been received in support of the program.

Ingram comes to Catawba after serving since May 2013 as the founding program director for nursing and associate professor at South University High Point (SUHP). While at SUHP, she was recognized in April 2014 with the institution's Bravo Award, and in 2013, as the recipient of the Excellence in Teaching Award. Prior to her tenure at SUHP and beginning in 2012, Ingram was employed as a part-time faculty member at Chamberlain College of Nursing (CCN) and as a contributing faculty member at Walden University (WU). She was an associate professor of nursing on the faculty at Winston-Salem State University (WSSU) from January 2003 to May 2013. From June 1999 to January 2001, Ingram was employed as a Nurse Aide-I Instructor at Forsyth Technical Community College (FTCC).

Her faculty experience has involved curriculum development, admissions, retention, course coordination, grant writing and program fundraising. She has extensive research and presentation experience and has authored or co-authored dozens of professional articles. One publication topic that has been of particular interest to Ingram is Health Literacy, particularly among African Americans ages 50 and older.

While Ingram was teaching nursing, she was also practicing as one. She was a nursing supervisor at CNC/Access during 2000-2001, a clinical supervisor/ consultant at ProCare Services in 2000-2001, and a staff nurse at Forsyth Medical Center from 1997 through 2007.

A first-generation college student, Ingram earned her BSN from WSSU, and her MSN and Ph.D. in nursing from UNC-Greensboro. Her professional journey into nursing did not start out on a straight trajectory. Growing up, she thought she wanted to be a teacher, but shares, "After high school, I decided I was done with school, until I took a CNA course and loved it. That's what got me into nursing."

Today, she enjoys teaching people "how to maintain [their health] and about prevention."



Ingram confides that she is very proud to be at Catawba, and although excited about her challenges starting up a new academic program, she does not take the opportunity lightly. She relishes the opportunity to put Catawba's mission statement into action. Although she is a new hire, she can correctly recite that mission statement's most meaningful phrases: "personal attention," and "a zeal to enrich human life."

To her fellow RNs whom she will soon be recruiting into the RN to BSN program, she says she will explain: "Right now, you are highly valued and skilled practitioners with years of experience. We're not questioning your ability or your skills, but we want to help you enhance them and equip you with additional knowledge that can help improve patient outcomes tremendously."

Ingram noted that the planned launch of Catawba's nursing program, with its initial recruiting aimed at the RN to BSN effort, was initiated by the Institute of Medicine's recent recommendation that 80 percent of the nation's practicing nurses should have a BSN by 2020. In this effort, the Institute asked health care facilities, like Novant's Rowan Regional Medical Center, and educational institutions, like Catawba College, to work collaboratively to achieve this goal.

The family-oriented Ingram who describes herself with words like "true," "real" and "sincere," and who places great value on "ethics and morals," is married to husband Chinno Ingram Sr., an occupational therapist and a physical therapist assistant. The two are parents of five children, ages 24, 23, 19, 18 and 12.



The Catawba Board of Trustees approved the recommendations of the Faculty Tenure and Promotion Committee to confer tenure on **Dr. Forrest Anderson** and **Dr. Eric Hake** at its February meeting.

The Board also approved several promotions effective with the start of the '15-'16 academic year, including **Dr. Forrest Anderson** and **Dr. Jim Hand** to the rank of Associate Professor, as well as **Dr. Eric Hake** to the rank of Professor.

At their June 2015 meeting, Trustees also granted faculty emerita status to retiring Professor of Theatre Arts **Dayna Anderson**.

The following Catawba faculty members were appointed to endowed professorships, according to College Provost Dr. J. Michael Bitzer. These are two-year appointments, with the exception of the Swink Professorship, which is awarded annually to the recipient of the Swink Prize.

- **Dr. Cheryl Peevy** has been appointed as the C. Earl Poovey Professor of Modern Foreign Languages.
- **Dr. David Fish** has been appointed as the P.J. Leonard Associate Professor of Music.
- Dr. Rhonda Truitt has been appointed as the Clifford and Lillian Peeler Associate Professor of Teacher Education.
- Dr. Carol Ann Miderski has been appointed as a Jefferson-Pilot Professor of Chemistry.
- **Prof. David Pulliam** has been appointed as a Jefferson-Pilot Professor of Theatre Arts.
- Dr. Edith Bolick has been appointed as the Swink Professor for Outstanding Classroom Teaching.
- **Dr. Janice Fuller** has been appointed to the Weaver Endowed Chair of Humanities.

Old dimmers dismantled and processed for recycling.



THE ROBERTSON COMMUNITY-COLLEGE CENTER DIMMER/LED HOUSE LIGHTING PROJECT IS COMPLETED!

The old dimmer racks have been removed and dismantled into parts for recycling. The electrical contractor has installed the new dimmer racks. Thanks to all for their contributions to this fundamental project!

LET THERE BE LIGHT!



Longtime Catawba College Theatre Arts Professor Dayna Anderson directed her last production, Shakespeare's "Comedy of Errors," in February before her retirement from the College at the end of the academic year.

Anderson did not personally choose this play as the last one that she would direct in her 34-year tenure, but she said it is more than fitting that the responsibility of directing it landed with her.

"It was the best show we could choose to include in our season, for our department, for our students and our faculty, and I got the largess of it all," she explained, smiling.

The show gave her a chance to collaborate with her colleagues, including one of her former students, Meredith Fox '07 who has returned to her alma mater as a Theatre Arts faculty member after earning her MFA at Accademia dell'Arte in Arrezo, Italy.

"THAT'LL DO," Dayna Anderson said as she wrapped up

a 34-year teaching career

It was Fox, Anderson explained, who suggested that masks be used in this production, in the tradition of Italian Commedia. Fox also assisted Anderson in directing the Lazzi and Commedia Movement for characters in "Comedy of Errors."

Mask making for the production required all hands on deck. Anderson found a video of a mask making technique that used a simple vacuum form machine to make children's Halloween masks. That video prompted her to suggest that she and her Theatre Arts colleagues build their own vacuum form machine and adapt that technique for creating their show masks. That is exactly what they did. Shop manager Craig Kolkebeck and Theatre Arts Professor and Chair Christopher Zink built the machine. Catawba Art Professor Ashley Pierce made some clay noses, cheeks and brows and assisted the cast members in sculpting other shapes out of soft clay. Theatre Arts Professor David Pulliam coordinated two days of mask making workshops with the department's students. The results gave Anderson pause and some moments for insightful reflection.

When she located a plaster of Paris mask of her face that she had made over 30 years before for use in a production of "The Madwoman of Chailotte," the differences and similarities between this mask and the masks created for "Comedy of Errors" caused her to consider time and its passage.

"It's me, but it's not me," she said of her 30-year-old mask. "It's the youthful me and a reminder of how much we change not just on the outside, but on the inside over the decades.

"I would not give up a wrinkle or a scar because the physical is fleeting. "Comedy of Errors" deals with time and how slippery it is, and witchy it is, and how it slips back on itself and begins again."

She paraphrased Shakespeare from the play: "Time goes backwards and forwards, and you can't depend on it to measure your life."

"No, I did not choose this production [to be the last she directed at Catawba], but I got chosen. It's almost like I got schooled."

"As long as you learn as much from your students as you try to teach them, that sustains you. I have had a fulfilled life in theatre – it's had my heart for all of this time. It's not a romantic life at all. It's gritty and tough, and worth sticking with, like everything worth having. "I've never regretted a single moment I've spent in the pursuit of theatre and I cannot say that about anything else in my life. Theatre is elusive and it changes, and you change, and your vision of it is constantly changing. Theatre is the most public and the most personal of all the arts and every single show we direct is a journey into someone's psyche and into a knowledge base we're unfamiliar with.

"Theatre is an element of change and that's what college is. People come whether audience member or students and they leave changed. What a blessing is has been for me to be a part of that."

Although one chapter in her life is concluding, another will be unfolding for her in retirement. Anderson will move from developing and training students in all aspects of theatre to raising and training K-9 companions for work as service dogs. She shared that a friend told her: "You're just going to be doing exactly the same thing, but your new students will have fuzzy faces."

She leaves Catawba proud "of advances we've made for the female students in the Theatre Arts Department and at the College." She will leave without sadness knowing that "every exit is an entry into another play," and as if in satisfied conclusion, she firmly quotes Babe, the pig: "That'll do."

Anderson joined the faculty in the Catawba Theatre Arts Department in 1981. A specialist in performance theory, she is most recognized for her work with actors who are just beginning their performance art, particularly women.

Selected for post graduate study in acting, her experiences include study with the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Theatre Association's Conference on Women in Theatre. Many other post graduate acting studies have been in the Alexander Technique. Anderson's long commitment to the Alexander Technique has lasted almost 30 years, culminating with her graduation from the Alexander Alliance in Philadelphia and marking her as a teacher uniquely versed in both the American and British approaches to the Alexander Technique.



As a director, more than 50 percent of Anderson's productions have been at Catawba where she has offered students a wide and meaningful range of performance opportunities. Honored by Catawba College for her peda-gogical skills and creative teaching, she was awarded the Swink Award for Classroom Teaching in 1998. She was inducted into Catawba's Blue Masque Hall of Fame in 2012.



Jay Abraham

CATAWBA APPOINTS NEW DEAN OF ITS KETNER SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

College President Brien Lewis announced that Jay Abraham of Mooresville, North Carolina, succeeded Dr. Pamela Thompson, who returned to faculty ranks in the Ketner School of Business. Abraham began work on August 1.

In making the announcement, Lewis noted Abraham's extensive business experience and valuable business relationships "that will assist our faculty and students in continuing to enhance the experiential components of Catawba's business program." He said that Abraham's breadth of knowledge about different business sectors, including sports, media and entertainment, traditional packaged goods marketing, and grocery retail, "will help our faculty to design and deliver a curriculum with solid foundations in both academic and real world business applications."

"I also want to thank Dr. Thompson for her leadership and guidance of the school. She has provide a strong foundation for Jay's appointment," Lewis said, "and I appreciate that she wants to return to her first passion, teaching Catawba's students."

According to Catawba Provost Dr. J. Michael Bitzer, Abraham's charge in his new role will be "to continue to vigorously pursue our institutional goal of accreditation for the business school and to not only strengthen the existing academic programs, but also build our new academic program offerings in Accounting and Sports Communication and continue to explore other academic initiatives and partnerships."

"Jay's professional experience will serve as a critical lynchpin to what Catawba's faculty does in the classroom in preparing our graduates from the Ketner School of Business," Bitzer said. "Jay's leadership will help the College fulfill its mission of providing an education rich in personal attention and that blends the competencies and skills of liberal studies with career preparation."

Abraham, who holds his Bachelor of Arts degree in English and American Literature from Brown University and his MBA from The Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania, has been described as an "intrapreneur" who focuses on building teams and businesses from the ground up. His areas of expertise include marketing strategy development, business building capabilities, professional relationship building, budget development and management, profit and loss management, revenue generation, branding strategies, content creation and team-member coordination.

In accepting his position as Dean of the Ketner School of Business, Abraham said he was already relishing the challenges it would bring. "I have been very impressed with the faculty and the opportunities offered at Catawba," he shared, noting that higher education was one business sector he had not yet engaged in during the course of his varied career and sees great opportunity to leverage his creativity and strategic vision in concert with the existing leadership of the College.

Since 2012, he has served as principal for Abraham Marketing & Media. His company has provided consulting services to build strategic vision to grow emerging businesses, create integrated marketing solutions, and develop core brand positionings. His current clients include Red Bull Media House, Earnhardt Outdoors, Hammerhead Entertainment, Stoneacre Partners, Global Innovation Ventures, the National Wheelchair Basketball Association and Real Time Immersion (RTI). From 2001 to 2012, he was employed by NASCAR, serving from 2001-2006 as President and CEO of NASCAR Images, and from 2007-2012, as Chief Operating Officer for NASCAR Media Group and Vice President of New Media & Content for NASCAR. In these roles, he coordinated and led production, post-production, intellectual property rights management/licensing, content development, sales, distribution, business development, and broadcast rights management. He won four Sports Emmys and was nominated for 14 Sports Emmys over a six-year time period.

He was employed as Vice President for Business Development by H.J. Heinz Company between 1998 and 2001, identifying and coordinating growth opportunities for the frozen food category of the company. Between 1994 and 1998, Abraham worked for Food Lion, Inc. as Vice President of Marketing, implementing the industry's first-ever frequent shopper program, Food Lion's MVP Card.

Abraham also worked for H.J. Heinz Company from 1985-1993, holding a variety of positions. He served as Vice President of Marketing and General Manager of Business Development for Weight Watchers Food Company between 1991 and 1993, launching a strategically redefined business plan that focused on the company's trademark and resulted in double digit sales growth. Other roles he held at Heinz USA included General Manager Marketing from 1988-1991, Group Product Manager from 1987-1988, and Product Manager from 1985-1987.

His earliest work experiences were for General Mills, Inc. and International Business Machines. At General Mills, he served as Assistant Product Manager for Yoplait Yogurt between 1983 and 1985, and as Marketing Assistant for Hamburger Helper between 1982 and 1983. He held the role of Marketing Representative for IBM between 1978 and 1980.

KSOB Advisory Board Members Paid It Forward with Establishment of New Internship Fund

Members of the Ketner School of Business (KSOB) Advisory Board literally paid it forward when they put their money where their idea was. Recognizing that real workplace experience is the best way for students to prepare for and finalize their career plans, board members each made contributions to a fund that allows KSOB students to receive stipends for their internships.

Monies contributed thus far to the new KSOB Internship Fund total more than \$17,000 with a significant portion coming from Catawba Trustee Chester A. "Junie" Michael III '70 to be used as matching funds. Members of the KSOB faculty and staff also contributed to the fund.

Six KSOB students placed at various organizations received stipends from the fund during summer 2014. Another 10 students were served during the summer 2015.

Students gained helpful, real world experience at local organizations including the Rowan-Salisbury Chamber of Commerce, Nazareth Children's Home, United Way of Salisbury Rowan, Rowan Helping Ministries, the Community Care Clinic, WSAT Memories 1280, Lutheran Services, Downtown Salisbury Marketing and Event Planning, Granville-Vance District Health Department, Love and Faith Christian Fellowship, KPMG International, and Best Shot Now.

According to Dr. Pam Thompson, dean of the Ketner School of Business and associate professor of business, most students need to hold summer jobs to help earn money to pay for their college expenses, but often the jobs they land do not provide them with experience applicable to their academic majors. The stipends the KSOB Internship Fund provides, she said, solve this problem, especially for students who want to gain experience working in a non-profit setting.

"Experiential learning is a required component of the Ketner School of Business core classes for the B.S. degree in Business, all concentrations," Thompson said. "This requirement includes an external internship and one hour per week classroom study on 'soft skills' to include effective networking, email etiquette, resume development, mock interviews, manners at work, and ethics.

"Frequently, the top internship opportunities are low paid or unpaid, and many students have difficulty affording to take these. We believe in the value of internships for our students and do not want to see any student have to turn down an opportunity to gain experience due to financial reasons. We are very proud and appreciative of the work done to get this fund off the ground!"

KSOB Advisory Board chair, Dr. Charles Muse '68 of Florence, S.C., spearheaded the fundraising effort on the board and his efforts also garnered contributions from every KSOB faculty member.

"Many of our students participate in internships at not for profit organizations that are unable to provide them with a salary or any expense reimbursement for driving back and forth to their work site. The monies that we have raised through donations from our board, alumni and others help us provide funds to defray the expenses the students incurred," Muse said.

KSOB Board member Susan Cloninger, chair of the KSOB Advisory Board's Fundraising Committee, lauded the board's initiative and encouraged graduates and supporters of the Ketner School of Business to keep making contributions to the Internship Fund.

As the KSOB Internship Fund continues to grow, Catawba's Career Services Director Robin Perry hopes to place even more students. "We help students build their resumes with experience, in addition to building relationships with a variety of executives and community leaders," Perry explained. "Making connections and networking are additional advantages of these internships."

Businesses interested in providing internship opportunities can e-mail Robin Perry at rmperry@ catawba.edu. More information on the Business School internship program can be found at: www.catawba.edu/internksob.

We look forward to the continued growth of this fund thanks to generous donors and to the chance to provide opportunities for as many students as possible. Collectively, we make a difference in our students' lives by helping them be even better prepared for life after college.

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Cindy Barr

MEET CATAWBA'S VICE PRESIDENT OF ENROLLMENT

Cynthia "Cindy" Lawrence Barr, formerly Associate Dean of Admissions at Elon University, joined Catawba College as its Vice President of Enrollment at the beginning of the '14-'15 academic year.

"We are excited to add Cindy's enthusiasm, experience, and dedication to students to the team at Catawba," said Catawba College President Brien Lewis in announcing Barr's hiring. "Her expertise and abilities are just what we need to continue building on the outstanding work we have done in enrollment during recent years."

Barr said she welcomed the challenges that her role at Catawba offers, adding, "I love what I do in helping students and their families navigate the journey into higher education. There are so many outstanding opportunities at Catawba right now and I am delighted to be a part of building its future."

At Elon University, Barr served as Assistant Dean of Admissions from June 2007 to May 2012 before being promoted to Associate Dean of Admissions in June 2012. She also served as Interim Director of International Admissions since November of 2013. Prior to joining Elon, Barr was at UNC Charlotte as an Admissions Counselor, a role she held for two years until she was promoted in July 2002 to Assistant Director of Admissions. She was promoted again to Senior Assistant Director of Admissions in 2005, a role she held until her departure for Elon in 2007.

A North Carolina native, Barr earned her undergraduate degree in psychology with a minor in theatre from East Carolina University. She holds her master's degree in clinical/community psychology from UNC Charlotte.



Barr is a member of the National Association of College Admissions Counselors (NACAC), the Overseas Association of College Admission Counselors (OACAC), the Southern Association of College Admissions Counselors (SACAC), and the Carolinas Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (CACRAO). She was recognized by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) District III with a Special Merit Award in 2013 for an Admissions Search Campaign, which included web, print and email components.

Outside of work, Barr is active in community theatre and was a Toastmaster member, who served as president of the Elon Toastmasters Club in 2012.

Married to husband Peter "Pete" Barr, a high school educator, the couple has two daughters, Alexandra, age 11, and Abigail, age 8.

Nelson Murphy



Catawba College's new Chief Financial Officer is Nelson Murphy, formerly of Barrington, Illinois. Murphy, who succeeded the retiring Chuck Williams, began work as Vice President for Business and Finance on January 5.

"Nelson has enjoyed a robust and varied career as a financial leader supporting a variety of domestic and international businesses," President Lewis said in announcing Murphy's hiring. "He has impressed us both with his breadth of experience working for some topnotch internationally known companies, and with his enthusiasm for the next chapter of opportunities awaiting him at Catawba. His colleagues here will find him a consummate professional with an engaging personality. We very much look forward to putting his many talents to work at the college."

"The opportunity to engage in such meaningful work at an institution of higher education like Catawba is important to me," Murphy said. "I've had some terrific opportunities in my career, but this new chapter at Catawba is one that I look forward to with great anticipation. I received my undergraduate degree from Wake Forest University and lived in Winston-Salem for a number of years, and frankly, am thrilled to return to North Carolina."

Murphy, who has comprehensive experience in all areas of senior financial responsibility, has worked most

recently as Vice President of

International Finance for Syniverse Technologies, Inc. in Contern, Luxembourg. Prior to joining Syniverse, Murphy worked in senior financial roles for Northrop Grumman Corporation, including serving as Senior Director of Treasury and Risk Management for their Electronics Systems sector, and Vice President of Business Management for their Defensive Systems Division.

Murphy has also served as Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for Reader's Digest Europe based in London, and as Chief Financial Officer for Telegis Networks, Inc., a venture capital backed business in Los Gatos, Calif.

Murphy began his career with AT&T where he worked for nearly 20 years largely supporting their Consumer Communication Services and Network Systems businesses throughout the world. This included a London-based role as Vice President of Finance for AT&T Europe/Middle East/Africa directing financial operations in 27 countries throughout the region. He also served as Vice President/ Chief Financial Officer for AT&T International, based in Chicago and as Chief Financial Officer for AT&T Latin America based in Miami, Fla.

Murphy earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Wake Forest University. He completed the Darden Executive Education program through the University of Virginia.

Married to wife Carol, the couple are parents of two adult sons, Connor and Charlie.



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r. Jim Hand, an associate professor & chair of Sport & Health Sciences at Catawba College, was honored with the North Carolina Athletic Trainers' Association's (NCATA) "Educator of the Year" award for 2015. The presentation was made at the organization's Spring Symposium and Awards Luncheon held in Concord.

The NCATA added the Educator of the Year Award as a new category in 2007 and has presented it annually since that time to a High School Athletic Trainer, College/University Athletic Trainer, or a doctor who devotes time to the education of athletic training students.

Hand joined the Catawba faculty in 2010. He earned his undergraduate degree in Recreation Management with a minor in Sports Medicine from Culver-Stockton College, his master's degree in Physical Education from Ohio University, and his Ed.D in Educational Leadership from California Lutheran University.

Prior to joining Catawba, Hand served as an assistant professor of Motorsport Management at Winston-Salem State University, as an assistant professor of Human Performance and Sports Medicine and director of Athletic Training Education and assistant professor of Sport Sciences and coordinator of Clinical Education at California Lutheran University, and as an assistant professor of Sport Sciences and director of Athletic Training Education at Wingate University. Catawba's Head Athletic Trainer inducted into the MAATA Athletic Trainer Hall of Fame



R obert Casmus, head athletic trainer at Catawba College, was inducted into the Mid-Atlantic Athletic Trainers' Association (MAATA) Athletic Trainer Hall of Fame in May.

The induction was held during the MAATA's annual business meeting and symposium in Virginia Beach, Va., and recognized Casmus for his "exceptional and unique contributions to the athletic training profession."

Casmus has been head athletic trainer at Catawba College since July 1990. He is a nationally certified athletic trainer through the Board of Certification in Omaha, Nebraska, a licensed athletic trainer in North Carolina, and is a member of the National Athletic Trainers Association and the North Carolina Athletic Trainers Association. He currently serves on the NCAA Committee for Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and has been a member of the Board of Certification Examination Development Committee since 1996.

Catawba's Athletic Training Hall of Fame adds New Members



Matthew "Matt" Shaller '98 M.S., ATC

Matthew Shaller is the Clinic Director for the Tennessee Orthopedic Clinics in Knoxville, Tennessee. He is a 1998 Catawba College graduate with a B.A. in Sports Medicine and a minor in Biology.

Schaller completed his Master of Science degree from the University of Tennessee in Sports Administration in 2000. While attending the University of Tennessee, Matt was a graduate assistant athletic trainer for the football, men's swimming & diving, and the men's varsity tennis teams.

After graduating from the University of Tennessee, he was employed by St. Mary's Health System of Knoxville, Tennessee as an athletic trainer providing outreach healthcare services to five area high schools. In 2002, Matt was promoted to the Sports Medicine Coordinator position and he helped create positions for certified athletic trainers for the Knoxville area schools and he provided educational workshops and clinic in sports medicine for area coaches.

In 2005, he took a position as the Sports Medicine Coordinator at Tennessee Orthopaedic Clinics/TOC Spine with duties including, marketing, recruiting additional medical providers, overseeing athletic training healthcare services for additional Knoxville area high schools, and working with the University of Tennessee REC Sports Department. Since 2009, he has served as a Clinic Director with Tennessee Orthopaedic Clinics/TOC Spine. In addition, Matt serves as the athletic trainer for the University of Tennessee's Men's Rugby team.

Matt is married to Morgan Schaller and they reside in Knoxville, Tenn.

Two new members, Sandra Cash Campbell '87 of Elberton, Ga. and Matthew Shaller '98 of Knoxville, Tenn., were inducted into the Catawba College Athletic Training Hall of Fame on Feb. 28.

The induction ceremony, sponsored by the Catawba College Athletics Department and the Catawba College Athletic Training Program, occurred in Crystal Lounge of the Robertson College-Community Center.

Sandra Cash Campbell '87 M.Ed. ATC, LAT

Sandra "Sandy" Cash Campbell is the Head Athletic Trainer and Instructor in the Kinesiology Department at Emmanuel College in Franklin Springs, Georgia. She joined the Emmanuel College Athletic Department in 2011.

She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Catawba College in Health/P.E. in 1987. She was one of the first students to enter the Sports Medicine Studies at Catawba receiving a minor in Athletic Training. She received a M.A. from Furman University in 1990 where she was a graduate assistant in the Sports Medicine program and again, was one of the beginning graduate students entering their Exercise Science Studies. Prior to attending Furman University, Sandy was employed as an Athletic Trainer at Vaughn, Buchannan and Shelly Sports Medicine Clinic in Greenville, S.C.

Sandy was a Health & Physical Education teacher and the first certified Athletic Trainer hired in the Greenville County School System at Hillcrest High School in Simpsonville, S.C. from 1990-1992. After marriage, she moved to Elberton, Ga., and was employed at Elbert County Comprehensive High School in 1992 as a Health and Physical Education Instructor as well as the first certified Athletic Trainer hired in the Elbert County School System.

In 1995, she developed a wellness program and became the Wellness Director for Elbert Memorial Hospital. She began their Cardiac Rehabilitation Program which included providing outreach services to area schools.

Her passion lies in the clinical assessment of athletic injuries, and managing therapeutic and rehabilitation programs.

Sandy is married to Dr. Eddie Campbell DMD, FAGD and has two daughters, Taylor and Maggie. They have been married 22 years and live in Elberton, Ga.

President Lewis encouraged those attending the campaign kick-off to make an investment in Catawba. He also explained how the campaign came to be named:



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The title comes from Winston Churchill, who said, "It is one thing to see the Forward Path and another to be able to take it," he said. "We see our path - the Strategic Plan and Campus Master Plan endorsed by the Trustees last year make our road ahead very clear.







The Forward Path

Launches a \$60 Million Fundraising Campaign

atawba College resurrected some characters from its past as it launched its \$60 million comprehensive campaign, Our Catawba: The Forward Path, during an interactive kick-off journey held October 23, in the Robertson College-Community Center.

During the donor event, College President Brien Lewis announced that \$27.6 million had been raised during the silent phase of the campaign which had begun in December 2012 with authorization of Catawba's Board of Trustees. By the conclusion of Catawba's Homecoming Weekend on Oct. 26, campaign monies raised had crept even higher than the total announced on Oct. 23 to \$29.7 million. To date, almost \$43 million has been raised in the campaign effort.

According to Lewis, funds raised during the campaign will be used for two broad goals: advancement and access. "Advancement is all about the tools that make a college experience so profound: outstanding faculty and staff; top-notch facilities, technology and equipment; opportunities for internships and study abroad. Access is all about scholarship support: you can have the best college in the world, but if folks can't afford to come, it is all for naught," Lewis explained.

Several projects are "coming to fruition," Lewis noted. These include a substantial solar project that will save Catawba millions of dollars in its future and will be the largest of its kind at any college or university in North Carolina; a new recording studio in Hoke Hall; new study abroad programs in Germany and Japan; and a fledgling partnership between Catawba and the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association that will result in a new building to house the college's communication arts program and the NSSA Hall of Fame.

Campaign funds will also be used to fund elements of Catawba's Campus Master Plan, including new buildings, building additions and renovations, and landscape features. (continued page 22) Meet Helen Foil Beard First Female Graduate, Class of 1893

Meeting the Cast of Characters

Coach Kirkland, Brandon Walls

L. McCorkle

Florence Busby Corriher, Prentice Clark

Dr. Elmer Hoke, Chaz Cable

The characters played by theatre arts students during the interactive kick-off journey included Judge M. L. McCorkle, a trustee from old Catawba in Newton; Helen Foil Beard, Catawba's first female graduate in the Class of 1893; Dr. Elmer Hoke, Catawba's ninth president; Florence Busby Corriher, the founder of Catawba's Blue Masque; and Gordan Kirkland, Sr., a legendary Catawba football coach.

Helen Foil Beard

Madeline Auchter

The journey, staged in Peeler Crystal Lounge of the Robertson College-Community Center, took guests or "travelers" through various stations depicting Catawba's past, present and future. It gave guest Tom Hoke a chance to "meet" his grandfather, Dr. Elmer Hoke, portrayed by freshman Chaz Cable. When asked how Hoke felt about that experience, he quipped that it was "remarkable, considering my grandfather died in 1931 and I was born in 1954."

Walt Ramseur '49 of Landis had a chance to become reacquainted with Florence Busby Corriher for whom he had worked as an assistant to during two of his years at Catawba. Freshman Prentice Clark played the role of Corriher.

Gordon Kirkland, Jr. '70 and sister Martha Kirkland West '59 connected with their "dad," Coach Gordon Kirkland Sr., through the student who portrayed him, sophomore Brandon Walls. West called the experience "wonderful." Catawba alumnus Jack Ward '50 played for Coach Kirkland on the Tangerine Bowl teams and also got to talk to his former Coach. Ward actually met with the student actor in advance of the event and had given him advice on drawing the correct Kirkland, Sr. football plays on the chalkboard at his station.

George Glass

"Now that's something – a theatre arts kid playing Coach Kirkland... but he did a terrific job," Ward said laughing.

Sophomore George Glass played the role of Judge M.L. McCorkle, while sophomore Madeline Auchter played the role of Helen Foil Beard.

And not all of the characters at the various stations were actors, several students introduced themselves and shared information about memorabilia displayed in their station.

One of these students was junior marshal Joshua Hill '16 who was positioned at a stop that detailed the impact of Food Lion Founder Ralph W. Ketner on the Salisbury-Rowan community and Catawba College. Hill, a junior from Fayetteville double majoring in Accounting and Economics and Finance in the Ketner School of Business, said, "The impact Mr. Ketner has had on me is personal. You see, I'm the recipient of the Ralph W. Ketner and Family Scholarship, one of the college's prestigious First Family Scholarships. Having

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David Pullium acts as the Catawba Conductor

Ralph Ketner Impact,

Joshua Hill

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this scholarship has allowed me to attend Catawba and be involved in many activities, while always focusing on academics."

Hill said he really felt pressure, even portraying himself, when he saw Mr. Ketner standing in the group at his station listening to him during the campaign kick-off event. "To say I'm busy is sort of an understatement, to say I am a fulfilled college student would be more accurate, and I owe it to Mr. Ketner," Hill concluded.

Comprehensive Campaign Steering Committee

Many members of the Comprehensive Campaign Steering Committee were on hand for the Oct. 23 kickoff event and included honorary cochairs: Ralph W. Ketner and Fred J. Stanback, Jr.; co-chairs: Chester A. Michael, III '70 and Tom E. Smith '64: and committee members: Darlene Landis Ball '62, J. Anthony Blackwell, Woodrow D. Boler, Jr. '84, Ryan Gregory Dayvault '08, Joseph R. Gorman '74, Sharon Cochran Gorman '77, William M. Graham '83, Steve P. Harkins '77, Diane Dillon Hooper '74, David B. Jordan '59, Elisa Alfieri Lopez '07, Nicholas A. Means '03, Betty Mickle, Xzantippa (Tippie) Miller, Archibald C. Rufty, Jr. '82, and Robert S. Setzer '73.



The eight new solar electric systems will produce more solar electricity than that produced by all the other colleges and universities in North Carolina combined.

Catawba Completes Phase I of Premier Solar Project

Catawba has completed Phase I of its solar installation, which will ultimately provide nearly one megawatt of solar electricity for the campus.

Catawba President Brien Lewis notes that the installation is a major undertaking with significant outcomes. "It is a giant step forward for our efforts on sustainability in general and to the energy reductions reflected in the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment (ACUPCC) that Catawba signed in 2007," he says.

The installation, which includes solar electric systems, solar water heating systems, campus-wide water fixture replacements and extra insulation in the roofs, is projected to save the college nearly \$5 million over the next 20 years and more than \$11 million over 30 years.

It will also reduce annual carbon emissions by nearly 1,050 metric tons. That is the equivalent of taking 193 vehicles off the road each year.

"This a shining example of the great things that can be accomplished when our trustees, administration and others in our college community come together to both reduce our energy consumption and lower our carbon footprint," says John Wear, executive director of the Center for the Environment at Catawba.

Initially, roofs were replaced on Hayes Field House, Abernethy Physical Education Center, Robertson College-Community Center and Barger-Zartman, Stanback and Woodson residence halls in preparation for the installation. In addition, photovoltaic panels were installed on Woodson and Stanback halls, the Corriher-Linn-Black Library, the Robertson College-Community Center and Williams Music Building. Finally, preparation for solar water heating systems was completed on Woodson, Stanback and Barger-Zartman halls.

Phase II, which began in June, includes installing photovoltaic panels on Hayes Field House, Shuford Stadium parking lot and Abernethy Physical Education Center and solar water heating in Hayes Field House and Woodson, Stanback and Barger-Zartman halls.

"It is uncommon for systems to be mounted on existing rooftops and parking lots, as Catawba's is," says Mike Nicklaus, President of Innovative Design, the project's consultant and facilitator. More often, the projects are installed on large field areas. "Catawba's project is significant because it doesn't take up additional land resources," he says.

Check out more online at: www.catawba.edu/solardrone





"The renovations capture the rebranding of residence life on Catawba's campus."

Frannie Taylor, *Catawba Project Administrator*

GIFTS FUND RESIDENCE HALLS' RENOVATIONS THAT STUDENTS









Catawba students returning to campus for the '14-'15 academic year found Stanback Residence Hall, originally built in 1927, transformed after a summer-long renovation. Barger-Zartman Residence Hall, built in 1926, underwent phase I of a similar renovation this summer, and college administrators are hoping that it too will leave returning students pleasantly surprised.

Generous gifts from the Cannon Foundation and the Cannon Trusts, totaling more than \$1 million, as well as gifts from anonymous donors have made possible the renovations to these two residence halls.

The renovations have been overseen by Frannie Taylor, Catawba's project administrator. These renovations included structural repair, wiring and plumbing upgrades, including green initiative water fixtures, new LED lighting, new flooring, refinishing the original heart of pine flooring, refinished sinks, showers and tubs (in Stanback) and removal of tub/ showers replaced with full showers (in Barger-Zartman), and fresh paint throughout. In the refurbished lobbies, new leather furniture, ceiling fans and 50" TVs greeted the students. They also found ice machines on the different floors and vending machine rooms.

Junior Tabitha "Taby" Turenchalk of Sheffield Lake, Ohio, who lived in Stanback during the '13-'14 academic year and returned to live there again for '14-'15, said she loved the renovations to the common area. "Now, it's beautiful and the perfect place to study and be with all of your friends. Quite a few times a week, we all gather and watch shows together and it's like sitting in my living room at home."

Junior Cody Hummel of Salisbury, who lived in Stanback during the '14-'15 academic year, said he really appreciates the refinished showers and the fact that "the rooms look more spacious because of the bright paint." He also noted that the "new" lobby is great because it "brings everyone together."

Taylor noted that phase II of the renovation to Barger-Zartman during the summer of 2016 will involve replacing all of the HVAC components and upgrading the Simplex Fire System.

CATAWBA ECONOMIC IMPACT

\$91.3 Million

\$25.8 Million OPERATIONS SPENDING IMPACT

\$2.1 Million student spending impact

\$246.1 Thousand

\$63.2 Million

Study Reveals Extent of Catawba's Economic Impact

A comprehensive analysis of the economic impact of higher education in North Carolina has found that Catawba College created \$91.3 million of added economic value during the 2012-13 fiscal year. That outstanding total is derived from a combination of Catawba's operations spending impact (\$25.8 million), its students' spending impact (\$2.1 million), visitors' spending impact (\$246.1 thousand), and alumni impact (\$63.2 million).

Read the entire article at: www.catawba.edu/economicimpact

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Become an Inaugural Member of the 1851 Society

Catawba College's "1851 Society" was formally established in 2014 to honor the dedication of a distinguished group of the College's most generous alumni and friends. The 1851 Society, so named to recognize the year of our institution's founding, recognizes the commitment individual members still

1851 Society

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have to providing the foundation for the Catawba experience today.

Like the original founders of Catawba College, members of the 1851 Society recognize that their generosity can help shape the lives of our students as they strive to reach their full potential. The minimum level for membership in the 1851 Society is an annual gift of at least \$1,851.

The 1851 Society replaces the President's Circle with its annual giving level of \$1,000, a giving level that had not changed since it was established in the 1970s.

The Development Office at Catawba encourage those who are not current members of the 1851 Society to make their annual gift and become inaugural members.

Contact the Catawba Development Office today at 704-637-4394

Show your pride in, love for and support of Our Catawba. You'll be honoring the past and providing a bright nod to the future with your gift to the 1851 Society.



Former Catawba Basketball Players Lead Effort to Upgrade Abernethy P.E. Center & Goodman Gym

Select former players and their coach got an update on the progress that Catawba is making in its \$60 million comprehensive campaign effort from Catawba President Brien Lewis and learned that they were being tapped to participate in a mini campaign that would raise \$1.5 million to improve Abernethy Physical Education Center and its Goodman Gymnasium.

"Think and remember Catawba," former basketball alumnus Tom Dennard '77 encouraged. "We can't do it [reach the \$1.5 million goal] thinking somebody else is going to make it happen. We have to be part of the dream team."

Dennard and wife Mary Jo, a 1975 alumna of Catawba, recently made a \$200,000 gift to Catawba, designating \$150,000 to upgrade Abernethy Physical Education Center and Goodman Gymnasium and \$50,000 targeted to an Endowed Scholarship available for deserving students majoring in Early Childhood Education. Dennard said \$150,000 of the gift he and his wife made, coupled with a \$300,000 gift from the Goodman Family, will cover the costs of replacing the maple basketball floor in Goodman



Gymnasium. (Goodman Gymnasium is named in honor of 1938 alumnus and longtime former trustee and benefactor, the late Enoch A. Goodman.)

Dennard told his teammates there was much more to be done to upgrade the circa 1970 facility and encouraged them to direct their gifts to a specific upgrade. "There are multiple dressing rooms down there that look like they looked the day we walked out of them. We need to bring them up to a certain standard. We're way far behind, guys. It's ridiculous. This facility is tired and old, but is a great shell."

Another former Catawba basketball player and longtime employee, Tom Childress '64, came out of his recent retirement to lead the mini campaign that as of August 2015 had raised much of the needed funds to improve Abernethy Physical Education and its Goodman Gymnasium. Gordon Kirkland Jr. '70 and William "Bill" Haggerty '79, both retired Catawba employees and alumni, also have made time to work on the mini campaign.





"This is a very special area for me, as it is for you," Childress explained to those gathered with Coach Moir, who coached Catawba Basketball for 34 seasons. "Think about what you can do to make a difference."

Fast forward to August of 2015. What Dennard and his teammates will witness when they return to Catawba's Abernethy P.E. Center is a fully funded and completed work in Phase I of the renovation. Phase I includes the Goodman Gym maple wood floor replacement; Goodman Gym bleacher replacement with seating upgrades; Goodman Gym scoreboard/shot clock replacement; Goodman Gym press row tables (10); and a Goodman Gym video board.

The mini-campaign will continue to raise funds for Phase II of the project that will include upgraded wiring in Goodman Gym; Basketball team locker room upgrades (2); Volleyball team locker room upgrades; Swimming team locker room upgrades (2); Goodman Gym floor dividers; digital graphics wallpaper (outside locker rooms & offices); and Abernethy office space renovation and refurbishment.

Now's the time to step up and show some leadership," Catawba alumnus Tom Dennard '77 told some of his former basketball teammates and classmates who met on campus in early January for their annual gathering with their former coach, Sam Moir.

Individuals interested in making a gift to fund upgrades in Abernethy Physical Education Center & Goodman Gymnasium, should contact Joey Knight, Catawba's Director of Athletic Development at 704-637-4394 or make a gift online at www.catawba.edu/give.



Priorities & Progress

Comprehensive CAMPAIGN

through August 2015:

Completed Phase I of renovations to Abernethy Physical Education Center & Goodman Gym S C

Silent Phase of the Campaign Launched:

December 2012

Campaign Goal: \$60 million

Creation of an Honors Lounge in Hedrick Administration Building



Additional Campaign Progress

- 18 new Endowed Scholarship Funds
- Two new McCorkle Scholarships (formerly First Family)
- Established Internship Fund by Ketner School of Business Advisory Board
- Funds donated to allow at least 20 teachers from the Rowan-Salisbury School System to earn their M.Ed. through Catawba College's graduate program
- Raised unrestricted gifts to be used at the College's discretion to cover College operating costs
- Reduced College debt
- Added funds to College's Green Revolving Funds to implement sustainability projects on campus
- Received funds to provide salary increases and merit increases for Catawba College faculty and staff (2015)
- 11 new members to Tower Society (through planned giving)



Completed Phase I of campus solar installation project

Installation of new lighting board in Keppel Auditorium and Hedrick Little Theatre



Public Phase of the Campaign Launched:

October 2014

Number of Donors to the Campaign through August 2015:

Campaign **Conclusion:**

December 2017

Creation of a Nursing Program on campus, with RN to BSN portion of the program launching Spring 2016







Completed Phase I renovation of Barger-Zartman **Residence Hall Summer 2015**

Completed renovation of Stanback **Residence Hall Summer 2014**

Established a new Accounting major in the Ketner School of Business





Creation of Study Abroad Challenge to Benefit the Center for International Studies by anonymous Board of Visitors' members

Establishment of Art on Campus via participation in 2015 Salisbury Sculpture Show



Raised funds to be used in Admissions recruiting as we seek to enroll high academically achieving students in a variety of disciplines





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Catawba PARTNERSHIPS

NSSA & CATAWBA COLLEGE PARTNERSHIP TAKES NEXT STEPS

Catawba and the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association and Hall of Fame (NSSA) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in November 2014 designed to further leverage the relationship that the two entities have enjoyed since 1960. The MOU comes just a year after the NSSA relocated its heaquarters

to the Catawba College campus and allows the growing partnership between the NSSA and the College to more fully develop.

There has been a connection between the NSSA and the College since 1960 when NSSA's inaugural banquet was held on the Catawba campus. That connection was strengthened when the NSSA relocated its offices from downtown Salisbury to a college-owned property located on Summit Avenue and adjacent to the campus.

The MOU was signed during the same semester that the college launched its Sports Communication concentration that it aims to grow into an academic major in the Communication Arts Department.

generation of sportscasters and sportswriters and that is exciting for us," Goren said. "The mutual support we are able to offer to each other is something that is both novel and refreshing. I look forward to seeing the plans we are developing with Catawba grow to fruition."

"We have the potential to help grow our next

The agreement may also lead to construction of a communications building on the Catawba campus that would be designed and built to house both the Communication Arts Department and the NSSA headquarters where executive director Dave Goren and his staff have offices. The new building would also house the NSSA Hall of Fame museum and library.

NSSA executive director Dave Goren praised the new partnership, noting that the Catawba students who study Sports Communication at college in the near term may become future members of the NSSA.



More than 500 people participated in at least some of the 56th Annual NSSA Awards Weekend June 6-8.



The weekend culminated in the NSSA Awards Banquet on Catawba College's campus on June 8th, during which Hal McCoy, Bill Raftery, the late Dick Schaap and Lesley Visser were inducted into the NSSA Hall of Fame. Tom Verducci was honored as the 2014 National Sportswriter of the Year. Mike "Doc" Emrick was honored as the 2014 National Sportscaster of the Year (Emrick was absent, announcing Game 3 of the Stanley Cup Finals in Chicago that night). NSSA also honored 105 state sportscasters and sportswriters of the year, most of whom traveled to Salisbury, NC for the event.

The weekend included a reception at the Courtyard Marriott Salisbury, NSSA's headquarter hotel; Legacy Night which included a welcome dinner and a panel discussion about the legacies of former ABC News and Sports president Roone Arledge and ESPN personality Stuart Scott at the Hendrick Motorsports Team Center in Concord; an Awards Brunch and Seminar sponsored by the National Athletic Trainers' Association at Salisbury's Lee Street Theatre, where NATA personnel discussed the management of cervical spine injuries to the assembled sportscasters, sportswriters and guests; a stop at the Waterworks Visual Arts Center, where several authors of sports books signed their works and visitors also had the chance to take in the Smithsonian travelling exhibit, Hometown Teams, and check out several decades worth of sports photographs, some from NSSA's museum collection; NSSA's annual BBQ; and the 56th Annual NSSA Awards Banquet at Catawba College's newly-remodeled Goodman Gym attended by more than 350 people.



Catawba Foundation Buys Second Salisbury Radio Station,WSTP

The Catawba Foundation has completed the purchase of a second Salisbury radio station, WSTP-AM 1490. Since the acquisition, WSTP changed its format to Country and moved from its location on Statesville Boulevard.

WSTP is now housed with WSAT-AM 1280 at WSAT headquarters on Jake Alexander Boulevard. Both stations offer an expanded platform for Catawba College students majoring in Business or Communication Arts and hoping to pursue related careers. Buddy Poole, president and general manager of WSAT, now oversees both stations.

Bill Graham of Salisbury, a Catawba College trustee and 1983 alumnus, again was been the driving force behind the Catawba Foundation's acquisition of WSTP. Profits from the operation of WSAT and WSTP will be donated to Catawba College through the Catawba Foundation.

With the start of the 2014-2015 academic year, Catawba launched a Sports Communication concentration that it plans to grow into an academic major. This concentration will be an option to students pursuing an undergraduate degree in Communication Arts, an academic program at the college chaired by Dr. Tim Moreland. Students pursuing this concentration will learn to do play by play, interviews and features on student athletes. They will also be able to tap into resources offered by collaborations with the National Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association (NSSA), now located on Catawba's campus, WSAT and WSTP.



CatawBuzz's 2015 Graduation

The 268 graduates in Catawba College's Class of 2015 now have a common buzz word to use when remembering their commencement exercises – BEES, honeybees in particular. These insects, thousands of them that were discovered living in the wall of the Robertson College-Community Center and swarming in the area around that building, caused college officials to reconfigure long-laid commencement plans less than 24 hours before the graduates' big day on May 16th.



PROCEED WITH CAUTION BEES IN THE AREA





BEE SITUATION RESOLVES, CATAWBA RESUMES USING ITS ROBERTSON COLLEGE-COMMUNITY CENTER

A very large infestation of honey bees located in the walls of Keppel Auditorium forced Catawba College to relocate its commencement exercises and cancel several other events planned in its Robertson College-Community Center during May 2015. Almost a month later, after receiving the green light from Animal Control Experts (A.C.E.), the College began using the building again, beginning with activities planned by Tar Heel Girls State. Tar Heel Girls State held its weeklong camp at Catawba for the 14th year June 14-20.

After performing an on-site inspection on June 10, biologist Bryan Bosley of A.C.E. declared the building "safe for personal and commercial use." He said the bee activity at the building was declining and the swarms of bees seen around the exterior of the building in mid-May had ceased.

Bosley's company had installed several excluders at different exterior locations on upper level of the College-Community Center. These excluders allowed worker bees to leave the hive located within the upper walls of the building but prevented these bees from returning to it. An artificial hive was temporarily located on the roof of the building to capture these displaced bees for relocation off campus.

During his early June visit, Bosley declared the process was working, but noted that it was progressing on the bees' and not the humans' timeframe. He called the hive located in the building the largest he had ever encountered in a commercial building.

Catawba agreed to hire A.C.E. to non-lethally remove the honey bee population from its building, seal off all entry points to the hive, and assure that no honey bee activity would reoccur at the site for two years. Such an agreement resulted in a longer time frame for removal of the infestation, but assured that several hundred thousands of the bees would be successfully relocated.

Streen WAYS



the birds & the bees - & bikes & gardens, too!



The Environmental Stewards at Catawba College worked on a variety of projects during the spring semester beekeeping, building birdhouses, bike sharing and gardening.

Catawba now has three active hives for honeybees.

Environmental Steward student Joel Schlaudt, the project leader, became interested in beekeeping after learning about the decline of bee pollinators in class. He wanted to bolster the local population and provide a space for education about bees.

Schlaudt and other Stewards set up the hives in March, and he is teaching the other Stewards the beekeeping skills he's learned.

The bees came from local Salisbury hives and are already producing honey. Schlaudt harvested 35 pounds of honey in June and left about 70 pounds in the hives for the bees. He hopes to have a total of seven hives next year.

The Stewards don't have definite plans for the honey yet, but they want to give back to the community—either by donating funds or the honey itself.

Stewards involved include: Katherine Shumaker, Pam Casdorph, Forest Fugate, Payden Mitchell, Hannah Przelomski, Max Royal, Colleen Smiley, William Spencer, Doug Taylor, Alex Turner and Eli Wittum.
birdhouses

Local children and the Center for the Environment teamed up to provide new homes for the birds that frequent the Fred Stanback Ecological Preserve on the Catawba campus.

The mind behind the project is Environmental Steward Eli Wittum'15, who got the idea from summer programs run by Lowe's Home Improvement. Alumni, then seniors, Balyn Krout and Greg Alexander helped Wittum as did Environmental Stewards Colleen Smiley, Doug Taylor, Britt Parsons and William Spencer.

Lowe's lets youngsters build birdhouses to take home, but Wittum thought the children might enjoy having their crafts placed in the preserve where they could hike the trails in search of the houses they made. With help from Shaver Wood Products in Cleveland, the Center for the Environment, Horizons Unlimited, Dan Nicholas Park, the LandTrust for Central North Carolina and Lowe's Home Improvement, he set up shop downtown during Salisbury's Friday Nights Out.

The children who attended the Nights Out in March and April built about 36 birdhouses. Most were modeled after the classic Eastern Bluebird house with a modified entrance to suit any bird, but there are also a few houses custom-made for Southern Flying Squirrels and Eastern Screech Owls.

Wittum installed the houses at the end of April and says that many are already in use. The location of each house is mapped so that children can go hunting for their birdhouses in the preserve, which is one of the goals of the project —to foster a love of nature.

"It encourages the family to go out in the woods," Wittum says.

sustainable garden

The Catawba College sustainable garden had 15 beds full of tomatoes, kale, Swiss chard, broccoli, carrots, beets, strawberries, corn, lettuce and spinach.

Recent graduates Sloan Kessler and Jonathan Buffkin initiated the idea in the 2013-2014 academic year, and Environmental Stewards Forest Fugate and Joel Schlaudt have assumed leadership positions this year.

"I recently changed my major to Sustainable Business and wanted to become more involved in the department," Fugate says.

Students are responsible for the plots they have planted. "I wanted to make sure there was as much collaboration and free reign with the plots as possible," Fugate says. While part of the harvest will be donated to a group like a food bank or shelter or even the college cafeteria, the gardeners will be able to keep a portion of the vegetables from their personal plots.

In addition to the 12 plots managed by Catawba students, Dr. Jay Bolin's freshman class will assume responsibility for three beds of domestic and wild corn for their freshman project in the fall.

"We've all been discussing what the best option would be for us moving forward in a way that would honor the original design but also work well for each person involved," Fugate says. "I really want to see the garden reach its full potential."

Catawba students are checking out bikes from the Student Affairs Office much like they check out books from the library.



The funds to purchase the bikes -12 singles and one tandem - came from savings the students realized by conserving water in the residence halls. The project, initiated by student Dan Couchenour in the fall of 2013, has spawned a bicycle fleet that offers alternative transportation for the students.

Current project leader and Environmental Steward Joel Schlaudt says it has been a popular investment. Students are often seen riding the bikes around campus and into downtown Salisbury. "It's helping to connect the school with the city," he says.

The campus water conservation project will continue this year, generating additional savings to purchase more bikes.

Catawba alumnus Rebecca Rider '14 contributed significantly to this story.

Catawba Honors Students Spend Fall Semester Studying Infectious Diseases

Leprosy, SARS, Syphilis, Rabies, Rotavirus and Malaria were just some of the infectious diseases on the minds of Catawba College students in a biology honors class during Fall 2014. Students in Dr. Steve Coggin's "Outbreak" class who studied the history and future of infectious diseases shared their poster presentations as a final project. Their findings were revealing and bit alarming.

Alison Michell of Raleigh chose to study leprosy which she described as "definitely associated with the Bible." But what Michell learned and did not know is that leprosy is naturally found in armadillos, with cases in the United States occurring most prevalently in Texas and California. In the world, the countries with the most cases of leprosy include Brazil and India.

Malaria was eliminated in the United States in the early 1950s due to cleaning of wetlands, DDT spraying (which was later found to be dangerous) and better prevention, but in the rest of the world, it still rages, Amber Williamson, a senior chemistry major from Lexington, learned. Williamson's research found the World Health Organization (WHO) estimating that in 2012 malaria caused 207 million clinical episodes and 627,000 deaths worldwide, with most cases occurring in South Africa and Southeast Asia.

When English major Sara Sellers of Salisbury settled on rabies as her infectious disease to study she did so, she said, because she had read, then re-read Stephen King's "Cujo."

"I'm a big animal person," Sellers explained, "and anything that will help an animal out, I'm for it."

Deaths in the U.S. from rabies, Sellers's research found, are way down to just a few per year thanks to vaccines -- from 100+ deaths annually prior to the 1940s to two a year in the mid-1990s. While the virus continues to be present in carnivores and bats throughout the U.S., the U.S., Canada and Australia have the lowest worldwide risk for the disease, while Africa and Asia are global hot spots where the disease continues to flare.

And although rabies has been almost eradicated in the U.S., "we do keep an eye out for it," Sellers confided. "Every case is recorded in annual surveillance reports," with some reports tracking rabies cases back to a particular animal.

"It is haunting to know that it infects your brain," Sellers concluded after spending the semester researching rabies. She called the course "challenging" because she was not a science major and said the course required her to refresh her knowledge of biology on numerous occasions.

Taylor Spillman of Boonville researched syphilis and learned that is caused by a bacterial infection that is sexually transmitted. The bacterium burrows into the skin at the infection site and reveals itself in its primary stage as a "painless small sore or chancre that is firm and round." That sore heals on its own in three to six weeks and later, comes back in a stage two manifestation as a skin rash. In its stage two phase, the symptoms of syphilis can go away on their own. The latent stage of the infection can develop 10 to 30 years after the initial infection and symptoms at this stage include paralysis, blindness, dementia and damage to internal organs. Penicillin is used to treat syphilis, Spillman learned, and "although it seems like it can be eradicated as a disease," 12 million new cases occur globally each year. In the U.S., Washington, D.C. is a hot spot for this infection with 26.7 cases reported per 100,000 people.

Cayli Mena of Kannapolis selected anthrax to study because she was interested in its "bioterrorism aspect." She also shared, "When I was younger, I was warned about eating Pixie Sticks because of the threat of anthrax." Mena busted that urban folklore with science and learned that while anthrax is potentially deadly, there is actually a vaccine for it that comes in a five-shot series with boosters.

Sophomore Alicia Richards of Narragansett, R.I., is a math major, but her research into rotavirus showed her another career path she could take. She learned that she could work as a statistician and use her math skills to help track and model the potential for various infectious diseases to spread.

Richards noted that rotavirus generally occurs in the winter months, between December and May and approximately 90 percent of those individuals who get the virus are children. Symptoms include watery diarrhea, fever, vomiting and abdominal pain that usually lasts three to seven days. Surprisingly, Richards added, once an individual has had rotavirus, the symptoms become less severe with each reoccurrence.

Since 2006, a vaccine has been available to those as young as two months old to prevent rotavirus, but unfortunately, that vaccine is only accessible to those in 17 countries (the more affluent ones) around the world.

Outbreak course instructor, Dr. Steve Coggin, said the students were able to put each infectious disease they studied into a worldwide context. "The Outbreak students took a global look at disease. It was striking that Africa and Asia continued to struggle with diseases that are very rare in the U.S.

"This class saw, in case after case, that poverty, in many parts of the world, is a major factor of disease. Poverty is a public health issue," Coggin concluded.

In addition to the aforementioned students, others in the Outbreak class and the infectious diseases they studied were Emily Auwarter of Ocean City, N.J., typhoid fever; Katie DeZego of Lexington, tetanus; McKenzie Garrison of Newton, West Nile Virus; Chelsea Hatfield of Salisbury, yellow fever; Lexi Kershaw of Winston Salem, tuberculosis; Chris Koehler of Burlington, smallpox; Alysia Plafcan of Maggie Valley, whooping cough; Declan Stimson of Gawler, Australia, SARS; and Shelby Wellmon of Salisbury, genital warts.

The next generation of mosquito experts is being trained and developed on the campus of Catawba College.

The process began in 2014 under the tutelage of Dr. Carmony Hartwig, Biology Department, Catawba College and Dr. Bruce A. Harrison, a retired former Medical Entomologist for the U. S. Army, and later, for the NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DEHNR).

www.catawba.edu/mosquito



Catawba Students Say What You Don't Know About Parasites Can Harm You www.catawba.edu/parasites

ENTERING 2015, SOME WONDERED HOW CATAWBA WOULD FARE AFTER THE LOSS OF FIVE EVERYDAY STARTERS.

Gone were the bats of Keaton Hawks, Paul Kronenfeld, Ethan Satterfield, Cameron Beard and Julio Zubillaga. Also departing was eight-game winner John Tuttle. At the end of the 2014 year, most did not know whether Blake Houston or Ryan McClintock would return.

he offensive issue was put to rest in the season opener as Catawba pounded out 25 hits en route to equaling the school record for runs scored in a 27-7 victory. By March 21, Catawba was 24-3. **WILL ALBERTSON** was winning national hitter of the week honors, while **CRAIG BROOHS**, **SHAEFER SHEPARD** and **CONNOR JOHNSON** were dominating on the mound.

Albertson was putting up numbers that were staggering, hitting over .500 and enjoying one stretch where he went 20-for-22 at the plate. By the first of April he had hit 16 homers and had 60 RBI. Houston was setting the table - hitting over .400, drawing more walks than anyone in the nation and scoring runs in bunches. **T.J. WHARTON** was putting up solid numbers behind Albertson, hitting over .400 as well.

As the offense scored runs, Brooks, Shepard and Johnson were racking up wins. Brooks would lose only once all season, posting a 9-1 mark and a miniscule 1.45 ERA. He threw a no-hitter against Brevard, marking just the sixth in school history. Shepard notched 11 wins on the year, the third highest total in school history. Johnson won his first four starts and finished his freshman year at 5-1.



The Catawba Indians secured their league title on the next to last weekend of the season then won the conference outright on the season's final day with a come-from-behind win over Tusculum. Catawba was upset by Wingate in the conference tournament, but its overall record garnered the Indians the top spot in the region and the right to host the Southeast Region Tournament.

With graduation the weekend of the tournament along with hotels gobbled up by graduations at Livingstone and RCCC along with the Charlotte NASCAR All-Star Race, Catawba hosted the regional in Thomasville, N.C. The Catawba Indians went through the tournament undefeated



with a pair of exciting walk off wins to take the title.

Catawba topped North Greenville 4-3 in the first game then rolled past Georgia College 9-2. Against Mount Olive, who had already topped Catawba twice during the season, the Indians fell behind 4-0 in the top of the first. Catawba battled back twice to tie the game before going behind once again 6-5 in the top of the ninth.

AUSTIN STILLEY led off the bottom of the ninth with a double and Albertson stepped up and delivered a winning two-run homer to send Catawba to the regional final in dramatic fashion. The regional final was a pitching duel. **SEAN GRANT** kept North Georgia off the scoreboard for seven shutout innings and the Indians came to bat in the bottom of the ninth in a scoreless game.

Stilley opened the inning with a walk, becoming the only leadoff man for either team to reach base all game. Albertson followed with a single that sent pinch-runner **EMMITT CARDEN** to third. Wharton was intentionally walked and two pitches later Carden dashed home on a wild pitch to send Catawba to its second NCAA II World Series in four years.

Brooks keyed the opening win in the National Finals

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with three hits, a RBI and two perfect innings of relief for a save. Shepard got the win by maintaining only two hits for five innings. Grant logged another solid start in game two as the Indians downed Henderson State 5-1 as Chance Bowden's three-run double in the third gave the Indians a 5-0 lead early on.

After the first two wins, Catawba needed one more victory to play for the championship. Cal Poly Pomona, a school of 20,000+ students stood in the way and handed the Indians their first setback of the tournament with an 11-2 win. That set up a rematch the following day to reach the final.

In one of the most exciting games of the tournament, Catawba fell behind three times against the Broncos before taking the lead for good in the sixth inning on a two-out, two-run single from Brooks. The Indians tacked on a couple of late runs and Brooks struck out five in two innings of relief to send Catawba to the final day to play for the national championship.

Tampa, the team that ended the Catawba hopes several years when the Catawba Indians competed in the South Region, was the opponent in the final and the Indians needed two wins to claim the title. Catawba scored first on a DYLAN RICHARDSON RBI double, but the Spartans scored twice on a two-out hit in the fourth. The Catawba Indians managed only one base runner over the final six innings in falling 3-1.

Catawba's team had just four seniors, but they were key and had a big impact on the recent successes at the national level.

Wharton enjoyed two all-conference and all-region seasons at Catawba after transferring from Guilford Tech. The Florida native swatted 20 home runs and had 108 RBI in his two years.

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after scoring the winning run in the

Southeast Regional final.

McClintock not only set a Catawba record, but equaled an NCAA II mark with 118 career relief appearances in an Indian uniform. He finished second all-time with 23 saves and a 15th-best FBA of 2.78.

Houston sat in the stands after missing the 2012 run to the World Series, but came back for a red-shirt year and got his trip to Cary. He finished his career ranked third in school history with 205 runs scored, sixth with 254 hits and fifth with 58 stolen bases.

Brooks closed out one of the most decorated careers in school history. In addition to his 2015 honors he was also an All-American in 2014 and the consensus Region Pitcher of the Year. He had a career record of 23-4 and notched a dozen saves. He finished 12th in wins and sixth in saves. His 1.94 career ERA is third best all-time and he recorded 290 strikeouts which stands fourth all-time despite only throwing five innings as a sophomore after a shoulder injury.

Brooks and Albertson dominated the individual post-season awards with multiple national honors. Brooks won National Pitcher of the Year from two organizations and claimed two overall MVP awards. Albertson earned National Player of the Year honors from three organizations. Both players were first team All-Americans.

Will Albertson led NCAA II in batting with a .467 average and was the consensus National Position Player of the Year



BASEBALL

Brooks and Albertson selected in MLB Draft and take home National honors

Catawba's baseball team enjoyed a historic season in 2015 and that was in large part due to **CRAIG BROOHS** and **WILL ALBERTSON**. The duo became not only the first in Catawba's history, but also in the history of the South Atlantic Conference, to be named a NCAA II National Player of the Year.

Brooks hauled in four national awards. He took home the Brett Tomko and the American Baseball Coaches Association's (ABCA) Pitcher of the Year honors, while also earning the Josh Willingham Award as the NCAA II Most Valuable Player and the ABCA Gold Bat Award as the overall Player of the Year. He was also named the SAC Athlete of the Year.

The Tomko Award is bestowed to a college baseball pitcher whose on the field performance is deemed the most outstanding at the Division II level. The Willingham Award is presented to DII college baseball's most valuable player. The award is bestowed upon a player who not only excels on the field, but in the dugout, clubhouse and practice field as well, and leads his team to national championship caliber status. Brooks went 9-1 for Catawba in 2015 and recorded three saves. He had a 1.45 ERA and allowed just 54 hits over 99 innings on the mound. Brooks led the nation in both total strikeouts with 158 and in strikeouts per nine innings at 14.36. At the plate, he batted .300 with six homers and 43 RBI.

Albertson was the first to earn a national honor, taking home Player of the Year honors from both the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association (NCBWA) and Daktronics/CoSIDA. Albertson would be the National Position Player of the Year by the ABCA.

Albertson led NCAA II with a .467 batting average. He was third in the nation with 26 home runs and second with 91 RBI.

In June, Brooks was picked in the seventh round of the MLB draft by the Chicago Cubs. He is only the fourth Catawba player to be drafted in the first 10 rounds and the last was Brian Boltz in 1989. Albertson would be taken by the New York Yankees in the 40th and final round of the draft.

Since the MLB Draft began in 1970, Catawba has produced 24 draft picks and 13 in the last eight years.



SOFTBALL

Catawba's softball team accomplished something in 2015 that 25 previous fast pitch teams had never done – win a conference championship.

The Lady Indians finally broke through and claimed the South Atlantic Conference Tournament Championship that propelled them into just the second regional appearance for softball.

Behind four dominating games in the circle by ASC Tournament MVP **CARLEY TYSINGER**, the Lady Indians swept through the tournament without a loss. The junior threw all 26 innings, allowed just six runs and fanned 45 batters.

Against Anderson in the tournament final, junior **GINA GERONE** provided the bulk of the offense in a 7-3 win. She connected on a school-record three home runs that accounted for five runs. The Lady Indians hit three solo homers in the first inning and never looked back.

Catawba topped Anderson twice at one of the Southeast Sub-Regional's which marked the first NCAA tournament wins in school history. The Lady Indians were eliminated by host North Georgia, who went on to win the National Championship. Softball celebrates its first fast pitch softball championship, defeating Anderson 7-3 in Hartsville, S.C. Terri Rogers earned SAC Freshman of the Year honors in helping women's basketball claim a NCAA II Playoff berth. 2014-15 Catawba Kirkland, Lomax and Wurster Award Winners (L-R): Craig Brooks, Michael Waller, Taylor Houser, Chloe Bully.



Tysinger, who won SAC Pitcher of the Year for the second time in three years, set a school record with 325 strikeouts over her 244.1 innings. She equaled records with 27 wins and 10 shutouts. She already holds the record for career strikeouts with 942 and will begin a climb up the NCAA II record book in 2016.

Sophomore Natalie Naturile set a school record in 2015 with a 17-game hitting streak. Her .419 average was the fourth best in school history. She joined Tysinger as an All-Southeast Region selection.

OTHER KEY HIGHLIGHTS

Several other sports enjoyed outstanding seasons with either team or individual accomplishments.

Swimmer SEBASTIAN HOMBERG

returned to Catawba after a year off and repeated as an All-American as he qualified for NCAA Nationals in four events. He claimed fourth place in the 100 fly as his best finish.

Women's Basketball earned a spot in the NCAA II Southeast Regional. The team went 18-12 on the year and were knocked out at the regional by eventual regional champion Limestone. Catawba had three players earn SAC Freshman of the Year honors. For the first time in league history the same school took home Freshman of the Year in both men's and women's basketball. JERRIN MORRISON was the men's pick as he averaged 15.5 points and 5.1 rebounds per contest. He was also named to the D-II Bulletin's National All-Freshman Team.

TERRI ROGERS took home the women's basketball award after scoring at a 10.8 clip and hauling down 8.8 rebounds a game. The other league freshman honor went to **HANNAH SCOTT** of the women's lacrosse team. She led the team with 56 ground balls and 28 caused turnovers, while grabbing 62 draw controls. Scott scored 14 goals with seven assists.

BETHANY DAVIS of the women's soccer team earned NSCAA second team Scholar All-American honors. Davis, who is the goalie for both the soccer and lacrosse teams, has a 3.47 GPA and is majoring in biology.

ATHLETES OF THE YEAR/ MVPS

CRAIG BROOKS and **CHLOE BULLY** were chosen as Catawba's top male and female athletes of the year at the annual athletic ceremony held at the

Keppel Auditorium. **TAYLOR HOUSER** and **MICHAEL WALLER** were given the Wurster Awards for team leadership.

Brooks was named the Kirkland Award winner. He is a two-time South Atlantic Conference Pitcher of the Year and has helped the team to three conference titles. Over his career, he has posted a 23-4 record and 10 saves, while garnering a 2.03 ERA.

Bully, who played basketball, earned the Lomax Award. She was a threetime All-SAC selection and set school records for three-pointers in a season (73) and a career (219). She ranks seventh all-time in scoring with 1,518 points.

The Wurster Awards were established to honor a male and a female that demonstrate strong character, able leadership and an outstanding teambefore-self attitude. Houser, a volleyball player, and Waller, a soccer player, earned this year's awards.

JACOB BREIG and JANIN HASSNER

were the recipients of the SAAC Award for the highest cumulative GPAs for seniors. Breig, a business major that plays lacrosse, posted a 3.88 grade point average. Kassner, a swimmer, had a 3.89 GPA while also majoring in business. The women's tennis team took the team award with a 3.56 GPA. Dylan Richardson hit a team-best .438 in the finals and joined Craig Brooks on the National Finals All-Tournament team. Carley Tysinger, the SAC Pitcher of the Year, set a school record with 325 strikeouts in equaling the school record of 27 wins. Craig Brooks helped lead Catawba to two NCAA II National Finals and was named the best player in Division II by several organizations. Gina Gerone swatted a school record three home runs in the SAC Tournament final.



The awards for team MVPs went to: **CRAIG BROOHS** and **WILL ALBERTSON** (Baseball), **HJ ARRINGTON** (Men's Basketball), **BRI JOHNSON** (Women's Basketball), **ERICA BOLES** and **MATT JORDAN-STEELE** (Cross Country), **JASON TAYLOR** (Football), **MATT HARDMAN** (Men's Golf), **MADISON HENNEDY** (Women's Golf), **DANIEL REW** (Men's Lacrosse), **MEREDITH JONES** (Women's Lacrosse), **PHILIPP HOLLANDHORST** (Men's Soccer), **BETHANY DAVIS** (Women's Soccer), **CARLEY TYSINGER** (Softball), **NADINE BROCHMANN** (Women's Swimming), **SEBASTIAN HOLMBERG** (Men's Swimming), **PIERCE HOOVER** (Men's Tennis), **LIZ RENTERIA** (Women's Tennis), **ALEX HOPPER** (Volleyball), **DEMI HUTSON** (Cheerleading), **JACOB SHEPHERD** (Athletic Training) and **RACHEL TIGUE** (Sports Information).

GOODMAN GYM RENOVATION

On March 9th, the Catawba Athletics Department began the first stages of a \$1.5 million upgrade to Goodman Gymnasium and the Abernathy PE Center. The gym has been refitted with new wall-to-wall hardwood flooring for all three courts and new bleachers to provide more comfortable seating. The project also includes new goals for the main court, scoreboards, wall padding, player bench chairs, and scoring tables.

The new flooring was contracted through Royalwood out of Cary, NC. The 21,600 sq. ft. addition is a Connor Focus system that will provide more comfort and spring for the players. The floor also replaces the two rubber side courts that were previously in the gym. The main court dons a whole new look with stained floors between the three-point line and the lane. Also new to the floor are two new athletic logos and fonts.

Complementing the new hardwood are new Sheridan bleachers installed by MasterCraft out of Columbia, SC.

The new bleachers provide contour plastic seating to replace the previous wooden bleachers. The upper level seating is the same style as the previous bleachers with the addition of wider aisles and hand rails. The lower level seats are the same contoured seating with added chair backs for the entire lower section. The new bleachers are elevated 40" off the ground and extend almost three feet closer to the court on each side to provide more of an arena feel. The new system seats 976 in the lower level sections and can hold up to 2,308 for the entire gym.

Alongside the new bleachers, MasterCraft installed new backboards for the main court that provide a single mast to replace the previously cluttered metal system that was there before. The single mast should provide better views for the scoreboards for both players and fans.

Enhancing the experience will be all new Nevco scoreboards on the wall that will replace the 32 year old boards that were previously there. The new scoreboard system features a similar board as before with the addition of player stats on each side. The new boards also provide electronic captioning to allow the customized team names and stat fields to be entered throughout the boards.

Catawba alumus Matt Cross '04 and his fellow Catawba Indians at ProMats provided new wall padding for the baseline of each court. The main playing court features the word "CATAWBA" in a new athletics font. The side courts boast the two athletic logos of a C and Feather and a newly released arrowhead.

Dale's Sporting Goods provided the new player bench chairs with a new blue and white design. Other additions that are still scheduled to be installed will be scoring tables and championship banners.

The entire renovation still holds plans for remodeled locker rooms on the first floor level. Plans for this phase of construction are still being finalized.

For more info www.catawba.edu/sportshof

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

New members will be inducted into the Catawba College Sports Hall of Fame on Friday, November 13, 2015 during the festivities of the Hall of Fame's 38th anniversary. The inductees will also be introduced at halftime the following day at the Catawba vs. Lenoir-Rhyne football game.



Catawba's Jim Gantt inducted into N.C. American Legion 2014 Baseball Hall of Fame



contending for the national title. (Note: after Gantt was induct-

ed into the N.C. American Legion 2014 Baseball Hall of Fame.

he led the Post 342 Rowan team to their NC American Legion

State Tournament victory 4 to 3 over High Point's Post 87!)

the head coach of the Catawba College baseball program in

the summer of 1996. In 2012, Gantt was named the ABCA

Southeast Region Coach of the Year and the North Caroli-

Known for his "old school" coaching style, Gantt became

atawba College's Head Baseball Coach Jim Gantt '89 was honored by the N.C. American Legion on March 1st when he was one of four men inducted into that organization's 2014 Baseball Hall of Fame. Gantt serves as head coach of the Post 342's team and is a former Legion ball player.

The induction ceremony was part of a Hall of Fame Banquet held at the Harold B. Jarrett American Legion Post in

Salisbury featuring guest speaker Bobby Richardson, a former New York Yankee, Also inducted with Gantt were Grant D. Jarman, an American Legion Baseball veteran associated with Post 39 baseball for more than 45 years; Willie Gillispie, one of the first African-American players in state history to play American Legion baseball for Post 23 in 1964: and Elmo Hill, also one of the first African-American players in N.C. history to play for Post 23 and



na Amateur Coach of the Year as he guided the team to the College Series World where Catawba finished fourth in the nation. Under Gantt. Catawba has posted 15 straight 30+ win seasons, including six 40-win seasons since 2004. Catawba has made eight appearances in NCAA II Regional play. He has a career record of 636-331. Gantt was honored as South Atlantic Conference Coach of the Year for the seventh time in 2014 after guiding Catawba

to go on to sign his first professional baseball contract the month after his 1964 Legion season ended.

Gantt, who holds an overall win-loss record of 393-155 as head coach of the Post 342 teams, has lead his teams to qualify for the state American Legion tournament in 2002, 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2011. In 2002 and 2009, Rowan County also won the Area 3 Championship, and the 2009 team went on to win the Southeast Regional Championship. As competitors in the 2009 American Legion World Series, Gantt's team finished third among eight teams to both the SAC regular season and tournament titles.

He graduated from Catawba in May, 1989 with a bachelor's degree in sports management. He had an outstanding four-year career as a player for the Indians. As a third baseman, he was an all-conference performer and helped to Catawba to the 1988 Carolinas Conference championship and to the NAIA District 26 Tournament. Gantt was an all-conference player at Newton-Conover (NC) High School before graduating in 1984.

Gantt resides in Salisbury with wife Adrian and daughter Blakley.

Whether you are a Catawba graduate, student, fan or friend, show your pride in your team by joining Chiefs Club today!

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CATAWBA HIRES DIRECTOR OF ATHLETIC DEVELOPMENT

oey Knight of Winston-Salem has joined Catawba College as the Director of Athletic Development, responsible for athletic fund-raising and cultivation of major donors. His appointment, effective October 1st, was announced by Rex Otey, Catawba's Vice President for Development.

"I'm very excited to be a part of the Catawba College family and support the overall mission of the college by enriching the financial sustainability of Catawba Athletics; which will provide a stronger support system for our student-athletes for years to come," Knight said.

Knight comes to Catawba from Winston-Salem State University where he worked since August of 2013 as Director of Corporate Development for Athletics. There, he fundraised for Athletics, managed a portfolio of donors, and was responsible for implementing an initiative that allowed online sales of football season tickets for the first time in the university's history.

Prior to Winston-Salem State University, he was employed for three years by Boy Scouts of America (BSA), first as a District Executive with the South Florida Council in Miami Lakes, Fla., and later as a District Executive and Senior District Executive at the Old Hickory Council in Winston-Salem. Knight managed fundraising, events, sales, volunteers and membership for BSA.

Before launching his career in advancement, Knight played professional basketball in Europe for four years. That experience saw playing stops in three different countries, including Austria, Turkey and Finland. In 2009, while playing in Istanbul, Turkey, Knight averaged 21.4 points per game, 6.0 assists and 2.6 steals on his way to being named Eurobasket.com TBL2 Guard of the Year, Import Player of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year.

Knight hails from Columbia, Tenn., and was an all-state basketball standout for Columbia Central High School, in addition to becoming state champion in the long jump in 2001. He entered High Point University as a freshman and led all freshmen in points, assists, steals and minutes played while leading his team to a Big South Championship game. He was named Big South Rookie of the Year for his efforts and was also named to the Big South All-Tournament team.

Knight transferred to Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., after his sophomore year at High Point and finished his career at Lehigh ranked ninth all-time in scoring with 1,350 points, and fifth in three-pointers with 178. He also holds the Lehigh and Patriot League Tournament record for threes made in a single game, tallying 10 in a win over Colgate. His 45 points in that game against Colgate was the highest-scoring game in all of Division I in 2004-2005 and still stands second in Lehigh history. As a senior, he was named a Second Team All-Patriot League performer.

He holds his bachelor's degree in Social Psychology from Lehigh and his accolades include being Lehigh Men's Basketball Scholar-Athlete of the Year, Patriot League Sportsmanship Award, and Lehigh University Sportsmanship Award during 2005-2006. He has earned his master's degree in Human Development and Leadership from Murray State University and is an active member of the National Association of Athletic Development Directors (NAADD). NFL players and Catawba alumni L.J. McCray (San Francisco 49ers) and Jumal Rolle (Houston Texans) are also Chiefs Club supporters.



The Chiefs Club hosted a membership kick-off breakfast on Saturday, April 11 from 8-9:30 in Ketner Hall on the Catawba College campus. Guest speakers were NFL players and Catawba alumni, L.J. McCray of the San Francisco 49ers and Jumal Rolle of the Houston Texans. Checkout their Q&A: www.catawba.edu/JumalLJ



atawba College's soccer stadium at E.B. Frock Fields re-opened last fall with new features that appealed to fans and players alike. College officials held a brief re-opening ceremony to mark the event.

The work to the soccer stadium spanned two summers and involved the men's and women's soccer teams and support from the local business community. New bleachers, raised three and a half feet off the ground at the first row to 13 feet off the ground at the eighth row, allow an increased seating capacity of 524 and better viewing for fans. Fans with special needs can now access these bleachers thanks to a wheelchair ramp and six spaces set aside for wheelchair and companion seating.

Other improvements include sidewalks from the parking lot to the spectator seating area and to both team bench areas. New team bench areas have been construct-

THE STREET WAR

ed with large storage spaces for Catawba's men's and women's soccer teams. A new, second level press box for sports information staff is located above the team bench areas and wireless internet access is available there and will allow for live online streaming of matches.

Perhaps the most notable feature at the soccer stadium is the new scoreboard, funded by F&M and Cheerwine. This scoreboard has a better field orientation and is in easy line of sight for fans.

New fencing has been installed and the backstop behind the goals has been relocated. A new windscreen with custom graphics has also been erected. A brick patio area that can display commemorative bricks to honor alumni and friends is another hallmark of the soccer stadium improvements.

In addition to Cheerwine and F&M, stadium improvements were provided by donations from Taylor Clay, Mid Carolina, Pro Mats, Auto House of Salisbury, and Shelton Concrete.

Frock Fields is named in honor of the late E.B. Frock of Hanover, Pa., a 1933 alumnus who was a longtime trustee and a generous supporter of Catawba. Frock's three grandchildren, all Catawba alumni, were on hand when the fields were originally dedicated. They include Carole Frock Baublitz '82 of Hanover, Pa., Julie F. Crapster '87 of Charlotte, and John D. Frock '91 of Littlestown, Pa. Their father, E.B. Frock's son Dan of Hanover, Pa., has established an endowment fund to maintain Frock Fields.

Jim Tomsula, a 1990 Catawba alumnus, is the new head football coach for the NFL's the San Francisco 49ers.

That announcement was made in January and made Tomsula the 19th coach in team history. He succeeds Jim Harbaugh who left to take the head coaching job at the University of Michigan. Reports from the San Francisco 49ers say that after conducting a thorough search, Tomsula was clearly the right man to lead the team. Jed York, 49ers CEO, was quoted as saying, "Jim is a great teacher and a tremendous mentor who conducts himself with great class and integrity." Trent Baalk, 49ers general manager added, "Our organization is excited to have Jim Tomsula leading this football team. We have had the privilege of working alongside Jim for the past eight seasons. He is a proven leader, teacher and mentor, and we look forward to seeing him apply his craft and vision to our team."

Tomsula played defensive line at Catawba until a knee injury as a senior in 1989 ended his career. After a stint as an assistant at Charleston Southern, Tomsula returned to Catawba and joined David Bennett's staff in 1997.

During his years as an assistant at Catawba, Tomsula began his professional career with NFL Europe during the summers. He was defensive coordinator for the Berlin Thunder when the team won World Bowl XII. In 2006, Tomsula was named the head coach of the Rhine Fire, becoming the youngest head coach in league history at age 38.

Tomsula joined the 49ers as defensive line coach in 2007. Since then, the 49ers rank fourth in the league in rushing yards allowed per game (98.4) and rushing average (3.72). San Francisco's defense also ranks third in the NFL in points per game allowed (19.4) and fourth in yards per game allowed (320.9).

In 2011, San Francisco set the NFL record by not allowing a rushing touchdown in their first 14 games of the season. The team surrendered just three rushing touchdowns all year, the fewest allowed in the NFL since the league went to a 16-game schedule in 1978.

Tomsula and his wife, the former Julie Appel, also a 1990 Catawba graduate, have two daughters, Britney and Brooke, and a son, Bear.

CATAWBA News from our Catawba Alumni

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1948

Robert L. Van Hoy, Sr. celebrated his 89th birthday in October. In November, he had a pleasant surprise visit from Tom Childress '64, Catawba's former VP of Development.

1949

William Weinel, M.D. announced his granddaughter Katie graduated Phi Betta Kappa from UNC Chapel Hill in 2013. Katie is now in medical school at UNC. He says he is doing well for 89 years young.

1952

Curtis A. Sandrock reports that he has finally retired after 60 years in the ministry and offers "prayers of thanksgiving for Catawba College which made a significant difference in my life."

1953

Jean Hoffner Smith and her husband recently completed an eight-day trip that included five days in Paris and three days in southern France. They loved it all!

1954

Henry L. Forrest. Jr. is celebrating. As a 1954 graduate, he became a sixty-year Catawba alumnus in 2014.

1955

Fred T. Whitman is retired from all professions! He served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1955 to 1979, retiring as a Lt.

Colonel, and then as a Professor in Business Administration at the University of Mary Washington from 1980 to 2012.

Anne Haldeman Daly shared that she lost her husband of 35 years, Don Daly, on May 2, 2014.

1957

Mary Long Hutchens shared that her husband, Robert, died Feb. 24 of 2015 after a long illness. She expects to remain at 44 Pennridge Ave., in Mountville, PA 17554-10412 and would love to hear from Catawba friends.

Mary Lou Schultz Paterson has moved to the Southminster Retirement Center at 8919 Park Road, Apt. 3008, Charlotte, NC 28201 and "is still living an active life."

1959

Don and Paula Carroll Hunt

celebrated 55 years of marriage on July 26, 2014. They met at Catawba and married soon after graduation.

1962

Bob Handwerk has (finally) published "Muses To Sustain the Thoughtful Life," a Christian values, introspective nonfictional work. Bob was sports editor for CAMPUS and also the Pioneer while at Catawba.

1963 Don and Neita Frank celebrated their



OH, WHAT A NIGHT BACK IN '75

Bill Hall '66 was Dean of Students and pushed for the student group, College Union Board, to bring Frankie Valli to do a concert at Catawba. It was wildly successful! Pictured above, Ed Donohue '76 currently of Rock Hill, SC back in January 1975.

fiftieth wedding anniversary in 2014, spending ten days in Israel. The couple stayed with Neita's favorite host family who she had come to know while on an international exchange in Israel after her Catawba graduation. They also traveled five weeks in Germany and Austria renewing friendships from Don's army days and with people they have hosted in their home. Neita continues to enjoy substitute teaching music and art in all grades.

1965

Robert Steele Davis and his wife are semi-retired residents of Quincy Village, a rural, casual Presbyterian Living retirement community. They stay active in their church, playing golf occasionally, socializing with a spritely gang of fellow seniors, and producing gift jars of "Flavorful Fruits from Found Fruit." These jars are labeled with their signature Scavenger Farms logo of a vulture in bib with fork and knife ready to feast. The Davises hope to attend the class reunion at homecoming in October.

Betty Burner Diehl lost her husband Carolos Victor Diehl, Jr. in April 2014 after a 15-month battle with brain cancer. Betty and Vic were married at William & Mary on June 14, 2012.

Robert Rosenbloom opened a branch office in Portland, OR for Benjamin F. Edwards & Company under the name of The Rosenbloom Wealth Management Group.

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CONNECT WITH CATAWBA

William Lacy Swing '56

was recognized on November 3, 2014. German President Joachim Gauck bestowed upon Swing the "Officers Cross of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany on the occasion of the Sixtieth Anniversary of relations between Germany and the International Organization for Migration (IOM), based in Geneva, Switzerland, which Swing heads as Director General. Prior to being elected as IOM Director General in 2008 and then re-elected in 2013 for a second five-year term, William Swing was a six-time U.S. Ambassador during a 40-year diplomatic career. He served for a decade as the Special Representative of the United Nations (UN) Secretary-General, first as head of the U.N. Peacekeeping Mission in the Western Sahara and from 2003-2008 as Chief of the U.N. Peacekeeping Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

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Guy Addison Wenck and Marty

Wenck '64 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 13, 2014. Their children and grandchildren gave them a surprise celebration on at Mt. Zion UCC, York, PA.

1966

Myra Meadows Blackburn retired from Guilford County Schools in July 2013 after 38 years in the classroom at both public and private schools.

Mary Anne Tyson loves her work with reading in elementary schools for BookPALS – an organization funded by the Screen Actors Guild. She also works with PencilPALS, a pen pal program.

1968

Susan Joiner announces she has retired as a teacher with the York Suburban School District. She stays very active in county and state golf associations. Her two granddaughters Emma (6) and Ella Grace (1) are keeping her busy as well. She would love to hear from classmates who may contact her at joinersu@hotmail.com.

William Shockley has come out of retirement and is working full time for a local airport transportation company.

Larry Velten After graduating from Catawba, Larry received a graduate degree from Georgetown University. He held fellowships from the Smithsonian Institute and Georgetown University as a student. He then wandered into golf and has now been a 30-year member of the PGA of America, reaching the status of Director of Golf. He is the owner of the golf shop at Manor Country Club and has received regional and national awards. Larry resides in Rockville MD and Singer Island FL. He hopes to see many classmates at the 50th class reunion at Homecoming in 2018!

1969

Robert V. Helms (Bob) has retired as Chairman & CEO of Pegasus TransTech, Tampa, FL. Bob and Janet reside on their horse farm in Tarpon Springs, FL. Among other things, Bob will continue to serve as President of the children's charity, Toymakers of East Lake (toymakersofeastlake.org) and as an active member of the CEO Council of Tampa Bay. In 2013, Bob was honored as Tampa Bay's Outstanding Leader of the Year for his community service and business leadership. "A special thanks to the Catawba faculty, especially former Professor Millard Wilson, for their roles in preparing me for my career."

Phyllis Chatios Kelly of Fairfield, PA retired from teaching in May of 2013. She is now a part-time docent at St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton National Shrine in Emmitsburg, MD. Edwin Stuart Powell Jr. Stuart is currently serving as the Interim CEO for the Independent Insurance Agents of North Carolina, Inc. and the North Carolina Association of Insurance Agents, Inc.

Harold and Deborah Wales moved permanently from their Exton, PA home in September 2013 to their farm in Fawn Grove, PA. Debbie is retired, but Harold continues his tax and financial consulting business. Visit their new web site at www.TheDukeFarm.com.

1970

John D. Balls completed his doctorate in Educational Leadership and is now on the faculty at Gardner-Webb University.

1971

Credit: Juan Manuel

Elliott Bayer retired and is loving it! Check him out on Facebook or e-mail him at elliott325@cox.net.

Dennis and Sharon Franklin are now retired and happily enjoying their free time. Time with their son's family is especially treasured. They also enjoy reading, watching movies, and trying new restaurants in and around Nashville.

Ralph Perrino of Falls Church. VA has published a book, "Strategies, Issues, and Concerns in Education Today: A Collection of Essays" which can be found on Amazon.com. He serves on the Board of Fairfax Partnership for Youth, David M. Brown Planetarium, Faction of Fools Theater Company, and Creative Cauldron Theater Company, and is past-President of the Greater Falls Church Chamber of Commerce and Washington Independent Services for Educational Resources (WIS-ER). He is also a member of the Northern Virginia Black Chamber of Commerce, the Asian American Chamber of Commerce, and was recently inducted into the Hall of Fame at his high school in NJ! Ralph teaches sociology, government, and business management at Northern Virginia Community College. He and wife Denise '74 own and have operated Northern Virginia Tutoring Service, LLC. since 1995.

1972

Constance Carrick sends sad news that her husband Howard Carrick died in January 2013 after a year's struggle with pancreatic cancer. They had been married for nearly 54 years.

G. Edward Hughes, President of Gateway Community Technical College in northern Kentucky, received the prestigious National Bellwether Award from the Futures Assembly (University of Florida) for Economic Development this past February. Dr. Hughes has also received the Dan

60s close-up

Catawba alumnus Philip A. May '69, Ph.D., a research professor at the UNC Nutrition Research Institute in Kannapolis, N.C., received the 2014 Henry Rosett Award for his internationally recognized work in the field of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders. The award was presented to Dr. May by the Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) Study Group of the Research Society on Alcoholism at that group's annual meeting in 2014.

This award of merit recognizes an individual who has made a substantial contribution to the field of alcohol-induced teratology, or physiological abnormalities.

Dr. May was the principal investigator of the first-ever population-based epidemiology research on the prevalence and characteristics of fetal alcohol syndrome (FAS), which commenced in 1979 among multiple communities of American Indians of the Southwestern United States. His pioneering work began only six years after the diagnosis of FAS was established.

He served as the principal investigator and director of the National Indian FAS Prevention Program, the first large, national program of its kinds, from 1983 to 1987. He was also a member of the Committee to Study Fetal Alcohol Syndrome for the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences, a committee commissioned from 1994-1996 to formulate and publish guidelines for the diagnosis, research, prevention and treatment of FAS.

Over the past three decades, Dr. May and his team of multidisciplinary experts have carried out ground-breaking research to determine the prevalence and characteristics of FASD in children and identify key maternal risk and protective factors influencing FASD.

For the past two decades, Dr. May has been funded by the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism of the National Institutes of Health to design and implement this research in three regions of the United States, five communities of the Western Cape province of South Africa, and the Lazio region of Italy.

The link between nutrition and severity of alcohol damage, one of the key risk factors for FASD and other birth defects, led him to return to North Carolina after he retired in 2011 from a 33-year career as a professor of sociology and family and community medicine at the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque.

Beard Council of the Boy Scouts 2014 Trailblazer Award for leadership in the region of Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky.

Susan Moreau is enjoying retirement. She took a two-month road trip with her husband, Kenn, to visit family in Washington State. On the way, they camped and hiked in several national parks. Susan and classmates Carol (Davis) Ashley '72, Hope (Shelter) Bethea '72, and Bonnie (Kiker) Crissman '71 had their annual "Catawba girls' reunion" weekend in November.

1973

Cathy Whidby Honeycutt of Longs, SC, has recently been inducted as the Chairperson for the Little River Chamber of Commerce. Cathy works with WFXB Fox TV of Myrtle Beach.

Stephen Tucker is the chair of the College Board for Rappahannock Community

College where he has served since 2010, representing Northumberland County, Virginia.

John Scott Tutterow retired from the Gaston County Schools as Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, effective June 1, 2015. He received the Order of the Long Leaf Pine from the State of N.C. Effective July 1, his new address is 10 S. Forest Beach Dr. #120, Hilton Head, S.C. 29928.

1974

Charles Lindler retired from 30 years of part-time church music work in September, 2014. He served as Organist/ Choirmaster in Lutheran, Episcopal, and Catholic congregations in Statesville, N.C. He and his wife, Marcia, plan to enjoy world travel and visiting family and friends. He plans to continue to serve as "supply organist" for area churches. Friends can find him on Facebook!

CATAWBA ALUMNUS RECOGNIZED FOR PIONEERING WORK IN THE FIELD OF FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS



Today, he also serves as a research professor with the Department of Nutrition of The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Gillings School of Global Public Health.

1975

Mary Brandon is excited to report her move in March to Winterville, N.C., after retiring from teaching in New Jersey. She would love to hear from fellow alumni and can be reached via email at spedteach52@yahoo.com. She hopes to see members of the Class of 1975 at Homecoming for "our 40th year reunion."

Rita Snyder notes that it has been 38 years and counting that she has been in public education as an educator/administrator – and it all started at CATAWBA!

1976

Sharrie Frances has retired from teaching and moved to Lewes, Del., where she and husband Tom are "living the good life!" She would love to hear from old friends at sharrieross@gmail.com.

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Robert H. Keck, Jr. is in his 35th year as choral director at New Milford High School in Connecticut. He has also directed his 33rd musical this year.

John H. Rapp completed all requirements to earn his U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Master Captain's license. He is rated at 50 tons inland with aux. sail and towing endorsements. He is currently captain of Luxury Yacht Charters' 90' party boat, the Ragin Mistress, on Lake Norman, N.C. He is also owner of Day-O Detailing specializing in teak restoration. He is active at Holy Covenant UCC in Charlotte, singing in the choir, and has constructed about a mile of lined trails and a fire circle on the church campus. He sails his O'Day 222 as often as possible.

1977

Jim Barco has moved to Flowery Branch, GA, where he coordinates fundraising for the American Red Cross. He can be reached at jimbarco30@gmail.com.

Beth (Straight) Jackson is now working for Make-A-Wish Foundation of Southern Florida as their Accounting and Human Resource Manager.

Charles E. Kiser, Jr. retired in the fall of 2013. After several falls, he had to have a hip replacement in January 2014. He is happy to report he has significantly improved and is enjoying retirement now. He would love to hear from Catawba friends.

1982

Mary Battista is a Pre-Kindergarten teacher at St. Elizabeth's Catholic School in Maryland. Her three children, Molli, Matt, and Madeline, are now young adults at ages 23, 21 and 19, respectively.

1983

Julia Grimes Hayes and husband Robert now reside in Port St. Joe, Florida, which is on the Gulf of Mexico. Julia teaches part-time at Gulf Coast State College in Panama City.

Teresa Brady Thomas shares that she retired September 1, 2015, and will devote her free time to the Robbins Village Theater Foundation, Inc. (www.robbinsvillagetheatre.com). She wants to bring a cultural arts venue to her struggling hometown and her goal is to produce a children's and youth theatre to provide community entertainment.

1985

Keith Earnhardt stays active as the VP & Secretary of Industrial Battery & Charger, Inc. in Charlotte. He is also an Executive Board Member of The Boys & Girls Club of Cabarrus County, and a Board Member of the Piedmont Shag Association.

1987

Angeline M. Scalies Kogut and husband Steve are happy to say that she finally finished law school in 2012. She was admitted to practice in the State of Delaware and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in 2013, and in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware in 2014. She also serves as an adjunct faculty member for the College of Business and the College of Arts and Sciences at Wilmington University in New Castle, DE and enjoys teaching college students. The couple moved to Delaware and look forward to catching up with friends!

1989

Chris Walters remains working with Penn State University but has relocated

to the "main" campus on a 3-year project with the Admissions implementation team for the new Student Information System, Oracle PeopleSoft. He and wife **Jackie George Walters '92** still live in South Jersey. Friends heading to the Penn State area to visit are welcome to contact Chris at cjw18@psu.edu.

1990

Anita Kolb Martin now lives full time in sunny Clearwater, FL. She and her husband own Lola's Laces on Main Street, an active apparel and footwear for women store that caters to the elite runner or triathlete and to the casual walker.

1991

Nancy Pipkin-Hutchinson is excited to announce that she accepted the tenure track position of Assistant Professor of Costume Design and Technology in the Department of Theater and Dance at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. What she really, really loves about IUP, and one of the main reasons she applied, is that the Theatre Department (and University) there remind her of Catawba.

1992

Trevor Allen was promoted on May 20, 2015, to Deputy Director of the Criminal Justice Standards Division within the N.C. Department of Justice. He is now living in the Raleigh area and would love to hear from friends/classmates at cheftrev@gmail. com.

1994

Crystal Mounts Conboy accepted the position of Vice President of Investor Reporting and Cash Management at New American Funding in Austin, Texas, in May 2015. She and her husband, Richard, currently reside in Round Rock, Texas.

70s close-up



Denise Nuzum Perrino '74, a charter inductee into the Catawba Blue Masque Hall of Fame in 2008, retired after 34 years of teaching in the Fairfax County Public Schools. Since retirement, she has served as Director of Education for Faction of Fools Theater Company in Washington, D.C., and has acted professionally with "The Fools." She has also acted in several shows at Creative Cauldron Theater Company in Falls Church, VA, serves as the Director of Education, and has directed two shows for the Vienna, VA Theater Company. She and husband Ralph '71 have two grown sons – both college graduates and Eagle Scouts! The Perrinos would love to hear from Catawba friends and encourage everyone to participate in Homecoming Weekend and the Blue Masque Hall of Fame Induction celebration!

They have also established the Young Theater Artist Development Fund at Catawba, and encourage others donate to this worthwhile effort. Crystal can be reached at crystalconboy@ gmail.com.

1995

Lisa Howard Cardwell and husband Tony moved to Louisville, KY in 2011 where Lisa is pursuing Master degrees in Divinity and Marriage and Family Therapy at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. They would love to meet with any alumni in the area or show them around the city if anyone is visiting the area. E-mail Lisa at lisa.cardwell@my.lpts.edu.

Michelle Rinehardt-Cline is the principal at Hickory Ridge High School in Harrisburg, NC.

Alison Horner Klopp was presented the Jostens 2014 National Yearbook Representative of the Year Award at the annual business meeting in Minneapolis, MN in January 2015! She was also inducted into the President's Club. Alison and husband Breon have two sons, Garrett and Alex.

1996

Jason Duke has accepted the position of Technical Show Manager (TD) for Cirque du Soleil's touring production of KOOZA. Jason has spent the past seven years working on The Beatle's LOVE by Cirque du Soleil at The Mirage Hotel in Las Vegas.

Nate and Amy Hrinsin have moved, yet again, to The Woodlands, TX where Nate is Director of Financial Operations for the EC&M Group of CB&I. Amy is currently working for The Woodlands Relo Group, since she has so much experience in moving! Their two children, Aidan, 10 and Abi, 8, are adjusting to life outside NC. The family would love to hear from friends at amyhrinsin@gmail.com.

1997

Julie Moore Ricker and her family welcomed a baby girl, Arlye Varina Ricker, on January 7, 2015.

1998

Jennifer Caudill Brown married Blaine Brown of Richmond, KS in summer of 2013, and they welcomed their baby girl, Bella Grace, in January of 2013. Jenny has also been busy building her business as a Business and Life Coach, and is currently working towards certification and accreditation with ICF (International Coach Federation) as a Professional Certified Coach (PCC). She, Blaine, and Bella currently reside in Bristol, TN. Jenny writes that she would love to hear from fellow alumni through Facebook or Twitter (@ coachjennykay), or via email at msjennykbrown@gmail.com. Kelly Taylor Esposito welcomed her third daughter, Lillian May Esposito, born on March 13, 2014 at 11:30 a.m. weighing 9 lbs 10 ounces and 21 1/2 inches long. Big sisters Taylor, 5 and Reagan, 4, are so excited to welcome Lily to the family!

2000

Sara Gilliam Crater has been promoted to Dance Educator Administrator for Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools.

Bryan Wareham, wife **Ruth**, and daughter Cassidy now reside in England. In 2013, Bryan acquired a culinary arts teaching position at a high school on an air force base in England. The following year Ruth Wareham (previously Ruth Taylor) acquired a teaching position for drama at the same school. The family is extremely happy being able to visit Europe in their free time and now very proud of Sarah Taylor (Ruth's niece) who is now attending Catawba. Go Indians!!!

2001

Nicole Lochead Moore has earned her MBA from Suffolk University in Boston, MA.

2003

Jerry Hancock has earned the CMA (Certified Management Accountant) certification from the Institute of Management Accountants.

Danielle Thomas Rudisill currently enforces Rowan County's Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance by inspecting the on-going construction sites throughout the county. She has two children and a wonderful husband and says she will be returning to Catawba College to work with our area Envirothon Teams. She is looking forward to reconnecting with classmates and faculty.

2004

Monisha Smith '04 is now the Senior Political Action Specialist for American Nurses Association (ANA). She lives in Washington, D.C., and advocates for good nursing and health practices for all.

2005

Carolyn Brannon Kramkowski

and husband, David, welcomed their first daughter, Natalie Lynn Kramkowski, on January 20, 2015 at 5:56 a.m. at Progress West Hospital in O'Fallon, MO. Her baptism was March 15, 2015 at Our Lady of Ostrabrama R.C.. She was the 4th generation baptized at this church and wore the same outfit both her mother and grandmother wore. Michelle Essick Younts has been promoted to Vice President with BB&T. Younts is a market leader in BB&T's Community Banking department at the Archdale and Westchester locations in Archdale and High Point, N.C.

Brandi Berrier Latham received a promotion on June 1, 2014 at the company she has been working at for the past nine years. She is now the Manufacturing Systems & Training Manager for Adele Knits, Inc. After overseeing the transfer from one computer operating system to a new one, she will manage the training of all areas of the manufacturing facility, as well as help with IT support with the new operating system.

Katie Phelps Walsh was married to Matthew Walsh on May 17, 2013. The couple now resides in Dayton, OH. Matt is a research scientist for the U.S. Air Force. Katie teaches at Wright State University.

2006

Derrick Milligan and wife Jessica welcomed son William "Finn" Derrick Milligan III on October 6, 2014. Derrick currently lives in Salisbury, NC where he is employed by Makson Inc. as Vice President of Plumbing.

2007

Hilah Teague Cook and husband Jeff welcomed their first child in January 2014. Caleb James Cook was born on January 6, 2014.

2008

Laura Jollay wed Matt Donahue in Wilmington, N.C. on October 11, 2014. The small private ceremony definitely had a Catawba connection; it was officiated by retired Public Safety Officer and friend of the couple, Bob Glasgow.

Ryan G. Dayvault, Business Services Coordinator and Facilities & Special Projects Coordinator at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's Nutrition Research Institute in Kannapolis, N.C. was elected in late November 2014 by his peers on the Kannapolis City Council as the Mayor Pro-Tem for the coming year. He shares, "I'm very proud that I can continue to represent Catawba in another way!"

2010

Melaney Porter Bass says her daughter, Lyla Avery Bass, was born March 3, 2014 at 2:23 pm. She weighed 7 lbs 9 oz.

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Kristyn Funderburke graduated from Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy with a Doctorate in Pharmacy. Dr. Funderburke is currently employed by Publix Super Markets, Inc. as a pharmacist. Kristyn, a chemistry major at Catawba, was a member of the Catawba Indians Softball team for 4 years.

Emily Lewis is excited to announce her engagement to Dan Hughes on June 8, 2014. Emily and Dan will be married on September 26, 2015 in Cincinnati, OH.

2011

Laura Sale Hobson and husband Lincoln proudly welcomed their son, Jackson, into the world on August 4, 2014.

Kendrick Terrell Mayes has been promoted to Marketing and Special Events Coordinator for the Garner Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department. Kendrick completed his Master of Recreation Administration degree at North Carolina Central University in December 2014. He will be responsible for coordinating the department's marketing efforts and town events such as Groundhog Day, Spring Eggstravaganza, Trick-or-Treat the Trails and Movies/Camping Nights.

2012

Julie Roseann Gilley and Cody Myers announce their engagement to be married. The wedding is scheduled to take place in the fall of 2015. Julie recently accepted a school counseling position in Elkin, N.C., and Cody is currently employed in Salisbury.

Tangela Linn is currently teaching 5th grade at Grace Academy in Rockwell, N.C. while also pursuing her Master of Divinity degree at Hood Theological Seminary in Salisbury. Tangela married her fiancé Aaron Cameron November 1, 2014.

Kimberly Renspie graduated from Florida State University with a Master of Public Administration degree on August 2, 2014.

2013

Jubilee Meehan accepted a job offer in her hometown area of Concord/Harrisburg immediately after she graduated in December 2012. She is now the copy editor/office administrator for a large missionary-sending organization, which provides personal attention and aid for missionaries on almost every continent. In October, she coordinated FIRE International's 14th annual Missions conference, which raised over \$200,000 towards specific mission work. Visit www.fire-international.org or find the organization on Facebook. She traveled to Israel touring part of the month extensively through the Galilee and Jerusalem regions with the organization Together for Israel and Hineni International Ministries, an offshoot of her church FIRE Church. She is still writing and hopes to publish in the spring. Jubilee says she remains very grateful for everything God has done for her through Catawba!

2014

Shakeisha Gray of Salisbury has been offered and has accepted a full scholarship to Wake Forest School of Divinity! Her official status with the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) is now that of "aspirant minister." She will have an intake interview with the UUA in the fall to secure her standing with them as she continues toward ordination. "Cheers to progressive religious leadership in the South and the next three years of divinity school!"



tributes

Late Campus Pastor, the Rev. Porter W. Seiwell '35, remembered in a January 2015 Facebook posting from Bill Wilhelm '68 of Gastonia N.C.

When I was in college, our campus pastor who was a REALLY cool guy, asked my good buddies, The Studs, a great student rock group, to conduct the required chapel program one week.

Instead of being preached at or shamed into guilt or overwhelmed (Ho-Hum...yawn) or theologized to tears or sleep, we got to hear a great rock concert that was theologically very sound according to the pastor, and I believed what he said...always.

The songs included (among others): "I Can't Get No Satisfaction" (during which the head of the History Dept. got up and walked out in a huff. He was an ordained Presby minister) and "Turn, Turn, Turn" taken from the book of Ecclesiastes.

The UCC was a liberal denomination compared to my familiar Methodist upbringing. But I really liked it...except for the songs.



The campus pastor, Rev. Porter Seiwell, co-officiated at our wedding, along with Rev. Bill Faggart, Pat's campus pastor at Pfeiffer College. Porter was a WWII prisoner-of-war who was completely gray-haired in his 20's, and had not gained an ounce from the internment time and weighed in at maybe 110-115 lbs. I like to think of him as another Louis Zamperini. He was stalwart in taking up for the poor, the hurting, the neglected, and fought racial injustice with vigor. I'll bet he gave his guards Hell... and then a little bit of Heaven.

tributes

DR. LAWRENCE "LONNY" BIGELOW BOND OF NASHVILLE, TENN., A FORMER PROFESSOR AND CHAIR OF MUSIC AT CATAWBA, DIED JUNE 29, 2015.

Born in Lynn, Mass, he grew up in Richmond, Va. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Public School Music from the University of Richmond, Va., and his Master of Education degree from the College of William and Mary. He joined the music faculty of Catawba in 1962 and while on the faculty, he earned his Doctor of Music from Indiana University School of Music. He grew in the faculty ranks to eventually chair Catawba's Music Department, a position he held until his departure from the College in 1979 after 17 years of service.

After his time at Catawba, he moved to Orlando, Fla, where he was Minister of Music for Park Lake Presbyterian Church, and a voice teacher at Stetson University in nearby Deland, Fla. In 1986, he joined the faculty of Scarritt Graduate School in Nashville, Tenn., where he served two years before returning to Florida as Minister of Music at Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church in Tampa. Late in his career, he and wife Mary Virginia returned to Nashville and started their own music studio, where she taught piano and he taught voice lessons. In addition to his work in his music studio, he taught briefly at Vanderbilt University's Blair School of Music and served as choir director at First Presbyterian Church in Murfreesboro. He joined the voice faculty of the Belmont University School of Music in 1990 and taught there through the end of the '14-'15 academic year.

An accomplished bass-baritone and an active church member, he presented solo recitals through the U.S. and appeared with symphony orchestras and opera companies throughout the Southeast.

He is survived by his aforementioned wife of 57-years, daughter Angela Bond Markus, son John Lawrence Bond, and three grandsons.



A U.S. Navy veteran, Dr. Kirk served on PT Boat 323 during World War II in the Pacific Theatre. He received the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star for his service.

His educational career began when he earned his undergraduate degree in biology from Furman University,

his master's degree in botany from UNC Chapel Hill, and his doctorate of zoology from Emory University. He taught at Furman University before joining the Catawba faculty as a biology professor in 1957. He served Catawba as its academic dean during part of his tenure and retired in 1989.

Dr. Kirk was honored by Catawba in 1973 with its Trustee Award and the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award. He received an honorary degree of humane letters in 1994, and was awarded Catawba's Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. Award for Distinguished Service in 1998.

He was predeceased in 1998 by wife Ruth McCoy Kirk, and daughter Martha Palmer Kirk in 1990. Survivors include son Paul Daniel Kirk of Gainesville, Fla.; two daughters, Emily Kirk Chapman of Atlanta, Ga., and Adele Marie Kirk of Washington, D.C.; and two granddaughters.

DR. ALBERT E. "ROBIN" ROBERTS, PROFESSOR EMERITUS AND FORMER CHAIR OF PSYCHOLOGY AT CATAWBA, DIED TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2014. HE HAD RETIRED FROM CATAWBA IN 2010 AFTER 40 YEARS OF SERVICE.

A native of Indiana, Dr. Roberts earned his undergraduate degree in psychology at Butler University, his master's degree in psychology from Western Michigan University, and his Ph.D. in psychology from the University of Tennessee. He joined the faculty of Catawba in 1970.

Early in his tenure at Catawba, Dr. Roberts continued his research on rats that he had begun at the University of Tennessee, but he says he eventually ran out of "rat questions," and other topics for him to research came to the forefront.

He met a neurologist at Bowman-Gray in Winston-Salem, who was interested in his background in cognition research and statistics. That led to Dr. Roberts doing research work in neuroimaging. When he first began, his research was in stroke and stroke prognosis, but he later moved into Alzheimer's research. He used the transcranial Doppler machine to determine how the speed of blood changes when people think or do various tasks. His research work led to grants, including one from the National Institute of Health. His research work also carried him to international conferences in places like Austria, Germany, Canada, and Puerto Rico. His papers were published in a variety of scholarly periodicals.

At Catawba, Dr. Roberts was honored in 1982 as the recipients of the Swink Prize for Outstanding Classroom Teaching, and in 1997, he was named Catawba's Jefferson-Pilot Professor of Humanities. In 2010, shortly before his retirement, Dr. Roberts received the Trustee Award for Outstanding Contribution to the College.

Dr. Roberts is survived by wife Sally; children Amy Shorter of Salisbury and Ben Roberts of Charlotte; and four grandchildren.



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Anne Blodgett Bashore '34 February 12, 2015; Cornwall, PA

Rebekah Norwood '38 January 26, 2015; Salisbury, NC

Evelyn Ward Williams '38 June 16, 2011; Winston-Salem, NC

Sara Peeler Bracewell '40 November 8, 2014; Hickory, NC

Margaret Eller Miller Cockerham '40 May 27, 2015; High Point, NC

Elva Williams Cook '40 March 20, 2015; Quincy, FL

Benjamin J. Haas '41 July 26, 2014; Williamsburg, VA

Dr. Herman A. Jarrell '41 June 23, 2014; Huntersville, NC

Emma Oline Pillips '41 March 18, 2015; Charlotte, NC

Doris Mendenhall Sackett Dalbey '42 July 1, 2015; Mount Dora, FL

Clayton C. Gaddy Sr. '42 January 6, 2015; Wadesboro, NC

Elaine Delozier Richards '42 August 3, 2014; Salisbury, NC

Lottie Sue Fesperman Arthur '43 November 30, 2014; Elon, NC

Dorothy Wink Loy '43 January 21, 2015; Waynesboro, PA

Margaret Rothwell '43 December 19, 2014; Inkster, MI

Olif Elizabeth Staley '43 August 28, 2014; Asheville, NC

Doris E. Heinly '44 July 10, 2014; Pottstown, PA

Gene Porter Newman '44 April 4, 2014; Salisbury, NC

Doris A. Slick '44 May 22, 2011; Bedford, PA

Jean Hay Williams '44 February 15, 2014; Kingsport, TN

Betty Sharpe Smith '45 July 3, 2014; Lexington, NC

William Columbus Wagner, Jr. '46 January 22, 2015; Greensboro, NC

Gladys Irene Patterson Lowery '46 March 16, 2014; Wilson, NC

Reverend Dr. Richard Albright Cheek '47 November 9, 2014; Thomasville, NC

Donald Eugene Fuoss '47 June 25, 2014; Pennsburg, PA

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Anthony M. "Tony" Georgiana '47 December 24, 2014; Newark, DE

Valia Hutchins Kane '47 January 19, 2015; Winston-Salem, NC

Dr. Curtis E. Patterson '47 June 27, 2015; Greensboro, NC

Jean Flocken Atkins '48 September 2013; Cornelius, OR

Charles H. Penninger '48 September 21, 2014; Lexington, NC

Gilmer Young Waggoner Jr. '48 July 30, 2014; El Macero, CA

Ruth Hubbard Young '48 December 19, 2014; Salisbury, NC

Betty Cooper Yount '48 April 21, 2015; Pinehurst, NC

Elizabeth Curlee Gore '49 February 3, 2015; Charlotte, NC

Laura Brinkley Hall '49 August 26, 2014; Salisbury, NC

Emma Lou Fisher Claar Hanford '49 June 5, 2015; Burlington, NC

Jahala Crotts Morehead '49 February 2, 2015; Albemarle, NC

Robert William Bell '50 April 4, 2015; Greenville, SC

Carl Cecil Bolick '50 April 25, 2015; Cramterton, NC

Frank Walden Crouch '50 December 12, 2014; High Point, NC

James "Jim" Furr '50 June 7, 2015; Concord, NC

Bobby C. Link '50 December 23, 2014; Cary, NC

Raeford Lucas '50 October 4, 2014; Asheboro, NC

James Doyle McDuffie '50 May 21, 2015; Charlotte, NC

George Leonard Plott Sr. '50 January 5, 2015; Concord, NC

Max Eugene Sowers '50 January 21, 2014; Lexington, NC

John F. Stephon '50 January 15, 2013; Hamilton, NJ

Dr. Robert W. Whitener '50 January 31, 2015; Greensboro, NC

Philip G. Cooper '51 February 13, 2015; Stuart, VA

Charles B. Monson '51 September 19, 2014; Savannah, GA Theodore McKinley "Teddy" Rector '51 July 9, 2015; Salisbury, NC

Nita Bullington '52 May 3, 2013; Bullington, NC

Lt. Col. John L. Powell, Jr. '52 December 5, 2014; Knoxville, TN

Bert Wilson Gillespie, Jr. '53 April 3, 2015; Greensboro, NC

Mary Ann Sturkey Greenland '53 January 11, 2015; Salisbury, NC

Frank Donald Graham '53 October 17, 2014; Concord, NC

Robert M. Lawyer '53 October 21, 2014; Ft. Loudon, PA

William E. Samuels Jr. '53 August 4, 2014; Southern Pines, NC

Joe O. Brewer '54 February 13, 2015; Wilkesboro, NC

Gwyn Lowery Keever Eller '54 May 20, 2015; Statesville, NC

James Noah Hinson, M.D. '56 March 30, 2015; Salisbury, NC

Earl Baxter Lentz Sr. '56 January 24, 2015; Kannapolis, NC

Albert C. Brown Jr. '57 September 20, 2014; Salisbury, NC

James Curtis Davis '57 May 10, 2015; Concord, NC

Louise Miller Moose '57 June 28, 2015; Asheboro, NC

Ora Thomason Pharr '57 March 16, 2015; Concord, NC

Franklin D. Smith '58 October 10, 2014; Elkin, NC

Edward Eugene "Gene" Causby '58 November 2, 2014; Clayton, NC

Rev. Edwin O. Wenck '58 July 3, 2014; Baltimore, MD

Dr. William A. Browne '59 November 11, 2013; Richmond, KY

Rev. Martin L. Bupp II '59 April 22, 2015; Wyomissing, PA

Sally R. Lane '59 March 29, 2010; Anderson, NC

Ernest G. Plyler Jr. '59 February 17, 2015; Granite Quarry, NC

Robert "Bob" Flynn '60 December 28, 2014; Naples, FL

Vann Grey Goodman Sr. '60 July 12, 2014; Concord, NC Cyrus "Don" Johnson '60 June 9, 2014; Columbia, SC

June B. Sechler '61 May 30, 2014; China Grove, NC

Donald Frye '61 July 11, 2013; China Grove, NC

Phyllis Ann Holland '61 February 10, 2015; Asheboro, NC

Richard Eugene Keasler '61 June 20, 2014; Concord, NC

Roberta Goodman Medlin '61 October 23, 2014; Columbia, SC

William Lee Edwards '62 June 1, 2014; Winston-Salem, NC

Gay Kearns Moss '62 May 5, 2015; Mooresville, NC

Rebecca Ann "Becky" Stasavich '62 July 10, 2015; Greenville, NC

Thomas E. Wooten '62 January 15, 2015; Clemson, SC

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J. Foster Owen '64 June 11, 2014; Chapel Hill, NC

John Hayden Little '65 March 4, 2015; Midlothian, VA

Richard Henry Wright '65 January 29, 2015; Charlotte, NC

Helen Ertl Applefield '66 June 23, 2015; Dothan, AL

Willie Mae Beck '66 October 25, 2014; Lexington, NC

Molly Cleo Tutterow Mooring '66 June 8, 2015; Mocksville, NC

John P. Scott '67 January 7, 2014; Ocean City, NJ

Carol Brinkley Kluttz '68 March 20, 2015; Salisbury, NC

Harry Andrew Peeler Jr. '68 September 11, 2014; Spartanburg, SC

Joseph Campbell '69 June 14, 2014; Salisbury, NC

Dennis Robert Sine '69 July 23, 2014; Mocksville, NC

Michael G. Hutchens '70 May 22, 2015; Jacksonville, FL Gary Shotzberger '73 March 11, 2015; Mount Pleasant, NC

E. Daniel Mangan '74 April 20, 2014; Pemberton, NJ

Ronald John Swanson '74 June 25, 2015; Newton, NC

Marie P. Drury '75 September 21, 2014; Salisbury, NC

John H. Marlin '75 November 13, 2014; Greensboro, NC

John Thomas Spicknall '75 July 26, 2014; Dalton, GA

Charles Michael Alexander '76 April 27, 2015; Cooleemee, NC

Robin Mark Wilson '79 July 10, 2014; Salisbury, NC

Deborah Lynn Potter '80 November 19, 2012; Newton, NC

William Christopher Derby '81 February 23, 2015; Chapel Hill, NC

Karen L. Cranford '82 April 22, 2015; Salisbury, NC

Mary Elise "Lisa" O'Brien '91 May 3, 2014; Salisbury, NC

Stephanie Valentine '05 September 2, 2014; Charlotte, NC

Two former trustees at Catawba have died. Walter Price Wagoner of Salisbury, who served as a trustee at Catawba from 1969-1979, died July 27, 2014. The Rev. Dr. Richard Albright Cheek '47 of Thomasville, who served as trustee for 36 years, from 1968 to 2005, died November 9, 2014.

Mr. Walter Price Wagoner

A Salisbury native, Mr. Wagoner graduated from The Citadel in 1938 with highest honors and as Lt. Colonel of the Corps. He received a commission as Second Lt. in the U.S. Army upon his graduation and the events of Pearl Harbor resulted in his quick return to active military service, lasting until January 1946. He was discharged as a Major into the post-war Reserves. Returning to Salisbury after the war, he work with his brothers and fathers in E. W. Wagoner and Sons Construction Co. The sons acquired the company from their father and formed Wagoner Construction Company, Inc. as well as other companies specializing in concrete and steel fabrication industries. He retired in 2006.

Mr. Wagoner was a founding board member of Rowan Tech, now Rowan Cabarrus Community College, a member of the board of Security Bank and Trust, the first chair of the Salisbury Planning Board, and chaired several campaign efforts for Catawba.

He was predeceased by wife Evelyn Albright Wagoner. Survivors include daughter Sandra Wagoner Tiller Harjes of Mt. Pleasant, S.C., son Edward William Wagoner of Salisbury, five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Rev. Dr. Richard Albright Cheek'47

The Reverend Dr. Richard Albright Cheek was one of four children in his family to graduate from Catawba.

Following his graduation in 1947, he earned his master's degree of divinity from Lancaster Theological Seminary and became a minister in the United Church of Christ. He pastored Ursinus United Church of Christ in Rockwell, Heidelberg UCC in Thomasville; and St. John's UCC in Richmond, Virginia. He also served as associate conference minister of the Western Carolina Conference, a position he held until his retirement.

Catawba recognized him with its prestigious O.B. Michael Award in 1963, with an honorary doctorate in 1970, with an Exemplary Life Service Award in 1999, and with its Campus Ministry Church/College Award in 2009.

The Rev. Dr. Cheek is survived by his wife of 65 years, the former Helen Louise "Pat" Jones; two daughters, Mary Ann Mealor of Thomasville and Nancy Wagoner of Eatonton, Ga.; son Richard Albright Cheek, Jr. of Dawsonville, Ga.; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

SHARING THOUGHTS OF CATAWBA COLLEGE HOMECOMINGS



or many years now I have attended Homecoming. I started going not long after I graduated, and with a few exceptions, I've been back every year. I am not unaware that this devotion to my alma mater is probably perceived by some as kinda pathetic; I get that. It's not good to worship the past, and my loyalty could be seen as an indication of an unfulfilling present. Some of that is true – I do tend to romanticize the past, which makes the present seem sorta dull by comparison.

There's something about my college that inspires former students to return year after year; I'm not the only alum to make the trip over and over again, not by a long shot. At a reception on the Friday evening I stood with a dear friend and a former professor, and we talked about the mystery of our enduring commitment. We talked about the bonds that are created through the mutual trust that grows out of shared experiences, but that didn't seem to do it justice. I confided to my friend that one of the reasons I come back is to see our former professors, some of whom are aging rapidly and most likely won't be able to attend the Homecoming events much longer. I come to honor them, to pay my respects for the impact they had on me and my life. But that's not the whole story, either.

This year I arrived quite early on Friday to attend an 8:00 am class advertised as being open to alumni. The class was taught by one of my favorite professors, and the look on his face when I walked into his classroom was worth getting up at 3:00 am for the drive. Afterwards I walked around campus taking pictures and reacquainting myself with the architecture. Eventually I wound up in the theatre where I had spent so many wonderful hours of my college years, as a performer and a technician. I sat down in the semi-darkness and let my thoughts drift as I listened to the building breathe. This is where I feel the most at peace, in the silence of that house. I was completely alone, but I am never lonely there. But that is still only a part of the story.

After a while I made my way to the stage. Tables with memorabilia from the theatre department's past had been set up in preparation for the reception to be held later that evening, so I spent some time looking at it. At least part of the answer began to come to me as I continued to look through the programs, cast lists and photos on those tables, because I found myself there. My name, recorded in the history of the theatre department on display. And not just once; multiple times my name appeared in cast and crew lists, and I recognized a new motivation for why I come back every year.

I come back because **I WAS HERE**. I was part of the story of this place, and I will have always been here.

As time goes by, the idea that I've left traces of myself that can still be seen becomes more and more important to me, that I have left some sort of impression on a place, like a stamp pressed into soft wax that slowly hardens over time.

I've spent chunks of my life in different places –high school, jobs, grad school – but I just sort of passed through. Sometimes I've worked hard to leave traces of myself, but inevitably, they have become obliterated. So the fact that there is a place in this world where evidence of my presence is permanently preserved is, to me, worth the effort I make to keep the connection alive.

And of course there are the people. It is a singular joy to look into the eyes of someone with whom you have shared part of your history and see yourself staring back at you. I experience mutual understanding with other alums that exists at a level usually only found between siblings. We get each other. This is true even if we weren't that close while we were in school; even if we didn't actually know each other then. It doesn't matter. Our common love binds us to each other and to this place. And it is this love that takes us from the past into the present – the love we feel isn't then, it's NOW. It isn't nostalgia, it is a living thing. The most compelling reason I go back is so that I can step into that flow of love and let it surround me. The love I feel in that place reminds me not of who I was, but who I am. Apparently I need that reminder once a year."

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