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“IT IS ONE THING
TO SEE THE FORWARD PATH
& ANOTHER TO BE ABLE
TO TAKE IT.”

– WINSTON CHURCHILL

Greetings from the campus of Catawba College!

My first year here has been a delightful whirlwind as I have come to know dynamic faculty, caring staff, devoted alumni, and engaging students. The level of talent on display here is remarkable – and it can be found in equal measure in the classrooms, on the stage of one of our performance venues, or on the field of athletic competition.

As you will see throughout the following pages, Catawba is truly on the forward path. Working together, the campus community is finalizing a comprehensive Strategic Plan and a long term Campus Master Plan that will give us a clear road map for the years ahead. Stay tuned, as there will be many exciting announcements in the weeks and months to come. Catawba's financial position is substantially healthier, admissions numbers for the fall semester are very encouraging, and there is a real sense of positive momentum on campus.

There are so many strengths to point to at Catawba: strong traditions and values, the beautiful campus, the great location in the heart of the Carolinas, and third party verifications from *U.S. News and World Report*, *The Princeton Review*, and *Forbes* as being one of the best institutions of our kind in the region and the nation. Yet when I am asked what makes Catawba distinctive, my answer is easy: it is the people.

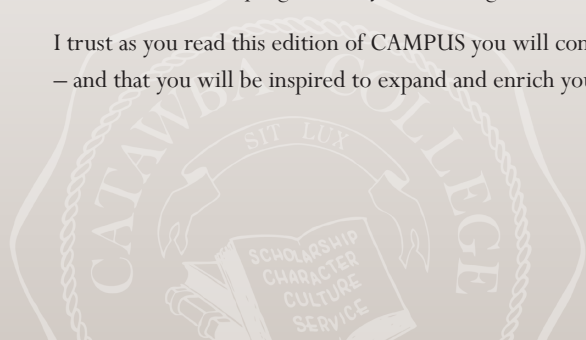
This answer was crystalized for me during my first week as President, when I participated in my first Awards Convocation in our Chapel last April. Awards were being presented to outstanding students for their academic and co-curricular accomplishments and to faculty for their exceptional teaching. There was also an award presented to the Outstanding Staff Member, as voted on by the students. When the recipient's name, Sandra Owen, was announced, she stood up with a look of total shock on her face. I had not met her yet but I could tell from her uniform shirt that she was a member of the housekeeping staff. My first thought was, “Wow – enough students knew the name of a housekeeper to nominate her and get enough votes for her to win this!” As she made her way to the front of the Chapel, the entire audience of several hundred members of the campus community quite spontaneously gave her a rousing standing ovation. Recalling the moment still gives me chills because it made me realize so clearly the quality of the people of Catawba. They truly understand and embody the principle that everyone has a valuable contribution to make to our learning community that should be recognized, appreciated, and celebrated. Rankings in national publications can move up and down, facilities and programs may come and go over time, but Catawba's enduring and priceless legacy has always been its people.

I trust as you read this edition of *CAMPUS* you will continue to find powerful examples of the Catawba Experience – and that you will be inspired to expand and enrich your own involvement with the College.

Yours at Catawba,



BRIEN LEWIS





Foreground Amelia Iwanicki & background Sarah Wike



L - R Jacob Snyder (Back) Jonathan Cooley (Facing Forward)





L - R Ben Botkins, Bayln Krout & Matt McConnell



CATAWBA COLLEGE ENVIRONMENTAL STUDENTS HELP PRESERVE UWHARRIE LONGLEAF PINE

Catawba College Environmental Science and Sustainable Business students greeted the cold and clear first day of February by assisting the N.C. Zoological Park in management of a significant tract of longleaf pine in the Uwharrie region of northern Montgomery County.

The Nichols Tract, a 116-acre property containing one of the finest examples of a piedmont longleaf pine community in North Carolina. It was recently purchased by the N.C. Zoological Park and Salisbury's Land Trust for Central North Carolina.

The 17 Catawba students who participated in the work day were part of a Natural Resource Management and Ecology Course taught by Catawba Assistant Professor of Biology, Dr. Jay Bolin. The trip to the Nichols Tract was an opportunity for them to apply what they were learning in the classroom. The students were led by the N.C. Zoological Park's botanist, Nell Allen. They assisted her team with preparing the magnificent mature longleaf for a prescribed burn.

Some of the longleaf pine trees bore historic scars from North Carolina's famous turpentine industry. These scars are known as "boxes" from which sap was harvested for the naval stores industry. Students recorded GPS coordinates, size information, and other metrics about 88 of the largest trees.

Because fire has been largely suppressed at the Nichols Tract, a serious problem for a fire adapted tree and community, a very thick layer of duff and bark had accumulated around each 'long straw' pine. In addition to preventing seedlings of longleaf from establishing, the thick duff layer can create very intense fire conditions. Thus, as well as recording data, Catawba students carefully raked away the surface duff from each trunk to improve its chances of survival in future prescribed burns.

Ideas, Funds & Action!

One sustainable project is already under way on the Catawba College campus, with more on the horizon, thanks to the work of Catawba's Green Revolving Fund Committee.

The college has taken steps to compost all the food waste from the dining hall with the help of Gallins Family Farm of Mocksville, which provides the bins and picks up the food waste every week. A cooperative venture of Gallins, Chartwells dining service and the Catawba Facilities Department, the composting project will help the college save money from landfill costs and waste hauling fees. It will also help reduce greenhouse gas emissions, a goal of the American College and University Presidents' Climate Commitment, which Catawba trustees adopted in 2007. David Najarian, supervisor of environmental services, submitted the proposal.

The committee has received other proposals as well, including ones that call for 1) reducing the consumption of electricity used in lighting both the nave and chancel of Omwake-Dearborn Chapel by reconfiguring the electric panel so that lights can be turned on in the chancel only during choir rehearsals; and 2) replacing the current lighting in the gym with LED lights, which will reduce energy usage by 80 percent, lessen the amount of heat produced by the lights and eliminate the need to replace bulbs every six months.

Students have also made a number of suggestions – everything from using compost to fertilize the lawns and installing mini-solar panels to power the exterior lighting on campus to installing water-conserving shower heads and putting recycling containers on each floor of the residence halls.

The college created the Green Revolving Fund (GRF) last fall to finance on-campus investments in clean energy and resource reduction. Catawba President Brien Lewis learned about GRFs at a Presidents' Climate Commitment Conference in Washington, D.C., last summer. "It seemed to me to be the perfect mechanism in that it already had a structure that we could quickly adopt and build around and report to as part of the national effort," he says, "so in no way did we feel we were operating alone."

The college has already received a gift of \$100,000 toward its goal of raising \$400,000 over four years to provide the principal for the Green Revolving Fund.

The GRF Committee, co-chaired by Lewis and Center for the Environment Executive Director John Wear, is made up of representatives from diverse areas



of the college: Trustees Greg Alcorn and Charles Taylor; Center for the Environment board member Mark Sieffel; community member Bill Wagoner; faculty Jay Bolin and Chris Zink; staff Eric Nianouris, Carl Beaver, Sharon Miller, David Najarian and Rodney Rymer; and students Kyra Thurow and Sarah Wike.

Lewis points to a book by a college classmate – “The Wisdom of Crowds” by James Surowiecki – to explain why people from different areas were selected to serve on the committee. “The basic premise of the book is that you’re going to get a broader and more accurate understanding of an issue if you have people from a wide variety of backgrounds and experiences at the table,” he says. “We wanted to have a breadth and depth of views because none of us has a monopoly on good ideas.”

Lewis is pleased with the progress the Green Revolving Fund Committee has made in such a short time. “I’m very excited about where we are at this stage, but I know it is just the beginning,” he says. “It’s the kind of venture in which success will breed success.”

“If students or faculty or staff members see their projects supported and implemented, that can serve as a motivation for others,” Lewis says.

“They can literally point to something and say, ‘You see that. I got that started. You can get something started, too.’”

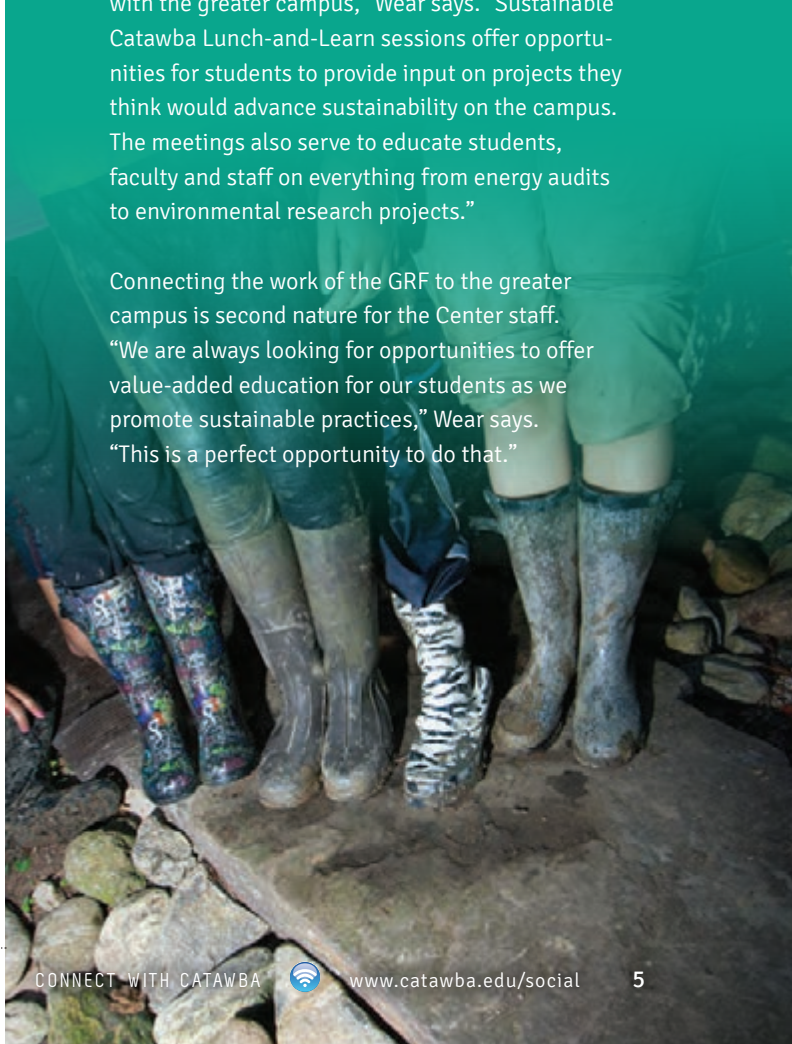
Center for Environment Integrates Students, Interns into Work of Green Revolving Fund

The Green Revolving Fund (GRF) is providing an additional benefit. The Center for the Environment is using this opportunity to engage students in the process, adding real-world experience to their classroom education.

“We at the Center want to offer more than administrative support to the GRF,” says Dr. John Wear, Center executive director. “We are intentionally working to integrate the GRF into the academic life of the college and the research projects of our interns – both Catawba students and individuals from other institutions,” he says.

The Center is also connecting Sustainable Catawba – an organization that brings together student groups that are engaged in activities to lessen the college’s ecological footprint – to the Green Revolving Fund. “This provides a way to interface with the greater campus,” Wear says. “Sustainable Catawba Lunch-and-Learn sessions offer opportunities for students to provide input on projects they think would advance sustainability on the campus. The meetings also serve to educate students, faculty and staff on everything from energy audits to environmental research projects.”

Connecting the work of the GRF to the greater campus is second nature for the Center staff. “We are always looking for opportunities to offer value-added education for our students as we promote sustainable practices,” Wear says. “This is a perfect opportunity to do that.”



CATAWBA STUDENTS CAN ENGAGE IN **SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS** ON CAMPUS IN A NUMBER OF WAYS.



“Expectations are high,”

says Dr. John Wear, executive director of the Center for the Environment,

“but the rewards of involvement are great.”

The latest is the Environmental Stewards Scholarship Program.

To be eligible for the service-oriented scholarship, students are expected to engage in various efforts, including creating educational programs for the community, coordinating sustainability efforts on campus or assisting in the management of the Stanback Ecological Preserve.

The scholarships will be offered for the first time this fall in addition to the academic scholarships the college currently provides for students majoring or minoring in one of the four environmental degree programs: Environmental Education, Environmental Science, Environmental Studies or Sustainable Business and Community Development.

For more information or to apply for the scholarships, individuals may visit www.CenterForTheEnvironment.org, contact the Center for the Environment at 704.637.4727 or email envscholar@catawba.edu.

Catawba's National Environmental Summit

has brought high school students from across the country to the Catawba campus for the past three years to learn how they can use their talents to effect positive change in the world.



Check out a video about the summit @ www.catawba.edu/summit

John Wear, executive director of the Center, notes that accurately conveying the various aspects of the summit has been a challenge. “We knew we had a good thing for students, but we realized it was difficult to explain,” he said. “We focus on two areas: We help them learn how they can use their own personal talents to become part of the solution, and we help them develop leadership skills that will serve them well both in their schools and in their careers later on.”

The interviews confirmed for Wear that the summit has the potential to transform lives. “I knew we had done a good job, but

the interviews made me realize we had done a really good job in terms of our ability to have an impact on these young people.”

Wear was so pleased with the taped material that he determined he would learn how to edit and assemble the video himself. It shows students doing everything from tracking turtles as the students paddle in kayaks on the Fred Stanback Jr. Ecological Preserve to creating plays to help audiences learn about environmental solutions; from role playing in interactive workshops to listening intently as a professor guides them through a focus group.



A Catawba Education – It's Worth It!

Catawba College was one of only four institutions in North Carolina to make *Forbes' Measuring a College's Worth: Grateful Grads Index*, an index that ranks the return on investment of private, not-for-profit colleges enrolling more than 1000 students.

Only 100 institutions were included in this Index. In addition to Catawba, other institutions from North Carolina included were Duke University, Davidson College and Wake Forest University.

The Forbes' Index is a way to measure a college's worth. It uses a formula that measures the amount of private gifts given to a four year college over time, divided by the number of full time students it has.

The logic for the Index formula is that private donations are typically indicative of how successful alumni are and how "grateful" these alumni feel toward their alma maters at private-not-for-profit colleges that offered four-year degrees and had more than 1,000 full time students.

Catawba's median gift per student between 2002 and 2012, according to Forbes' Grateful Graduates Index, was \$7,239.21, with its endowed assets per student during 2011-2012 totaling \$32,620.

Matt Schiffrin, a Forbes' staffer who serves as managing editor of investing, markets and personal finance, developed the Grateful Grads Index which is available at www.catawba.edu/gratefulgrads.

As students begin their college careers this fall, one of their looming questions is likely to be:

Will the benefits of my education outweigh its cost?

Students who are attending Catawba now have some outside affirmation about the benefits of their education.





2013 "THE PRINCETON REVIEW'S GUIDE TO 322 GREEN COLLEGES"

Catawba College is one of the 322 most environmentally responsible colleges in the U.S. and Canada, according to The Princeton Review (www.PrincetonReview.com). Catawba was also only one of 21 institutions among the 322 featured in the guide to be included in The Princeton Review's "Green Honor Roll" for receiving Green Ratings of 99.

The education services company known for its test prep programs and college rankings, ratings and guidebooks, profiles Catawba in the fourth annual edition of its free downloadable book, "The Princeton Review's Guide to 322 Green Colleges." Information about The Princeton Review's Green Rating methodology and its "Green Honor Roll" is at www.princetonreview.com/green.aspx

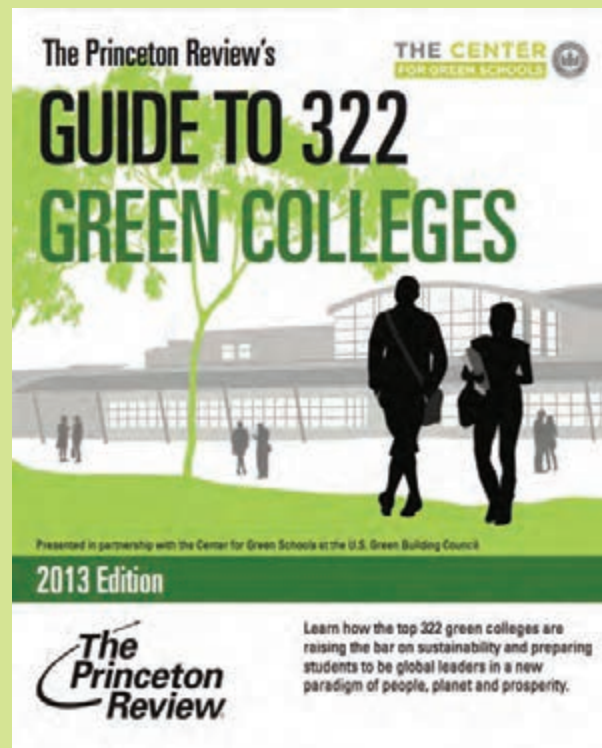
The Princeton Review chose the schools for this guide based on a 50-question survey it conducted in 2012 of administrators at hundreds of four-year

colleges. The Company analyzed data from the survey about the schools' course offerings, campus infrastructure, activities and career preparation to measure their commitment to the environment and to sustainability.

In the guide's profile on Catawba College, The Princeton Review highlights the fact that Catawba offers majors geared to "those looking for a more formal education in the environment and sustainability."

These include majors in environmental science, environmental studies, environmental education, and unique to the college, sustainable business and community development.

The Princeton Review created its "Guide to 322 Green Colleges" in partnership with the Center for Green Schools



(www.usgbc.org) at the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), with generous support from United Technologies Corp. (www.utc.com), founding sponsor of the Center for Green Schools.

Common Reading for '13-'14 First-Year Students

An article published in the March 17, 2008 edition of "The New Yorker" is the Common College Reading for the incoming class of first-year students at Catawba College. "The Real Work: Modern Magic and the Meaning of Life" by Adam Gopnick will be discussed by students during orientation in August and during their fall semester first-year seminar classes.

Catawba's Common College Reading committee, led by Drs. Forrest Anderson, Jay Bolin, and Margy Stahr, chose "The Real Work: Modern Magic and the Meaning of Life" as its selection in part because "it represents a high level of writing while taking as its subject matter a fairly accessible topic: magic, magicians, and the way they perfect their technique." This committee noted that the essay offers "an intellectual and philosophical perspective on magic told through a series of interviews with well-respected magicians." Magicians interviewed include David Blaine and David Copperfield and Teller (from Penn and Teller).

The learning of magic, the committee believes, is "analogous to what professors ask of their students." The essay touches on apprenticeship, dedication to mastery of technique and what it means to be a member of a "disciplinary" community.

Dr. Sheila Brownlow, a professor of psychology at Catawba directs the first-year seminar program. She said the common college reading is an introduction to college-level reading and discussion. It will also introduce incoming students to the type of material frequently read in seminar-style courses.

Canadian-raised author Adam Gopnick is best known as a staff writer for "The New Yorker," but he has written several books including "Paris to the Moon" (2000), "Through the Children's Gate" (2006), "Angels And Ages" (2009) & "The Table Comes First" (2011). He earned his bachelor's degree from McGill University & completed graduate work at the New York University Institute of Fine Arts. He lives in New York with his wife & their two children.

The Common College Reading Program, started in 2005, is an initiative intended to get incoming first-year students talking about important issues. The program affords an opportunity to participate in & contribute to the intellectual life of the college before students arrive on campus and provides them with a shared academic experience during orientation and the first semester.



A PASSION FOR STUDENT'S

Ah-Ha!

MOMENTS

KARA OSTLUND

HELPING STUDENTS
STAY ON THE ROAD
TO SUCCESS.



Kara Ostlund, Catawba's new Associate Dean and Director of Conduct, Housing and Residence Life, says she "wants to be the person who helps show students who they are and the good that they can do." Ostlund, who joined the college in early June, believes her position will allow her to do just that.

"I'm hard-working. I hold students accountable. I hold high standards," she explains. "I challenge and support the students to meet those standards, because in doing so they realize the potential in themselves. They need to know that people believe in them — it sets them on the road to success."

Ostlund comes to Catawba with experience from various jobs in residence life at Winthrop University, Middle Tennessee State University and Appalachian State University. Most recently, she worked at Winthrop from 2009-2012 as a Residential Learning Coordinator and an Academic Associate. These roles gave her responsibility for 300 students in a residence hall, supervision of as many as eight resident assistants and 20 office staff members, and the task of teaching an academic success class to new students.

It was a high school home economics teacher who set Ostlund on her career path in a circuitous sort of way.

"I wanted to be a high school home ec teacher," she recalls. "I took classes in high school and fell in love with the early development aspect of it. I was teacher cadet in high school and actually took activities to the day care. I wanted to be my high school teacher, Cathy Garrett, because she was very influential and a great mentor. I wanted to be able to make the same impact on other students' lives as she had on mine."

So Ostlund, a Greensboro native, set about researching universities and colleges that offered an academic major in Family Consumer Science.

"That isn't taught at most universities. I applied to five schools that offered that major and chose Appalachian State in part because I love the mountains."

She became involved with residence life during her freshman year, working at the front desk of her residence hall from 12 a.m. to 5 a.m. But it was her first-year Resident Assistant who "got to know me as me, helped me fit in, and shared my name with the person in charge of the building.

"That building supervisor called me and invited me to a Human Potential Retreat. I was one of only 18 individuals --



one from each of the 18 residence halls at Appalachian — who was invited. That retreat was for people who have potential to be great leaders but who hadn't been involved, don't know how to go about being involved, or maybe needed some more training. After it, I was hooked in residence life."

While she persisted in her academic major, her involvement in residence life continued throughout her undergraduate and graduate school years at Appalachian. She worked as a resident assistant for three of her undergraduate years. She student-taught during the final semester of her senior year and discovered that her career aspirations had changed.

"I didn't enjoy student teaching as much as I thought I was going to. My passion had evolved into working with college students. I applied my senior year for grad school and was offered a graduate assistantship as a Resident Director."

She says getting her students to have those "ah ha moments" was one of the things she most enjoyed about her work.

Ostlund's first full time position after graduation was at Middle Tennessee State University. In her two years there, she experienced more than most professionals experience in their career. Then, she felt a need to move closer to her family's home in North Carolina.

She landed her job at Winthrop University and spent three years there, meeting her husband, Neil, who still works at Winthrop as program director for club sports and intramurals. The two were married June 9, 2012.

As the Catawba community welcomes Ostlund, she says there are some key things they should know about her, including her food groups -- ice cream, pizza, cheeseburgers and French fries -- and how she likes to spend her free time -- hiking, taking pictures, or cheering on those Appalachian State Mountaineers and now cheering on those Catawba Indians.

Pilot Program makes Test Scores Optional for Some

Catawba has launched a pilot program to make standardized tests optional in its admissions process.

Under the new guidelines, applicants with a weighted grade point average (GPA) of 3.25 or higher will not be required to submit SAT or ACT test scores. In lieu of the standardized tests, students will need to submit supplemental materials, including an extracurricular and leadership resume, as well as a personal statement. Full details of the program are available at www.catawba.edu/testopt.

Lois Williams, Catawba's Vice President of Enrollment Management, said the pilot program will offer benefits for students who do not score well on standardized tests and who believe that their scores do not accurately represent their academic abilities. "Students who feel that their SAT or ACT with writing scores are a good indicator of their academic abilities are encouraged to submit these for consideration in the admissions decision," she said. "Our office wants to know about traits such as leadership, initiative, and stick-to-itiveness that standardized tests don't necessarily measure. In short, we want a well-rounded, diverse population of students whose true potential may not be gauged by a standard measure."

The debate in higher education about the value of non-cognitive as opposed to cognitive measures of college readiness has been intensifying in recent years. Admissions offices, like the one at Catawba, are evaluating whether standardized tests are truly the best and most reliable indicator of a student's propensity for academic success. There are many other notable institutions that have chosen to waive test scores for this reason (see www.fairtest.org for a list of other colleges and universities).

"Standardized tests can be a double-edged sword for colleges and universities. They may cause some institutions to rule out perfectly capable students, or students to rule themselves out because of failing to meet a minimum test score requirement. At Catawba, curriculum and grades, coupled with extracurricular activities, writing ability, and evidence of character and creative talent continue to be the best evaluative measures for admission decisions," Williams concluded.

If a student applies under the test-optional policy, these scores will be kept separate from the rest of the admissions materials and do not need to be submitted until the applicant commits to Catawba. Below find the appropriate SAT and ACT codes for Catawba to use when taking these standardized tests.

SAT	www.collegeboard.org	Catawba College CEEB: 5103
ACT	www.act.org	Catawba College Code: 308



NEW SCHOLARSHIP HONORS '70 ALUMNUS UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM CATAWBA



When Gordon A. Kirkland, Jr. '70

of Clemmons retired as director of athletic development at Catawba College in December, he did so quietly, likely hoping for little or no fanfare. Instead, he received a tribute in the

form of a new endowed scholarship, established in his honor by his fellow alumni, members of the Catawba Chiefs Club, colleagues with whom he had worked, and friends.

The Gordon A. Kirkland, Jr. Scholarship was announced at the Chiefs Club board meeting held on Dec. 4 at the home of College President Brien Lewis. It was a surprise for Kirkland and one that humbled him.

"I was stunned when I realized what Brien was saying, and then, a lot of emotions and tears hit all at once. The finality of retiring, my love of Catawba and the Chiefs Club Directors, and how lucky I've been to work with Tom [Childress '64, Catawba senior vice president] and the great Development staff all hit home. They seemed as happy as I was and I love them for making me feel so welcomed for those seven years I worked with them."

Kirkland is the son of legendary Catawba Coach Gordon Kirkland, Sr., who died when Kirkland, Jr. was a small child.

In his position as director of athletic development, Kirkland worked closely with alumni who knew his father and relished the stories they told him about his father.

Kirkland joined the faculty and staff of the college in 2000 as admissions counselor and was later promoted to associate dean of admissions. He served for several months as an assistant to the athletic director at the college before moving to the Development Office in 2005 as director of athletic development. Prior to his employment at Catawba, Kirkland enjoyed a long career in food sales. He was formerly business development manager of Van De Kamp Frozen Foods in Harrisburg, Pa. Prior to that, he served for 10 years as a vice president of grocery sales for Fitzwater, Inc., also in Harrisburg, Pa. He was recognized as National Broker of the Year while managing H.J. Heinz and received two regional awards while managing the Minute Maid Orange Juice accounts for Coca Cola Foods.

Educated in the Salisbury City Schools, he attended UNC Chapel Hill from 1965-1968. He transferred to Catawba in 1968 where he earned a bachelor's degree in business administration.

Married to wife Sandra, he is father of two adult children, David and Robin.



Catawba Students to Drink Starbucks® Products on Campus at



McCorkle's

The grill and snack bar located in the Cannon Student Center was renovated this summer and renamed *McCorkle's* in a nod to one of Catawba's founding fathers. It will also be the place this fall where members of the campus community can pick up their Starbucks® espressos, frappuccinos, lattes, teas and coffees.

The area, formerly home to the Smokehouse Grill and Mondo's Subs, was renamed in honor of Judge M.L. McCorkle who figured prominently in the history of Catawba when the college was located in Newton. Judge McCorkle, one of the original trustees of the college, was reported to have built a bridge across the Catawba River where farmers were charged a toll to cross as they drove their hogs to market. He gave a portion of the collected tolls to Catawba which provided a major source of funding for the college in the early years.

Students can still order short order items from *McCorkle's* and also purchase Starbucks products available thanks to a new program, Starbucks We Proudly Serve, offered by the college's food service provider, Chartwells. This program was approved by trustees at their February meeting after positive student responses to a survey which gauged interest in and support for the initiative.

"We are very excited about what this program will provide for students and others in our campus community," explained Ben Smith, Dean of Students. "An overwhelming majority of the students who participated in the surveys supported bringing this program to campus."





R. J. MICHAEL BITZER

HAS BEEN TAPPED TO SERVE
AS CATAWBA COLLEGE'S ACTING
PROVOST, EFFECTIVE JUNE 1.



Bitzer, an associate professor of politics and history, joined the faculty in 2002. He fills a vacancy left by the departure of Dr. W. Richard "Rick" Stephens, Jr. who will lead the academic administration at Alfred University.

At Catawba, Bitzer has served as chair of the Department of History and Politics. He has been active in faculty governance, having chaired the Admissions Committee and served on the Curriculum Committee and the Assessment Committee. In 2010, he spearheaded a committee of faculty that produced "A White Paper on an Institutional Philosophy of Education at Catawba." This paper set forth the idea of a "liberal education" which unifies a liberal arts education and professional education into one over-arching philosophy.

"Dr. Bitzer has widespread respect from his faculty colleagues at Catawba. His leadership on the White Paper demonstrates his ability to bring diverse faculty perspectives to the table and to build consensus,"

College President Brien Lewis said when announcing Bitzer's new role in late May. "His contributions to various task forces on campus and his work in the public eye providing insights on political issues are indicative that he is a good communicator and a strong advocate for faculty issues. I look forward to working with him in this new capacity."

Bitzer came to Catawba as a visiting instructor in the Political Science Department and with a passion for Southern politics. A native of South Carolina, he was baptized in his passion in the early 1980s while in high school, landing a job as a page in the Washington, D.C. office of South Carolina Senator Strom Thurmond.

He holds a bachelor of arts degree in English from Erskine College, a master of arts degree in history from Clemson University, and his Ph.D. in political science from the University of Georgia's School of Public and International Affairs, where he was selected as one of five "Excellence in Teaching" award winners for 2002. Before beginning work on his doctorate, he was a newspaper reporter and a public affairs director at Clemson University.

He was tapped by Catawba President Dr. Robert E. Knott to serve as Interim Dean of Admissions at the college from 2007 through the end of 2008. During that period, he managed the responsibilities of that position while continuing to teach a full slate of classes in his subject area. For the 2011-2012 academic year, he was the Swink Professor for Excellence in Teaching at Catawba, after a vote of the faculty senate.

He is frequently sought out by local, regional and national media outlets as a commentator on Southern politics and campaigns and elections. His comments have been used by "The New York Times," "The Washington Post," "Christian Science Monitor," NPR, "The Charlotte Observer," "The News & Observer," "The State," and television stations in the Charlotte market. He currently posts observations about regional and national politics in a blog entitled, "The Party Line," for WFAE, the Charlotte NPR affiliate.

Married to wife Andrea, the two are parents of son Andrew.



Retire from work, but not from life.

~ M.K. Soni

These three Retiring Faculty Members recognized at Graduation will be doing just that!

Catawba College recognized three retiring faculty members at its May 11 Commencement Exercises. Drs. James “Jim” Beard, John B. “Jack” Green and Cynthia B. Osterhus ’73 were cited for their contributions to the institution at the 10 a.m. ceremony held in Keppel Auditorium.



DR. JAMES “JIM” BEARD

Dr. Beard, a professor of chemistry, joined the Catawba faculty in 1988.

He had previously served as a member of the faculty at both Pikeville College and at Manchester College. He spent a decade working in private industry. He was employed as a clinical chemist at two hospitals and as an administrative director of laboratory services at a third. He also worked for a time with Bio-Dynamics, an industrial company in Indiana, as manager of an applications laboratory, assistant director and manager of applications, and as director of scientific and regulatory affairs there.

Dr. Beard earned his bachelor’s degree in chemistry from Manchester College, and his Ph.D. in organic chemistry from Stanford University. He completed post-doctoral research at Iowa State University in organic photochemistry.

A native of Indiana, Dr. Beard wanted to be a teacher since he was in the fifth

grade because he has “a knack for explaining things to people.” A man of strong religious faith, service, too, has always been a part of his life. In Rowan County, he served as president of the local Habitat for Humanity in the early 1990s when that organization was just starting up.

Looking back on his career at Catawba, Dr. Beard says he is most proud of recruiting two of his colleagues in the chemistry department, Drs. Carol Ann Miderski and Mark Sabo, with whom he has worked to build a very strong chemistry department.

Active in the American Chemical Society, he has published numerous scholarly articles and has authored a textbook, “Environmental Chemistry in Society.”

In retirement, he will move on to his next challenge, completing a program at the Salem Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church USA to become a lay pastor.

Married to wife Susan, the couple has six adult children.

Beard shares this advice on how to succeed in life:

“Know yourself; make a plan both professionally and personally; be flexible and have a plan B; do something you enjoy; remember there is more to life than your career; and do something that will leave the world a better place than you found it.”



DR. JOHN B. "JACK" GREEN

Dr. Green, an associate professor of marketing, joined the Catawba faculty in 2002. Following graduation from Providence College in 1969, he served as a 2nd Lt. Armor Tank Commander at Ft. Knox and Ft. George G. Meade. After completing the MBA in Marketing at State University of NY-Albany, he spent eight years as an account executive for Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith, in Connecticut and New York.

Following his "Wall Street Period," he spent five years as Director of The Regional Advancement Service of the SUNY-Albany School of Business and taught most marketing courses to classes of 500-600 students. It was then that he realized possible joys of teaching at small liberal arts colleges. Thus, he joined the faculty of Brenau University and Women's College in Atlanta for 18 years. During that period, he earned the Ph.D. in Marketing Research at University of Warwick, Coventry England, the first AACSB accredited institution in the United Kingdom.

Dr. Green says he has enjoyed Catawba for the last 11 years, especially during good football, basketball, lacrosse and soccer seasons, but most of all, he has enjoyed the diversity of Catawba's student body.

In retirement, he plans to spend some time practicing Search Engine Optimization on his 170+ WWW domains, teaching online, and expanding his Kindle e-Book publication library in the quiet confines of his house at the Outer Banks of N.C.

Married for 44 years to wife Nancy, the two are parents of sons John, Tim and Nathan.



DR. CYNTHIA BALL OSTERHUS '73

An associate professor of teacher education and director of the Shirley Peeler Ritchie Academy for Teaching at Catawba, Dr. Osterhus is retiring after 10 years as a full-time faculty member at the college.

A 1973 alumna of Catawba, she earned her undergraduate degree in mathematics. She holds her M.Ed. in mathematics and her Ph.D. in Curriculum and Teaching in Mathematics from UNC Greensboro.

Before joining the faculty at Catawba, she was a mathematics teacher with the Salisbury City Schools. Her prowess in the classroom earned her recognition as the N. C. Teacher of the Year in 1987, as a Teacher in Space Finalist with NASA in 1985, as N.C. Gifted and Talented Teacher of the Year in 1984, and as Outstanding Young Educator of Rowan County in 1983. Catawba honored her with its Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1986.

Dr. Osterhus worked for Horizons Unlimited of Salisbury between 1990 and 2002, serving first as director and space science specialist, and later as director of staff development.

At Catawba, she helped create the Ritchie Academy for Teaching in 2007 which has since welcomed over 70 West Scholars in six different cohorts and awarded over \$4 million in scholarship

Dr. Osterhus says of her time at Catawba: "The joy of teaching at Catawba was the freedom to exercise the art of teaching. What has kept me in teaching (and excited about teaching) even after 40 years, is that I don't know how to do it right. I only know that each time I interact with students, I learn something about how they learn, and what I learn gives me ideas for new ways of teaching."

While at Catawba, Dr. Osterhus also wrote a successful grant through which the Burroughs Wellcome Fund provided funding for the Catawba Conservation Camp for three summers on campus. This camp was open to rising sixth and seventh grade girls from our area and its purpose was to expose them to and interest them in science. More than 150 girls had an opportunity to participate in the camp during its three-year run and further develop a curiosity and interest in science and mathematics.

Married to husband Ken, Dr. Osterhus is the mother of two daughters and stepmother of four sons.

“SWING STRATEGICALLY,” N.C. Governor tells Catawba Graduates



**“DON’T BE AFRAID TO FAIL
AND IF YOU DO FAIL, TRY AGAIN,
BUT DO IT STRATEGICALLY,”**

NORTH CAROLINA GOVERNOR PATRICK L. MCCRORY
'78 TOLD AN AUDIENCE OF GRADUATES AND THEIR
FAMILIES AND FRIENDS AT CATAWBA COLLEGE'S 10
A.M. COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE ON MAY 11.

Showing off a pair of red boxing gloves given to him by his friend George Foreman, the former Heavyweight Boxing Champion of the World, McCrory relayed a story about his own failure to win the North Carolina gubernatorial election in 2008.

“In 2008, I took a big personal and professional risk in my life,” he said, recalling his decision to run for the governor’s seat against the Democratic candidate, Beverly Perdue. “I knew this was an opportunity that would never come again. I lost.”

McCrory not only lost that election, but he lost the majority of the vote for that election in Charlotte. He said that that loss bruised his ego and tore at his heart.

“After losing in 2008, I still had one year of service as mayor. It was tough serving in a city that wanted me as mayor for seven terms, but not as governor. I became a little bitter. Apparently that bitterness showed to some friends and even to some outsiders.”

George Foreman was one of those friends who saw McCrory’s disappointment. He sent McCrory the pair of boxing gloves with a message that read: “I had to reach out and forgive Africa. They pulled against me in 1974.”

McCrory said Foreman was sharing his own disappointment and bitterness as a 24-year-old when he had lost his Heavyweight Champion of the World title in Africa to Mohammed Ali before a crowd that “loved Ali more.” Foreman got bitter, depressed, and quit boxing after his defeat. He lost all of his money as well. Twenty years passed and Foreman, as a 45-year-old, came back as an unranked contender in 1994, wearing the same boxing trunks he had worn when he lost to Mohammed Ali in Africa.

“He threw one punch and he was again Heavyweight Boxing Champion of the World,” McCrory remembered about Foreman’s bout against the then 26-year-old Michael Moorer. He added, for the benefit of the graduates, most of whom did not know or remember Foreman as the Heavyweight Boxing Champion of the World, “then he sold grills.”

The right boxing glove in the set that Foreman sent had this message written on it for McCrory: “With this hand, I missed a lot, but I kept swinging.”

In 2011, McCrory decided to run for the governorship again, but he said, “I decided I was going to be much more strategic with my swings. Thankfully, and what an incredible honor, the people said ‘yes’.”

As governor, McCrory said he is focused on “education, energy, efficiency and our economy.” He encouraged the graduates not to “swing wildly, but to swing strategically” and to “develop a nimble mind and harness it with great communication skills.”

Catawba awarded 283 degrees in two different ceremonies on May 11. Although McCrory’s schedule only permitted him to speak at the 10 a.m. exercise, he sent a congratulatory message that Catawba President Brien Lewis shared with the graduates from the School of Evening and Graduate Studies at the 2 p.m. ceremony.

“Now as you leave here today,” McCrory concluded,
“stay focused on what you want to accomplish.
Be **STRATEGIC**. Be **HARD-WORKING**.
Be **ETHICAL**.”

That’s what makes our country great.
That’s what makes our state great.
That’s what makes Catawba great,
& you will be **GREAT** in your future.”



SAGE ADVICE SHARED WITH 2013 GRADUATES

DR. LYN BOULTER,

*Professor of Psychology and Chair of the Faculty Senate
from her greetings delivered at the May 11, 2013
Commencement Ceremony*



"Even though you are leaving us today, our hope is that you will take with you some of what we have offered you to challenge you, and that among us you have found heroes, as mentors who led the way and transformed your life, and teachers who will continue to believe in you and inspire you to aim higher. We also offered you the insights, inspiration and creativity of our heroes, hoping you will find personal meaning in their work.

One of my heroes is Helen Keller, who wrote, "Keep your face in the sun and you will never see the shadows." Many feel that her

words urge us to turn our backs to the dark of pessimism and fear, so we will always see the light of optimism and courage.

And this wonderful quote from Shel Silverstein speaks to us all:

Listen to the mustn'ts, child/
listen to the don'ts/
listen to the shouldn'ts, the impossibles, the won'ts/
but then listen to the never haves and listen close to me/
anything can happen, child/
anything can be."

Catawba graduates, please keep in touch with us! We will be delighted to hear from you, and we hope you will continue to find your heroes. We hope you will dream of a perfect society, have the confidence in yourself that you can achieve it, and be an advocate for a world where every child can succeed, as you have.

JANA BURKHARDT '14,

*SGA Executive President for 2012-2013
from her greetings delivered at the May 11, 2013
Commencement Ceremony*

"You knew you were making your senior year the best you could, but what you might not know is that those of us you leave behind could not have been more grateful for the memories.



“So I will end with this quote from Peter Pan, “Never say goodbye because goodbye means going away and going away means forgetting.” Do not use today as a way to say goodbye, but rather see you later. See you at Homecoming, ‘Palozza, or on the cover of Campus Magazine. Wherever your path takes you never say goodbye to your Catawba family, because they will always welcome you back with open arms.”

DR. BARRY SANG,

Professor of Religion and Philosophy
*from the homily he delivered at the May 10, 2013
 Alpha Chi Induction*

“Excel, learn even more; become the finest thinkers and dreamers this world has ever seen. You have certainly shown us that you can do this. But learn and live not just for yourself, but for others as well. Cultivate yourselves, but, by God, do it for the sake of all.



“In the next two days (or sooner!), you will forget most of what I have just said, but I sincerely pray that you will remember this principle: Learn to serve with what you learn. When you do that, you will find much more meaning in your lives, and you will honor the values of this College from which many of you will graduate tomorrow—the values of scholarship, character, culture, and service. As you learn to serve with what you learn, **your education will have given birth to goodness**. Thank you for the privilege of learning with you.”

MRS. DARLENE BALL '62,

Chair of the Catawba College Board of Trustees
*from her greetings delivered at May 11, 2013
 Commencement Ceremony*

“You are ready to be whatever you want to be, to step forward and step out - to accept challenges, to put your hand up to participate or lead in your job, in your community and in your family.

“That’s what your time at Catawba has prepared you for – success in wherever you go and whatever you do – you just need to keep your eyes open, your mind alert, your courage up and put your whole self into whatever you do.



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“That reminds us of the children’s song, the “Hokey Pokey.” You remember that one? You know – ‘you put your right hand in, put your right hand out, put your right hand in and shake it all about.’ Believe me I am not going through that whole thing, however, the last verse of that song is the message:

“You put your whole self in, you take your whole self out, you put your whole self in and shake it all about, you do the hokey pokey and turn yourself around -

THAT’S WHAT IT’S ALL ABOUT.’

“So, go after what you want and have fun doing it – and remember Catawba as you go.”

THE REV. DR. KENNETH CLAPP '70,

Chaplain and Senior Vice President
*from his homily at the May 10, 2013
Baccalaureate Worship Service*

“... any time you respond in a way that puts the welfare of others above what appears to be in your own best interest because you are committed to knowing and sharing God’s love, you set yourself up to know the higher happiness that comes to those who walk humbly with God, who show meekness and who love and allow themselves to be loved.

... Take wing by giving God that place of greatest importance in your lives and allowing God to direct you and call the shots. Believe in these formulas for happiness and let them inform your means of taking wing.

“Instead of losing power or somehow becoming less in the process, be prepared to experience that greatest sense of happiness and joy for which you thirst. That happiness will be realized in new depths of friendship and new bonds of appreciation. When you put God first, your vocation and your work will take on new purpose and satisfaction and life itself will be characterized by a new richness.

“Come Sunday you may be out of our physical reach, but I assure you these faculty members seated to your left and



myself will still care about you, will still be here to support you, will be rooting for you. And I will be praying that you will realize in your lives that goodness and joy that so many other graduates of this institution have experienced. To that end, I pray that you will open your hearts to understanding that such joy comes when we avail ourselves to the grace and the love that God offers and seeks to give us. Blessings be upon you and Godspeed!”

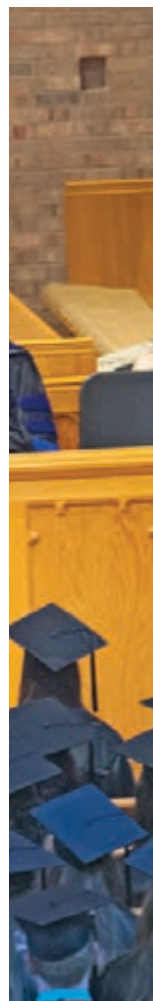
DR. JAMES BEARD,

Professor of Chemistry, who retired
at the end of the academic year
*from his “Memories” message delivered
at the May 9, 2013 Senior Investiture*

“You spent a number of years at Catawba College. While you were here, what did you really enjoy? Hopefully there were a number of things that you enjoyed. Look through that list. There is a career in there somewhere.

“I hope you picked a major carefully and that it involves doing things that you really enjoy and find meaningful. Forty hours or more per week doing something you hate is a recipe for a lack of fulfillment in your life. Find something you love. Do that!

“I hope that your memories are good ones which can inspire you. But you can take positive lessons from all memories both good and bad.



"Take the memories from Catawba with you and let them inspire you. Make them part of you as this week ends and you leave this place. To quote Seals and Crofts:

'Dreams, so they say, are for the fools and they let 'em drift away.
Peace, like the silent dove, should be flyin' but it's only just begun.
Like Columbus in the olden days, we must gather all our courage.
Sail our ships out on the open sea.
Cast away our fears
And all the years will come and go, and take us up, always up.
We may never pass this way again.'



Introducing our 2013-14 Student Government Association Officers



L-R Anne Mabry, D.J. Colson, Ashley Everidge, T.J. Olsen

SGA officers for the 2013-2014 academic year were installed at Catawba's annual Awards Convocation held in late April. They include President **T.J. Olsen** of Pineville; Vice-President **Anne Mabry** of China Grove; Secretary **Ashley Everidge** of Hamptonville; and Treasurer **D.J. Colson** of New London.



Whitener Award Recipients

Two students graduating from the traditional day program, **CHELSEA MICHELE STARR** of Weston Fla., and **BLAKE RICHEY RUSHING** of Indian Trail, were the recipients of Catawba's Whitener Awards.

The prestigious Whitener Awards have been presented each year at the graduation ceremony since 1927. They are given in memory of Dr. Edgar Whitener of High Point, North Carolina, who served as a trustee of Catawba College from 1921 to 1966 and as Chairman of the Board of Trustees from 1925 to 1944. The medals honor a man and woman in the graduating class who embody, to a high degree, the qualities of good character, leadership, and scholarship. Recipients are nominated, with final selections made by the faculty.

Starr majored in elementary education and minored in English and Spanish. Although she had a stellar academic career, she found



time to be active outside of the classroom. She was involved with Campus Crusades, serving as one of that organization's officers and leading a prayer group on campus every week. She was active in the Students North Carolina Association of Educators, serving as vice president. She was a tutor on campus in both Spanish and in the

College Presents Awards, Gives Special Recognition at Commencement Exercises

There was celebration & remembrance at Catawba College's Commencement Exercises on May 11. Three graduates and one alumnus received awards during the two ceremonies, while one student who died just five credit hours short of completing the coursework for his bachelor's degree was honored with a special tribute.

College Writing Center and was a student in the College Honors Program. She served on the Student Conduct Board and the Appellate Board. She managed the Lilly Center Coffee House, was a participant in the College's Alpha program, and also was involved with various honor societies, including Phi Epsilon where she served as president, Sigma Tau Delta, Phi Sigma Iota, Kappa Delta Pi, and Phi Lambda.



Rushing was a chemistry major and a biology minor who was also very involved in the life of the college. He participated in the College Honors Program and also served as a tutor in the College Writing Center. He served as a resident assistant. He was active in Catawba's student chapter of the American Chemical Society, serving as its president, and also in Gamma Sigma Epsilon, where he also served as president. He was a member of Alpha Chi honor society, and a member of Tri-Beta, the biology honor society. His service in the community included work on Habitat for Humanity building projects and volunteering at Rowan Helping Ministries.

Barbara Andrews Award Recipient

A graduate from Catawba's School of Evening and Graduate Studies, **VERA L. DRYE** of Concord was the recipient of the Barbara Andrews Award.

This award is given each year to the graduating senior in the School of Evening and Graduate Studies who most successfully embodies the attributes of character, leadership and scholarship.



This award was established and named in honor of Barbara Andrews, the first director of this program at Catawba College. The selection is made by the Catawba College faculty from the six graduating seniors in the program with the highest grade point averages. Students eligible are those who have attended Catawba for at least two years and have earned a cumulative grade point average of at least a 3.5.

Drye received her Bachelor of Business Administration degree with a business management concentration at the 2 p.m. commencement exercise. She began taking courses toward her degree in August of 2010 and completed her requirements this past December. She had earned her Associate's degree in Accounting from Central Piedmont Community College in 1976.

She worked in human resources for Philip Morris in Concord for 20 years until that plant closed. She is now employed as a human resources analyst at Rowan Cabarrus Community College.

A member of Alpha Sigma Lambda, a national honor society for nontraditional students, she is an active member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Concord where she serves as a Sunday school teacher.

She is married to husband, Steve, a 1971 alumnus of Catawba, and they are parents of three adult children and grandparents of three.

O.B. Michael Award Recipient



A 1961 Catawba College alumnus, **DR. WILLIAM GUY RICH** of Dahlgren, Virginia, was the recipient of the O. B. Michael Award. This award has been presented annually since 1938 by the Catawba College

Alumni Association Board of Directors. It is given to a graduate of the College who has made an outstanding contribution to the College and/or the larger society. Originally called the Citizenship Cup, it was established by the Reverend O.B. Michael, Class of 1919, in memory of his father, an alumnus of Catawba College and pioneer teacher and preacher.

While a student at Catawba, Dr. Rich majored in physics and was on the track team. He went on to earn his master's degree

from Wake Forest University and a doctorate from the College of William and Mary.

A native of Laurinburg, North Carolina, he taught at Elon College for three years before joining the Naval Surface Warfare Center in 1972. His assignments at the Center included work on the AEGIS Combat System, which is used in the AEGIS class ship that figured highly in the Persian Gulf War. He coordinated the Scientist-to-Sea Program for the center and received Sustained Superior Performance Awards multiple years. Today, he is retired from the Naval Surface Warfare Center as an electronics engineer.

Dr. Rich spearheaded a campaign to establish an endowed scholarship at Catawba in 1987 in memory of two leading professors at the college: Dr. Antonios Antonakos, chair of the physics department from 1959-1975, and Dr. Milton Braun, professor of physics and mathematics from 1931-1955. With his generosity and his prompting of these professors' former students, the scholarship has grown and split into two fully funded First Family Scholarships. One project on his current to-do list is to grow the Catawba Class of 1961 Scholarship that he and his classmates helped establish to the First Family level.

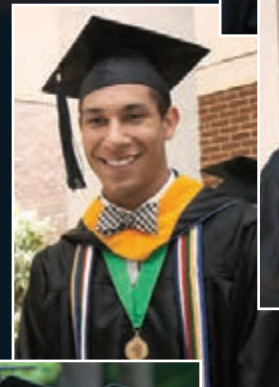
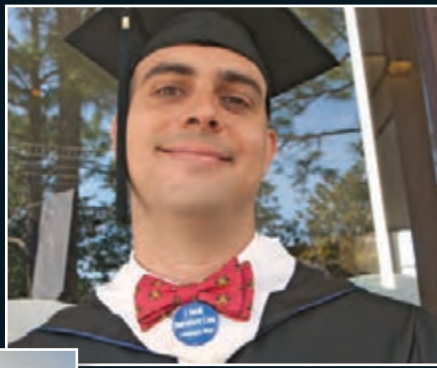
Special Recognition for Travis Ward Casper



The College paid a special tribute to the late **TRAVIS WARD CASPER**, a student who was on track to be part of the 2013 graduation ceremony until he lost a lengthy battle with cancer. Casper, 27, of Salisbury, died on March 26th of this year, only five credit hours short of graduating with a 3.829 GPA.

Travis' brother, Brandon Casper, represented the family and accepted an Honorary Bachelor of Business Administration degree on behalf of his brother. Catawba College President Brien Lewis made the degree presentation on what would have been Travis Casper's 28th birthday, calling it "a tribute and memorial."

Lewis said Travis "was the type of young man we were proud to call our student and he would have been the type of young man who we would have been proud to call an alumnus of this college. Today we remember him for his scholarship, character, culture and service and through his example remind ourselves of the persons we want to strive to be."



Check out all 2013 Graduation Exercises @
www.catawba.edu/graduation



As the 2012-2013 academic year came to a close, Catawba College students were thinking about their futures.

GOING, GOING, GONE

L-R 2013 Graduates
Jaclyn Lawrence,
Elizabeth "Lizzle" Davis
& Lindsey Smith

For some graduating in May,
a next step – **GRADUATE SCHOOL** – was on their minds.

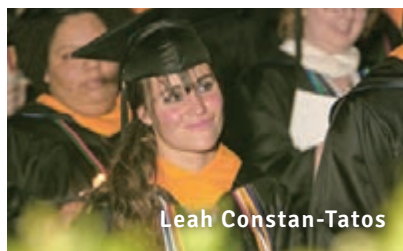
For those with a year or so to go before they earn their undergraduate degree, thoughts were on how to
enhance their future opportunities and make themselves ready for the **NEXT STEPS** after Catawba.

GRADUATE SCHOOL

Leah Constan-Tatos of
Johannesburg, South Africa,

graduated May 11th and decided she will attend graduate school at the University of Notre Dame in August. With her double major in Accounting and Economics & Finance, she'll pursue a Master of Science in Accountancy degree there.

"I want to become a CPA (short term) and CFA (long term), and knew I needed to go on to grad school to do this,"



Leah Constan-Tatos

the Honors student recalled. "I applied to N.C. State University, University of Southern California and to the University of Notre Dame. It was a very, very difficult decision for me to make, but one reason I chose the University of Notre Dame was because of its global recognition – it's known at home in South Africa as well as in the States. They only admit about 80 students a year into the program and that weighed into my decision in addition to the scholarship offer. Those factors, coupled with the culture and tradition of the school made me want to go there."

This international student, recruited to Catawba as a swimmer, has been pondering her future for years.

"Having a double major has given me a broad background into a lot of different fields," Constan-Tatos explained.

"Accounting has so much versatility and can open so many doors – you can go into business for yourself or work for big corporations. My degrees will give me a lot of flexibility in terms of jobs."

And, Constan-Tatos feels well-prepared for graduate school. "We have a lot of interaction and one-on-one with professors here and they prepare us well for the future. I've been very happy with my faculty and how they've taught us important concepts.

"Back home there are no liberal arts universities, so here taking classes in a liberal arts setting I think has helped me, as it has broadened my knowledge base. I took public speaking, physiology and anatomy and enjoyed them – they were really fantastic, I must say."

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Ashley Acken

Senior **Ashley Acken** of Marietta, Pa., who earned a double major in psychology and sociology at Catawba, is headed to Duke University this fall to pursue a Master of Divinity degree. Thanks to an interdisciplinary program that Duke offers with the UNC Chapel Hill, she hopes to eventually also earn a Master's of Social Work degree.

She credits Catawba for making her grad school ready. "I applied to Wake Forest and Duke and if neither of those had worked out, I had some seminary choices that were on my radar. I was accepted at both really fantastic schools. But, I wouldn't have gotten into those schools if it hadn't been for the experience I had at Catawba."

Acken believes that it was her dual major at Catawba that set her apart from other candidates hoping to attend divinity school at either Wake Forest or Duke.

"I think they appreciated that I came from a different background. My path to divinity school was a little different than that of others – my background was in psychology and sociology. I want to continue experiencing different perspectives like I have in the liberal arts setting that Catawba offered and hear different perspectives from many different people."

Several of Constan-Tatos and Acken's Catawba classmates will also be heading to graduate school this fall including

Elizabeth "Lizzle" Davis of East Bend who has been accepted in UNC Wilmington's Creative Writing Poetry MFA program; Maura Pantone of Pittsburg, Pa.,

accepted into the PsyD program at LaSalle University for Child Clinical Psychology; and Blake Rushing of Indian Trail, accepted at East Carolina University for Biochemistry at the Brody School of Medicine. Two political science students, Joe Peterson of Chestertown, Md., and Rob Bius of Parkton, NC, are headed to law school. Peterson will be attending Campbell University's Wiggins School of Law, and Bius,

St. Mary's University's School of Law in Texas.



Lizzle Davis

ENHANCING FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

Some Catawba students who did not graduate in May made summer plans they hope will help better position them for future opportunities. Junior **Frank Villa** of Kannapolis is one of these. He's majoring in Chemistry and minoring in Biology at Catawba and would like to go to medical school.

At the prompting of his Professor of Chemistry, Dr. Mark Sabo, Villa took steps toward reaching that ultimate goal. Sabo encouraged Villa, a First Family Scholar, to apply for a variety of summer National Science

Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates (REUs) internships at universities all over the country. Villa did, sending in applications to the University of Iowa (herpes virus research), Georgetown University (malaria research and drug-resistant therapies), Purdue University (proteomics research), Colorado State University (cancer research), and University of South Alabama (research on early detection methods for cancer).

Villa was the first Catawba College student to be accepted into several of these REUs. He chose to participate in the program offered at the University of South Alabama's Mitchell Cancer Institute. "They're working with ovarian cancer and early detection methods for that," he explained. "I went online and watched a video about their work and it just called to me. I had great options and for some reason I just felt that South Alabama was where I needed to be."

Villa also credits Sabo with giving him the information and the nudge he needed to move forward.

"If it hadn't been for Dr. Sabo, I would never have found out about these REUs if he hadn't set me down last year in his office and told me I needed to apply. I have friends who go to bigger institutions and I asked them what they're planning to do for the summer and they said, probably coming home to work.

"I feel like my advisors and professors are preparing me for the next step better than they do at bigger institutions," Villa said. "I've always wanted to go to med school – that was my original plan, but now I want to see how my REU turns out."

Villa will begin the process of filling out those med school applications this fall.

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– Frank Villa

Linda Castillo of China Grove is a classmate of Villa's who is also looking forward to a research-filled summer experience. Majoring in Chemistry and minoring in Biology, Castillo, like Villa, applied to multiple REU programs. She was accepted to several, including a UNC Nanoscience REU, a University of Alabama Crime REU, and one offered at the University of Kentucky. She chose to attend the one at the University of Kentucky, working on studying calcium signaling in the heart.

"I hope that my summer will be a great learning experience and that someday, I may use the information I learn and help discover for the benefit of my future patients," she said.

Her long term plans may include medical school or a physician assistant program. "I am unsure which of those to do, but I am very passionate about medicine, so both would suit me."

Ask Dr. Sabo how these summer research experiences can enhance students' future opportunities and he has plenty to say: "Catawba has some really great students who are enhancing their liberal arts education by engaging in education and research opportunities outside the classroom. Undergraduate research, whether at Catawba or another facility, allows students to utilize state-of-the-art instrumentation and learn modern laboratory techniques. Students gain content knowledge as well as develop professionalism, networking, and oral and written communication skills. Moreover, and perhaps most importantly, they learn how to apply that knowledge to the problem at hand and think independently, creatively, and critically."



Linda Castillo & Frank Villa

"We're changing the way you buy, the way we sell & the way we do business."

People are looking for meaningful products.

It's about connecting with customers.

It's about sharing.

Use social media to build a community, not a business."

— Tysinger-Temple



Internet Pioneer and CEO of One of Facebook's Largest Retailers Shares Her Business Story

Entrepreneur **Brandi Tysinger-Temple**, founder of the Lexington, N.C. kids clothing company *Lolly Wolly Doodle* that conducts business on *Facebook*, admits she did not even have a business plan when she launched her business. But today, Facebook recognizes her business as one of its largest retailers with a page touting almost 550,000 likes & 68,500 who are talking about it.

Called an internet pioneer by *CBS*, *HLN* and *Businessweek*. Tysinger-Temple offered remarks entitled "Fearless Entrepreneurship in a Socially-Connected World: Community Building. Always Improving." at Catawba College's 10th annual CEO Lecture Series on April 25. Her company, *Lolly Wolly Doodle* (www.lollywollydoodle.com or facebook.com/lollywollydoodle), has gained international recognition for its innovative way of doing business using *Facebook*.

Her business began slowly in 2008 after her husband gave her a sewing machine and she used it to create matching outfits for her two daughters who are five years apart in age. She made several extra outfits out of the material she had left over and put these extra outfits up for sale on eBay. These outfits sold and she created more. When she put up a Facebook page and began selling her outfits there, the business really took off.

"Within two weeks, we had completely closed down the eBay store and were strictly on Facebook. We're the largest business transacting on Facebook today," she says, noting her hobby "turned into something that took over my life" and got her whole family involved.

"You don't have to have a lot of money behind what you're selling to grow your business – mine grew so organically from the beginning. But now, we have a plan for growth because we have to and now we have a mission that truly propels the company forward."

Where her company is moving now is into becoming a bigger player in the \$22 billion a year kids' apparel market in the U.S. *Lolly Wolly Doodle* is going up against the likes of billion dollar businesses like Gymboree® and OshKosh B'gosh®.

Tysinger-Temple says the days of retail locations are over and "the Internet is now clearly your playground." Her company, now employing 140 people, she adds, is the first brand in the world born on social media.



E-COMMERCE CLASS ASSIGNMENT: Toast to Creating Website for Local Vineyard

The folks at Morgan Ridge Vineyards in Gold Hill wanted a website that was warm and welcoming, one that was user-friendly and easy to update. That's exactly what they got after Catawba College students enrolled in Dr. Pamela Thompson's fall semester e-commerce class finished their work.

The students in Thompson's class tackled the project as a group assignment while they were learning about the latest web technologies. Their work, www.morganridgevineyards.com, launched in February to rave visitor reviews and satisfied clients.

Kim Love, events and winery manager at Morgan Ridge Vineyards, shared her pride in the class' work. "I was very impressed with the level of maturity that this class had, the initiative they took, the pride they took in the work they produced, and the strength they had as they worked together. A lot of them did extensive studies on their own – learning about the different varietals."

The result, Love noted, is a website where hits and visitor traffic can be tracked and content can easily be changed. "I've heard wonderful remarks from our previous guests and from our new guests," she said. "We rely on our website to communicate what we have going on at the vineyard and being able to update that quickly and efficiently was most important to us."

"I came in [to this class] as a complete beginner, not knowing anything about website design, Photoshop or anything," explained Savannah Tomlinson, a junior from Long Island, N.Y., majoring in business administration with a concentration in marketing. Her part of the class assignment was related to graphics used on the website & the creation of the private events pages.

"The event pictures were provided to us by Morgan Ridge, but all of the other graphics used on the website we made using Photoshop. It was so real world and so hands-on. You were actually designing a website and working with a business, and not many people get to do that before they're out in the work world."

Senior Christian Klimczyk of Linthicum, Md., worked on the calendar of events for the site. He found the content management system they used for the site, Contao, "very easy for the end-user to enter." He was also responsible for creating registration forms the site uses for different days' themed events. These forms have a security feature to prevent spam from clogging up Morgan Ridge Vineyards' inbox.

"We first had to talk to the people at Morgan Ridge and find out what they wanted on the website – what they expected. The final product is a good representation of their business and the features and details they wanted to include. I learned a lot more about design and I learned how to tailor technology to a business instead of making it a big technology project that a business doesn't understand," Klimczyk said.

Professor Thompson said one of her goals for the class was "to give students an experience that makes them feel comfortable with web technologies that they will face in actual work." To that end, her students worked with the latest languages and applications related to website design including PHP, HTML5, Adobe's Photoshop and Dreamweaver, MySQL and Contao, the open-source content management system.

While other students in the class, Professor Thompson and the folks at Morgan Ridge took the photographs seen on the site, Junior Zach Burkhart of Lexington configured & loaded the photo gallery module for these.

Looking back on the project and the fruits of her class' labors, Professor Thompson is pleased.

“Problems with live projects can mimic problems in the real world and they present teaching moments for students,” she said.

“I am very grateful that Morgan Ridge Vineyards was willing to give us the opportunity.”

“I learned a lot and I actually enjoyed myself. It was a lot of work, but Dr. Thompson told us it would be and it was rather tedious work, but it was rewarding to see something come together like this,” Burkhardt said.

Twenty-year-old Laurel Powell of Mooresville worked on the wine pages for the site, including the descriptions of the different wines. This was something she found particularly challenging, she quipped, noting her age, “because I don’t actually drink wine.”

“I had to be careful that the descriptions of the wines I wrote reflected a Morgan Ridge Vineyards wine and not a generic wine description. I spent a lot of time picking the best words to use in the descriptions.”

Powell also took photos that are used on the site, photo-editing some so they seemed “warm and inviting.”



MORGAN RIDGE VINEYARDS,

a seven-acre boutique vineyard on a 33-acre site, is owned by Tommy and Amie Baudoin. The couple started the vineyard in 2000 and planted the vines there in 2004, according to Love. Morgan Ridge, which produces 13 different wines, just won the 2012 Wine Growers of Excellence Award, given at the N.C. Winegrowers Association Conference.

Dog is my co-pilot.

Catawba Professor and Trusty Co-Pilot Fly Missions to Rescue Dogs

Dr. Tim Moreland

can tell you a lot about a dog's life
and he can certainly tell you about
how dogs have figured into his.

In addition to the dogs he's
owned, he's met quite a few
while helping to rescue and
save their lives.



Dr. Moreland and his co-pilot, Chester.
Or, is it the other way around, WOOF!

Moreland, whose day job is working as professor of Communication Arts at Catawba College, works tirelessly on his off time as one of the volunteer pilots in the Pilots N Paws organization. For him, it's a great way to combine two loves – his love of dogs and his love of flying. His trusty co-pilot is Chester, a seven-year old blue merle Australian Shepherd whom Moreland adopted through connections he made in Pilots N Paws.

"I took my first trip for Pilots N Paws in early 2009. Sometimes you do legs and sometimes, the whole thing," Moreland explained about his rescue missions in his '78 Piper Archer, a single engine, four-seater. "Once you sign up, you tell them where you are located and they look at the pilots in an area, put a notice on the Pilots N Paws website, or send you an e-mail. I look at those notices and see when the rescue needs

to occur and if I can get it done.

"I've flown 70 dogs. Most of them have come out of county dog pounds. Usually once you throw the throttle forward, it's like a sleeping pill to them, the engine just puts them to sleep. Then when I cut it back after we land, they usually come to life and wonder where they are."

Since Moreland adopted Chester and flew him home to Salisbury three years ago, Chester has accompanied him on all of his rescue flights. "He flies in the co-pilot seat with me and he stays awake and keeps an eye on the dogs in the back. When we land, he jumps right out and we unload the dogs and he oversees that.

"He's been in love with that airplane since day 1," Moreland continued, bragging about Chester. "He knows which hanger it's in, knows the plane. He loves flying more than life itself.



When I get the flight bag out at home, the jumping around, the dancing begins. He's all fired up and ready to go. They say dogs don't remember very long, but if I tell him the night before that we're going to go flying the next morning, I can't get two feet away from him. He loves the airport. If he couldn't be with us, he'd like to be an airport dog."

And although Chester has a special place in Moreland's heart, Moreland says that Chester shares some very important attributes with all of the other dogs he has flown in his rescue missions. **"It's as if they know they're getting a second chance and they work every day of their life to be good."**

"They're great creatures. They're everything I guess we want people to be – sweet, loyal and they're smart! They give you everything. You give them some time and they give you their lives."

He hopes that news of his and Chester's association with Pilots N Paws will get more people involved in dog rescue, but he also shared that in a way Chester may have rescued him.

Moreland recalled having a lump in his neck that Chester had "an inordinate interest in." It turned out to be cancer.

"Chester became very interested – he wanted to lick and smell it – and I remembered a story I'd read about dogs having the ability to smell cancer. Turns out he was right."

Moreland has since had radiation and chemotherapy treatments. Now he is on the mend, but he remembers his loyal Chester and how "when I was sick, he was never more than two feet from me."

An accomplished, professional sports and radio broadcaster long before he joined the faculty at Catawba in 1994, Moreland's roots are in the Midwest. His first flying lesson was when he was 16, but he didn't earn his pilot's license until he was 31 years old. He began flying so he could fly himself to call Nebraska basketball games and then back into Lincoln, Nebraska in time to host his morning radio show at a flagship station there. Piloting himself between these jobs got him flying again and made him productive, he said.

Today, Moreland, an instrument rated pilot, and Chester are productive flying rescue missions and they hope others will follow their lead, even if they're not pilots or co-pilots. "I want people to be aware that programs like Pilots N Paws exist and whether you're a pilot or not, you can be part of a dog rescue – you can be a foster parent or involved in some way. There's a breed rescue for everyone."

**For more information
about Pilots N Paws, visit
www.pilotsnpaws.org.**



THE ADRIAN SHUFORD AWARD



Two Catawba College trustees who are also alumni were honored on Sunday, April 28, as recipients of the College's prestigious Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. Award for Distinguished Service.

Recipients included

MR. LARRY T. CLONINGER '74 OF SALISBURY

&

MR. BARRY D. LEONARD '65 OF LEXINGTON

College President Brien Lewis and Chair of the College Board of Trustees Darlene Ball made the presentations during a special President's Circle Event held to recognize the institution's major donors in Hedrick Theatre 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.

MR. LARRY T. CLONINGER '74

A grateful Larry Cloninger accepted the Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. Award, saying he has been “very, very blessed.” He gave credit for his success to “my mom and daddy and to the people of Rowan-Salisbury.”

“What we earn in life is really a living, but what we give to others is what life is all about,” Cloninger said. “I’ll do my very best to live up to this honor.”

Lewis described Cloninger as “an entrepreneur” who had “consistently supported Catawba with his resources.” He noted the First Family Scholarship that Cloninger had established at the college and his support for Catawba’s capital campaigns. The Cloninger Guest House at the college, Lewis said, “exists as a showplace on campus thanks to his generosity and foresight.”

Lewis also spoke about Cloninger’s role in the larger Salisbury-Rowan community and his support for organizations including the Boy Scouts, the Salisbury-Rowan Symphony, Waterworks Visual Art Gallery, Rowan Regional Medical Center, Salisbury Academy and the Cannon School.

A native of Gastonia, Cloninger came to Catawba as a transfer student from Wingate College (now Wingate University). At Catawba, he majored in Accounting and was active in the Accounting Club, serving as its vice president. He also served as a dormitory counselor. His grades consistently earned him a place on the Dean’s List.

His first job after college was working for an accounting firm in Lexington. He spent one and a half years in that position until he realized he wanted to change careers. He applied for several entry-level jobs with various automobile manufacturers, and was offered one with Ford’s Sales Division in Charlotte. In 1985, he bought City Motor Company in Salisbury, changed the name to Cloninger Ford and moved the business in 1988 to its current location on Jake Alexander Boulevard. Today, Cloninger serves as president and owner of that dealership which has expanded to become Cloninger Ford-Toyota in Salisbury. He also owns two other dealerships.

A member of the Catawba College Board of Trustees since 2002, Cloninger was honored by the college with its Distinguished Alumnus Award in 2006.

MR. BARRY D. LEONARD '65

Looking that he was “torn between surprise and confusion,” a smiling Barry Leonard accepted his Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. Award.

“Catawba gave me the tools that I needed to be a successful person,” Leonard said. He recalled the words on the college seal – scholarship, character, culture and service – and said that two of those words had “set me apart from my peers.”

“The ‘character’ and ‘service’ were impressed on me. Doing the right thing over and over again has been very beneficial in my life.”

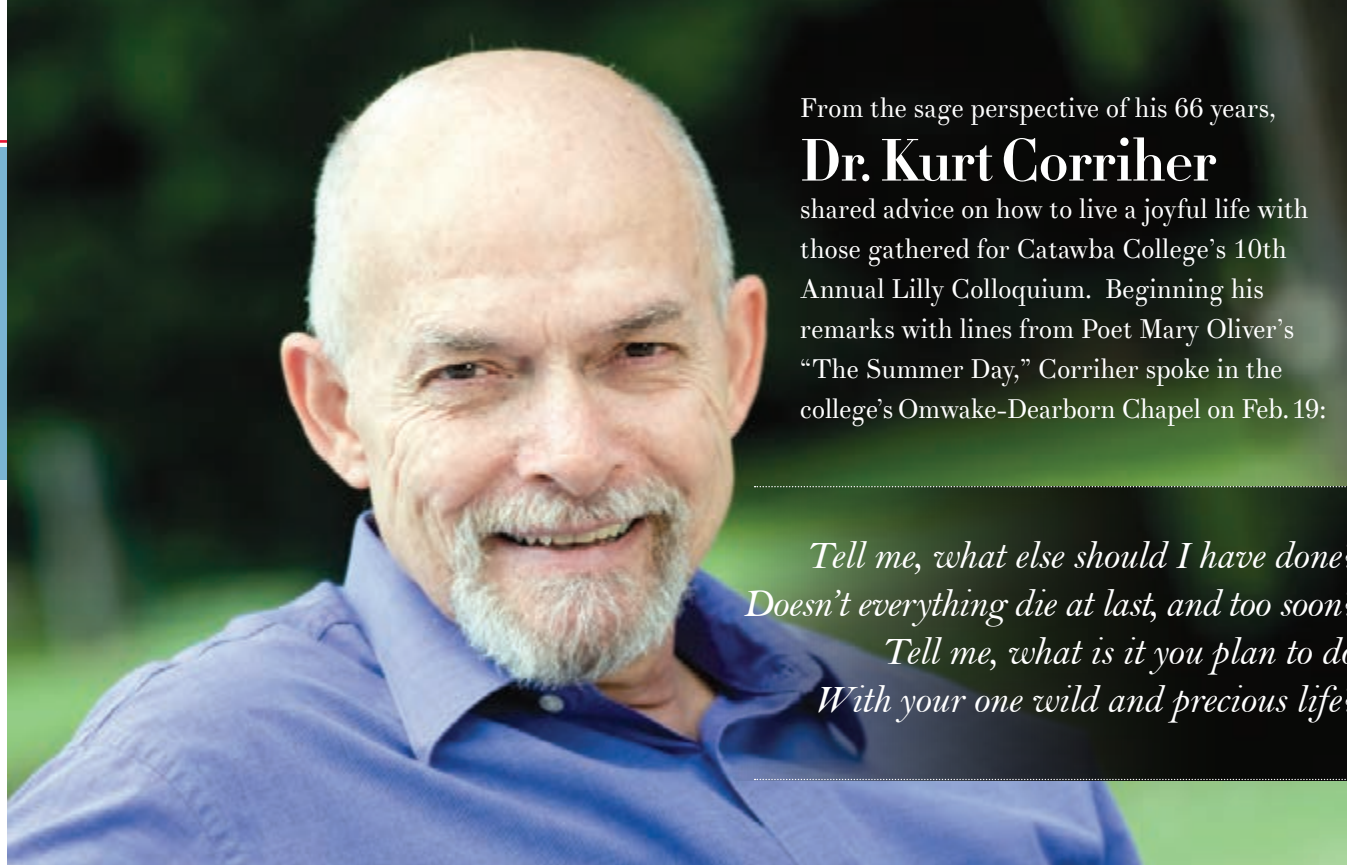
In making the award presentation to Leonard, Lewis noted Leonard’s loyalty to his alma mater. He said Leonard had created several scholarships at Catawba that pay tribute to individuals “who have played pivotal roles in his life and also influenced the lives of others.” Leonard, Lewis added, had also influenced others to follow his example and “lend support to Catawba College.”

He described Leonard as “the epitome of a self-made man” who had operated and sold a hosiery mill before starting up his own firm, Leonard and Company, Certified Public Accountants, in Greensboro. While a businessman and resident of Greensboro, Leonard was active in the community there, serving as president of the Crescent Rotary Club and as a past elder and officer of Peace United Church of Christ. After he retired, Leonard moved back to his hometown of Lexington where he and wife Clara make their home.

“This is a man who is happy with his life and considers each day a blessing and a gift,” Lewis said of Leonard. “He learned early and has never forgotten the value of earning what you have.”

Working his way through college, Leonard earned his accounting degree from Catawba. After graduation, he worked with the U.S. General Accounting Office in Norfolk, Va., and then later for the Internal Revenue Service as an agent based out of the Charlotte office. He also was employed for a time with Bill Turlington and Company, a CPA office in Lexington.

His service to Catawba has included time spent on the College Board of Visitors. He joined the College Board of Trustees in 1999 and has served as its treasurer and as a member of its Finance Committee. He was honored with Catawba’s Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1998.



From the sage perspective of his 66 years,

Dr. Kurt Corriher

shared advice on how to live a joyful life with those gathered for Catawba College's 10th Annual Lilly Colloquium. Beginning his remarks with lines from Poet Mary Oliver's "The Summer Day," Corriher spoke in the college's Omwake-Dearborn Chapel on Feb. 19:

*Tell me, what else should I have done?
Doesn't everything die at last, and too soon?
Tell me, what is it you plan to do
With your one wild and precious life?*

10TH ANNUAL LILLY COLLOQUIUM SPEAKER PROMOTES LIVING A JOYFUL LIFE

"One life, that's what we get. I am here to suggest that you live it joyfully," Corriher said. "Life is not a never-ending party. Life contains sorrow, grief and pain and suffering – that comes with the territory. But even in sorrow, grief and disappointment, you can always know that behind your tears life is good, life is joyful."

Corriher, a faculty member who teaches German and Theatre Arts at Catawba and has served the college in many other capacities during his tenure, grew up in southern Rowan County. He earned his undergraduate degree in German and history at Davidson College and went on to earn both his MFA in drama and his Ph.D. in German from UNC Chapel Hill. A former Fulbright Fellow to Vienna, Austria, Corriher is also an actor, director, author and dramatist.

While admitting that his own life was fraught with the business of making a living, Corriher shared his ideas for how one can live a joyful life.

"You have to have some sort of

creativity in your life," he said. "And you always want to be respected and valued by doing something that serves other people – that is essential to living a joyful life."

"People who are happy at their job, they are the people who become successful. Joy and happiness make people successful."

Noting the dilemma of having to earn a living, Corriher insisted that "you can find a way to make a living at whatever your passion is. And if you can't make a living at it, do it anyway – I suggest you work as close to it [your passion] as you can."

He cited chronic unemployment among actors and said many actors never make a living practicing their passion.

"You can go into academics," he suggested, as another avenue "to stay close to your passion and have it in your life."

If you have no passion and have no clue, what then? he queried, and answered: "Read. There are lots of materials to help you find your passion in life."

Another way to find your passion is through experimentation. "If you live life

freely and abundantly, that's how you know what inspires you."

And what if your passion fades? Corriher had an answer for that too. "Well, you start over again and keep seeking."

Continue to seek your passion, Corriher said, quoting Sir Winston Churchill: "Never, never, never give in!"

He spoke of the importance of art in one's life and said, "Art is life condensed." He paraphrased C.S. Lewis saying, "Through art, we learn to know we're not alone."

Corriher admitted what he wishes he had done in his life. "I made a mistake. I should have pursued a writing career more seriously. I'll tell you why I did not – fear. I had a wife, a family, a mortgage. I didn't write because I was afraid."

But despite this regret, Corriher concluded, *"I can't remember a moment when I didn't think in my heart: 'Dear God, thank You for life.'"*

Ask Dr. Clapp about his former students who have gone on to pursue careers in ministry and his face lights up. He'll share details of where they went to school after graduating from Catawba and where they answered their first call to serve. He'll explain with the pride of a father and the true spirit of a mentor.

In his ongoing mentoring role to Kendra Joyner '11, Dr. Clapp was invited to be a part of her mid-course evaluation at Yale Divinity School. During her interview, Dr. Clapp said, "Kendra affirmed the quality of the education she received at Catawba and spoke glowingly of the role the Catawba community had in her journey toward ministry."

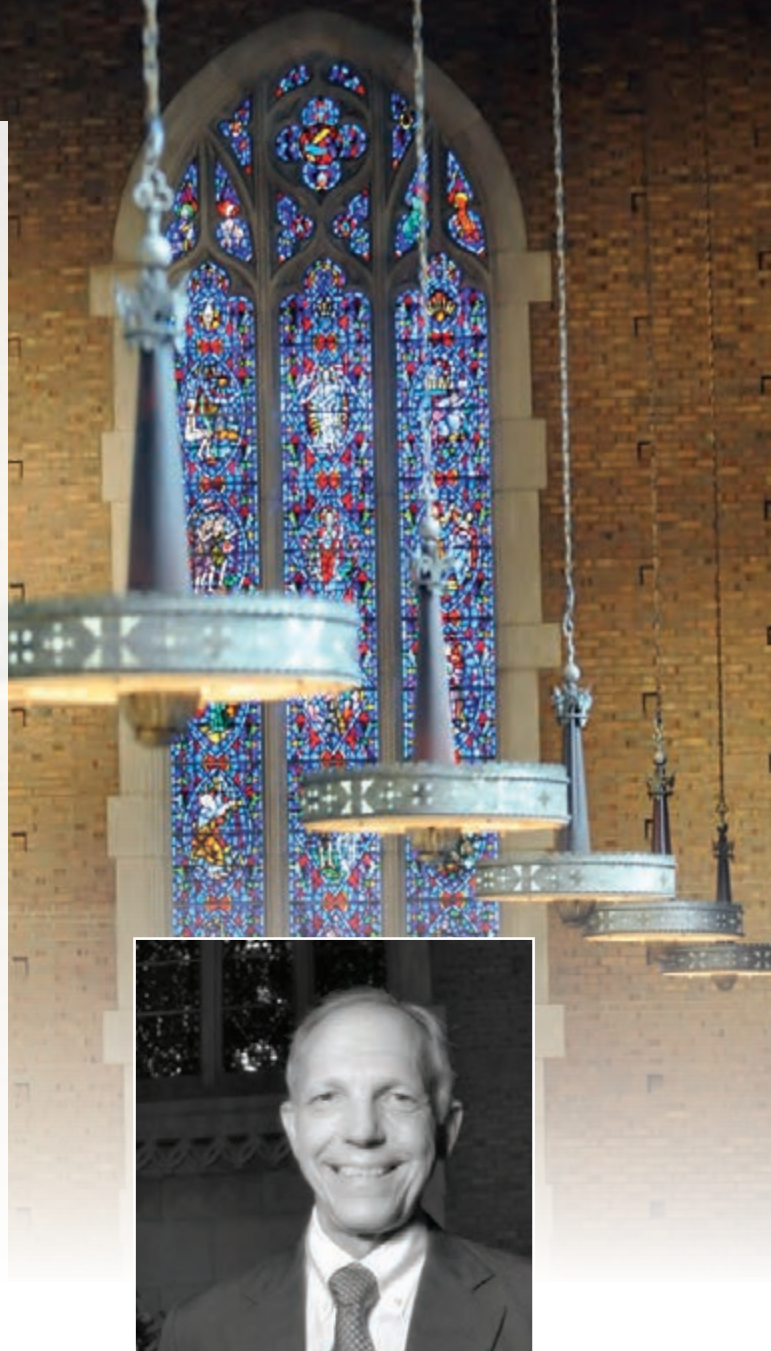
Kendra, he explained, had written about the Catawba community and the opportunities she had to explore the calling. She said her calling was affirmed by Catawba classmates like "a German student at my college who was still learning English and on his own spiritual journey who said, 'Kendra, there seems to be a light coming out of you. I do not know where it comes from but I feel like it comes from your God.'"

"Sometimes it takes a whole community to help us make the journey to ministry and at Catawba, the Lilly Center has attempted to create such a community that will be there for those on the journey," Dr. Clapp shared.

And what started out for Dr. Clapp to be a part of the educational experience of Kendra Joyner turns out to be a celebration of Catawba's role and influence in the life of leadership in today's Church. While on the Yale campus, Dr. Clapp reconnected with another former student, the Reverend Zachary Mabe '00 who also graduated from Yale Divinity School and who currently serves as pastor of Terryville Congregational United Church of Christ in Terryville, Connecticut.

Rev. Mabe, Dr. Clapp said, has ongoing conversations with other pastors in his geographic area to let them know about Catawba's ministry preparation program. Rev. Mabe is anxious to get students from his area to Catawba.

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This past April,
Dr. Kenneth Clapp
made a trip of almost a
thousand miles
that reconnected him with
a handful of his former students
who are now sharing both their
faith & their Catawba experience
from pulpits across the country.

Anna Katherine Gregory Vance

February 24, 1981 -
April 4, 2011



2003 CATAWBA ALUMNA MEMORIALIZED WITH ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

A new endowed scholarship established at Catawba College memorializes Anna Katherine Gregory Vance, a 2003 alumna who died in April 2011. The Scholarship was established by her husband, Dr. Shawn L. Vance of Kannapolis.

Preference for the scholarship will be given to female, Christian students who major or minor in political science or dance. Anna majored in political science and minored in dance at Catawba. In 2001, she was also one of the co-founders of the Delphinian Society at Catawba, a campus organization dedicated to providing academic, service and social opportunities for females.

Born in Greenville, S.C., she was the daughter of Stephen "Steve" Warren Gregory and Nanette Swanson Gregory of Weaverville. She graduated from Dunedin High School in Dunedin, Fla., in 1999. After her graduation from Catawba, she had worked as a child support enforcement agent at the Cabarrus County Department of Social Services, then as a substitute teacher at Footprints Christian Academy in Kannapolis.

Friends and classmates who would like to make additional contributions to the Anna Katherine Gregory Vance Memorial Endowed Scholarship may do so by contacting the Catawba College Development Office at 704-637-4394.

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Leaving Yale, Dr. Clapp flew from New York City to Chicago to participate in the ordination of Rachel Bahr Anatasie, '04, another of his former students.

"Again, the Catawba connections were evident in many ways,"

Dr. Clapp said.

Rachel has been serving as the minister of children and youth at Glen Ellyn United Church of Christ in the Chicago suburbs. She was hired to this position by the Rev. Dr. Lillian Daniels, the pastor with whom Rev. Zach Mabe, '00 had interned during his seminary days.

Rachel had invited Emily Joye McGaughy-Reynolds '05 to preach the ordination sermon. Emily, another of Dr. Clapp's students, had come to Catawba from California to study in the outdoor ministry concentration of the Religion and Philosophy Department. She now serves as an associate pastor at First Congregational Church of Battle Creek in Michigan and is active in camp and youth work in her area.

In her sermon, Dr. Clapp recalled, "Emily spoke affectionately of the Catawba community, acknowledging that initially she and Rachel were on opposite ends of the spectrum theologically and politically. She said that God's love in a caring, small community was sufficient to let what was in the heart transcend ideological differences and allow the desire to share God's love in a needy world to emerge."

Since the inception of Catawba's Lilly Center, almost 30 Catawba graduates have answered the call to ministry. Their preparation for ministry has taken them to Duke (2), Hood (3), Lancaster (3), Wake Forest (3), Yale (2), Pacific School of Religion, Candler and a number of other educational institutions. These Catawba alumni are now serving and touching lives far and wide, a source of pride for Dr. Clapp and an incentive for Catawba's Lilly Center which he directs to continue its work.

Catawba Will Host Huge Two-Day Dental Clinic



Catawba's Abernethy Physical Education Center will be the site of a two-day dental clinic in September that could serve as many as 1,000 needy patients who are at or below the 200 percent poverty rate.

The free dental clinic, slated Friday & Saturday, Sept. 27-28, is just one of those being offered by the N.C. Dental Society as part of its Missions of Mercy outreach program. It will require the efforts of hundreds of volunteers, including dentists, dental hygienists, dental assistants, laboratory technicians, nurses, pharmacists, EMTs, dental students & general community volunteers.

Only adults 18 and older will be served at the clinic and dentists will try to accomplish one major task with each patient. The clinic will open its doors and begin screening at 6 a.m. Friday, Sept. 27, with treatment set to begin that day at 7 a.m.

The Reverend Dr. Jim Dunkin, pastor of Salisbury's First Presbyterian Church, serves as the local coordinator for the event, while Salisbury dentist, Dr. David Mayberry, serves as the event's dental coordinator.

CATAWBA'S 2013 COLLEGE CHURCH/COLLEGE AWARD GOES TO '62 ALUMNA, **Reverend June Grubb**



German Pastor and I planting a Tree in the courtyard of St. Michaels Church in Spremberg, GA



German/American Youth painting a fence around a Jewish Cemetery in Poland (as part of Reconciliation Program of German Church). And yes, I also did some painting

A 1962 Catawba College alumna, the Reverend June Grubb, was honored by her alma mater as the recipient of the institution's 2013 Church/College Award. Grubb, who makes her home in Lexington and is active in the First Reformed United Church of Christ there, was recognized in February at a Church/College Dinner held on Catawba's campus.

Ashley Acken, a senior who double-majored in psychology and sociology, made the award presentation to Grubb. Grubb continued her education after graduating from Catawba at Lancaster Theological Seminary where she earned both her Master's of Religious Education degree and her Master's of Divinity degree. Her seminary degree, Acken said, launched her into a ministry with youth and children that became the hallmark of her career that spanned "four decades and reached the members of seven congregations."

"These ministries would prepare her

for service on the association and conference levels of the United Church of Christ, where she once again specialized in ministry with children and youth in the Rocky Mountain Conference and the Southern Conference," Acken continued. "Her service to the Rocky Mountain Conference as Associate Conference Minister included extensive work in outdoor ministry, overseeing the program and staff at the flagship LaForet Camp at Colorado Springs."

Acken noted that Grubb was instrumental in organizing international work camps for youth of the UCC, and chaired two Western Regional Youth Events. "When one works with youth," Acken said of Grubb, "there are opportunities to influence the future of the Church in a most powerful way, as one encourages talented and capable youth to enter Christian ministry." To Grubb's credit, eight individuals with whom she worked as youth are now ordained ministers. These individuals serve

local congregations as pastor or youth ministers and one serves as a lobbyist for nonprofit organizations in the Missouri legislature.

Although Grubb is officially retired, her volunteer work keeps her busy. She is a leader in the Stephen ministry program, is an Associate Chaplain at Thomasville Medical Center, serves on the hospital's Ethics Advisory Committee and volunteers with Meals on Wheels.

The Church/College Award was established in 2008 as a way for the College to recognize and express appreciation to persons who have served both the church and the college in exemplary ways. Its inaugural recipients were the late Claude Abernethy, Jr. '50. Other recipients included the Rev. Dr. Richard Cheek '47 in 2009; the Rev. Dr. Thomas Hamilton '55 in 2010; the Rev. Kristin Gerner Vaughn '99 in 2011; and the Rev. Barbara Kershner Daniel '80 in 2012.

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He says he never thought about going to a larger institution, explaining, **“You can’t beat the atmosphere & academics at Catawba.”** He made lifelong friends as a student, and met wife Judy (’65) while both were students at Catawba.



After all those years, Tom Childress remains loyal and true to Catawba. Catawba still has his heart, his attention and his eagerness to serve and contribute.

Regarding his retirement, Childress said, “I’ve had a career in Athletics, which I thoroughly enjoyed, and a career in Development and Admissions that I’ve also thoroughly enjoyed. My latest transition, challenge and opportunity at Catawba, from 24/7 work weeks to very part time, I plan to enjoy even more than those I’ve already completed. I’m trying to adjust gracefully and gradually, helping as needed at Catawba, while also pondering how to relax, renew, rest and adjust to so much ‘me’ time. What a major change as the Childress-Catawba connection goes on.

“In my travel in Development, I’ve seen many parts of the country. I’ve got a list of places and good friends that I want to go back to –plus places I haven’t seen that I want to visit. Also, Judy and I are blessed with 12 grandkids. Now I will have abundant opportunity to spend more time with them -- just being together as family.”

The Childress- Catawba connection started because of basketball. Tommy Childress’ Mt. Airy High School basketball team won the North Carolina State 3-A Championship with a perfect 25-0 season in 1960. He followed his high school coach to Catawba, signing a basketball scholarship to attend the college. He played starting point guard for Coach Moir at Catawba during his junior and senior years before graduating in 1964 with a degree in physical education and biology.

After graduating from Catawba, he taught and served as Head Basketball Coach for three years at East Surry High School, and although he enjoyed it, he “wanted to get to the college level.” He went to Appalachian and served as a Graduate Assistant for a year as he worked on his master’s degree. He stayed a second year there, teaching physical education fulltime and serving as Assistant

Basketball Coach.

“My dream was to be a Head Coach,” he remembered. “I was 27 years old and married with two children when I got the head coaching job at Pfeiffer. Joe Ferebee, a 1942 Catawba alum, hired me in that position and I’m still indebted to him. I coached basketball there for 14 years. Later, I became Athletic Director while continuing as Basketball Coach.”

He remained in that dual capacity at Pfeiffer through 1982. During this period, he coached golf, tennis, swimming and cross-country, and is proud of having helped transform Pfeiffer’s athletic programs, especially basketball. He was selected Coach of the Year in the Carolinas Conference five different times during his 14 seasons there as Head Basketball Coach. Childress credits his success in part to being surrounded by “a fine staff, players and successful fellow coaches.”

In 1982, Childress stepped down as Head Basketball Coach at Pfeiffer although he remained Director of Athletics. Several years later, he was asked by college administrators to serve as Dean of Admissions and Director of Athletics. He did, remaining in this position until 1990 when he returned to his alma mater as Vice President of External Relations.

His responsibilities at Catawba included oversight of Admissions and Athletics. He remained at Catawba until 1993, when Pfeiffer wooed him back as Senior Vice President. He worked at Pfeiffer this time for only two years, directing Development, Admissions and Athletics before returning to Catawba in 1995 as Senior Vice President responsible for Development and Athletics.

Childress remembers his years at Pfeiffer fondly, but said Catawba had his heart. “I only have good things to say about Pfeiffer. It was good to me and my family and a great place for our kids to grow up. But my love, deep down, was for Catawba and what it has done for me personally.”

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One particular individual, Coach Sam Moir, Childress said, has figured large in his life from his early days in Mt. Airy. "I played for him in high school and college, and I coached against him at Pfeiffer, and worked with him when I came to Catawba. I've always admired what he stands for not just to me, but to literally hundreds of other young men. I personally owe a lot of my successes in life to him."

Childress is a member of the Sports Hall of Fame at both Pfeiffer and Catawba. He was inducted by Pfeiffer in 1989 and at Catawba in 1998. He was also honored back home – inducted into the Mt. Airy Hall of Fame in 2006 and into the Surry County Hall of Fame in 2007.

During his 17 years of leading Development at Catawba, Childress oversaw three successful fund-raising campaigns which raised over \$100 million for the college. Between 1997 and 2002, working with fellow Mt. Airy native and college trustee, the late Newton Fowler, a comprehensive campaign raised \$59.6 million. Between 2004 and 2008, working with Catawba alumnus and trustee, Chester "Junie" Michael '70, an endowment campaign raised \$40 million, and finally between 2009 and 2010, working with the late Catawba trustee James "Jim" Hurley, a facility campaign raised \$10 million.

Childress feels he was truly blessed to have a team of strong, capable and caring staff who routinely went above and beyond their job responsibilities to support the many successful campaigns, events and daily challenges. "Thanks everyone, for your dedication, kindness, support, hard work and service."

Tom has served with six presidents at Catawba, beginning with Dr. Stephen Wurster. He says "I have been amazed at the generosity & loyalty of Catawba alumni and friends. Because of being surrounded by so much support and love for the college, I never really felt I was coming to work. I was just coming to my college every day."

Investing his time, talents and resources for Catawba was a joy. He began making annual contributions to the Catawba Fund as a young alum. These were small...remember he was a young coach with four kids...and very limited extra cash, but he wanted to give back. His record of 47 years of continuous annual giving is a testament of his stewardship and love for the college.

Catawba President Brien Lewis described Childress' contributions to Catawba as he announced his resignation. "It is with heavily mixed emotions that I write about the retirement of Senior Vice

President Tom Childress. I am happy for Tom because he has more than earned the opportunity to spend more time with his family and to put his feet up. Selfishly, I hate to even think about Tom stepping away from a post through which he has served the College in so many ways and with such outstanding results.

"The number of dollars he has raised and the relationships he has forged and stewarded on behalf of Catawba are legion. The positive, lasting impact of his work on literally thousands of people is nothing short of remarkable."

Lewis noted that Childress will continue through December to have a leadership role at the college. He will serve as Assistant to Lewis while the Development Office transitions to new leadership.

Margaret Faust '89, Catawba's Director of Alumni and Parent Relations, said Childress was an amazing man to work with.

"I am forever grateful to Tom for the example he set. To his staff, he illustrated hard work, passion, patience, and kindness. To his fellow alumni and to friends of the college, he gently illustrated the obligation and opportunity to support what you believe in! This was clearly not just a job for Tom. Catawba is in his heart."

Carolyn Peeler '66, Catawba's Director of Development, echoed the sentiments Faust shared: "Tom is a wonderful supervisor and colleague, but beyond that, he is a genuinely kind, loyal, compassionate person who truly cares about others. I think these qualities and his characteristic Southern gentleman virtues are what have made him a successful leader and fundraiser. His leadership will be missed but his loyalty to Catawba will endure. We will miss him terribly."

Catawba honored Childress in 2000 with its prestigious Trustee Award. He was the recipient of Catawba's Distinguished Alumnus Award in 2006.

While Tom Childress will no longer be keeping nonstop office hours, those associated with the College will still see him and Judy '65 at various events. He will always be one of Catawba's most dedicated cheerleaders, and, he'll still be making contacts with friends of the college.

"There are special folks I'll keep visiting – for Catawba and for me, because they are dear to me & I want to continue our Catawba connection."



Tom & Judy enjoying special moments with family including their 12 grandchildren



Pictured with Tom are sons Paul, Jeff and Brad



Go Catawba! Go Tom!!



CELEBS TURN OUT FOR NSSA EVENT AT CATAWBA COLLEGE

ESPN's Basketball Color Commentator Dick Vitale was just one of the sportscaster/sportswriter celebrities in Catawba College's Goodman Gym on June 10. He was on hand for the 54th annual National Sportscasters & Sportswriters Association (NSSA) Awards Banquet and Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and was this year's NSSA Hall of Fame sportscasting inductee.

The 74-year-old Vitale called the first college basketball game that ESPN broadcasted back in 1979 and has been doing it ever since. Others on hand for the NSSA Awards banquet included NBC Sports' Bob Costas and Dan Patrick, and Sports Illustrated's Peter King. NSSA headquarters will be relocating from the downtown Salisbury area to the Catawba College campus in late summer.



CATAWBA COLLEGE APPOINTS NEW VICE PRESIDENT OF DEVELOPMENT

College President Brien Lewis announced that Rex Otey of Concord will succeed Tom Childress '64 who retired at the end of May. Otey began work September 1.

Otey, who has an extensive background in philanthropic giving, has worked since 2011 as a Director and Consultant for Patton McDowell & Associates of Charlotte, a philan-

thropic counsel, executive search and organizational strategy firm.

"Rex has impressed us all with his insights and his enthusiasm for the opportunities awaiting Catawba," Lewis said when he announced Otey's hiring. "He is a consummate professional with much experience in advancement and Catawba's many friends and donors will find him to be very personable and a great communicator. We look forward to putting his many talents to work at the college."

Lewis added that Tom Childress, who retired at the end of May as Senior Vice President responsible for Advancement and Athletics, will continue to have a leadership role at the college through December. He will serve as a Special Assistant to the President while the Development Office transitions to Otey's new leadership.

"The opportunity to partner with Catawba alumni, friends and faculty to advance the mission and vision of a college so closely aligned with my own values is a dream scenario. My family and I are delighted to be joining the Catawba community," Otey said.

Prior to joining Patton McDowell & Associates, Otey worked as Managing Director of Advancement Support for The Charitable Resource Group of Conway, Pa., a higher education consulting and executive search firm, from 1999-2003 and from 2010-2011. Between 2008 and 2010, he served as Director of Special Projects and Church-Wide Initiatives for Heartland Community Church of Rockford, Ill.

Otey also has extensive direct experience in higher education advancement. From 1996 to 2001, he was employed at Rockford College in Rockford, Ill., for the first four years as Director of Development and Planned Giving, and then as Special Assistant to the President. He served as Director of Alumni Relations & the Annual Fund at Alderson-Broaddus College in Philippi, W. Va., between 1991-96.

He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Alderson-Broaddus College where he majored in Business Management and minored in Speech. He earned his Master of Arts degree in Education Administration, with a concentration in Counseling, from West Virginia University in Morgantown, W. Va.

Otey's professional affiliations include his membership in the Association for Fundraising Professionals (AFP) and chairing the 2013 AFP programming committee, and his participation in Leave a Legacy Charlotte. His community involvement includes Davidson Impact Fellowship, service as a Men's Small Group Leader, and service in Men's Fraternity.

Married to wife Deb, the two are parents of sons Carter, 12, and Caeden, 10.



Catawba College Baseball Coach Honored with Two Awards



Catawba College Baseball Coach Jim Gantt was awarded the 2012 Walter Rabb Award, presented annually to the North Carolina Amateur Baseball Coach of the Year. This is the second time that he has been honored with this award; he also received it in 2002.

Gantt's 2012 team went to the 2012 NCAA II College World Series with a 45-17 record, the second most wins in school history. In his 17th year serving as head baseball coach at Catawba, Gantt's overall record is 565-295. He has guided his teams to seven NCAA II regional appearances, including the 2012 College World Series. His teams have won five SAC Championships and five SAC Tournament titles. He has been named SAC Coach of the year five times.

In early January, Gantt also recently received the American Baseball Coaches Association 2012 Coach of the Year Award for the Southeast Region (which includes the South Atlantic Conference, Peach Belt Conference, and

the Conference of the Carolinas). That award was made at the ABCA's National Convention in Chicago, Ill.

A modest Gantt downplayed the awards he received. "If we didn't have assistant coaches who worked hard, are good at their jobs, and who we could trust, and players who prepare and perform, there would be no awards. Basically these are their awards," he said.

A 1989 alumnus of Catawba who majored in sports management, Gantt is married to the former Adrian Whitley '98. The two are parents of daughter, Blakley, whose favorite toy, Gantt proudly reports, is a ball.

Catawba College Head Athletic Trainer Honored



Casmus with Athletic Training seniors at Catawba's 2012 Athletic Training Hall of Fame

Robert Casmus, head athletic trainer at Catawba College in Salisbury, North Carolina, was one of two individuals inducted into the North Carolina Athletic Trainers Association Hall of Fame. The 36th annual NCATA Spring Awards and Business Meeting was held on March 23 at Carolinas Healthcare System – Northeast in Concord.

Casmus has been head athletic trainer at Catawba College since July 1990. He has overseen the care of student athletes while also teaching in the physical education/athletic training area. He has also been instrumental in fund-raising for the athletic training program to add key equipment and make other improvements. Casmus has spearheaded several community relations projects for Catawba's student athletic trainers, including an annual Red Cross Blood Drive. He has authored several articles published in peer-reviewed journals and has made numerous presentation on a variety of topics in sports medicine both locally and nationally.

Casmus earned his undergraduate degree in Health Education from Temple University in Philadelphia and his graduate degree in Exercise and Sport Sciences from the University of Arizona in Tucson. After moving to North Carolina, Casmus was head athletic trainer for five years at Chowan College in Murfreesboro before moving to Catawba College to become head athletic trainer.

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 board for the NATA National Hall of Fame Committee and has been a member of the Board of Certification Examination Development Committee since 1996.

In 2010, he received the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award from the National Athletic Trainers' Association. That award, presented at the annual meeting in Philadelphia, Pa., recognizes NATA members for their exceptional and unique contributions to the athletic training profession. It reflects a lifetime of dedication to the association and the field of athletic training at the national, district and local levels.

Casmus was named the NCATA College/University Athletic Trainer of the year in 2003 and 2008. He has been recognized nationally with the NATA Service Award (2005) and the NCAA Division II Athletic Trainer of the Year (2007).

He and his wife, the former Teresa Moore, reside in Salisbury and are parents of son Will.

They may live in Georgia, but Catawba is always on their mind.



“Sharon and I love Catawba College because it played such a pivotal role in our lives. Catawba is where we met and fell in love.” – Joe Gorman

JOSEPH “JOE” R. GORMAN AND WIFE SHARON of Greensboro, Ga., have established a scholarship at Catawba College and students from Georgia will be given preference for it. Joe stated, “I met Sharon at the freshman orientation dance on her first night at Catawba. Rick Toms, a fellow football teammate and great friend, and I decided to check out the girls at the freshman orientation dance. I immediately spotted Sharon and told Rick that I had found the girl I wanted to marry and one year later we were married.”

Sharon explained, “We loved the Catawba College experience with the beautiful campus, the great education and the wonderful people. We look for reasons to go back to campus because of the great memories and to continue to stay in touch with the Catawba community.”

Joe added, “Recently, Johnny ’77 and Nancy (Cheeks) ’76 Wagoner moved to our community at Lake Oconee. Johnny and Nancy both were classmates and Johnny was also a teammate of mine on the football team. We have had a great time reminiscing, laughing and sharing stories. Catawba friends are the best.”

Joe earned his undergraduate degree in accounting from the college in 1974 where he was a student athlete. He played football for four years, was a member of the track team for three, and was active in the Student Government Association serving as the treasurer his senior year, the Accounting Club and selected to Who’s Who in American Colleges and Universities. A CPA, he earned his MBA from Georgia College and State University, and is also a

graduate of the Executive Education Program at the University of Virginia’s Darden School.

In 2008, Joe retired as president and chief executive officer after serving almost 30 years in various capacities of increasing responsibility with SP Newsprint Company of Atlanta, one of the largest producers of newsprint in North America. Since his retirement, he has dedicated himself to serving as chairman of the board of the St. Mary’s Good Samaritan Hospital in Greensboro, Ga. That hospital had a groundbreaking for a new \$40 million facility in August 2012 and is expected to be completed in spring 2014.

After Sharon completed her freshman year at Catawba, she completed her education at Georgia College and State University earning a Bachelor of Science degree and then a Masters of Education degree. Sharon taught fourth graders for 10 years where she was honored by her school by being selected “Teacher of the Year.” When she left teaching, she was elected to the Board of Education where she served for seven years.

Joe serves on the Catawba College Board of Visitors. He and his wife, the former Sharon Cochran ’77, met while both were students at Catawba and have given back in support of their alma mater through the years, targeting the Catawba Fund and the Shuford Stadium project. Joe was honored with Catawba’s Distinguished Alumnus Award in 2005.

The Gormans are members of the Catholic Church in Greensboro, Ga., and are parents of three adult children, Bill, Russell and Julie.

SPORTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTS FIVE NEW MEMBERS



Five new members were inducted into the Catawba College Sports Hall of Fame on April 27.

The occasion marked the Hall of Fame's 36th anniversary and the new inductees brought the total number of members to 170.

The inductees were: Heath Bost '95; Charla Doss Hill '91; Stephanie McCormick '94; Red Richardson '49 (deceased); and Nick Sabol '98.

The induction ceremony, sponsored by the Catawba College Chiefs Club, was held during a luncheon in Kirkland Lobby of the Abernethy Physical Education Center.

HEATH BOST '97

Bost was a standout pitcher at Catawba from 1993-95, earning All-South Atlantic Conference honors each season.

Bost was named the SAC Freshman of the Year in 1993 and was the league's Scholar Athlete in 1995. That year, he also earned All-Region honors.

A member of the 1993 SAC Championship squad, Bost holds the second lowest ERA in school history at 1.84. He posted a 21-8 record during his three years, pitching four shutouts and collecting a pair of saves. He struck out 258 batters over 239.1 innings while walking just 38. He ranks fifth all-time in strikeouts.

Bost was drafted by the Colorado Rockies after his junior season and spent 10 seasons in professional baseball. In 2012, he was elected into the South Atlantic Conference Hall of Fame.

Bost currently works for Biomet Orthopedics and lives in Hickory, N.C., with his wife, Stephanie. He has two stepdaughters, Alexandria and Meredith Hall.

CHARLA (DOSS) HILL '91

Hill excelled in both slow-pitch and fast-pitch softball at Catawba from 1988-91, earning All-South Atlantic Conference honors in each of her two years of fast-pitch play in 1990 and 1991.

Despite playing just two years in the new era of fast-pitch, Hill holds the school record with 14 career triples and has the top season batting average of .412. She

had a .457 batting average in her two years of slow-pitch softball.

After graduation, Hill began teaching and coaching in high school. She has taught at Salisbury High School, Central Davidson High School and is now at West Forsyth High School, where she has spent the past 14 years. Hill is a math teacher, and has coached volleyball, basketball and softball on the high school level.

Most recently, she is a volunteer with area youth programs and serves as Vice President of the Triad Elite Soccer Club.

Hill resides in Advance, N.C., with her husband, Johnny, a 1995 Catawba graduate and former football and baseball player. They have a daughter, Caitlin, and two sons, Darius and Jake.

STEPHANIE MCCORMICK '94

McCormick was an outstanding basketball player for Catawba from 1990-94, earning first team All-South Atlantic Conference honors in 1992-93 as she helped Catawba to its first SAC Tournament and NAIA District 26 titles.

By the end of her career, McCormick was the first women's player in school history to record 1,000 career points and 1,000 career rebounds. She still holds the school record with 1,244 rebounds and stands 10th in scoring with 1,250 points.

McCormick also holds the record for rebounds in a season (374) and ranks second all-time in steals (246), fourth in field goal shooting (49.3%) and sixth in career blocks (88).

After graduation, McCormick began a coaching career that has seen her on the bench at five NCAA Division I schools. Starting at Western Carolina, she has also been at UNC Wilmington, Charlotte, Georgia Tech and now N.C. State for the past four seasons.

An excellent recruiter, McCormick has helped bring in several of the nation's top recruiting classes, including three that went on to be conference Players of the Year.

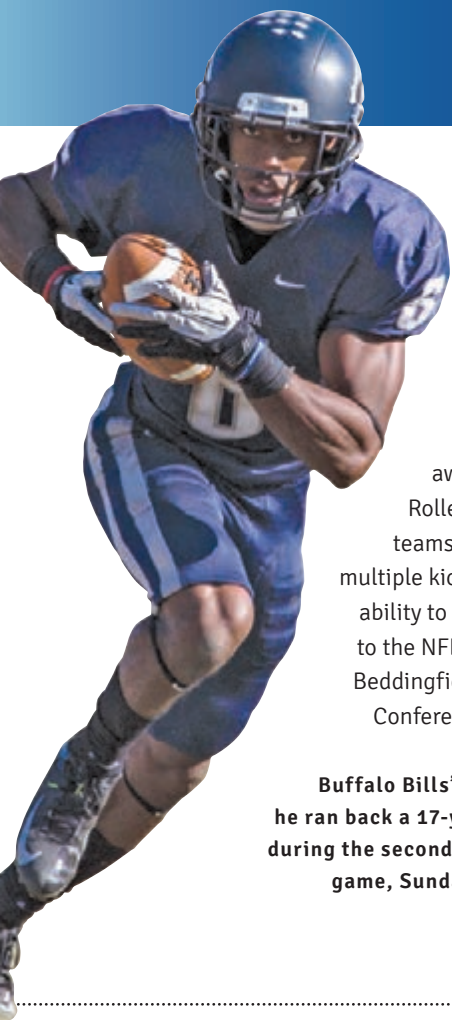
McCormick resides in Raleigh, N.C., and is the legal guardian of her nephew, Rodney McCormick, a 2012 N.C. State graduate. Her parents, Peggy and Alfred McCormick, brothers, Rodney Melton and Ernest Melton, along with her sister, Nicole McCormick, live in High Point, N.C.

CHARLES 'RED' RICHARDSON '49

Richardson excelled in baseball at Catawba from 1946-1949, earning All-Conference honors three times. During his career, Catawba claimed three straight North State Conference championships from 1947-49 and had a record of 63-17.

Richardson was a .332 career hitter and batted .403 during the 1947 season. Over his career, he hit 11 home runs and collected 58 RBI. He enjoyed an 18-game hitting streak over the 1948-49 seasons and hit for the cycle against Appalachian State in 1948.

Richardson is survived by a sister, Agness Yeoman in Karville, Texas. Mayor Susan Eggleston of his hometown of Star, N.C., will receive his induction plaque.



Jumal Rolle takes a Shot at the Pros

Catawba College's Jumal Rolle, 23, of Wilson, NC, signed a free agent contract with the NFL's Buffalo Bills this spring.

A four-year starter, Rolle had a decorated career at Catawba College highlighted by 16 interceptions and many post-season awards while playing defensive back.

Rolle also made a big impact on special teams while at Catawba also. He blocked multiple kicks and punts during his career. His ability to excel on special teams contributed to the NFL's interest in him. In high school at Beddingfield, Rolle was named East Carolina Conference Player of the Year and All Area.

Buffalo Bills' Jumal Rolle (41) celebrates after he ran back a 17-yard interception for a touchdown during the second half of an NFL preseason football game, Sunday, Aug. 11, 2013, in Indianapolis. (AP Photo/Michael Conroy)

NICK SABOL '98

Sabol was an outstanding golfer at Catawba from 1994-1998, earning All-South Atlantic Conference honors each season and twice claiming SAC Player of the Year honors (1995 & 1998).

As a freshman, Sabol was both the SAC & NCAA Division II National Freshman of the Year and an honorable mention All-American. He was a two-time All-District selection and helped Catawba to a pair of SAC Championships and a spot in the NCAA Division II Nationals in 1995.

Sabol still holds the lowest career scoring average in school history at 75.33 strokes over his 113 rounds. He also holds the school record with a round of six-under-par. His season averages of 74.32 and 74.77 rank as the second and fourth best seasons, respectively.

In 1998, Sabol was the Kirkland Award winner.

Sabol, who lives in Rochester, Pa., is a two-time winner of the Pennsylvania Amateur Public Links Championship. He is a business owner and also gives golf instructions. Sabol has a son, Luke.

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Can't make it to the Game?



Catch the Stream

Catawba Men's Soccer player Domhnall Minogue from Ireland says the Athletic Department's ability to video stream his home matches allowed his mom and dad to see him play, even though they were thousands of miles away.

The ability for his parents to see him play like other parents saw their sons play – in real time – meant the world to him.

"Having grown up with my Dad at almost every single game I ever played, it was of course a big change coming to the States, thousands of miles away from home, where my parents couldn't see me play.

"At times in my first year over here, watching other parents gather at the corner of our field waiting for their sons was tough because I knew there was no one for me. It really does mean the world to me that when I walk off the field after a game, and I have a text or a voicemail from my parents about the game, I know they've seen what has happened either good or bad. It is a great feeling knowing that!"

Minogue's experience is not unique. Catawba Volleyball player Savannah Tomlinson's family saw her play thanks to the video streaming that was new at Catawba during the 2012-2013 academic year. Tomlinson is from New York and when one of her matches was streamed, it created a family party back home. Her family members hooked up the computer to the television in their living room, then gathered around to watch Tomlinson play.

Catawba Sports Information Director Jim Lewis '89 is proud of his staff's first-year effort at video streaming a total of 108 athletic events and looks forward to enhancing what has been offered.

"We definitely don't want to take away from someone coming to an event because it's always nice to have people in the stands, but this just gives us the opportunity for parents who

can't travel to an event, and for recruits, to sit down and watch," Lewis said.

"Instead of turning on ESPN, maybe folks will turn on their computers and watch one of our games or matches. It's really for alumni and the parents."

Football was the most watched sport that was video streamed last year. It averaged 160 viewers per home game. Men's Lacrosse was the next highest sport viewed, with an average of 62 viewers per home game.

The Athletics Department plans to build on first-year successes as it enters year two. Lewis and Assistant Sports Information Director David McDowell '09 will continue to be assisted by a variety of volunteers willing to man cameras or call a match. Manpower will dictate what events and how they are able to cover them.

"As far as what sports we streamed, basically is came down to manpower," Lewis said. "At baseball, we could have a stationary camera with crowd noise, whereas at lacrosse, you needed a manned camera to follow the action up and down the field. We don't do tennis, golf, swimming or cross country just because of the logistics and level of difficulty that would be involved in producing the broadcast.

"We were very basic last year – one camera and announcers. With the new piece of equipment we'll be purchasing – the TriCaster – it will give us the ability to use up to four cameras with added graphics. Although we don't have four cameras now, this will give us the opportunity to grow. We plan to grow each year and enhance our coverage efforts. We're already looking at two years down the road being able to add equipment that will allow us to show replays during the games and possibly going HD with these broadcasts."



LOMASCOLO, YOUNG EARN CATAWBA'S TOP ATHLETE AWARDS

Catawba College has announced its 2012-13 athletic award winners for its student-athletes. The awards were presented at the annual athletic ceremony held at the Keppel Auditorium on Tuesday, April 30. Heading the list of award winners were Nick Lomascolo and Jenny Young, who were awarded the Kirkland and Lomax Awards for the top male and female senior athletes, and Eoin Duffy and Taylor May, who were given the Wurster Awards for team leadership.

Nick Lomascolo, a baseball player from Mooresville, NC, was named the Kirkland Award winner. He was a two-time South Atlantic Conference Pitcher of the Year and a three-time all-conference performer. Lomascolo set school career records for wins (36) and strikeouts (377).

Jenny Young, of Roanoke, VA, who played volleyball, earned the Lomax Award. She was a two-time All-SAC selection and was named all-region in 2011. In her career, Young set Catawba records for digs in a match (55), season (769) and career (2,290).

Eoin Duffy, a soccer player from Knocknacarra, IRELAND, and **Taylor May**, a basketball player from China Grove, NC, were the recipients of the Wurster Awards for leadership. Duffy was cited as a team leader on and off the field, volunteering with numerous community service events. He was also voted a captain for all three years. May showed a positive attitude during her early years as she worked toward more playing time. She was always encouraging to her teammates.

Alex Macdonald, of Lowen Hutt, NEW ZEALAND, and **Taylor May**, were the recipients of the SAAC Award for the highest cumulative GPA's for seniors. Macdonald, an economics and finance major that plays tennis, posted a 3.81 grade point average. May had a 3.85 GPA while majoring in exercise science. The women's tennis team took the team award with a 3.44 GPA.

The awards for team MVPs went to: **Chris Dula** (Baseball), **Lee Martin** (Men's Basketball), **Elizabeth Merritt** (Women's Basketball), **Olivia Myers & Christian Crifasi** (Cross Country), **Cory Johnson** (Football), **Matt Hardman** (Men's Golf), **Madison Kennedy** (Women's Golf), **John Scheich** (Men's Lacrosse), **Bethany Davis** (Women's Lacrosse), **Carson Smith** (Men's Soccer), **Anna Toole** (Women's Soccer), **Carley Tysinger** (Softball), **Katia Kruglov** (Women's Swimming), **Sebastian Holmberg** (Men's Swimming), **Alex Macdonald** (Men's Tennis), **Liz Renteria** (Women's Tennis), **Jenny Young** (Volleyball), **Whitney Corriher & Elizabeth Davis** (Cheerleading), **Alissa Foote** (Athletic Training) & **Carson Brewer** (Sports Information).



Duffy, Young, Lomascolo, May

The first event to be streamed this year will be Catawba's first home football game against West Liberty at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 7. To watch this game or other athletic events that are streamed, viewers must log into the Catawba Athletics website at www.gocatawbaindians.com & click on the live video tab for easy instructions.

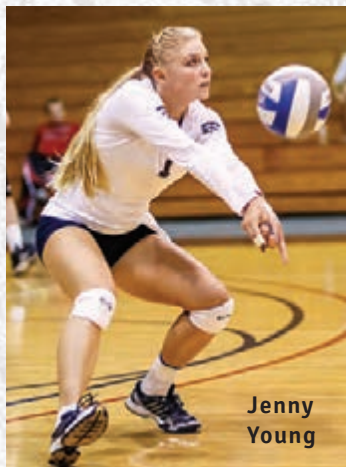


"For small schools, video streaming is the way to go," Lewis concluded. "I'm proud of where we are and I would be surprised to learn of any institution at our level that has streamed as many events as we did last year."





LOOKING BACK AT 2012-13, CATAWBA PRODUCED 49 ALL-CONFERENCE PERFORMERS, 10 ALL-REGION SELECTIONS AND SIX ALL-AMERICANS.



Jenny Young

Four athletes were named conference Players of the Year and three were a Region Player of the Year. Two claimed SAC Freshman of the Year honors, while Catawba had one SAC Coach of the Year selection.

The Cross Country team participated in NCAA Championship play and one individual participating in NCAA National competition. In tournament play, Catawba had 10 all-tournament performers and one MVP. Catawba had one SAC Scholar Athlete and produced 19 all-academic selections.



Christian Crifasi

CROSS COUNTRY

Christian Crifasi closed out a stellar career as he ran to all-conference honors for the fourth time in leading the Catawba men. He had five top 10 finishes in seven races. Crifasi also won the SAC Scholar Athlete Award for men's cross country and was a USTFCAA All-Academic Team member.

Junior **Olivia Myers** led the women in seven of eight events and claimed a win at the Catawba Invitational. She posted three other top 10 finishes.

FOOTBALL

Cory Johnson punctuated an outstanding season by claiming both the SAC and Region Defensive Player of the Year honors. The senior set a school record with 138 tackles on the year. Johnson earned All-America honors along with **Jumal Rolle**, who signed with the Buffalo Bills in April.

Johnson and Rolle were among eight players to earn all-conference honors. Half of those return for the upcoming season led by defensive back and return specialist **LJ McCray** and top receiver **Nate Charest**. Also back will be **Jacob Hanes** and **Damein Lee**.

McCray averaged nearly 30 yards on kickoff returns and intercepted a pair of passes. Charest made 52 receptions with five going for touchdowns. Hanes had a team-high eight stops for losses, while Lee shared the team lead with three sacks.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Catawba had no seniors on last year's squad that suffered a heart-breaking 3-2 loss to nationally-ranked Lenoir-Rhyne in the SAC Tournament semifinals. Rising seniors **Juliana Conte** and **Anne Toole** were named all-region performers last year. Conte led the team with six goals, while Toole anchored a defense that allowed just 19 goals in 20 matches and posted eight shutouts. Eight difference players scored three or more goals in a balanced scoring attack.

MEN'S SOCCER

The men played an exciting season that saw 13 of their 19 matches decided by a single goal or in a tie. Five of the other six were decided by two goals. During one stretch, Catawba played five overtime matches over a six match span.

Senior **Carson Smith** was a first team All-SAC pick as he scored five goals and recorded a team-high nine assists on the year. Two juniors claimed second team honors in **Corey Faughnan**, who led the team with six goals, and defender **Domhnall Minogue**, who helped the team to a pair of shutouts and a 1.16 goals against average.

VOLLEYBALL

A disappointing season could have been different for the Lady Indians had they fared better in five-set matches. In contests that went to a deciding fifth set, Catawba posted just one win in six tries. The team had six seniors with five of those in the starting lineup.

Two seniors completed outstanding careers in **Kaitlyn Whitmer** and **Jenny Young**. Whitmer was named all-region for the third time and finished fourth all-time at Catawba in kills. Young became the all-time dig leader and was an All-SAC selection.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Catawba will look to turn its fortunes around with a big recruiting class for the upcoming year to join four returning starters. The men have suffered three straight losing seasons for the first time since the early 1990s.

Rising junior **Tyrece Little** is the top returner after earning all-league honors last year. He led the team in scoring (16.1 ppg) and rebounding (9.1 rpg) and led the conference with 63 blocked shots. Guards **Elon Edwards** and **Reggie Perkins** combined to connect on 108 three-pointers as freshmen last year.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Catawba was in the thick of the race for a SAC title up to the final week of the season before settling for a third-place finish. The ladies will have to replace three senior starters entering next season.

Both of the Lady Indian all-conference selections do return. **Chloe Bully** led the team in scoring, at 14.6 points and game, and in assists, with 116. **Antoinette McPhail** added 11.3 points a game and was one of the league's top rebounders at 8.4 a contest.

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Sebastian Holmberg


SWIMMING

Catawba had five swimmers earn All-Bluegrass Mountain Conference honors, including Swimmer of the Year in freshman **Sebastian Holmberg**. Holmberg earned All-America honors with his finals swim in the 100 fly at nationals where he placed fifth. **Magnus Lundgren** also swam for Catawba at the NCAA II Nationals.

The men, who had a fifth-place finish at the conference championships, had just one senior on the squad, while the women had a pair of seniors. Rising junior **Katia Kruglov** was an all-conference swimmer for the women.

GOLF

Golf featured another young team for Catawba as the men had a pair of seniors and the women just one. The lone all-conference performer came on the women's side in sophomore **Madison Kennedy**.

Kennedy averaged just under 80 strokes per round during the season. She had three top five finishes, including a pair of runner-ups. Sophomore **Matt Hardman** led the men with a 75.8 stroke average.

TENNIS

The Catawba women enjoyed one of its best seasons in recent years as they qualified for the conference tournament and finished fourth. The men just missed on a top six finish.

Liz Renteria led the women, posting 16 wins at the top flight and earned SAC Freshman of the Year honors. Sophomore **Sloan Kessler** picked up second team All-SAC honors in singles & teamed with Renteria for all-conference honors in doubles. The top two singles players on the men's side, **Alex Macdonald** & **Jess Goodall**, earned second team All-SAC honors in singles.


Chris Dula

BASEBALL

Catawba claimed its sixth SAC Championship since 2004 this season, winning the title on the final game of the season. The Indians, despite a 36-16 record, were denied a chance to defend their regional title after losing two of three games in the conference tournament.

Catawba nearly swept the league post season awards as **Jim Gantt** was named Coach of the Year, **Chris Dula** Player of the Year and **Nick Lomascolo** Pitcher of the Year. Dula was also named Region Player of the Year and was a consensus All-American.

Dula won the league's triple crown, batting .402 with 14 home runs and 54 RBI. Lomascolo went 1903 with a 2.14 ERA and became the school's all-time leader in both wins and strikeouts. He was an honorable mention All-American.


Carley Tysinger

SOFTBALL

The Lady Indians just missed out on a repeat trip to the NCAA Regionals. Catawba was still in the running for the conference title in the final week and advanced to the tournament championship game undefeated before eventually falling twice on the final day.

Carley Tysinger enjoyed a record-breaking season en route to both SAC Freshman and Pitcher of the Year honors. She posted a 25-9 record with a 1.21 ERA. She set school records with 324 strikeouts and 10 shutouts. Tysinger was also named the Region Pitcher of the Year and was a third-team NCAA All-American, the first in the program's history of Division II.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Catawba jumped from two wins to five wins in its second season of women's lacrosse. After two years as an independent, the ladies will be a part of the inaugural year of SAC competition this upcoming season. Five players earned honors on the All-Independent Team.

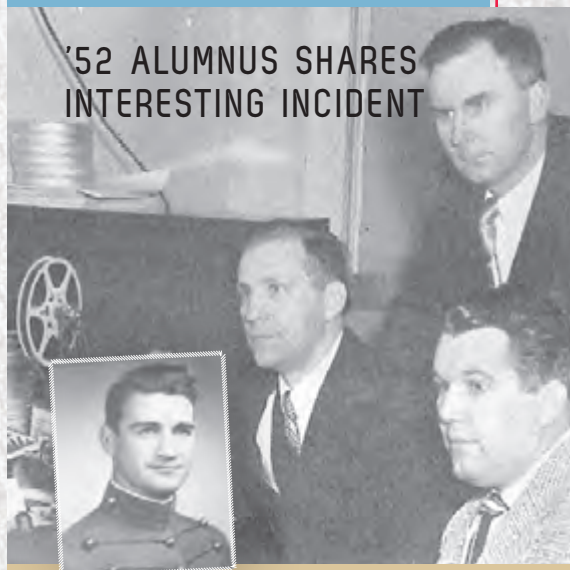
Freshman **Meredith Jones** nudged out **Ebony Mills** as the top scorer on the team. Jones tallied 36 goals to 33 for Mills. **Chelsey Bauer** was close behind with 27 goals and a team best 11 assists.

MEN'S LACROSSE

Catawba closed out its Deep South Conference play by claiming the championship at the final DSC Tournament with a dramatic overtime win. It marked the third straight tournament title for the Indians as they get ready for play in the SAC.

Tom Cullop scored the overtime game-winner in the tournament final to grab MVP honors. The Indians had also won the semi-final game in overtime. Junior **John Scheich** broke the school record for goals in a game and a season. He tallied nine in a win over Wingate and finished with 52 on the season.

'52 ALUMNUS SHARES INTERESTING INCIDENT



"After 39 years in Denver, CO, my wife and I moved to Liberty Heights, a retirement community in Colorado Springs. It is across from the USAF Academy, and we have a large number of retired military, particularly from the Air Force.

"Recently, we had an interesting incident pertaining to Catawba while having lunch with retired Lt. General Winfield W. "Skip" Scott and his wife. Gen. Scott was Superintendent of the Air Force Academy from 1983-87. He asked about my Class of 1952 ring. When I told him it was from Catawba, a small college in North Carolina, he immediately lit up and said he was quite familiar with Catawba, as he was a close friend of Charlie Gabriel whom he met at West Point. He was familiar with the well publicized incident in 1946 or '47 in which Gabriel was "stolen" from Catawba's football team by the West Point coach. As I recall, this generated a protest letter from Catawba's coach [the late Gordon Kirkland] to President Truman. Gabriel remained at West Point, was commissioned in the newly formed US Air Force in 1950, and culminated a distinguished career as a four star general and Chief of Staff of the Air Force.

"Skip and Gabriel remained close friends throughout their careers, and visited Lincolnton, N.C. frequently to visit the Gabriel family.

"I thought this might be of interest to those Catawba alumni of that era."

E. A. "Jack" Houser '52

CATAWBA

ClassNotes

News from our Catawba Alumni

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1944

Grace Temple Seat, who turns a young 87 this summer, stays busy going to the YMCA, walking or using the Elliptical weights, step aerobic, boot camp, callaretic, zumba and plays bingo and volunteers at a local nursing home each week. Grace also sadly reports she lost her husband in the spring of 2012.

1949

James C. Hunt and his wife, Irene, have joined the retirement community of Shannondole of Maryville, TN.

1950

Jim "Red" White, and wife, Gloria Hatcher White, live in Summit Hills Retirement Community. Jim worked in Washington DC for a majority of his working career after retiring from EPA. He resumed work at Purdue University after retiring then he owned and operated a bed and breakfast for five years. Jim says he is going to retire soon.

1951

Barbara Rendleman Petterson retired from teaching and secretary for her principal husband. She is enjoying spending time at their home in Albemarle and their condo at North Myrtle Beach, SC.

1955

Samuel W. Pressley became a CPA, was Office Manager at Linn-Corriher Mills, in Landis and for the past thirty-seven years has been owner of a water park, Kannapolis Recreation Park.

1958

Carlton "Pete" Stout was included on the June list of The North Carolina High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA) published list of "100 Coaches to Remember". The NCHSAA list shared information about Pete and his coaching experience at Salisbury and Williams High Schools. The list of "100 To Remember: Coaches" highlights one hundred of the top coaches in NCHSAA history, going back to the founding of the organization in 1913 (view the list at www.NCHSAA.org).

1960

Lee S. Johnson is the co-founder of the Florida Altrusa House Adult Day Care Program, is on the Board of Trustees and a board member of the Mid-Florida Area Agency on Aging.

1961

Ray Oxendine was included on the June list of The North Carolina High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA) published list of "100 Coaches to Remember". The NCHSAA list shared information about Ray and his coaching experience at numerous schools. The list of "100 To Remember: Coaches" highlights one hundred of the top

coaches in NCHSAA history, going back to the founding of the organization in 1913 (view the list at www.NCHSAA.org).

1963

Brenda Thomas Monteith has moved to Plantation Estates Retirement Community in Matthews, NC.

1964

Frank Schaffer serves as Pastor of Solomon's United Church of Christ in Macungie, PA.

1965

Dr. Edmond G. Deal and **Ann Brown Deal** have moved to King, NC. Edmond retired as Montana's State Geologist and Director of Montana Bureau of Mines & Geology in October 2012.

Robert Steele Davis and wife, Donna, moved in May to Quincy Village, a seniors community in the scenic and historic Mason-Dixon Line valley west of Gettysburg, in order to welcome the zealous advance of friendly rebel forces during the sesqui-centennial of the Battle of Gettysburg.

1966

Betty Burner (Albrite) Diehl married Carlos Victor Diehl in June 2012 at the Wren Chapel on the William & Mary College campus. Betty and Vic were classmates at Monteirdeo High School in Virginia.

H. Gibbons “Gibby” Young retired from various Real Estate fields and relocated to a barrier island off the coast of SC in the greater Hilton Head, Beaufort, and Savannah area in 2009. He would welcome hearing from Catawba friends at hgyoung@yahoo.com.

1967

Donna Foard Knorr says her Piedmont School of Etiquette is doing well. Contact her if interested in attending a class or scheduling classes for business, church, scouts or family at www.thepiedmontschoolofetiquette.com.

1968

Tessa Lesley and husband Carl Stutts live in Houston with their two dogs Teiana and Abby. Tessa just celebrated her 16th anniversary as a volunteer for the Houston Zoo.

1969

Harold S. Wales, Jr. and Deborah W. Wales are selling their home in Exton, PA and are moving to their farm in Fawn Grove, PA. After 24 years, Debbie will retire from Great Beginnings Christian Preschool where she was a Director, teacher and music teacher. Harold resigned last year from VFMRC where he was the USPTA tennis professional. He will continue his tax and financial consulting business. Harold & Debbie will also

continue their wedding and reception business at the Duke Farm. If looking for a wedding venue contact them at www.theDukeFarm.com

J. Jay Whittington has been elected president of the Professional Insurance Agents (PIA) of NC. He currently serves as the president of the Central Carolina Insurance Agency which has offices in Mooresville and Salisbury.

1972

James (Jamie) E. Neikirk is pleased to announce that his son, Justin, has joined him as a full partner in his business, The Neikirk Company, LLC. The company is now a fourth generation business that was established in 1945. Jamie lives in Williamsport, MD with his wife, Joy, and plans to gradually turn the business over to his son upon his complete retirement in 2015. Jamie attended his 40th class year homecoming celebration with his good college friends **Mike Dickens '72, Mark Golding '72 & Scott Johnson '73.**

1973

Carol McGauran is enjoying her retirement, golf and gardening in Mt. Pleasant, SC.

1974

Diane Dillon Hooper retired December 31 as Director of Rowan Regional Medical Center

Foundation in Salisbury. After working continuously since graduating in 1974, Diane is enjoying sleeping past 6 AM and spending some quality time with her 92-year old mother, who lives with her. She plans to travel and volunteer with local organizations.

1975

L. P. (Pete) Martin celebrated 28 years as a pilot with United Airlines. He is a Boeing 777 Captain based in Los Angeles; flying mainly to the Orient and Europe.

Rosie Luongo O'Mahony wishes a BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all of her classmates turning "60". She says 1953 was a great year!!

1976

Dori Thompson-Pomponio is looking forward, as usual, to the 5th annual "Woodson 4th East Reunion". This year's reunion will be hosted by **Rochelle Leonard-Bost '75.**

John Rapp is the Assistant Manager at West Marina Lake Norman and owner of Day-O Detailing, a boat detailing specializing in teak and restorations. He sails his O'Day 222 as often as possible on Lake Norman and is always looking for a "Gilligan or Mary Ann" to go sailing with.



ALCORN



GRAHAM

Alumni Tapped to Serve on N.C. Boards

Two Catawba College alumni, both of whom serve on the college's Board of Trustees, have been tapped for service by North Carolina Governor Pat McCrory '78.

Gregory M. Alcorn '79 of Salisbury is one of three new members appointed by the Governor to the State Board of Education, while **William "Bill" Graham '83** of Salisbury has been appointed to serve on the State's Economic Development Board.

Alcorn, the CEO and owner of Global Contact Services, was a classmate of McCrory while both were at Catawba. He majored in business as an undergraduate, and later earned his MBA from UNC Charlotte. He chairs the Enrollment Committee of the Catawba Board of Trustees and also serves as a Board of Trustees liaison to the President's Climate Commitment Committee. Married to wife Missie, the two are parents of children, Clark and Eleanor.

Graham, a partner at the Salisbury law firm of Wallace & Graham, P.A., was among 22 people, including former political rivals, political allies and corporate leaders, appointed to the board that will recommend economic development policy to state officials. Graham, who lost to McCrory in the 2008 Republican primary, served on McCrory's political committee in 2012.

Graham attended St. Josephs College in Longford, Ireland, and then graduated from Catawba with a degree in political science. After his Catawba graduation, he attended Antioch University School of Law in Washington, D.C., for two years and completed his law degree at Wake Forest University School of Law.

Graham, who serves as vice chair of the Catawba Board of Trustees, met his wife, the former Shari Marshall '83, while both were students at Catawba. The two are parents of son Perry and daughter Caroline.

1977

Dr. M. Katherine Grimes and wife, Lana Whited are the parents of four boys: Hailu (14), Brandon (13), Berhan (12), and Tyler (11).

1978

James M. Shriver, III and **Laura Hoch Shriver '77** announce Laura was recently elected President of the Maryland School Psychologists Association.

1979

Martha Allen was named Union County Woman of the Year for 2012.

1980

Paulette Yost Jackson retired from Carmel Country Club as Senior Accountant in July 2012 but continues her tax business at home. Year 2012 was both joyous and sad for Paulette as grandson, Jaxom Paul Conner was born May 26, 2012 and her husband, David, passed away on April 21, 2012.

1981

Fern Hedrick has been teaching for 25 years at Atlantic County Special Services in Mays Landing, NJ. Friends may contact her at Fhedrick12@yahoo.com.

1985

Ed and Sissy (Christina) Fowler report their nephew, **Steven Porter**, will keep the Cat-U tradition going this year as Steven enters in fall 2013 to play football.

1987

Jun Tsuruta is now in Honolulu working for Hawaiian Airlines after five years of working outside the industry. Jun says she is "Glad to be back at the airlines and can't complain about the location!"

1988

John Gibson - Congratulations to John! On March 17, Downstage Theater in Charlottesville VA took the name of Live Arts' visionary leader John Gibson. John currently lives in Atlanta, GA.

1989

Kyna Snider Foster married John K. Grubb

on May 4, 2013. Kyna is the Executive Director of Rowan Helping Ministries in Salisbury, NC.

1994

April Horton Lambirth and her husband, Jason, welcomed a baby girl, Kathryn Michelle, on January 8, 2013. Their six year old son, Shawn, is a very loving and proud big brother. If you would like to get in touch with April, her email is shawnsapril@yahoo.com.

Tim Santoro is the new head coach for N.C. State University's Women's Soccer. He accepted this new position in November 2012. He had formerly served as associate head coach at Wake Forest University.

1996

Steven B. Ryan has been named as a partner of the firm Halloran & Sage LLP. Steven practices in the area of insurance coverage litigation and joined Halloran & Sage in 2008, a full service law firm with offices in Hartford, Danbury, Middletown, New Haven, New London and Westport, Connecticut, and a branch in Washington, DC.

1997

Greg Elder has gone from being a teacher, coach, owning a sports memorabilia business, to being a professional gambler and author. After six self-published gambling books his feature book, "Gamblers Fight Back, A Professional Gamblers Journey of How to Survive and Thrive in a Casino" was released earlier this year. Check out his web site at www.gregelderauthor.com.

1999

Julia Stolzer Conti announces the birth of her daughter, Delaina Avery, born October 24, 2012. Three year old Calleigh will now have a sibling to play with.

2000

Dorothy Ross and **Reginal Brady** say "hi" to all their 2000 classmates and share they are still sweethearts and married after 2000 graduation, on December 9, 2000. They now have three children: Reggie Jr. (8), Sarah (4) and Thomas (3) and currently reside in Concord. Reggie works in banking. Dorothy also worked in banking for 11 years but currently is a homemaker, raising their three kids and beginning a new career in Mary Kay! She also enjoys graphic design & playing piano. They are active in their church

and enjoy good fellowship. Dorothy and Reg would love to hear from classmates. If you're in the Concord area, please look them up.

Michelle Lowder Walker and husband, Ryan, welcomed twin sons, Landon Baxter Walker and Noah Ray Walker on May 23, 2012. They live in China Grove. Michelle continues her work as an Assistant District Attorney in Rowan County, while Ryan remains employed as a Deputy for the Rowan County Sheriff's Office.

2001

Allison Dupree Adams would like to announce that she was married December 15, 2012 to Frank Adams, III of Salisbury, NC. Frank is a Professional Golfer on the EGOLF and Carolinas Pro Golf Tours. Allison continues to be a physical education and health teacher at Erwin Middle School in Salisbury, NC, where she also serves as Head 7th and 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach. The couple resides in Salisbury.

Michael Cabana and **Meredith Jones Cabana '03** proudly announce the birth of their second daughter, Lea Quinn Cabana. Lea was born on September 17, 2012. Big sister, Myla, has been a great helper! Friends may contact the Cabana's at mbjones24@hotmail.com. The Cabana family lives in Waxhaw, NC.

Thomas G. Lapke and **Kristin Saunders '00** announce Thomas' website, AuditionUpdate.com, was recently acquired by Backstage, the oldest and preeminent actor resource in the industry. Thomas also accepted a job offer from Backstage, where he now works as a Project Manager. He is also an Adjunct Faculty member at the Borough of Manhattan Community College, where he teaches public speaking.

2003

Jerry Hancock was awarded the Certification in Risk Management Assurance (CRMA) from the Institute of Internal Auditors.

2005

Brandi Berrier Latham and her husband announce the birth of their first child - Ethan Kyle Latham, born February 2, 2013. Mom, Dad, and Ethan are all doing well!

Dianna Younts Thomason was recently promoted to Grants Accountant at Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation. She recently enrolled in Becker CPA Review courses in preparation for her CPA certification.

2006

Andrea Grenier was recently engaged to Ryan Schriff. They met in the Gaston County Jaycees four years ago. The wedding is set for May 2014.

Eva J. Manney married Andrew Bobulsky on March 2, 2013.

2007

Elisa Alfieri Lopez and **Alex Lopez '05** were married in November 2012. The couple now lives in Huntersville, NC. Elisa enjoys her position at Carolinas HealthCare System.

Rev. Will Van Wieren and **Megan Lilly Van Wieren** are pleased to announce the birth of a beautiful baby daughter, Mya Kate, who was born on September 17, 2012. Will is a Pastor at Midway United Methodist Church in Kannapolis and Megan is a Kindergarten teacher in the Kannapolis City School system.

2008

Trooper Whit Efird graduated from the 130th Basic Highway Patrol School on March 1st. This para-military school lasted 7 months, in Raleigh, NC. Whit has been stationed to Rowan County and is thrilled to be back in the area.

Casey L. Hudgins is Assistant Program Coordinator at the Reynolds Homestead in Virginia developed a program designed to bring teens to the Homestead. The first event, a successful Teen Halloween Bash, exposed new constituency to the homestead as a venue for events and other opportunities and was to be followed by a teen pre-prom dinner.

Elliott Keller received his Doctorate in optometry from NECO in Boston, MA. He built a house in Campobello in 2009, married Katie Bozeman in 2010 and has worked for Eastside Eye Center since 2008.

Sarah Conrad Newton received a promotion to Senior Financial Analyst effective December 1, 2012 within Bank of America's SEC Reporting group. Sarah joined Bank of America a little more than two years ago. Sarah shares her congratu-

lations with **Dereck Paschal** (see class year 2009) who received a simultaneous promotion.

Jonathan Rhodes, after graduating from Catawba with a bachelor's degree in Philosophy and Theology, taught English in Jeonju, South Korea. Following his time as an English teacher, Jon earned an MS in Environmental Science with a focus on water science and the integration of science with policy from The American University in Washington, D.C. He married his college sweetheart **Aileen Thomson '08**, in 2012. Jon is currently the director and founder of the NGO Green Communities Consulting. He gives pro bono environmental consulting to youth community development practitioners throughout Burma. Visit www.greenc.org to learn more about Jon's work or follow his personal blog at www.dayinmortion.blogspot.com

2009

Jill Archambault graduated from Albany Law School of Union University in May 2013. She received the degree of Juris Doctor, Summa Cum Laude.



Alumnus Presents Research at International Conference

Dr. Charles T. Muse '68, Executive Director of the National Robotics Training Center (NRTC), recently presented at the Association of

Unmanned Systems Vehicles International (AUVSI) conference in Huntsville, Alabama. AUVSI is the largest professional organization worldwide for unmanned systems (mobile robots). The subject of the presentation was "Unmanned Systems Roadmap to the Future" with a focus on the need for robotics production technicians in the robotics manufacturing industry.

Dr. Muse has conducted extensive research in the unmanned systems industry to include job needs analysis in conjunction with the Joint Ground Robotics Enterprise Project (JGRE) of the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD). In this research, Dr. Muse, working with the National Defense Industry Association (NIDA) and AUVSI, conducted a national survey and a series of job profiling analysis to determine the demand for robotics production technicians in the United States over the next three years. The results of this study and the focus of his presentation was on the extreme shortage of robotics production technicians and the development of a robotics production technology curricula. With a multiple year contract from the OSD, Dr. Muse and the NRTC developed a Robotics Production Technician certificate and a two year degree program that has been disseminated national wide with several delivery modalities to include an online program including a series of 29 labs.

Dr. Muse, who serves on Catawba's Ketner School of Business Advisory Board, was tapped this spring to serve as chair of that Board. He and his wife, the former Susan Hutchins, make their home in Florence, S.C., and have three adult sons.



'69 Alumnus Gets \$5.3 Million Grant to Study Fetal Alcohol Disorders

Dr. Philip A. May '69 has been awarded a \$5.3 million grant to study fetal alcohol disorders in South Africa. May, a faculty member at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's Nutrition Research Institute (NRI), received the grant from the National Institute of Health's National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

Through research in two South African communities, May and his team will expand the scientific understanding of the characteristics and patterns of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders. In South Africa, up to 20 percent of the population is estimated to be affected by Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders, a result of drinking during alcohol during pregnancy.

May retired in May 2011 after a 33-year career as a Professor of Sociology and Family and Community Medicine at the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, and thereafter, he joined the faculty at the UNC Nutrition Research Institute in Kannapolis as a Research Professor. He also maintains his role as Extraordinary Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Stellenbosch, Tygerberg, in Capetown, South Africa.

May holds a master's degree from Wake Forest University. He received his doctorate of sociology specializing in demography and epidemiology from the University of Montana.



Alumni Gather for a Baranski-Inspired Environmental Science Reunion

Alumnus **Sean Bloom '05** reports that in early May, 10 Catawba College alumni got together for what they called the 1st annual Environmental Science Reunion Trip. For decades, Catawba Professor Emeritus Dr. Mike Baranski has taken students to the Great Smokey Mountains National Park during the Wildflower Pilgrimage and he often invited alumni to join. Since he retired, this annual trip is no longer offered.

Because many of his past students still look forward to this trip, Sean, and others took it upon themselves to continue the tradition with the May "reunion". In addition to the alumni, they brought along their spouses, kids, and a few friends. Their plans are to continue making this trip every year in the spring with the hope that past and future Catawba alumni will join them.



This photo shows everyone who attended except **Erik Stephen Drew '03** & **Katie Bender '08** who are not pictured, along with a few non-alumni friends & spouses. Catawba alumni who attended in addition to Bloom, Drew & Bender included **David Burman '04**, **Stephen Long '04**, **Krista Long (Yantis) '04**, **Amanda Bloom (Moore) '07**, **Becca Wike '04**, **Danielle Speidel (Mora) '04** & **Greg Speidel '06**.

CLASSNOTES

2009 Continued

Derek and Whitney Martin Paschal

announce Derek received a promotion as Senior Financial Analyst effective December 1, 2012 with in Bank of America's SEC reporting group. Derek joined the group a little more than three years ago.

2010

Lauren Elizabeth Graham announces she received her Master of Science in Public Health at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte in May 2012. She was accepted into Duke University's Physician Assistant Program and will begin classes in August 2013.

2011

Kacey Hoover had a featured article in the April 2013 issue of the award-winning magazine of the American Solar Energy Society, *Solar Today*. Kacey has recently earned her master's degree in Technology with a concentration in Appropriate Technology from Appalachian State University. She works as an energy analyst and specializes in rate structure analysis and estimating utility bills. Her interests are in modeling system performance and economic gain for renewable energy systems.

Andrew Tyson Tamer & Katherine Virginia Hill '10 became engaged March 18, 2013.

Philip A. Yarbrough was awarded the 2013 Piedmont Athletic Conference (PAC6) wrestling coach of the year after consecutive conference and regional championships for Wheatmore H.S.

2012

Josh Owens and **Whitney Paige Mullis (Owens)** married on April 13, 2013. They are now living in Concord enjoying married life!

Tomas Smogner was one of only two students chosen to represent Ernst and Young - Sweden in the International Intern Leadership Conference this summer in Florida. Only 12 students were selected from the Nordic countries. Tomas is working toward a Master's degree in Accounting, Auditing, and Analysis at Stockholm University.

2013

Jubilee Ann Meehan, as copy editor for *FIRE International*, receives, edits, and formats monthly newsletters and handles mail and special requests for over 100 missionaries. She is also responsible for organizing the annual mission's conference in October.



CATAWBA COLLEGE TRUSTEE

NEWTON O. FOWLER, JR. DIED MAY 23

A native of Mt. Airy, Fowler was employed by Philip Morris USA for 38 years before his retirement in 1993 as general manager of Philip Morris' Concord manufacturing center. He had served as general manager of the Philip

Morris USA, Richmond, Va., factories.

A multi-talented athlete, Fowler played baseball and football at Mt. Airy High, making All-Conference in football. He also played in two State Class A Championship football games in 1946 and 1947. He was awarded football scholarships to the University of Richmond, Duke University, Davidson College, George Washington University, and Lees-McRae College. He played football for one semester at Duke, one year at Lees-McRae and two years at the University of Richmond. He earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Richmond.

A U.S. Army veteran, he served during the Korean Conflict from 1952 to 1954.

He was tapped for service on Catawba College's Board of Trustees in 1996. It was in front of his peers on this board that he received North Carolina's highest civilian honor, the Order of the Long Leaf Pine, during an annual meeting in 2007. He chaired the Board's Development Committee and was a former chairman of a Catawba capital campaign.

Catawba honored him by naming the Fowler Athletic Office Complex in the Mariam and Robert Hayes Field House in his honor. The College also awarded him an honorary degree – Doctor of Humanitarian Service, and its Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. Award in recognition of his many contributions to the institution. Fowler and his wife, the former Nancy Fling, established the Fowler Endowed Scholarship at Catawba in 2005. In 2011, gifts from the Fowlers and their family moved that scholarship to the First Family level.

Fowler is survived by his wife of 56 years; son Dr. W. Edward Fowler and wife Christina Daugherty Fowler of Greenwood, S.C., both 1985 alumni of Catawba College; daughter Margaret Fowler Porter and husband Mark of Concord; and grandsons Brett and Bryce Fowler of Greenwood, S.C., and Taylor and Steven Porter of Concord. Steven is a freshman at Catawba and a member of the football team.

Sweet is the memory of distant friends!

Like the mellow rays of the departing sun, it falls tenderly, yet sadly, on the heart.

– WASHINGTON IRVING, AMERICAN AUTHOR

Kerr Julian Krider '34
March 23, 2013; Salisbury, NC

Bessie Kirk Mickle '35
April 3, 2013; Salisbury, NC

Anna Mary Brannock Faust '36
April 28, 2013; Colfax, NC

DeLette Honeycutt Sibley '36
January 12, 2013; Rockingham, NC

William "Billy" Preston Burke '38
February 6, 2013; Salisbury, NC

Ruth Stallings Dixon '39
February 5, 2013; Durham, NC

Annie Lee Cress Cox '40
January 18, 2013; Salisbury, NC

Elizabeth Lynch Betty Wilhelm '40
January 8, 2013; Greensboro, NC

Robert Edwin Gill '41
December 8, 2012; Murrells Inlet, SC

Margaret Wain Weant '41
June 10, 2013; Granite Quarry, NC

Virginia Trostle Haefeli '43
Littleton, CO

Miriam Horton Park '44
January 25, 2013; Salisbury, NC

John William Settlemire '46
January 11, 2013; Burlington, NC

Virginia Hall Stalder '46
November 25, 2012; Palo Alto, CA

Atha Darlene Redding Kluttz '47
May 10, 2013; Melrose, FL

Joseph Nelson Fries '48
March 15, 2013; Concord, NC

Paul Gray Boger '49
March 14, 2013; Charlotte, NC

Charles Presley Moore, Jr. '49
April 7, 2013; Atlanta, GA

Blake Lee Morrison, Jr. '49
January 9, 2013; Greensboro, NC

Robert Baxter Arnold, Sr. '50
April 29, 2013; Charlotte, NC

Clyde Harold Bias, Jr. '50
February 8, 2013; Raleigh, NC

Robert Preston "Percy" Bost '50
January 14, 2013; Newton, NC

Robert Alexander Carswell '50
May 8, 2013; Camden, SC

Virginia Harvey Greenland '50
May 1, 2013; Salisbury, NC

Thomas Lynn Ridenhour '50
December 19, 2012; Charlotte, NC

Bob Glance Surratt '50
November 23, 2012; Raleigh, NC

William T. Wooten '50
January 10, 2013; Aberdeen, NC

James Wesley Garmon '52
January 10, 2013; Troy, NC

Joseph A. Medlin, Jr. '52
March 10, 2013; Hartsville, SC

Rosemary Cartmel Propper '52
July 2, 2012; Wallingford, CT

Donald Worth Thompson '52
April 29, 2013; Greensboro, NC

Joyce Stefano Galloway '53
October 15, 2012; Asheboro, NC

Murphy Jon Hampton '53
December 8, 2012; Winston-Salem, NC

Paul Curlee Barnes '55
May 5, 2013; Jamestown, NC

Peggy Anne Harrison Chaney '55
January 11, 2013; Thomasville, NC

Ralph Ledford Musgrave '56
December 10, 2012; Archdale, NC

Shelton Bennett Faulkner '59
April 7, 2013; Wadesboro, NC

Joseph Jacob Fowler '59
December 28, 2012; Kannapolis, NC

Gayle Gormley Martin '59
January 23, 2012; Lehighton, PA

Albert Peter Pfirrmann, Jr. '60
November 17, 2012; Hendersonville, NC

Hollis Leo Hinkle, Jr. '61
December 24, 2012; Spencer, NC

Verne Clifton Lanier, Jr. '62
January 24, 2012; Durham, NC

Rev. Frederick W. Oleck '62
June 13, 2013; Weatherly, PA

Martha Carter Brill-Hancock '63
May 30, 2013; Mascot, VA

Rev. Van Dolan Grimes '63
June 3, 2013; Conover, NC

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January 12, 2013; San Antonio, TX

James Brent Holcomb '72
February 19, 2013; Graham, NC

Lizabeth Mosser McCurry '72
January 6, 2013; Laurel, MD

George J. McManus, Jr. '72
January 18, 2013; Matthews, NC

Miriam Catherine Kruea '73
December 17, 2012; Raleigh, NC

Charles Joseph "Moose" Musumeci '76
March 9, 2013; Cherry Hill, NJ

Thomas A. Smith '76
June 5, 2013; Johns Creek, GA

Charles Turner Graham, Jr. '77
March 4, 2013; Claremont, NC

Amy L. Orner Talbot '77
December 4, 2012; Mechanicsburg, PA

Timothy Howard Pless '84
November 22, 2012; High Point, NC

John Hubert Seaford '88
December 9, 2012; Salisbury, NC

Jack Franklin Yelton '89
November 27, 2012; Framingham, MA

Brian M. Burnette '94
December 12, 2012; Old Fort, NC



**FORMER CATAWBA BASEBALL COACH
JAMES "JIM" HILLIARD DEHART
OF SALISBURY DIED JUNE 23**

He coached baseball for four years at Catawba, from 1986-1989, and was 77-54 over those years. In 1988, he led Catawba to the Carolinas Conference Championship and a berth in the NAIA District 26 Playoffs, with a 27-8 record.

His coaching career began after he retired as district manager with The Life Insurance Company of Virginia, the predecessor company of Genworth Financial. A player's coach, he coached at Salisbury High School, Catawba College, and the Rowan American Legion team until he retired from coaching in 2000.

Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Betty DeHart; three daughters, Debbie Haynes '84, Lori Dusenberry & Kim Pryor '85; 10 grandchildren & one great-granddaughter.

**Former Catawba Coach,
"FATHER TENNIS"**

Scott "Scotty" Mitchell,

who coached men's and women's tennis at Catawba from 1987 until 1989, and thereafter coached only women's tennis at the college into the late 1990s, died June 12.

A native of New Jersey, Mitchell earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from Dartmouth College. He was a veteran of World War II, serving for three years during the conflict, two of those overseas in the South Pacific with the 5th Army Air Force. He worked as a financial officer with General Electric and had moved to Salisbury from Cincinnati, Ohio to work at that company's Salisbury facility. He retired from General Electric in 1983 after a 37-year career.

He was predeceased in 1998 by his wife, Mary Marks Mitchell. The couple had six children who survive them, including Martha M. Grote of Columbus, Ohio; Scott H. Mitchell, Jr. of Los Angeles, Calif.; Beth A. Mitchell of Salisbury; Stuart D. Mitchell of Cincinnati, Ohio; R. John Mitchell of Delray Beach, Fla.; and Keith R. Mitchell of Salisbury.

Photo by R John Mitchell (son) of Mitchell at age 92

**1960 ALUMNA &
FORMER CATAWBA PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT FACULTY MEMBER
DORIS GEORGE KANEKLIDES OF CHAPEL HILL, DIED JAN. 30**

A native of Salisbury, earned her bachelor's degree in Christian Education from Catawba and her master's degree in Guidance and Personnel Work from UNC Chapel Hill. She taught classes in Psychology at Catawba and served in the College Counseling Center in the 1960s. After she left the college, she moved to Chapel Hill. There, she worked for as assistant director of housing for training and programming at UNC Chapel Hill, as a training manager of FGI, Inc. in Chapel Hill, and later for the Employment Security Commission of North Carolina at its Hillsborough office.



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