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College Trustees direct administrators to refine targeted master plan and to appeal NCAA ruling about Catawba's Indians

The Catawba College Board of Trustees authorized college administrators to refine a targeted master plan for the campus and to appeal a recent NCAA ruling against the use of the term "Catawba Indians" by the institution's athletic teams. These actions were based on unanimous votes by the trustees at their semi-annual meeting held October 18 on campus.

Targeted Campus Master Plan

In May of this year, College officials retained the services of Knoxville, Tennessee-based consulting firm of Lawler-Wood to complete a targeted master plan for the development of campus facilities and spaces. Representatives of that firm presented their final report, which emphasized student housing needs on campus, to Trustees.

The report included a series of projects, divided into five phases, which would be undertaken over a four-year period, along with a timeline for each phase, and a project and development

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Architect's rendering of proposed new residence hall

Endowment Campaign



College community members provide hurricane relief during fall break

In reaction to the horrific disaster of Hurricane Katrina, a group of 22 students and five staff members from Catawba College ventured to the Gulf Coast over fall break (Oct. 21-25). The students ranged from freshmen to seniors, chemistry and athletic majors to business and religion majors, and were teamed with staff members from various departments on campus to make a very diverse group of volunteers.

They group left on Friday, Oct. 21 for Pascagoula, Mississippi, the town that Salisbury adopted for recovery efforts after the hurricane. The group slept on the floor of a church in Ocean Springs and daily meals were provided by the Ocean Springs Hospital. The students and staff were divided into three groups and spent three days doing much needed physical labor in the homes and yards of members of the Ocean Springs and Singing River Hospital system.

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Catawba College hosts Service of Appreciation to mark Campus Ministry Endowment

Catawba College Trustees in town for their semi-annual meeting, along with donors, friends, students, faculty and staff members gathered in the Omwake Dearborn Chapel Monday, October 17 to mark the establishment of the Porter and Maria Seiwel Endowment for Campus Ministry. The establishment of the \$1 million endowment fund was a very significant way for two couples long associated with the College to both honor and remember their roots.

Richard "Dick" '67 and Linda Seiwel of West Chester, Pa., and Jim '64 and Martha "Marty" '63 Dayvault of Lakeland, Fla., took the initiative to set the endowment campaign into motion, according to Catawba College President Dr. Robert Knott.

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Members of Dayvault/Seiwel families pose with Dr. Ken Clapp after commemorative plaque is unveiled at service.



The Reverend Dr. Ken Clapp
Chaplain and Senior Vice President

Catawba continues its mission

In his book, *AMERICAN HIGHER EDUCATION: A HISTORY*, Chris Lucas notes that “the church related college has had a tradition of teaching students in a way that emphasized character as much as it did learning, piety as well as erudition, and civic virtue over private advantage.”

Other authors writing in recent years regarding higher education in this country have noted that many of the colleges and universities founded with this mission in mind have abandoned the mission in favor of career preparation and a political correctness which suggests that any emphasis upon faith development and the imparting of values based upon religious teachings is inappropriate in the academy. Ironically, at the same time that researchers are noting the decline of emphasis on faith based values, the statistics show that for the last two years the institutions that have recorded the largest increase in enrollment are those colleges and universities that are a part of the Council of Christian Colleges and Universities.

Prospective students and their parents frequently inquire as to the stance of Catawba relative to issues of faith and values education. When I returned to Catawba 16 years ago I was impressed that the College was choosing to empha-

size the role of campus ministry and that all of the freshmen experienced a course that emphasized values in terms of what it means to be a good person and to live a good life. Although that course no longer is a part of the experience of first-year students, there are many ways that Catawba continues to impart values and to nurture students in their faith journeys.

The establishment of the Seiwel Chair for Campus Ministry is the most recent and one of the most significant indications of this commitment on the part of the College. Not only is this effort an indication of the importance that the College places upon a continued strong program affording students the opportunity to be supported and guided in their exploration and development of faith and values that can inform and enhance their lives, this effort also is an indication of the value placed upon this offering by alumni and friends of Catawba and the churches that have supported the College throughout its history.

Perhaps most telling and most important are the practical applications resulting from this emphasis. Programs being offered through campus ministry and the Lilly Center for Vocation and Values are involving large numbers of Catawba students and impacting their lives in lasting ways. For the past three years significant numbers of each entering class have participated in pre-term retreats where they were challenged to seize the opportunities that the college experience affords to think about what it means to be children of God called to live lives of service and to pursue vocations in keeping with the gifts they have been given. Additional opportunities are provided for students to explore what they will do with their lives to make their world a better place. These forms of exploration are resulting in increased numbers choosing to enter ministry vocations, but also is resulting in more students serving in helping roles that benefit persons in need and strengthen the character of our communities.

The objective is to create opportunities and to provide guidance as members of the campus community wrestle with life issues and choices and to assure that they are informed of the Judeo-Christian perspective and the help and direction that provides. This happens as a result of readings made available, forums that provide opportunities for discussion and debate, activities and programs offered to campus organizations, and mentoring opportunities.

Required chapel attendance and required religion courses no longer are a part of the Catawba experience. However, Catawba students today are provided an amazing array of opportunities to learn and grow in the faith. A very large proportion of our students seize one or more of these opportunities each year and often attest to the benefits that they receive from doing so. These opportunities are augmented by the caring and support of numerous members of the Catawba community who demonstrate in the living of their lives the virtues and values that have been and continue to be central to the Catawba education.

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Alumnus and spouse establish new scholarship

Dick Smith '56 of Salisbury still remembers the football scholarship he received in 1952 that enabled him to attend Catawba College. That scholarship, and the education it allowed him to obtain, helped shape his life, he says.

Now Smith and wife Peggy are hopeful that the scholarship they have established at the Catawba can do something similar for future students. The Dick and Peggy Smith Endowed Scholarship will assist a member of the College football team, with preference given to offensive backs on that team.

"Coach Gordon Kirkland gave me a full football scholarship and I was able to play fullback for four years because of that," Smith recalls. "I still have the letter he sent me, but now it's framed and according to the College catalog, the cost of attending Catawba back then was \$795.

"The late M.M. "Chub" Richards was the line coach then and he was such an influence on me and became one of my lifetime friends. In 1955, I served as co-captain of the football team and we were something to be reckoned with in those days. We played Lenoir-Rhyne on Thanksgiving Day, the only colleges to have a game then, and a lot of folks turned out to see this game."

The Smiths believe that their scholarship is one way to give back to the institution. "It's really the best way, we think, to perpetuate the opportunities I had -- to make sure someone else has those same opportunities," Smith explains.

Smith recalls with pride lessons he learned under the tutelage of business professor, Dr. Millard Wilson. "He always wore a coat and tie and called everyone 'Mr.' or 'Miss,'" Smith says of Wilson. "And, he had many connections with North Carolina companies and busi-

nesses in those days. In fact, Dr. Wilson helped me land my first job with BellSouth. He always told us 'to match men and jobs and then let them go,' and I found that that was terrific advice as I grew in managerial roles."

Catawba Senior Vice President Tom Childress applauds the Smiths' new scholarship and is hopeful it will encourage other alumni to follow suit. He cites instances of the couple's support for the institution, noting Dick's involvement with the Shuford Stadium fund-raising effort, his perennial Chiefs Club membership, his employee matching gifts through his long-time

"Dick and Peggy are always doing something for Catawba."

- Tom Childress

employer BellSouth, and his service on the College Alumni Board. He is currently a member of Catawba's Board of Visitors. Catawba also honored Smith in 1980 with its Distinguished Alumnus Award and again in 2002 when he was inducted into Catawba's Athletic Hall of Fame.

"Dick and Peggy are always doing something for Catawba," Childress says, adding, "And Dick's not one to be content with past successes. Now, he's taken a leadership role with a new project on campus -- adding lights to Shuford Stadium. He's serving as class agent for the 1950s football players as we strive to raise \$150,000 for this."

Why lights? Smith will explain that Shuford Stadium was lit until 1974 (when the lights were removed) and that allowed plenty of night games to be played there. "We feel lighting the stadium for nighttime play can raise attendance to Catawba's games and that would be just an



Dick and Peggy Smith

added bonus," Smith says.

Peggy Smith often smiles indulgently at her husband, for she has become well aware of just how important Catawba is in his life. "I guess I've become an adopted alumna of the College, because he's so over and beyond in his love for Catawba," she jokes. She was a longtime employee of the City of Salisbury, working there for 35 years until her retirement in 2002. She served as the City's playschool director and concluded her years as an administrative assistant at the City's Civic Center.

And even though his football playing days are over, Smith's all about helping the cause. He, along with friends Charlie Little '64, Pete Stout '58 and Bill Peeler '54, all members of Catawba's Grid Iron Club, are responsible for stenciling the Catawba "C" on the playing field of the stadium each week during the football season and for keeping the stadium goalposts painted.

The Smiths, who married in 2001, together have six adult children and 12 grandchildren.

Alumnus makes gift to fund kinesiology lab at College

Gene Fuller '52 of Charlotte shrugs off a recent gift he and wife Jane made to fund both a new kinesiology lab and classroom furniture at his alma mater, Catawba College. He simply says, "They needed money and I was able to help." But the reason for Fuller's gift is likely a little more complex than that.

Fuller continues to give back to his alma mater because he is grateful for his years there and the opportunities provided to him thanks to his Catawba education. And, although he was a business major when he attended Catawba, his passion was for athletics and his most recent contribution still hits close to that mark.

The new kinesiology lab will provide a training facility for athletic training majors, the students who actually serve as trainers for Catawba's 17 NCAA Division II athletic teams. And, the new furniture will be placed in classrooms in the Abernethy Physical Education Center.

Catawba College Senior Vice President Tom Childress notes that this most recent gift is typical of Fuller. "Gene saw a need we had and simply tried to help fill it. He's all about helping us with the nuts and bolts of

our operation. Projects we approach him with are not always the most glamorous, but are rather the most needed, and Gene steps up to the plate."

The lab will allow students to practice first hand concepts which are taught in kinesiology and exercise physiology. Students will be able to participate in VO2 max (maximum capacity of oxygen intake) tests, anaerobic strength tests, and muscle endurance tests just to name a few. The lab will be equipped with a treadmill, bicycle ergometer, VO2 system, heart rate monitors, and various other assessment equipment.

"The athletic training program and physical education department are extremely grateful for Mr. Fuller's generosity," said Dr. Rob Dingle, a professor of athletic training. "The lab will further enhance and broaden the education of our athletic training students which will allow them to become successful graduates of Catawba College."

In 2003, the Fullers made a substantial gift to the Shuford Stadium campaign, a \$4 million project to upgrade that facility, and the home

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Family continues tradition of establishing scholarships

Mark Frantz and wife Megan of Arlington, Va. thought a perfect way to celebrate their own first-year wedding anniversary on May 8, 2005 would be to establish a scholarship at Catawba College in honor of Mark's parents. So, now, there is the Jack and Shirley Frantz Endowed Scholarship, a tribute to both, but especially meaningful to Jack who is a member of Catawba's class of 1964.

Mark and Megan's tribute to Jack and Shirley follows a similar one which Jack and his two siblings, Nevin R. Frantz Jr. and Carol Frantz Pontius, made

more than a dozen years ago to the memory of his late parents, the Reverend Nevin Richards and Kearney Kay Frantz, both Catawba alumni from the class of 1933. The tendency of the Frantz family to establish scholarships at Catawba is one that benefits deserving students and is deeply appreciated by College administrators.

"Catawba College has held a special place in the hearts and minds of several generations of this family," explained Catawba Senior Vice President Tom Childress. "They realize the value of an education and recognize the importance of always

giving back to help future generations of our students. In this way, the family name and its legacy endure."

Preference for the Jack and Shirley Frantz Endowed Scholarship will be given to a student at Catawba with a grade point average of 3.2 or greater who is majoring in Information Systems, Mathematics, Business

Administration or Education.

"Watching Dad's face when I showed him the paperwork for the scholarship was priceless!" recalled Mark Frantz. "He has such a deep love for Catawba and credits his years at the school with launching him on a successful path in life. Over the generations, Catawba has provided our family with many fond memories. These scholarships allow our family to give back to the college community by helping students prepare for their futures, as well as create fond memories of their own."

"The scholarship fund was a real surprise to Shirley and I, and such a thoughtful and gracious contribution Mark and Megan made to Catawba College. We truly are grateful and pleased a deserving student at Catawba will benefit" Jack noted.

While a student at Catawba, Jack Frantz served as vice president of the student government association and as class president of his freshman and sophomore classes. He majored in physics and mathematics and chose to continue his education after his Catawba graduation, earning his Masters in Computer Information & Control Engineering from the University of Michigan. He is employed as a computer engineer at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory in Laurel, Md. His wife, Shirley, is retired as a member of the executive office at Hecht's. The two make their home in Laurel, Md., and are parents of sons Mark and Brian.

"We're both very family-oriented individuals, and we are very hopeful that whoever receives the scholarship shares this same characteristic," explained Megan Frantz, noting that she and Mark had also established a scholarship at the University of Maryland to mark the 40th wedding anniversary of her parents, John and Irma Jean McNelia, who are alumni there.

Mark Frantz is a partner with the Carlyle Group, one of the largest private equity groups in the world. He earned his undergraduate degree from Allegheny College and both his law degree and M.B.A. from the University of Pittsburgh. Megan Frantz is an assistant vice president responsible for commercial lending with Silicon Valley Bank, a financial services firm that caters to technology and life science companies. A native of Silver Springs, Md., she graduated with honors from the University of Maryland.

Endowed scholarships at Catawba are established with gifts of \$10,000 or more.



L-R: Jack Frantz '64, Megan and Mark Frantz, Shirley Frantz and Brian Frantz

Georgia couple establishes scholarship at Catawba

Salisbury native and Catawba College Alumnus Murray Burke '54 and wife Linda, of Woodstock, Ga., have established an endowed scholarship at the College in memory of his parents. Preference for the Esther Camp and Pete Burke Endowed Scholarship will go to day students from Rowan County.

Burke says they decided to establish the scholarship "because of what Catawba meant to me as a student in the 1950s and its contribution to whatever success I achieved in my business career." Burke is retired as operations manager with BellSouth after a 40-year career and he remembers fondly Catawba Professors Millard Wilson (business) and Lionel Whiston (religion and philosophy) for their guidance and support. He explains that if Catawba had not been a college located in Salisbury he would not have been able to attend college at all due to the costs. "I could afford to attend Catawba because I could work to pay my way while going to classes as a day student."

Burke describes his late parents as "hardworking people who believed strongly in a college education although neither of them was able to attend college." His mother was employed for many years by Purcell's, a Salisbury clothing store, and his father at Rusher's Tire, a local service station. Burke notes with pride that he was first in his family to earn a college degree. His siblings include Carolyn

Whitler and Martha Perkins of Winston-Salem and the late Sarah Burke of Salisbury.

Burke's family, of Irish descent, has lived in Rowan County for over 200 years and his family church was First United Methodist. He says with the death of his sister Sarah that for the first time in over 100 years there was not a member of his family as a member of that church. Salisbury was a wonderful hometown in which to grow up, Burke says, noting that he is very proud of his Salisbury roots.

A graduate of Boyden High School where he played on the basketball team, Burke also played semi-pro basketball in Salisbury for Salisbury Sporting Goods along with his friends and fellow Catawba classmates Donald Dedmon '54 of Salisbury and Travis Stokes '57 of Hickory. He recalls that that basketball team was the first in North Carolina to play an interracial basketball game against the all-black team from Price High School in Salisbury.

Catawba Senior Vice President Tom Childress notes that Murray and Linda Burke have a long history of supporting the institution. He says they have consistently contributed to the College's various campaign efforts and have used BellSouth's matching gift program to increase their employee contributions to the College. In addition to the cash contribution to the endowed scholarship, they have

made Catawba the owner of two separate life insurance policies that will come to the institution upon Murray's death bringing the total endowment in time to \$100,000.

Linda Burke, although not a graduate of Catawba, speaks with special fondness of the College and the relationships she and Murray maintain with friends who graduated with Murray. She recalls that she and Murray re-established a friendship with Clyde Brown '54 of North Wilkesboro and his wife Anne when they attended 2004 Homecoming festivities on campus and both Clyde and Murray were inducted into Catawba's Golden Club.

"What really impressed us the most when we were back on campus was the attitude of the students," Linda explains. "They were so nice and gracious to us and treated us so very well while we were on campus." Linda, a native of Jonesboro, Ga., is also retired from BellSouth after a successful 35-year career in human resources.

And although retired, the Burkes are active volunteers in their community and in their church, Hillside United Methodist. They enjoy playing tennis and also travel widely, having visited all seven continents. Murray has two adult sons, Steve Burke of Portland, Ore., and Mark Burke of Dacula, Ga., and the Burkes greatly enjoy spending time with their three grandchildren.

Catawba students research green technology for new Academic Center

Twenty Catawba College students are doing their part this semester to ensure that green materials and technology are used in the new academic center on campus.

Students in the Campus Greening seminar, led by Dr. John Wear, are researching sustainable options for architect Bill Burgin and his staff as they move into the more advanced stages of design for the renovation and addition to Corriher-Linn-Black Library.

The college plans to renovate the 25,500-square-foot facility and construct a new 40,000-square-foot, three-story addition. Burgin and Project Director Diane Gibbs of Ramsey Burgin Smith Architects Inc. expect to break ground in the spring of 2007.

"It will be a learning experience for both the class and our office as we walk through this together," Burgin says. While architects have long been sensitive to energy efficient design, a number of new sustainable materials and technology are now available.

"When we begin to look at designing a library that is sustainable, there are lots of choices," says Wear. "Our students can make a difference by filtering through all those potential choices and finding out how the technologies have changed

and are changing."

They will be involved in discussions with Burgin and Gibbs as cost-effective choices are made. "We will try to help them understand how we have to deal with initial cost vs. long-term cost vs. dollars available," Burgin says. "We will be bringing the real-world piece to the table, balancing the value of sustainable practices against the resources available to pay for it."

One of the goals of the \$10.2 million project is to obtain at least a second-tier silver LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) rating on the building. Buildings achieve points for the environmental rating in a number of ways, including through the landscape, the materials used inside the facility, the building's outside surface and even its roof.

Burgin and the students are considering the installation of a "green" roof which actually has vegetation growing on the roof's surface. Burgin notes that the trustees encouraged the possibility during their spring retreat.

Catawba Dean Barbara Hetrick says she is pleased



Salisbury architect Bill Burgin with Catawba College Environmental Science/Studies students

that the environmental science and environmental studies students are interested in working with the architects and planning committee on the design. "Whenever college students can apply the knowledge they have acquired in the classroom and from textbooks to 'real world' situations, they learn lessons they will never forget," she says. "That our students have the opportunity to make real contributions to planning the facility that will become the academic centerpiece of their alma mater makes the experience all the more meaningful to them as well as to future generations of students."

Catawba Center for Environment brings Montana Exec to Salisbury

What brings a woman who is second in command at a large environmental organization in Montana to Salisbury, N.C.?

The answer: the Catawba College Center for the Environment.

Willa Mays recently joined the center to direct development efforts and assist Center Director John Wear with environmental projects in the community and region. "The center is an exceptional institution," she says. "I feel very excited about the work that has already been accomplished here and how much potential exists for real change in people's behavior and their attitudes and their level of awareness."

Mays served as executive director of the Foundation of Thomasville Community General Hospital – now Thomasville Medical Center – when the foundation began in 1992. After nine years in that position and after earning an MBA and MHA from Pfeiffer University's evening executive program, she became director of development at the Greater Yellowstone Coalition.

The timing for that move proved to be a monumental challenge. Mays began work six days after Sept. 11, 2001. "It was an exceptionally tough climate for all non-profits and continued to be over the next three years," she says. "The stock market fell dramatically and many sources of individual and foundation funding disappeared."

Yet under Mays' guidance the organization

thrived. Membership grew from 8,500 to 13,000. GYC opened a new office in Cody, Wyo., and added two major fundraisers – one in Colorado and the other in New York. During that period she was promptly promoted to the Number 2 position in the 30-person organization

North Carolina Native

Mays is no stranger to North Carolina. She grew up near Lenoir surrounded by relatives. "I'm a country girl," she says. "I grew up in western North Carolina where everybody within distance was a cousin or related somehow."

That background informs her work ethic. In fact, she uses the word "driven" to describe herself and attributes her high level of motivation to her mother and other women she knew growing up. "The traditional Southern woman worked from the time she got up until the time she went to bed," Mays says. "My mother was a very hard-working ambitious woman, and I attribute a lot of my drive to her. She was my model."

Mays' love for the environment also began in her childhood, when she explored the creeks and springs of the back country, when she learned to set tomato plants on her grandparents' farm, when she tagged along when her father took the Boy Scouts on camping trips.



Dr. John Wear and Willa Mays

Mays is glad to be back in her native North Carolina, near two of her children – Laura, 34, and Elizabeth, 20 – and her brother, who lives in Hickory. A son, Brant, 24, is stationed in Hawaii. And she is glad to be associated with the Center for the Environment.

She notes that moving away from the state where she had lived all her life helped her appreciate North Carolina even more. "I'm so excited to be back here," she says. "I am excited about working on protecting it and helping the community make good decisions. I'm appreciative of what's going on at the center and happy and privileged to be a part of it."

Alumna and her family survive Hurricane Katrina, and wade through its aftermath of red tape

Editor's Note: Catawba College Alumna Amy Gay Douglas '98 and her small family, husband Paul and daughters Gabby, age 3, and Wren, age 5 months, survived September's Hurricane Rita because they evacuated their home in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, about 20 miles north of Creole and south of Lake Charles. Now she and her family are living with her mother at her mother's home outside New Orleans and friends may contact her via e-mail at SqueegeATC@aol.com. Amy provides a chronological, first-person account of her family's experience in dealing with a hurricane and its aftermath in the following diary-style narrative.

Wednesday the 21st

Something doesn't look right about that storm. I've watched it for about a week now, and I just don't feel right about it. Paul has worked out-of-town for two weeks, so it's just me and the girls. I have no idea when he'll come home, so I start to pack. Just the little things like pictures, a small bag with three days of clothes for us -- those things. Paul is allowed to come home now, but he's worked all day, and had to drive home. He crashes in bed. By the time he wakes up, I have a few things loaded in the car already. Rita is still supposed to hit Galveston, so he doesn't want to leave. Choir practice is still on, so I head to church. No one there is planning on leaving either, so we decided to sing on Sunday. While I am gone, the storm moves a little. That's when we decided to leave.

Thursday the 22nd

Holy cow, that storm is now a 5, and headed right toward Cameron. Mandatory evacuation. Oh dear. Paul heads into town for some gas, and a few other things. In the two hours he's gone, I pack like a maniac. Thankfully the girls are good for me. I even managed to grab the girls' christening gowns and my wedding dress. We have a DVD player in the mini van, so I grab all the DVDs from the cases. Dog and cat food, litter pans and leashes. Computer

hard drive, every album and scrapbook I can find. Grab some food and water--who knows what the traffic will look like. Just random things now. I can barely think straight. Paul comes home and we put tin on all the windows. My hummingbirds are still here (we're in the migratory path-I get 40 at a time) so I leave up the feeders. One last goodbye, and we're on the road at noon. It actually only took us about five and a half hours for a usual four-hour drive. Mom lives just outside New Orleans, where Katrina hit. Not many people were headed East--there was nothing left there. Now North, oh boy. I have friends who sat for two hours to go about 10 miles. My aunt and uncle in Houston couldn't even make it to the highway, so they turned around and stayed in their home.

Friday the 23rd

Not much sleep last night. We're too worried. The girls seem to know something big is up. Wren has been sleeping through the night, but not now (and she doesn't for the next two weeks). The Weather Channel is on all day. Jeff Santores is kind of cute! We stay up until about 1 a.m., waiting for land fall. Why -- we have no idea. It doesn't change the outcome. It's hitting our house anyway. When we go to bed, the eye itself is predicted to go directly over Cameron and Lake Charles.

Saturday the 24th

The storm turned just a bit in the night. My house itself was spared the eye, but we don't know this yet. All we know is what we see on t.v. They show Lake Charles in shambles. No pictures at all of Cameron Parish. We find out why later. The entire lower part of the parish is inaccessible. From the Intercoastal Canal south there is nothing but the Gulf of Mexico. We stay glued to the t.v. looking for any sign of what happened in our tiny corner. Nothing.

Sunday the 25th

Some friends are on the Relief Team, so they head back into Grand Lake. They call on a cell phone which, strangely enough, is still working. The water is so high that they can't get anywhere near our house. I'm only two miles north of that Intercoastal Canal, and there's a smaller canal cut off of it that ends only a few hundred feet from my house. I pull out my flood insurance and homeowners' policies. Hmmm. We bought the house on September 24, 2001, four years ago. Sure hope my escrow account paid my insurance bills!!!!

The rest of the days are a bit foggy, but the water in Grand Lake and Sweetlake will not go down, so they blow a few levees. The Intercoastal has receded, and they hope our water will drain back into it. Still, the area south of us in Cameron Parish is completely underwater. Our friends made it down our street later in the week. Water is still in the house, but none of our trees are down. The roof appears to be intact.



Alumna Amy Gay Douglas '98 with husband Paul and daughter Gabby

Saturday October 1st

The evacuation is lifted, but we are instructed to "look and leave." We leave the girls with mom and make the four-hour drive home. We notice a few things the closer we get. A roof damaged, a billboard down. Some trees down. Nothing major. Then we turn south. Power poles everywhere. Someone's porch is ON TOP of the roof. Huge stands of pine trees are snapped in two. I'm getting nervous. We pull into our street and look at all the water still in the yards. We can't see the house--a huge tree is down and in our view. Water everywhere. There's the house. We can only park on the road. Still too much water in the yard. Resigned, we pull on some boots and try not to fall in the water. We usually have four steps. You can only see three. The water line on the door gives us a hint of what's to come. Paul has to kick in the door, since it's swollen shut. MUD EVERYWHERE is my first thought. And the musty odor is not pleasant. Mold all over the couch and chair. We bought that only six months ago. Paul notices the rat tracks in the mold. I find peanuts on the couch. The bag is on the kitchen table. All the toys in the girls' room floated around. Wren's dresser is face down on the floor. My house, humble as it is, is wrecked. The bathroom is worse than a porta-potty on Mardi Gras day. Mold growing on walls, Paul's desk is ruined. My broken-keyed, out-of-tune Piano!! Given to me by a friend who has since succumbed to brain cancer, the loss is purely sentimental, but still. We don't do much. Take some pictures, save as much dry clothing as possible and get the heck out.

We check on our friends. The next door neighbor is already trying to save his house. He's on a slab, and is much higher, so he only got about four inches. Enough to make a mess, but he can save his home. No one else is home yet. Some still have water in the house. I'm glad ours was up on pilings, or we would have lost everything. Two-three feet is



Water damage on front door of Douglas home

PASCAGOULA.

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A total of approximately 20 locations were visited by these three groups. The trip was quite an eye-opening adventure for all involved and many students wrote of their experiences in daily journals. These are their stories...

Day 1 – by Student Eric Finland of McLean, Va.

Today was the first day on the job. We drove from Ocean Springs into our adopted sister town, Pascagoula. We were split into three groups: Beth's Baboons, Emily's Emus, and Kurt's Kangaroos.

The first house that I went to had been flooded halfway up on the front door. The backyard was somewhat a mess and we moved a massive tree that had split at the roots and toppled over a fence. The owner of the house has a Chihuahua named Sam. Sam's story was as funny as it was sad. When the flood came in through the house, Sam floated on top of a couch and saved.

The second house that Kurt's Kangaroos went to was a nice house that had received minor damage. In the backyard, there was a shed that had apparently been flooded. We removed kids' toys and adults' lawnmowers, etc. The sad part about this visit was the house next to it had been completely demolished and here we were throwing away nearly new machinery and toys.

Our group's third task was a house in a low-income area. The street was called Midway and the drive there took us 45 minutes for what would typically be a 10 minute trip. Debris on the street and open refrigerators along with other gruesome visuals on the sides of the road could not prepare us for what we were about to see.

When we walked up to meet the owner of the house, Melody Horton, she and her husband were standing in the front lawn just staring at the destruction of what used to be called home. They hadn't touched their home since the hurricane hit it. Without knowing where to start, we came in and furiously tore up carpets caked over with remnants of contaminated water. In the side rooms, there was kids' clothing from the man's daughter and son, scattered across the whole house. While throwing these putrid smelling clothes outside the window, I picked up a Britney Spears CD that was filled with water. This brought a new found sense of reality to me. It showed how insignificant the lives of celebrities and how trivial my worries in life were compared to the ruins of this place.

While working, Melody's husband jokingly said if you look hard enough than you will find the hidden million dollars within the confines of the house.

A fellow student pulled out a jar with quarters in it. This was the million dollars the man was referring to. Even though the jar was filled with contaminated water, his eyes lit up. He explained how happy his daughter would be that we had found her bank. In the front of the house, I saw the husband's father picking up ruined pennies and nickels. This sight was also a reminder of how good I truly have it.

The back of the house had been blown out by the pressure of the water. What had caved it in was described as a massive swell, like in the movie "The Day After Tomorrow." Standing in the hole of the back wall, you could see the Gulf of Mexico through the trees. This was an indication of how badly they got hit. After tearing up the carpets and throwing out ceiling and wall debris, we had one last task left. This was to move the untouched refrigerator.

The refrigerator had been sitting in the flood with no electricity filled with food. Flies were buzzing around it. The worst aspect about it was the smell which emitted from it. Unopened, there was still a hint putrid rotten stench. Immediately, two students rolled this refrigerator outside to be left at the end of the drive with the other abandoned belongings of the household. As the house was finished and gutted, the owners gave us many thanks for all our efforts.

As my roommate and friends were at home with their families, the Mission Trip volunteers of Catawba College students and staff had formed a family out in the muck and debris in Pascagoula Mississippi. There was bonding and an experience that was a fall break I'll always remember.

Day 2 – by Student Tiffany Cox of O'Fallon, Ill.

This house was an experience. The family who lived there had not opened the house for two months, except to get their dogs out after the storm. They stayed at their aunt's house during the storm and were not allowed to bring the two dogs along. The water line in the house was about 5.5 ft.-6 ft. high. When the family returned after the storm, the dogs were found sitting on their master bed which was floating in 4ft of water. The refrigerator was in the living room and the dryer was on top of the kitchen sink counter. There was no furniture in the house but the pillows from the couch they had before were still there.

We wore masks, goggles, and two pairs of gloves... Everything was stuck together with mud, old flood water, and black mold. The mold was absolutely everywhere. Everything was furry. I got nauseous



Catawba students helped clean-up at 18 different homes of front-line workers.

several times which has never happened before. Kurt decided that due to the unsafe conditions we would retrieve whatever we could and head out. We found a lot of jewelry and china that was salvageable. The owners were extremely grateful for our efforts.

Although the situation was dangerous, we all wished we could have done more because there was no way that they could have cleaned the house all by themselves.

Day 3 – by Student Lauren Weaver of China Grove

We had breakfast and then headed to Mrs. Edna Bates' home. Aunt Edna, as we called her, had the best Gone-With-the-Wind-Mississippi accent. They were living in a mobile home provided by FEMA. Her young grandson Jared was there also. She showed us the items that she could keep that were outside under her carport.

A man was there building a shed behind her house. Some of us moved things into the shed while several other students and I began tearing up the hardwood flooring inside. Two students took turns pulling up the 1" x 5" pieces that were super glued to the cement floor, while I swept them up and another student carried them to the curb. Jared told us it took five minutes to do what it took them an hour to do. We all just about cried.

We worked so hard to get as much done for them as we could. Mr. Bates insisted on taking us to lunch. All the seafood restaurants we tried were closed; he told us it was the first time they had been out to the main road since the storm. We ended up at What-A-Burger.

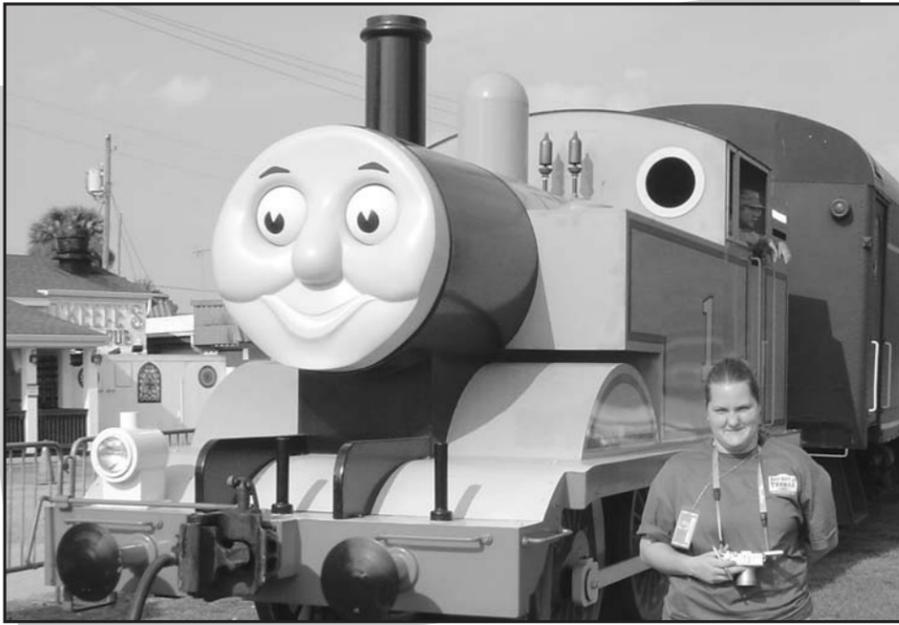
Edna told us about how she sat on the couch with Jared while two feet of water rose in an hour and a half. She said she prayed until it stopped because she is deathly afraid of water and can't swim. The water went down in about an hour and a half. Mr. and Mrs. Bates and Jared hugged us all. She almost cried, telling us how much we had helped them. I'll never forget Jared telling another student, Nate: "Wow, you're awesome mister!"



22 students spent 3 days aiding the victims of Hurricane Katrina over fall break.

Alumna is on the circuit with Thomas the Tank Engine

Catawba College Alumna Eva Keen of Linwood was just a small town gal who had never traveled widely until she started catching flights to rendezvous with Thomas the Tank Engine at far-flung places around the United States. And, she'll readily admit that she'd never heard of Sir Topham Hatt nor Percy until last year when she landed a week-end job working with an event at the N.C. Transportation Museum in Spencer.



Alumna Eva Keen '05 poses with Thomas the Tank Engine

Now Keen, a 2005 graduate who earned her degree in information systems, is regularly earning frequent flier miles and navigating her way alone in places she's never been before. She's having the time of her life, but says the job that takes her traveling "sort of fell into my lap."

"While I was a student last year, I responded to an e-mail distributed on campus where they were seeking weekend help for an event at the Transportation Museum," she recalls. "I was hired as local help at the 2004 Day Out With Thomas. I mainly helped in the tent selling digital photos of children posing with Thomas the Tank Engine."

"Later in the spring, the guy who had hired me called to see if I would be interested in coordinating some events," she continues. "I told him I was working toward graduating in May and that I couldn't let anything stop me from that. He was very understanding and told me to just keep it in mind and then to call him after I had graduated. I did and here I am."

Keen now works as an event coordinator for J.E. Davis Photography, taking and selling photographs of children as they pose with Thomas the Tank Engine

at different Day Out With Thomas events held around the country. Between March and November, she's on the road. Her typical work week begins on Wednesday when she travels to a location. On Thursday, she scouts the event site and begins to double check and set up her equipment. The Day Out With Thomas events normally run Friday through Sunday and that's when Keen feels that she's at her very best.

"Traveling to and setting up in different locations keeps me from being bored," she says. "I like it when it's different, when there are problems to solve. In a new place, you have to gauge how willing people are to help you and who the right person is to ask for help in getting the job done."

"Event photography is very different from leisure photography. I have to get the very best pictures in the shortest amount of time. One of our biggest goals is to get through every line at each event while still taking a quality photo of every child and family. We actually print photos onsite or put them on a CD."

Although Keen will admit that she was not a Thomas the Tank Engine fan, she is continually wowed by what a celebrity Thomas is to kids. "One little boy came up and asked me, 'Is Percy here?' He was disappointed when he found out that engine was not there because it was his very favorite. At another location, a kid who was maybe 3 or 4 years old brought about a half-dozen of his pacifiers in a baggy to give to Thomas. It was like a family ritual since his older brother had done them same thing. That little boy was telling Thomas that he was now a big boy and no longer needed the pacifiers. I've also seen children make posters and cards for Thomas wishing him a 'Happy Birthday' or bring him water when they think he's thirsty."

Perhaps what Keen finds most amazing is just how popular Thomas is. And this year, as Thomas celebrates his 60th anniversary she sees new signs that his popularity will continue to increase. One event she worked in Union, Illinois this year drew over 11,000 people in one day. She notes the special merchandise based on characters from The Railway Series books, originally created by Reverend Wilbert V. Awdry of Great Britain, and explains that many of the earlier wooden novelty items have been retired and have become collectibles.

HIT Entertainment has the licensing rights to Thomas the Tank Engine and coordinates the 43 events where kids can ride a train with Thomas. J.E. Davis Photography, is contracted by HIT Entertainment to take and sell souvenir photographs at the different railroad museums.

Although Keen's not working in a position directly related to her major, she's tapping into resources that her liberal arts education helped her developed. She's problem solving, coordinating people and supplies in new surroundings, using her people skills for negotiation and sales, and successfully marketing her company's product. She's traveled far from the two factory jobs she held as she worked her way through college and she's even surer now that she "doesn't want to be 70 years old and working in a factory."

Keen found herself close to home and her alma mater when she and Thomas returned again to Spencer and the N.C. Transportation Museum September 30-October 2 and October 7-9.

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East Coast Alumni Receptions

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Nine new directors added to College Alumni Board

Nine new members have been added to the Catawba College Alumni Association Board of Directors.

They include Avery Bordeaux '61 of Raleigh, Jill Ridenhour Chalmers '85 of Salisbury, Chuck Farthing '75 of Harrisonburg, Va., John Gust '02 of Falls Church, Va., Jerry Hancock '03 Clinton, S.C., Tony Klubert '86 of Hickory, Tameka Lundy '02 of Temple Hills, Md., Jane Smith-Steinberg '66 of Salisbury, and Phil Stillman '86 of Matthews.

These new members join the following returning members: John Graham '62 of Salisbury, Vickie Hardy '81 of Advance, John Hartpence Jr. '64 of Salisbury, Kelly McKinley Kepley '87 of Powder Springs, Ga., Alison Horner Klopp '95 of Mooresville, Scott Martin '92 of Huntsville, Ala., Theresa Wallace Matthews '79 of Denton, Shannon Davenport McCoy '03 of Salisbury, George A. Noble '53 of Salisbury, Jonathan Partee '94 of Fayetteville, Debbie Book Shelton '71 of Oak Ridge, Randy Southard '74 of Stokesdale, R. J.

Speaks '99 of Winston Salem, and Dr. Charles E. Suber '96 of Morganton.

The purpose of the Alumni Association is to further the well-being of the College and its alumni through activities designed to increase the interest of its members in the College and in each other.

Margaret Faust '89, Director of Alumni and Parent Relations says the College is "thrilled with the caliber of alumni who have accepted this volunteer role and are already off to an exciting new school year!"

TRUSTEE....

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budget with financing option recommendations. Total cost for the projects, including financing options, is \$29.2 million.

Recommendations in the report included: Phase I – expansion and renovation of the existing library into a new academic center (a project already in the works with Salisbury architect Bill Burgin); Phase II – development of a new residence hall which would entail the elimination of Abernethy and Foil House residence halls, and the cosmetic upgrade of Woodson Hall; Phase III – expansion of the existing Cannon Student Center; Phase IV – renovation of the existing Cannon Student Center; and Phase V – development of a new physical plant facility and additional campus parking.

Representatives of Lawler-Wood spoke about their reliance on Catawba's Strategic Plan in guiding their work on the targeted master plan. Its key elements include the institution's commitment to embrace scholarship, character, culture, and service; to increase academic standards of its incoming students in order to move Catawba from a select to a more select institution; and to be a purposeful and open community. The consultants also compared Catawba's existing facilities with those of its targeted aspirant institutions, including Centre College in Kentucky, Hendrix College in Arkansas, and Rhodes College in Tennessee.

Lawler-Wood Vice President Scott Seaman said razing Abernethy and Foil House and building a new residence hall on campus which would have both apartment and suite-style residential units for students would make Catawba more competitive with its peer institutions.

Expansion and renovation of the Cannon Student Center, renovated in the 1980s, would provide more places for students to gather and interact outside of classrooms and residence halls. These changes would provide more formal and informal spaces for campus and community events, a larger book store, and would relocate the campus wellness center from the basement of Hoke Hall to the Cannon Student Center.

Expansion of the Cannon Student center would necessitate the demolition of the current maintenance/storage building and require construction of a new physical plant facility and additional parking at another location on campus.

At the conclusion of Lawler-Wood's presentation, trustees passed a resolution which endorsed the concepts and recommendations outlined in the

Targeted Master Plan and authorized College administrators to consult further with that firm to refine the proposal. A final proposal would then be acted on by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees.

NCAA Appeal

College Administrators reported to trustees on the work that has been completed since a summer ruling by the NCAA concerning Catawba and 17 other institutions' use of Indian names and mascots for their athletic teams. The NCAA ruled that the use of Indian names and mascots by those institutions was "hostile and abusive." The athletic governing body also warned that those institutions could face sanctions such as being prohibited from playoff competition if they did not either change their mascots or team names or provide a strong appeal to counter the NCAA ruling.

Working with the College's Athletic Task Force, administrators formulated a plan of action which entailed meeting with Gilbert Blue, chief of the Catawba Indian Nation in Rock Hill, S.C. After that meeting, Chief Blue provided Catawba with a letter wherein his tribe sanctioned the use of the term, "Catawba Indians," by Catawba's athletic teams. As an additional outcome of that meeting, Chief Blue and College officials agreed to work closely together to promote awareness of the heritage of the Catawba Indians in the Carolinas and to develop collaborative programs which would benefit both the tribe and the College.

Based on the information provided them, Trustees authorized College officials to appeal the NCAA's ruling against Catawba.

Other Business

In other matters, Catawba College Trustee and Chairman of Catawba's Endowment Campaign Chester A. "Junie" Michael III '70 of Mooresville gave trustees an update on the College's campaign effort to date. He said that \$22.5 million had been raised toward the \$35 million goal. He noted that 30 of the 48 trustees who had been contacted about making gifts to this effort had responded positively with contributions.

Michael serves as campaign chair, while Trustees James F. Hurley and Ralph W. Ketner, both of Salisbury, serve as honorary co-chairmen of the endowment campaign. Trustee William Graham serves as the Rowan County campaign chair. Other members of the campaign steering

committee include trustees Darlene L. Ball '62 of Greensboro, Barry D. Leonard '65 of Greensboro, Samuel A. Penninger Jr. '63 of Alpharetta, Ga., Charles G. Potts '53 of Charlotte, Richard J. Seiwell '67 (ex-officio) of West Chester, Pa., Ronald L. Smith of Salisbury, and Tom E. Smith '64 (ex officio) of Salisbury.

In addition to raising funds for the endowment which will allow Catawba to provide scholarships for students, the campaign effort will raise funds to endow professorships, to maintain and upgrade specific facilities, including the Leonard Lounge of the Cannon Student Center, to establish endowment funds for academic and student programs and the College's work study program which provides on-campus employment for students.

Trustees approved the annual audit and the current fund budget for 2005-2006. They also voted unanimously to grant Trustee Richard "Dick" McGimsey of Roanoke, Va., who recently resigned from the board after 22 years of service, trustee emeritus status.

ESTATE PLANNING: Things to Know

No matter your net worth, it's important to have an estate plan in place, to ensure that your family and financial goals are met after you die. An estate plan has several elements.

- Have a will
- Assign a power of attorney
- Assign a living will or health-care proxy

After taking an inventory of assets, ask yourself several questions:

- Whom do you want to inherit your assets?
- Whom do you want handling financial affairs if you are incapacitated?
- Whom do you want making medical decisions if incapacitated?

Most important, by having a will, you can tell the world who you want to have your assets. Die without one, and the state decides who gets what, without regard to your wishes. If you have any question or concerns about estate planning please contact Eric Nianouris in the Development Office at 1.800.CATAWBA or e-mail enianour@catawba.edu

Catawba coed from Connecticut brings her solace with her to Salisbury

The parents of Catawba College first-year student Kathleen "Kat" Weigel of East Haven, Connecticut knew she'd be a long way from home when she started college this year and would probably experience some separation anxiety. They had heard that one way to ease that anxiety was to allow Kat to bring something familiar from home with her to college. And so, she did.

Five or six miles up the road from the Catawba College campus is the apple of Kat's eye – a very tall, handsome brown-eyed fellow named Ben. He's her ten-year-old appendix, half pure thoroughbred and half pure quarter horse, in residence at Highland Hills Stables.

Several times a week, the five-foot tall Kat drops by to see Ben, a blood bay who stands 16 hands and two fingers high. She rides English-style and puts Ben through his paces across jumps she set up. The pair often competes competitively and need to stay in practice and in synch, another reason to bring Ben along when Kat came to college in North Carolina.

"I can't stand being without him – he's my life," Kat says of Ben. "It took us 19 hours to get here from Connecticut and when I first brought him here I think he thought he was going to be sold. Now, he seems to realize 'So here we are, you and me,' and he's like a puppy again, following me around."

Kat, who has been riding since she was eight years old, bought Ben when she was only in the eighth grade. The pair has been inseparable ever since. Although he was greenbroke when she found him and knew his paces – walk, trot and canter, she has spent hours training him as a jumper. And Ben, she says, has trained her as well.

"He taught me that how I sit on him and the pressure I apply with my thighs and knees can make him feel nervous," she recalls. "Now, we kind of spend some time at the beginning of our riding, just getting in synch with each other. I'm in the saddle and he's just standing there quietly and we have sort of our moment of zen."

Why Catawba? Why Ben? Both matched up to criteria Kat put down on two separate lists. Catawba met her requirements with its small student body, great theatre program and location in the South. Ben was a gelding, relatively young, a thoroughbred/quarterhorse who had been English-trained, and was greenbroke. Kat originally made two trips to Salisbury, one as a high school junior to actually see the campus, and the second as a high school senior to find



Ben with first-year student Kat Weigel

a stable for boarding Ben.

Now, she couldn't be happier. Her classes are going well and Ben is adjusting well to life at Highland Hills Stables. "Ben's my emotional outlet," she explains. "I feel better riding him, connecting with him. Our bond just makes me feel better."

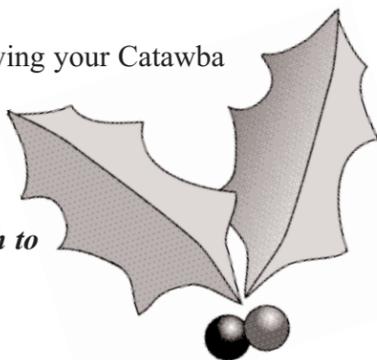
And, what if Kat meets a companion of the two-legged variety while she's here at Catawba? They also have to meet one very important criteria she says: "My slogan is 'Love me, love my horse.'"

Kat, who plans to major in theatre arts at Catawba, is the daughter of Warren and Kimberly Weigel and one of four children in her family.

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coaches' box at the stadium bears their name in commemoration. The couple supported the Campaign for Catawba, a \$59.6 million effort which raised funds for capital and infrastructure improvements, and has long made annual gifts to the College.

Fuller, who is retired as a commercial real estate developer, now works managing commercial property which he owns. Born and raised in Lumberton, he was the youngest of five children and the first in his family to attend college. After a brief stint in the U.S. Army (1946-1948), he chose Catawba because a couple of his friends were planning to go and encouraged him to join them.

"When I got out of the service, I knew I wanted to go to a small school," he says. "My goal was to get an education and that was one reason I didn't want to attend a large institution."

What Fuller found at Catawba was a close-knit college community where he "wasn't just a number." He played basketball during all four of his college years and made friends that have lasted a lifetime.

"I have a place in my heart for Catawba," he explains. "I didn't realize what it meant to me until I got away from it."

Fuller's two sons, Mark and David, have followed their father's footsteps and are employed as commercial real estate brokers. And, Fuller notes, that he and wife Jane are especially proud of their two grandchildren, Elizabeth, 15, and William Alexander, 17.

College cookbooks available

Faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends of Catawba College have pooled their culinary resources into a new cookbook, "Catawba Cooks." And now, this collection of 311 favorite recipes is available for purchase in Catawba's bookstore on campus, with proceeds to benefit on and off-campus service and charitable organizations.

Ninety-two members of the college community contributed recipes for the cookbook. Two staff members, Chuck Williams and Laura VanDenBerg, provided photographs, while student Emily Nien '06 provided artwork. Cookbook committee members who collected and compiled recipes included Julia Baranski, Elaine Carothers, Emily Gross, Lori Sipes, Dee Woodie and Nan Zimmerman.

Cookbook sections include Appetizers & Relishes, Soups & Salads, Vegetables & Side Dishes, Meats & Main Dishes, Breads & Rolls, Desserts, and Catawba Classics. There is also a special section on cooking tips and information.

Cost for "Catawba Cooks" is \$8 for faculty, staff, alumni and visitors, and \$5 for students. For an additional \$2 for postage and handling, the cookbooks can be mailed. For additional information, contact Dee Woodie at 704-637-4514.



SERVICE OF APPRECIATION...

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Dick Seiwell and his sister, Marty, are the children of the late Catawba College Campus Minister, the Reverend Porter Seiwell, and his wife Maria. Through the establishment of this endowment, they recognized not only the importance of campus ministry to their parents but also to generations of Catawba students, and they spearheaded the endowment efforts as a way to sustain that ministry. They pledged up to a total of \$250,000 to match contributions to this effort and encouraged others whose lives had been touched by Catawba's Campus Ministry to provide financial support also.

Many did, including Catawba Alumni Tom '77 and Mary Jo '75 Dennard of Charlotte who provided a \$50,000 early lead gift. More than 100 other individuals also participated in this campaign, including Catawba College Trustees the Rev. Drs. Richard Cheek '47 and Billy Joe Leonard '50, both of whom served as honorary chairmen for the campaign effort.

"On behalf of the Dayvault/Seiwell families, I thank you all," Richard Seiwell told those gathered. "We are inspired and humbled by the generosity, love and support. It's been years since Marty or I have spoken in this Chapel – it was 33 years ago since I last spoke here, and 41 years ago since Marty last spoke here. It was when our dad asked us one question and we said, 'I do,' two words that changed both of our lives forever."

"We were married here, our daughter Susan was baptized here and dad's funeral was held here," Marty Dayvault noted. "Our parents loved this College and would be proud of the fact that so many people have contributed to continue their legacy of campus ministry. Dad was fond of saying, 'Remember your roots,' and today, all of us say thank you for remembering your roots and for keeping the spirit of Mom and Dad alive through campus ministry."

College President Knott called the late Pastor Porter Seiwell "part of Catawba's lore," and thanked the Seiwells and the Dayvaults for leading the effort which brought the community to celebrate the achievement of a \$1 million endowment for campus ministry.

The Service concluded with the unveiling of a plaque listing the names of donors which will be placed in the narthex of the Chapel.

*The Catawba College Department of Music
Presents the Annual*

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A Service of Lessons and Carols

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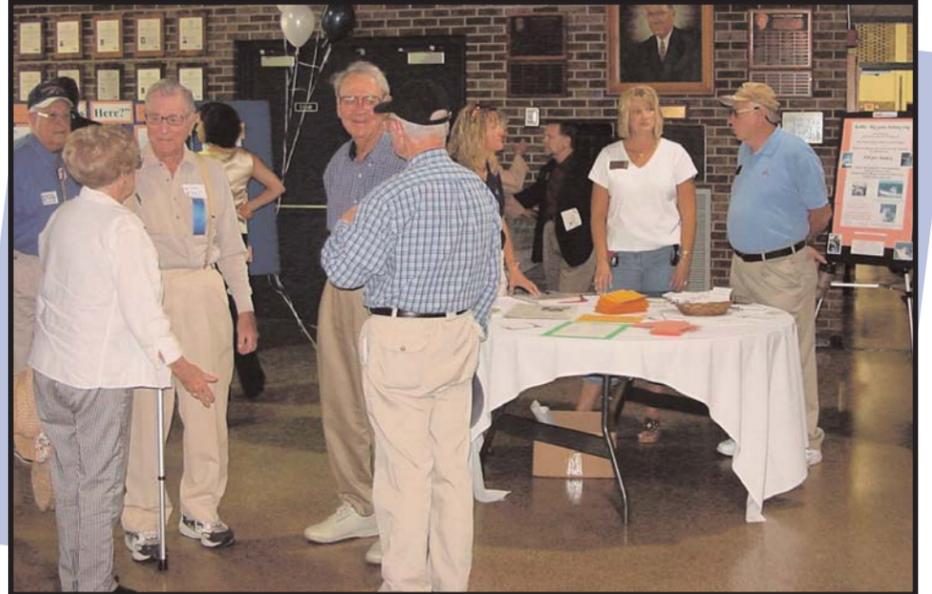
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Golden Club inductees from the class of 1955.



Student parade...getting in the spirit!

And the party continued Saturday night!



The 1970s!



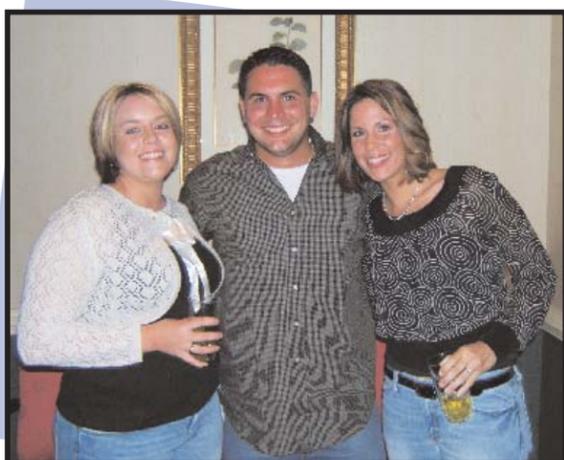
The 1960s!



The 90s having fun!



The 1980s!



A few cuties from the 2000s!



*Grant '55 and Evelyn Biesecker
back for Homecoming!*

Four College alumni recognized during homecoming

Four graduates of Catawba College were recognized as Distinguished Alumni Saturday, Oct. 15 during the College's Homecoming Weekend activities. Their award presentations were made during a noon barbecue luncheon for alumni held in the Goodman Gymnasium prior to the College's football game against Newberry College.

Joseph "Joe" R. Gorman '74 of Greensboro,

West Coast operations, president of SP Recycling Corp. (the wholly owned recycling subsidiary) and chief financial officer.

A member of Catholic Church in Greensboro, Ga., Gorman currently serves on the board of directors for American Forest and Paper Association and on Catawba College's Board of Visitors. He previously served on the board of the Dublin United Way and the Dublin Rotary Club, and has served as president of Dublin Exchange Club, Dublin Toastmasters, and the Dublin Country Club. He and wife Sharon Cochran Gorman '77 have three children, Bill, Russell and Julie.

G. Edward Hughes

G. Edward Hughes is the founding president and chief executive officer of Gateway Community and Technical College in Ft. Mitchell, Ky. During his 32-year career in higher education, he has served as a faculty member, division chair, dean and president in four different community colleges. Following his graduation from Catawba, he earned his master's degree in psychology from Middle Tennessee State University and his Ph.D. in higher education

from Southern Illinois University.

He serves as chairman of the President's Academy for the American Association of Community Colleges, as president and a member of the executive committee of the Southern Association of Community, Junior, and Technical Colleges, as chairman of the United Way of Northern Kentucky, and as founder and chairman of the Challenger Center of Kentucky. He served on Catawba College's Board of Visitors from 1998 through 2004, and is a charter member of Catawba's Tower Society. He also has been a President's Circle donor at Catawba for the past 27 years. He and his wife of 21 years, Sarah, have three adult children, Laurie, Lauren and Jennifer.

Ray Oxendine

Ray Oxendine spent his career in education, serving as a teacher, a football, baseball, wrestling, and track coach, an assistant principal, and as a

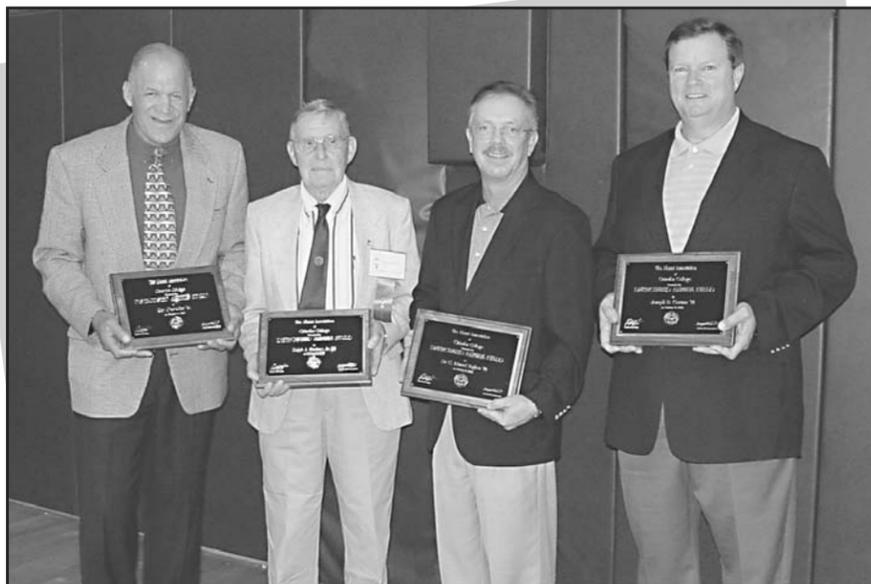
principal at various high schools across North Carolina. These schools included Mt. Airy Senior High, Greensboro's Grimsely High, Hallsboro High, Acme-Delco High, East Montgomery High, West Montgomery High, Purnell Swett High, South Robeson High, Scotland High and East Laurinburg Academy. He also coached at Catawba, serving as assistant football and head baseball coach for almost a decade.

A U.S. Army veteran, he served for three years with the 82nd and the 11th Airborne Division, spending two years in Germany. After his graduation from Catawba, he earned his master's degree in public school administration from Appalachian State University and completed post-graduate work as an educational specialist at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. His awards and honors are numerous. He was inducted in to the N.C. High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame in 2002 and is also a member of the Catawba College Sports Hall of Fame and the N.C. American Legion Baseball Hall of Fame. He was named principal of the year in 1992-1993, by the N.C. High School Association of Administrators and was Principal of the Year for the Montgomery County Schools in 1985. Most recently, he spent several weeks in Mississippi, working with the American Red Cross to deliver Hurricane Katrina Disaster Relief. A member of First Presbyterian Church in Maxton, he is father of two daughters, seven grandsons and one granddaughter.

Ralph J. Sturkey

Ralph Sturkey is a retired U.S. Marine major who served in World War II and saw action in battles in Okinawa, China and Iwo Jima. He notes he actually saw the American Flag fly over Iwo Jima following the battle there. He also served on the faculty of a Marine Officer's School. He was employed by A.B. Dick Corporation in Chicago in Chicago for 20 years rising to vice president of personnel and public relations, and since 1970, he has been a private investor in Florida.

Sturkey worked his way through Catawba, working after his classes and fulltime during the summers. He completed graduate courses at the University of Chicago and Harvard University. For 39 years, he has been a member of Catawba's Founder's Society and is also a member of its Tower Society. A member of First Methodist Church in Salisbury, he is married to wife Eloise.



L-R: Ray Oxendine '61, Ralph Sturkey '39, G. Edward Hughes '72 and Joseph Gorman '74

Ga., G. Edward Hughes '72 of Union, Ky., Ray Oxendine '61 of Maxton, and Ralph J. Sturkey '39 of Salisbury received Catawba's Distinguished Alumnus Awards, given annually by the Alumni Association Board of Directors. They join other Catawba alumni who have been cited for their service to their communities, their expertise in their professions, and their service to the College community as award recipients.

Joseph "Joe" R. Gorman

Since January 2004, Joseph "Joe" R. Gorman has served as president and chief executive officer of SP Newsprint Company, which is headquartered in Atlanta, Ga., and is the fourth largest producer of newsprint in North America. As a 26-year veteran of the company that he now heads, he has served in a number of capacities, including executive vice president and chief operating officers, senior vice president, vice president and general manager of



Catawba Alumni Give Commemorative Towel to College

Catawba College Alumni, Gordon Kirkland '70 and his sister, Martha Kirkland West '59, both of Salisbury, have donated a commemorative towel to the College which had belonged to their father, the legendary Catawba Football Coach Gordon Kirkland. It is framed and now hangs in the football coaches suite in the Hayes Field House on campus.

According to West, the towel was one of dozens made in the excitement of the 1947 football season when Catawba won 10 games and lost only one in the regular season, and allowed their opponents to score only 27 collective points. That loss was to VMI, but despite that, the team won the North State Conference championship and went on to win their second Tangerine Bowl championship.

Coach Kirkland coached football at Catawba from 1934 to 1949. When he was elected posthumously to the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame in 1998, one of these same commemorative towels was donated by his children for display in the Hall in Raleigh.

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bad enough. Four-five, even worse. We check on some more friends. The ones who checked on our house are OK. They lost some siding, and the meter base. Her parents however, lived in Cameron Proper. When they finally get home a week later, they discover the doors and windows blown out, the carpet ripped up, and the kitchen un-painted. The water must have been very powerful. The only thing intact is the metal roof. Today, Oct 1, is their 50th anniversary. We were supposed to be enjoying a wonderful "wedding" ceremony by now. Instead, we're all forcing ourselves to be cheerful. The ride home feels like a wake.

Saturday October 8th

We venture back to save a few more things. Blankets, sheets and towels that were in the cabinet. Any books that were high. We're hoping to save things before the mold starts to grow on that too. We're probably just in time. My upper cabinets had mold on them, and they didn't get wet. We grab a few treasures that we know were wet, but we're hoping a few good washings will save them. We leave the dishes, silverware, and those sorts of things. We've filled the back of my mini van, and mom's suburban, and I can always soak all that in bleach later. The mold growth in just a week is impressive! We take a trip west to see the "town" of Grandlake (keep in mind how tiny our population is!) We can see evidence of the eyewall now. More damage. The wind ripped right through some things. Some houses have no roofs left--no joists or anything, and then there will be a trailer right next to a damaged home that it is unscathed. Weird.

Thursday October 20th

We've told Gabby that her house is broken, and we showed her some pictures. She seems to understand. We're allowing her to plan her new bedroom. Apparently, it'll be Strawberry Shortcake!! Wren has no opinion. FEMA already did an inspection, and the guy said they'll probably total it.

We see the Flood and Homeowners guys this coming Saturday. We're already on a list for a FEMA trailer but they've lost two of our applications for it already. That could take months. Living with mom is not a hardship at all -- it's easier than I thought it would be. Now that I'm a parent, we see eye-to-eye on just about everything. She enjoys having the girls, and I enjoy her company. I'll miss that when we move out. Of course, that could be months!!

Red tape with filing claims???? YES! And I've barely started. FEMA doesn't have a clue, for one. The right hand doesn't know what the left hand is doing. Every phone conversation gives me a different answer. And I haven't even started fighting with Homeowners Insurance yet. The first insurance adjuster they assigned didn't show up and now we've been re-assigned to a new adjuster who will be calling us to make an appointment so we can drive another eight hours round trip with hopes that someone will show up next time. The flood insurance adjuster said we'd probably get the entire policy.

I now have two kids screaming so I need to go.

Tuesday October 25th

Adrian Whitley Gantt of Catawba who's been in Pascagoula, Mississippi on a college hurricane relief trip paid us a visit today. She and I were students together. She and some students delivered a care package that the Catawba choirs had put together for us. Wren is already attached to a stuffed Blue (From "Blue's Clues") and Gabby loves the puzzles. I'm writing Mrs (Rosemary) Kinard next to thank her and the choirs. Everyone has just been so wonderful to us. I knew I made the right choice by going to Catawba! Got a great husband, friends for life, and people who honestly care for me. I hope I can convince my daughter to attend one day.

- amy

Catawba College: A COLLEGE OF OUR OWN

Cost to buy Hedrick Administration building and the surrounding field:

\$46,818.60, in 1925.

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What is The Catawba Fund?

A whole lot of people, each contributing something.

With your help, a lot more becomes possible for Catawba College and our students. Together, we can create an amazing future for this college of our own, and help our students prepare for their own amazing futures. Gifts to the Catawba Fund help provide financial assistance, enhance academic programs, purchase laboratory supplies, and much more. Your "small" annual gift to the Catawba Fund adds up. After all, if they hadn't given then, we wouldn't be here now. If you don't give now, where will we be in the future?

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Cost of Hedrick Administration building from A College of Our Own: the first 150 years of Catawba College)



Soccer teams eye regional berths; women grab SAC title

Atie here an unexpected loss their, that was the story the past two years for the women's soccer team as the squad just missed on league titles. That did not happen in 2005. After a hiccup to start the season (a pair of 2-1 losses on the road to Barton and UNC-Pembroke) Catawba settled in and did not lose again during the regular season, a span of 14 matches, finishing with a 14-2-1 mark.

The Lady Indians posted shutouts in three of its first four matches then got a dramatic 2-1 overtime win at Carson-Newman as McKenzie Burman tallied just seconds before the extra time had expired. Catawba battled Tusculum to a scoreless draw and wrapped up the conference championship with a 4-2 win over Presbyterian.

Burman, who at one point in the season scored seven straight goals for the Lady Indians over five matches, made a habit of clutch goals. Ten of her school-record 20 goals proved to be game winners. She broke the record with an overtime winner against Mount Olive.

As good as Burman and the offense has played, the defense may have been better. Cathrine Balentine and Kathleen Blake have been in goal for a combined 0.51 goals against average. The keepers along with defenders Lindsay Layman, Leigh Telzrow, Hayley Bollinger and Alyssa Schoenberg have helped Catawba post 10 shutouts in 17 matches.

The women are ranked among the top 10 in the nation and should easily earn a berth in the NCAA II Southeast Region for the second straight year. A tournament re-match with Tusculum could decide which of the two will host the regional.

The Catawba men have also set themselves up for a return trip to the post-season. The Tribe were runners-up to Carson-Newman in the SAC and rank right behind the Eagles in the Appalachian Region rankings.

After falling to the Eagles, Catawba got key wins over nationally ranked Presbyterian and Tusculum to get back into the regional picture. Gareth Turnbull has sparked Catawba with 11 goals this season with Nathan Zuzga adding eight goals and six assists. Zay-Zay Gilewala and Jason Dumond each have five goals.

Football posts 11th straight winning season

Catawba's football team secured its 11th straight winning season and looked for another top four finish heading into the season finale against Lenoir-Rhyne. Catawba's season could have been even better, but two tough overtime losses at home were costly to the Tribe's hopes of returning to the NCAA II playoffs.

The Indians entered the season with holes to fill on offense with the loss of their all-time leading rusher and passer. Brad Roach turned in a solid season at quarterback, throwing for just over 200 yards per game and 15 touchdowns. Catawba also found an ample replacement in the backfield as sophomore Kory Fisher broke the single-season rushing record with 1,040 yards entering the final game.

On defense, the Tribe was plagued by injuries before the season even started. Starters linemen Kolby Fisher and Lawrence Edwards never played a down and Marcus Huntley and James House among others missed action with injuries. Even linebacker SaMario Houston played at less than 100% most of the season.

Despite that, the defense was still one of the tops in the league. Newcomers Pierre Deshauteurs and Kendra Council along with Ron Ellington helped fill the holes in the line. Ellington set a school record with seven sacks against Mars Hill. Darryl Locklear, Bryan Biggs and Lester Sconyers played key roles

and the young secondary from a year ago

began to come into their own with Charles Morman ranked among league-leaders in interceptions.

Catawba will have to replace two key receivers next year as Corey Ready, who was closing in on Nick Means' all-time record, and Rod Tenor graduate. The Tribe also loses three starters on the offensive line, but will look for a healthier season in 2006.

Fall sports wrap-up

The Catawba volleyball team had to reload this season after the graduation of eight seniors. The team showed promise, taking a game off nationally-ranked Florida Southern, but have found themselves on the short end in five five-game matches.

Freshmen Melissa Griffith and Melissa Powers headed the list of young players. Griffith has led the way in kills and is second in digs. Powers is second in blocks and third in kills. Another key addition has been sophomore setter Andi Henderson. Henderson is one of the league-leaders in assists and is second on the team in aces.

Lone senior Summer Zuck has paced the team in service aces and is recording nearly three digs per game. Amanda Nantz, who saw limited action over her first two years has stepped up, leading the team in blocks and is second in kills.

The Lady Indian field hockey team has won five games, the most since 1999. Freshman Susan Hearn has led the team as she has scored 15 goals this season, just two shy of the school record.

Rori Godsey ran to second team all-conference honors in cross country as the women were seventh at the conference meet. Brad Heron led the men with a 32nd place finish.

Men's Basketball to face Tar Heels then play in Hawaii

The Catawba men's basketball team heads into the 2005-06 season as the unanimous pick to repeat as conference champions. The Indians return all five starters from last year's squad that earned a spot in the NCAA II Tournament before losing a tight battle (85-81) to eventual national champion Virginia Union.

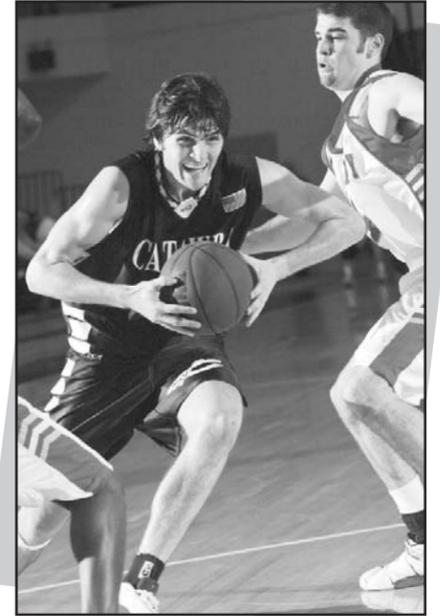
The Indians will also look forward to an exhibition game with the defending NCAA I Champions, the North Carolina Tar Heels. Catawba will travel to the Dean Smith Center for a tip-off with the UNC on Nov. 12. Catawba will also travel to Honolulu, Hawaii, just before Christmas to play in the Hoop N' Surf Classic.

Senior Helgi Magnusson returns after leading the Tribe in both scoring and rebounding last season, averaging 14.7 points and 6.8 boards a game. The Iceland National Team performer is a pre-season All-America selection by Street and Smith magazine.

The other returning starters are junior point guard Brian Graves, a second team all-conference selection, Ahmad Murphy, Jolly Manning and Andy Thomson. Sixth-man Jamel Hamilton, who earned SAC All-Freshman honors is another key to the offense.

The Catawba women are picked fifth in the conference pre-season poll and there will be a bevy of new faces on the court this season for the Lady Indians after the graduation of eight seniors last year. Three of those players were starters, including all-conference pick Ashley Cox, and two others played significant minutes.

Although the starting backcourt graduated, the Lady Indians do return Hannah Davis and Tamekia Foster up front. The two were the leading rebounders as Foster averaged 6.4 boards a game and Davis five per contest. Each scored at a 9.3 per game clip.



Men's basketball - 2005 regular season SAC champions



Women's soccer - 2005 regular season SAC champions

Former Catawba College Vice President, Dean and English Professor Dies

Dr. Charles Turney of Salisbury died August 13.

A native of Philadelphia, Pa., he was reared on the campus of Crozer Theological Seminary in Chester, Pa. He earned his bachelor and master's degrees from the University of Richmond, and his Ph.D. in English from Rutgers University. He held a Williams Fellowship for graduate study at Richmond and a Teaching Fellowship for his graduate work at Rutgers. He also attended the Institute of Education Management at Harvard University.

He served in the U.S. Merchant Marine and the United States Army (Signal Corps). He served as vice-president and dean of academic affairs at Catawba College between 1969 and 1980. In 1980, he resigned as dean to chair the English Department and to teach. He retired in 1993. Prior to his service at Catawba, he had chaired the Literature and Languages Department at the University College of the University of Richmond, Va.

A frequent lecturer to literary and professional groups, as well as a book reviewer for the Richmond Times-Dispatch and the Salisbury Post, he was the former president of the Salisbury-Rowan Symphony Society. He was named Outstanding Educator in America in 1970.

Survivors include his wife of 45 years, Ruth Vieira de Figueiredo Turney, along with children Paul and Quelly Turney, and four grandchildren.

Memorial funds to the college will establish the Charles Turney award. Contributing may be sent to: Charles Turney Award, Catawba College, 2300 West Innes Street, Salisbury, N.C. 28144.

Three Who Contributed to Catawba's Football Program Die

Three men, a coach and two alumni who were involved in Catawba College's Football Program have died.

Former Coach Pres Mull of Lexington, N.C., who led the Indians during the 1959 through the 1961 seasons, died November 30. Alumni Harold W. Carter '56 of Wingate, N.C. and Dr. Amadeo F. Tomaini Sr. '42 of Crawfordville, Fla., died November 28 and May 25, respectively.

A World War II pilot, Mull spent most of his career coaching football. Before and after his stint at Catawba, he worked as an educator and coached high school football at Lexington High School. Under his leadership, the Lexington Yellow Jackets won the Western N.C. State Championship in 1967. In 1971, he served as head coach for the Shrine Bowl. He is a member of both the Davidson County and the State of N.C. Hall of Fame.

Carter, who is a member of both Catawba College's and Davidson County's Hall of Fame and a Little All-American, spent most of his post-Catawba years as head football coach at Forest Hills and Monroe High Schools. An avid golfer, he won numerous trophies on the Senior Amateur Golf Circuit. He is survived by wife Dianne Hargett Carter who is a 1955 Catawba alumna.

Tomaini, whose was given the nickname "Army" by Sportscaster Red Barber, played tackle for the Indians. He also played one year in that position for the N.Y. Giants. He had a varied career, working as a strong man for Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus, as the Masked Marvel and the Mad Russian in the New Jersey professional wrestling circuit, as a small business owner, and as a high school educator and coach. Tomaini's granddaughter Valerie is a 1996 Catawba alumna.

Former Dean of Catawba's Ketner School of Business Dies

Dr. Junius H. Terrell of Chapel Hill, the former dean of Catawba's Ketner School of Business, died November 27.

Born in Brookhaven, Miss., he was educated at Whitworth College, Louisiana State University, and the University of Texas at Austin. A C.P.A. in North Carolina and Texas, he taught at Bucknell University, Virginia Tech and the University of Texas prior to a 24-year tenure as professor of accounting at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He joined Catawba College as dean of the Ketner School of Business in 1990, a post he held until his resignation in 1993. During his time at Catawba, he was the recipient of the N.C. C.P.A. Foundation's "Outstanding Educator Award."

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Bonnie Black Terrell, daughter Rebecca Ann Perry of Atlanta, Ga., three sisters, two brothers and numerous nieces and nephews.

In Memoriam

'28 **Annie Belle McKnight Finger** of Concord died September 4.

She spent most of her life in Kannapolis and was married for 66 years to the late Dr. David Alton Finger '31, an optometrist. A homemaker, she was a longtime member of the Kannapolis Women's Club and Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church. She was a volunteer for the Girls Scouts of America.

Survivors include three children, David A. Finger, Jr. '54 of Mooresville, Phyllis F. Healey of Las Vegas, Nev., and Jon R. Finger Sr. of Kannapolis, six grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

'32 **Auburn Carpenter Hunsucker** of Conover died June 23.

A U.S. Army veteran of World War II, he served in England. He was employed by Newton Oil and Fertilizer, now Carolina Glove Company, for 65 years. He was a lifelong member of Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ.

He was predeceased by his wife of 59 years, Virginia Anthony Hunsucker, in 1997. Survivors include daughter Mary H. Roakes '64 and her husband Robert '63 of Salisbury, a grandson, a granddaughter, and four great-grandchildren.

'34 **Margaret Peacock Berkshire** of Salisbury died June 30.

Following her graduation from Catawba, she worked as a school teacher with the Salisbury City Schools. Later, she worked as a school secretary and was the first Welcome Wagon Hostess in Rowan County. She was a member of Milford Hills United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death in April, 2005 by husband Stanley Eugene "Jack" Berkshire. Survivors include son Stanley Wells Berkshire of Salisbury, and brothers Charles A. Charlie Peacock of Salisbury and Sam C. Peacock '36 of California.

'38 **Carl Graeber Tolbert** of Pawley's Island, S.C., died April 1.

A native of Salisbury, he attended Catawba and graduate from the University of Michigan School of Music. He earned his master's degree from the Teacher's College at Columbia University. He served in an Army Band in Europe during World War II. Early in his career, he was a high school band and orchestra director in Shreveport, La., before joining Mutual of New York Life Insurance Company. His work as an insurance executive with that company took him and his family to Atlanta, Columbia, and Mobile, Ala., and then onto Belgium, England and Germany.

In 1990, he rekindled his love of

music, taking up his clarinet and serving as soloist and chamber music player in the Minton Festival concerts. He was a member of All Saints' Episcopal Church, where he sang in the choir and played his clarinet during Sunday services.

He was predeceased by wife Katherine Jackson French in 2004. Survivors include son Carl Tolbert Jr. of Sarasota, Fla., daughter Kay Buckland of Bluffton, sister Dorothy Rogers of Tampa, Fla., and two grandsons.

'40 **Gladys Kluttz Stokes** of Gold Hill died June 27.

She attended Appalachian State Teachers College before graduating from Catawba College. She taught school for 37 years in Buncombe, Mecklenburg, Davidson, Cabarrus and Rowan County Schools. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Salisbury.

She was preceded in death in 1993 by husband Roy W. Stokes. Survivors include son Barry Dean Stokes of Salisbury, a niece, a nephew, and a great-nephew.

Ruth Lutz Erwin of Womelsdorf, Pa., died June 5.

She was retired as a registered nurse and social worker.

She is survived by four daughters, including Harriett L. Ziegenfuss '59 of Sinking Spring, Pa., two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Geraldine Gerhart Heiniman of Robeson, Pa., died September 11.

She formerly owned and operated a restaurant and later joined her late husband, Jay Heiniman, in operation of their own kitchen cabinet business, Richmaid Kitchens, Inc.

Survivors include son Tim Heiniman of Wernersville, Pa.

'45 **Helen Burton Paschke** of Portale, N.M. died May 28.

She is survived by husband Donald.

'48 **Doris Dry Sheneman** of Salisbury, formerly of Morristown, Tennessee, died September 8.

She was retired from Walter's State Community College and was a faithful member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. She was involved in Friends of the Library, Friends of Panther Creek State Park, the Girl's Club of Morristown, the Morristown Chamber Music Society, and the Theater Guild of Morristown. She was a member for more than 40 years of both book and bridge clubs in Morristown.

She was predeceased by husband Joseph D. Sheneman. Survivors include son Don Sheneman of Memphis, Tenn., daughter Celia Sheneman Sweeney of Denver, Colo., and four grandchildren.

'49 **James Earle "Jim" Willett** of China Grove died August 17.

While a student at

Catawba, he played football and was a member of the team that won the first-ever Peach Bowl. A U.S. Army veteran, he served as a military policeman during the Korean War. He was retired after 43 years of service as a supervisor of Cannon Mills Company's Distribution Center. He was a member of First United Methodist Church in China Grove and in earlier year, had been a member of the YMCA's Mens' Club.

Survivors include wife Carol Mitchell Willett, son Jim Willett Jr. of China Grove, sister Pat Hall '50 and Betty Bollinger, brother Hal Willett, and two grandchildren.

'50 The Reverend Earl Koehler of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., has died.

William "Bill" Greenland of Salisbury died August 1.

A U.S. Army veteran, he was stationed in Germany during his military service. He was retired as office manager for Turner Oil Company. A member of First United Church of Christ, he served on the church council and taught Sunday School. He served the North State Football Association as an official and supervisor of officials and was honored with a Distinguished Service Award by that organization after 25 years of service.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Virginia Harvey Greenland '50; daughter Anne Kennedy of Winston-Salem; son John Greenland of China Grove; brother Robert Greenland '49 of Salisbury; and three grandchildren.

'51 Clyde Lewis Walker of Charlotte died September 20.

Following his graduation from Catawba, he earned his master's degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He taught and coached at Walnut Cove High School and at Broughton High School in Raleigh. While at Broughton, his football team never had a losing season and his undefeated 1961 team won the State Championship. He served as assistant coach in the 1958 and 1961 Shrine bowl Games and lead North Carolina as head coach in 1965. He was named N.C. Scholastic Coach of the Year in 1966. He joined the football staff at UNC-Chapel Hill as head recruiter in 1967 and was named associate athletic director there in 1972. He became athletic director at the University of Kansas in 1973. In 1978, he returned to his native North Carolina as athletic director at UNC-Charlotte, a position he held until his retirement in 1987. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Charlotte and the Carmel Country Club.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruby W. Walker. Survivors include three children, Ginger Garner of Charlotte, Clyde L. Walker, Jr. of Charleston, W.V. and Kimberly Weishaar of Olathe, Kansas, and seven grandchildren.

'53 James Luciana of Morganton died June 15.

Born in Somerdale, N.J., he was a U.S. Army veteran of

the Korean War. He was retired as controller from Bernhardt Furniture Company and was a member of First United Methodist Church in Morganton.

Survivors include wife Thelma Brooks Luciana '55, daughters Lynda Reilich of Hillsborough and Cathy Johnson of Wake Forest, and two grandchildren.

Curtis Lee Helms of Kannapolis died September 4.

Following his graduation from Catawba, he attended Appalachian State University where he earned his master's degree in education. He was retired as a teacher, principal and school system administrator with Rowan, Cabarrus and Davie county schools. He was a member of Mount Zion United Church of Christ in China Grove.

Survivors include children Mark Helms, Anne Helms Corriher and Joe L. Helms, eight grandchildren, and sister Geraldine Godfrey.

'55 Dorothy "Dot" Wallace Osborne of Brevard died September 11.

Early in her career she was employed as a legal assistant in Salisbury. Later she was employed by both The Charlotte Observer and The Transylvania Times as society reporter and editor. She was active in the First United Methodist Church of Brevard and attended the annual conference each year at Lake Junaluska, where she was on several committees to establish church policy. She was the first chairperson of the Commission on the Status of Women in the Church. She was also an avid reader, bird watcher and photographer.

She was predeceased by her husband of 36 years, Clyde K. Osborne. Survivors include sister Betty Wallace Linder and three brothers, David, Lewis and John Wallace, all of Rutherfordton, two stepsons and four grandchildren.

'56 Donald Wampler Gettle of Cartersville, Ga., and Maggie Valley, N.C. died July 3.

Following his graduation from Catawba, he graduated with honors from Emory law School and practiced law for more than 30 years in Atlanta. While at the same time, he served as assistant dean and a teacher at Atlanta Law School and in the Master of Laws program at Woodrow Wilson College of Law. After retirement in 1996, he lived part-time in Maggie Valley where he played golf and hosted a yearly golf tournament and wrote a golf newsletter.

He is survived by wife Linda Wade Gettle, an attorney in Cobb County; daughter Margaret Gettle Washburn of Duluth, Ga., an attorney in Gwinnett County and a judge in the city of Duluth; two grandsons; and seventeen dogs and cats.

'59 Tommy Ray Johnson of North Wilkesboro died September 7.

A U.S. Army veteran, he was owner and president of Johnson Oil and Tractor, Inc. He served on the board of directors for Knotville Fire Department

and was a member of the North Wilkesboro Presbyterian Church.

He was preceded in death by wife Jane Copley Johnson and daughter Stacey Rae Johnson. Survivors include sons Steven Johnson of North Wilkesboro and Alan Johnson of Roaring River and three grandchildren.

'62 Robert Hal Cross of Kannapolis died June 23.

A U.S. Army veteran, he served during the 1950s as a military police officer. He was employed for 35 years as recreational director at the V.A. medical Center in Salisbury until his retirement in 1990. An avid golfer, he was a member of Kannapolis Country Club and a member of the Yadkin Seniors PGA Golf organization. In the recent past, he, his father George Edward "Big Ed" Cross, and his two brothers, Leonard "Holy" Cross and Don Cross, were honored by Rowan County with a special Hall of Fame Tribute for their many sports activities through the years.

Survivors include wife Katrina Parks Cross, son Robert Hal Cross Jr. of Gastonia, mother Rosetta Surber Cross Thomas of Concord, two nieces, a nephew, a stepson and a stepdaughter.

'63 Charles Galen Rider of Terrell and Wexford Plantation in Hilton Head, S.C. died July 8.

During his business career, he was employed by Carter Carburetor, president of AEA Inc., (an All Pro Auto Parts franchise and distributor), and president of Preferred Power, Inc., the largest Briggs & Stratton distributor in the Southeast, until his retirement. In 1987, he co-founded with Lowrance Harry and Dick Bahre, Bahari Racing Inc. which raced on the Nextel-Winston Cup circuit until 2001.

He was a member of Carmel Country Club of Charlotte, the Peninsula Club of Cornelius, and the Wexford Plantation Country Club of Hilton Head. He enjoyed boating, golf, and was an avid car enthusiast.

He was predeceased by his first wife Patricia Lawing Rider. Survivors include wife Carolyn Sue Rider, daughters Deborah R. McClure of Greenville, S.C. and Ginger Rider of Cornelius, a stepson, a step daughter, two grandchildren, a step-granddaughter, and a brother.

'68 Eddie Hilbert Myers of Salisbury died August 14.

While at Catawba, he was the recipient of the prestigious Whitener Award, given annually at graduation to the male and female student in the graduating class who combine in themselves, in the highest degree, the equalities of character, leadership and scholarship. He earned his master's degree in counseling and psychology from Appalachian State University and completed post graduate work at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

He retired in 2005 after nearly 36 years of service with Rowan-Cabarrus Community College where he served as

vice president emeritus of Student Services. He was also the 2005 recipient of Rowan-Cabarrus Community College's Distinguished Service Award. He was a member of the Salisbury Chamber of Commerce and active for many years in the Carolina Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers. While at RCCC, he coached men's basketball and women's softball and was chair of the N4CSGA Softball Tournament. He served for 15 years as fire commissioner for the Franklin Volunteer Fire Department and was an active member of Milford Hills United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife of almost 30 years, Diana Collins Myers, daughter Erin Renee Myers, brother Wade W. Myers Jr. of Salisbury, and sister Judy M. Orrell of Churchland.

'69 Nolan Brooks Motsinger of Kernersville died May 27.

He was self-employed as a brick mason for 30 years prior to suffering declining health. He was a member of Abbotts Creek Missionary Baptist Church.

Survivors include mother Daphne M. Motsinger of Kernersville, daughter Pricilla Christopher of Waycross, Ga., sons John Brooks Motsinger of Kernersville and Jeremiah Seth Motsinger of High Point, two grandsons, a sister, and a brother.

'75 James W. Arthurs of Pittsboro died April 19.

He was employed as a teacher at Chatham County Schools' Horton Middle School in Pittsboro.

'82 Enid Regina Bynum Grady of Chapel Hill died August 8.

She had been employed as an administrative assistant and a financial analyst in New York City. She was a lifelong member of Terrell's Creek Missionary Baptist Church, a long-standing member of Christian Cultural Center, and a member of the choir.

Survivors include her father DeLeon Bynum and stepmother Doris Bynum, brother elroy Bynum, stepsister Andrea Foushee of Carrboro, and stepbrother Jeffery Foushee of Durham.

Class Notes

'39 **Elizabeth Taylor Smith** and Ted celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on November 3rd.

'46 **Jean Livengood Bieber** enjoys attending two retired teacher groups in Florida. They are very interesting!

'49 **William Weinel, Jr.** retired as an ObGyn and is enjoying retirement. He still plays golf at age 81.

'52 **John Philips** is back in school but now as an adjunct chemistry lab instructor at the Community College of Southern Nevada.

'66 **Charles M. Call, Jr.** is in his 18th year working as a Safety Engineer at Kennedy Space Center. Recently remarried, he and Marsha just returned to their new Orlando home after a 12 day honeymoon in Hawaii. Chuck would like to hear from his classmates and friends at chuckcall@juno.com.

Kathleen "Kathy" Roseman and husband Ron sold the furniture business and retired. They have traveled several places. In September 2005 they went on an amazing trip to Africa. They both work part time as hosts at Alexander's Family Restaurant in Taylorsville, N.C.

'67 **Bill Evans** received notification April 11, 2005 of selection and honor as one of 14 master sales guild members in the U.S. for Jaguar cars. He has been with Scott Jaguar-Charlotte for 17 years. Product knowledge tests were administered via Jaguar University; test scores being combined with customer satisfaction and sales measurements; and a timed oral exam given for final scoring. Competition came from over 1,000 sales professionals in the 159 dealerships of the United States. The honorees were guests of Jaguar Land Rover Aston Martin North America on a cruise of the Western Caribbean in June.

Rev. Melody S. Herr Bruen is the pastor of two congregations, St. Peter's United Church of Christ in Topton, Pa. and Christ (DeLong) U.C.C. in Bowers, Pa. Her husband is the Rev. Harry E. Bruen, Jr. and is serving as an interim pastor at Pennsburg U.C.C. in Pennsburg, Pa.

1960s Close-up

1964's **Judy Doll**, husband **Charles Doll '63**, daughter **Elaine Doll Hopper '94**, and her husband **Richard Hopper '95** are pictured at the baptism of **Elizabeth May Hopper**. Elizabeth is also the great-grand-daughter of the late **Christopher Noss '37** and **Dorothea Hopper Noss '37**.



'68 **George Zane** was recently promoted to Senior Vice President and General Manager of the Engineering & Management Services Division of L3 Communications Titan Corporation in San Diego, California. The division of over 200 IT and Command, Control and Communications experts provides technical and professional support services to the US Navy, US Marine Corps, USN Special Warfare Command and US Air Force around the world in support of the Armed Forces many and varied missions including the Global War on Terrorism. He has been married for 36 years with three grown daughters and seven grandchildren.

conference levels and occasionally preaches as a Certified Lay Speaker. Like many retirees, he doesn't know where he had time to work. He would love to hear from Catawba friends at MitchMatthews1@aol.com.

'70 **Thomas Whitaker** was elected secretary of the National Association of State Workforce Agencies (NASWA) on September 15, during their organization's annual meeting in Grand Rapids, S.D. Following the association's by-laws, by virtue of his election as secretary, he is the NASWA president-elect. Whitaker, chief of staff for the Employment Security Commission of N.C., previously served as chairman of NASWA's Unemployment Insurance Committee. NASWA is the national association of state agencies that provide unemployment insurance, public employment services and labor market information data.

'71 **Christine Buta** teaches at Johnson County Community College and Longview College. She was profiled in *The Kansas City Star* for her love of teaching by one of her students. She is a professor of public speaking and interpersonal communication.

'74 **Barbara I. Bailey** has been promoted to senior vice president of BB&T. She is a regional branch operation manager who joined the bank in 1979 through the Carolina Bank merger. She resides in Sanford with her two sons.

Allan Denny just finished his second music cd. The last, just released, is called "Bob Timberlake, Reflections." This is a ten song (original) instrumental collection inspired by paintings of the internationally recognized realist painter, Bob Timberlake. It is also a celebration of his 35th year as a professional artist. Copies can be obtained soon at www.bobtimberlake.com or e-

1960s Close-up

Alumnus has two textbooks published



Dr. Charles T. Muse, Sr., A.B. '68, Vice President for Academic Affairs at Florence-Darlington Technical College (FDTC) has recently had two textbooks published by Prentice Hall. *Roadways to Success*, co-authored with Dr. James Williamson and Ms. Debra McCandrew, is in its 4th edition and is an interactive text that encourages students to develop their academic and personal skills. Its primary focus is community, two-year educational institutions as well as four-year special populations e.g. under prepared students. *A Planner for Student Success*, the third in a series of time management, organizational skills and goal setting texts, authored by Dr. Muse, is a supplemental text that supports all of Prentice Hall's student success textbooks.

Dr. Muse serves on the Board of Visitors at Catawba College. He served on the Alumni Board of Directors for six years with one year as its President. In the fall of 2001, Catawba College recognized Dr. Muse as one of its Distinguished Alumnus. Dr. Muse has served as Vice President at FDTC for the past 17 years. He and his wife, the former Susan Hutchins, live in Florence with their three sons, Thomas, Alex and Matthew.

'69 **Susan Bitner Bottini** retired from East Pennsboro Area School District, Enola, Penn. She taught second grade there for 35 years. Sue and her husband, Fred, also a retired teacher enjoy traveling. They have been to all the states except Alaska. Her address is 309 E. Coover Street, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055.

Mitch Matthews retired in 2004 from Guilford County Department of Social Services after 33 years in public service. He has his own business as a consultant/trainer specializing in training for managers. He recently published a book of puppet scripts, which he writes for his church each week. He has been writing scripts for three years. He is active in the church at the local, district, and

mail him at adennymusic@aol.com.

Greg and Gordene A. Singleton '72 have moved to New Bern, N.C. They hope to see some friends from Catawba from time to time. Their new address is 402 Bayhill Ct. New Bern, NC 28562. Their e-mail address is catu28@cox.net.

'75 Rosie Luongo O'Mahony enjoyed seeing classmates at homecoming weekend. Keep in touch at omahony2@ron.com and (215) 768-8610.

Rona Zo Zubrack Revels has recently changed jobs. She is now an Accountant with the Department of Health for the State of Florida. She would love to hear from old friends at Nolesluvr@aol.com.

'76 Sarah "Sally" Woolfolk Smith and her husband, Pete, still live in Greensboro, N.C. Sally is the office administrator for an attorney and Pete travels all over the country working in sports television production. They have two children Amanda (25) and Adam (21). They would love to hear from old friends at 4805 Horseshoe Lane, Greensboro, NC 27410.

'77 Joan Marie Barringer was listed in "Who's Who" and celebrated her 50th Birthday on September 30th at the Fairfax Country Club.

Joey Popp is hosting a live, one-hour call-in television program,

"Healthwise," on Charlotte public television station WTVI. The show, which reaches more than 330,000 households, airs on Sundays between 6 and 7 p.m. with repeats the following Saturday at 9 a.m. The program is designed to educate and enlighten viewers on medical matters.

Al Simmons has been named "teacher of the Year" at East Iredell Middle School. He teaches eighth-grade math. Simmons and his wife, Ann, have two daughters, Ashley, a sophomore at UNC- Chapel Hill; and Allison, a freshman at North Iredell High School.

'79 Nancy "Nan" Elias reports that her son Joshua is beginning his first year as a middle school teacher at The Farm School in Summerton, Tenn. Her son Elijah is currently in Sangklatburi, Thailand working at Ban Thor Phan., a non-profit Children's Project.

'80 Susan B. Reece has recently joined the staff of LSB The Bank as the business development manager for the Thomasville/Randolph Office. She lives in New London and is married to Max Reece Jr. and has one child.

'81 Angela Case has accepted a position with Colliers Pinkard in Raleigh as a Real Estate Consultant.

'82 Bill Butts was appointed as Ledford High School principal.

Herbert "Hodge" Coffield recently accepted the position of Chief of Police for the town of China Grove after 20 years at the Salisbury Police Department. **Pam Hylton Coffield '82** recently celebrated 30 years in business as owner of the Stitchin' Post Gifts which she opened with her mother in 1975 with a party at the store on September 15, 2005.

Michele Barron Hanna recently graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a PhD. in social work. Michele is now an assistant professor at The University of Denver Graduate School of Social Work. Michele can be reached at mhanna3@du.edu and would love to hear from friends and classmates.

'84 Gary Clawson, President, CEO and Founder of Parkway Bank, has been appointed to the North Carolina Banking Association Board of Directors.

'84 Laura Butterworth Read has been selected to receive the Home Care Advocate of the Year Award for her role as co-founder of Hospice of Southern Maine. She successfully raised \$5 million to support the first end-of-life care center in Maine and greatly appreciates the generous gift from Dr. Jay Buxton and his wife, Elda.

'85 Carol Gilligan has recently been promoted to Legal Compliance Analyst for Cingular Wireless.

Joseph Giunta, Jr. left Command and retired from the US Army on August 11, 2005 after 21 years of service. They plan on staying in the Orlando, Fla. area and he will pursue a position with the Federal Government or the local DOD Industry base supporting the Army's training requirements community.

'88 Shawn Todd says hello to all his friends. He would love to hear from friends at jstodd2northstate.net.

'89 David Kent is currently enrolled at Gardner-Webb University pursuing a master's in divinity. He is going to be working as a christian counselor upon graduation. He would love to hear from some of the old S-R guys at djkent@bellsouth.net.

'91 Clarke Leichte recently moved from Orlando, Fla. to Swannanoa, N.C. He took a position as an event coordinator for Blue Ridge Broadcasting. BRB is part of the Billy Graham Evangelical Association. He

would like to hear from old classmates at clarke@thirdbrain.com.

'92 Susan Jessup Donovan and her husband, Robert, welcomed son number three into the world March 1, 2005. Cooper James joins his brothers, Rory Stewart (2) and Jack (7). She and the boys live in Dallas, Georgia and would love to hear from old classmates and friends at Patsfan140@bellsouth.net.

Leigh Smith Friday and James Van Pelt were married August 6, 2005 at First Baptist Church in Cramerton, N.C.

'93 Michelle "Mickey" Allen Holshouser hasn't gotten to see college buds. She would love to hear from you at sisofbud@verizon.net. California is awesome, come visit.

Angela Harbour Mayfield and husband Mark would like to announce the birth of a daughter, Morgan Ashlee, on July 13, 2005. She has an older sister, Madeline (5) and an older brother, William (3). They are all getting along great and can be reached at mmayfield@surry.net.

'94 Scott Burrell has been named Coordinator/Artistic Director of Theatre at Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, LA. He is also an Associate Professor of Theatre.

Rosanna "Ro" Paxia Kepler and Michael would like to announce the birth of their second daughter, Micayla Ann, who was born April 26, 2005. Unfortunately her birth was after the passing of Rosanna's mother, AnnaMarie Paxia on April 7, 2005. She would love to hear from her old friends. She can be reached via e-mail at ro718@optonline.net.

Dennis Weddington is always ready to hear from any of his friends from Catawba. Please contact him by phone (704) 857-4160 or e-mail at Dkw4195@aol.com.

'95 Amy Crisp and Robbie recently moved to Collierville, Tennessee, where they are pastoring their first church. If friends would like to contact them, please send an e-mail to MCMRobbieAmy@hotmail.com.

'96 Meredith Knowles Abramson and husband Andy are pleased to announce the birth of their baby girl, Miles Claire, who joined the family on July 21, 2005. Macy (3) is doing a fabulous job with her new role as big sister. In 2004, Meredith became a National Board Certified teacher in

1970s Close-up

Catawba Alum Whitaker elected secretary of national association

Thomas S. Whitaker was elected secretary of the National Association of State Workforce Agencies (NASWA) on Sept. 15, during that organization's annual meeting in Grand Rapids, S.D. Following the association's by-laws, by virtue of his election as secretary, he is the NASWA president-elect.

Whitaker is a 1970 graduate of Catawba College. Whitaker, chief of staff for the Employment Security Commission of North Carolina, previously served as chairman of NASWA's Unemployment Insurance Committee. NASWA is the national association of state agencies that provide unemployment insurance, public employment services and labor market information data.

Whitaker is a native of Burlington and a 1974 graduate of the Wake Forest University School of Law. He became a member of the North Carolina Bar in 1974.



early adolescence english/ language arts and graduated with her masters in elementary education from Catawba College.

'96 **Nate and Amy Hrinsin** are excited to announce their return to North Carolina after a brief move to the Artic North. They would love to hear from friends at their new e-mail address hrinsins@nc.rr.com.

Amie "Red" Kintzer Huber and husband Steven would like to announce the birth of their first child, a daughter. Maura Larie was born on March 1, 2005, weighing 7 lbs. 7 ozs. and measuring 20 1/2 inches long. She would love to hear from friends at shuber@clis.com.

Susi Stevens Hudson and Brad would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Riley Kay Hudson who was born on February 3, 2005.

Kenneth "Ted" Klima just returned from a 7-month Middle East/ Arabian Gulf deployment with Carrier Strike Group Three. He received the Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medal and Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal for intelligence work supporting the Global War on Terrorism-Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom.

Lesley Palmer Pullium completed her MBA in 2004 at the University of Phoenix. She is a new grandmother to Abigail Jean Pullium. She was born on July 21, 2005 in Lexington, N.C.

Dr. Charles Suber is the owner and operator of Suber Chiropractic in Morganton, N.C.

'97 Mac Billings and Courtney Billings would like to announce the birth of their second daughter, Payton Anne, on April 5, 2005. She was 7 lbs. and 19.5 inches. They would also love to hear from friends at waynecourt@nc.rr.com.

Gina Shuhala McCloskey and husband Frank would like to announce the birth of their son, Michael Steven. He was born June 4, 2005 and weighed 8.7 lbs. Gina would love to hear from friends and swap mom stories with other alumni. You can e-mail her at gmccloskey@movadogroup.com.

Kristin Washam and Phil Lachapelle '97 were married July 16, 2005 in Wilmington, N.C.

'98 Janay Austin-Carlson and Roy Carlson were married in Maui, Hawaii on July 5, 2005. Among those in attendance were **Kelly Green Zopp**

'98 and Heather Ries Labou '98. Janay currently works for US Senator Thomas Carper and lives in Dover, Delaware.

Cristin Stebbins Cox and husband Fred would like to announce the birth of their second son, Carter Alexander on August 29th. His big brother, Mason (3 1/2) is thrilled to have him home finally. She would love to hear from fellow alums to catch up at csstubby@carolina.rr.com.

Evan Buckalew has just received the position of Graduate Assistant Baseball Coach at Utica College in New York, after six seasons of coaching Brookdale Community College to two College World Series. He will be receiving his master's of science degree in education from Utica College. Evan can be reached at coachbuck14@aol.com.

Kristen Carmitchel and Jason would like to announce (belatedly) the birth of their fourth child, Isaac on November 2004. He joined their family after his three sisters Cora (6), Alyssa (4), and Isabel (deceased). She is currently homeschooling, and sometimes teaches English classes at Rowan Cabarrus Community College.

'99 Carrie Brelsford Amsden and Jarrett got married on January 8, 2005 in Maryland. **Andrea Franklin '00** was her maid of honor. They just moved to Indianapolis where Jarrett will be teaching at Butler School of Pharmacy. She will continue to work for Walgreens. She would love to hear from old friends at cbrels9@yahoo.com.

Kristen Carter Barber and her husband Dennis Barber had a baby girl, Corbin Paige, on September 29, 2004.

Randi Jo "Pixie" Bruner has had two books of role-playing games published and continues to be a freelance writer in the horror and historical fiction field. She is an artists model for fine art photography and does performance art pieces in the Atlanta underground art scene. She also works as artistic designer for Blair Studio

(<http://www.rblair.com>) of Decatur, Georgia. She is a stay at home mother of Lindsay Robert Shuford, the tolder of DOOM and has been married to Paul Shuford for almost six years.

Amy Douglas Gay and husband Paul would like to announce the birth of their second daughter, Katherine Marie. She was born May 24, 2005 8 lbs. 3 oz. and 19 3/4". She joins her big sister, Gabrielle (3). She would love to hear from old friends at her e-mail address squeegeatc@aol.com or home address 525 Sweetlake Camp Bell City, LA 70630.

Luke Griffith is currently a supervisor at a social services agency that works with troubled youth. His e-mail address is luke_griffith@yahoo.com. His wife **Michelle Taggart-Griffith '98** is a teacher of english as a second language. Her e-mail is michtag@yahoo.com. They were recently married and have moved into their refurbished home outside of Philadelphia.

LaTrease Hines-Rich and husband Tyrone would like to announce the birth of their son, Tyron Jaidyn Xavier. He was born on June 2, 2005 weighing 6 lbs. 10 oz. He joins his older sister TyKeira Ni'deyah.

William "Bill" Luten just received a promotion to Traffic Supervisor for Enterprise Rent-A-Car in Pinellas County. He and his daughter have just moved back to Clearwater, Fla. and wouldn't mind hearing from some classmates. You can reach him best at Lutenlove@hotmail.com.

Andrea Smith is pleased to announce her marriage to Donald Max Miller, Jr. on July 9, 2005. Don and Andrea live in Greensboro where she is pursuing a Masters of Public Affairs at UNC-G. Andrea would love to hear from friends at smithandrea26@hotmail.com.

'00 Karina Ferry has just closed an amazing run of "Songs for a New World" in Baltimore, Maryland, where she has been performing regularly since graduation. She works in

Insurance during the day, but is still dreaming about the theatre that she will eventually open! She would love to hear from old friends at kmferry@hotmail.com.

Zach Mabe is pleased to announce his engagement to Melissa Bergfeld, originally of Montclair, N.J. They will be wed in June 2006. Zach reports that he has finished his second masters at Yale Divinity School and has been hired as Pastor of Terryville Congregational UCC in Terryville, Conn. He is especially grateful to Dr. Ken Clapp for his help throughout the process. Zach can be reached at zachmabe@hotmail.com.

Alexander Whitley graduated from the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston with a doctor of philosophy degree.

'01 Patricia Finch would like to announce to everyone that she just recently got engaged to Bradford Love of Salisbury, N.C. They will marry on May 20, 2006. She is currently an Executive Manager of the Cosmetics division for Nordstrom and Brad is a MRI radiological science technician at Duke Hospital. They currently reside in Chapel Hill, N.C. You can contact Patricia at pafinch79@yahoo.com or (919) 923-7786.

Elizabeth Howard and Jon Hearn '03 were united in marriage Friday, June 17, 2005 at the Sheraton Oceanfront Hotel in Virginia Beach, Va. She is a math teacher at Salisbury High School. He is an officer with the U.S. Army. The couple make their home in Salisbury.

Amy Johnson would like to announce her engagement to Patrick Murphy of Rockaway Beach, New York. Amy is currently the public relations and marketing director for a company in Manhattan. A June 17, 2006 wedding on Cape Cod is planned. Amy would love to hear from old friends and can be reached at Amy9579@aol.com. Fellow Catawba alumni in the wedding party are **Katie Kirby Osteen '01, Stephanie Bostian Messimer '01, Sara Surkin Widener '01, and Brittany Littleton '02.**



"Guess who" quiz:

See the end of Class Notes for the answer!

'01 **2001 Heather Shook Knapp** is a teacher and head softball coach. She has one more year before completing her Master's degree in Health Education. **Wes Knapp '01** just completed his Master's degree from Delaware State University and is a Botanist for the State of Maryland. The couple lives in Hurlock, Maryland and welcomes contact from class members at heatherknapp@dmv.com.

Angela McCullough and Steven Dennis were united in marriage on June 11, 2005 at Organ Lutheran Church in Salisbury. She is employed with Reznick Fredder and Silverman. He is employed with T and L Equipment Sales. You may reach her at 3909 Laurel View Circle, Indian Trail, NC 28079 or amdennis2005@yahoo.com.

'02 **Nikki Duncan** is currently working on her master's degree in secondary education.

Bridgette Edwards Gibbs and William "Bill" Gibbs were united in marriage on Saturday, August 20, 2005 at Flat Rock Baptist Church in Mount Airy, N.C. The **Rev. Dr. Kenneth Clapp '70** officiated. **Oshen Sands '03** was maid of honor and **Nicole Lothead '01** was a bridesmaid. **Jennifer Elium Board '03** was the pianist. Several other Catawba friends celebrated with them. Bridgette is the assistant to public relations at Catawba College and Bill is the parts manager at

Piedmont Farm & Yard in Concord. The couple make their home in Salisbury.

The Reverend **Amy Foley** has joined the First United Methodist Church staff as the associate pastor.

Derek Morrow and Kristin Headen were united in marriage on May 14, 2005 at Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Greensboro. He is employed in auto sales in Charlotte. She is employed as an office manager. The couple resides in Charlotte.

Timothy Pittman and Melissa Warden were married Sunday, September 4, 2005 at The Winds Oceanfront Inn and Suites. He is employed by the West Rowan YMCA. She is a nurse and is employed by Suburban Pediatrics. The couple resides in Woodleaf.

'03 **Mandy Adcock** and **Aaron Isaac '02** were joined in marriage on September 24, 2005 at Enochville Church of God in Kannapolis. She is employed with Lowe's Companies, Inc. in Mooresville. He is employed by Isaac Construction in Newton. The couple lives in Claremont, N.C.

Tina Cerny is on National Tour with American Theatre Arts for Youth. She

1980s Close-up

Catawba College Alumni **Shari and Bill Graham** of Salisbury, both members of the Class of 1983, are pictured here with **Don King of Don King Productions** at an event for President **George W. Bush** in Crawford, Texas



is the stage manager for "Babes in Toyland."

Kim Clayton-Lewis and husband Blake are coming up on their one year anniversary in August and are expecting their first child January 13, 2006.

Tamara McPheron Foell took promotion with State Farm as Agency field specialist in Des Moines, Iowa.

Meredith Jones and **Michael Cabana '01** were united in marriage June 11, 2005 at First Presbyterian Church in Eden, N.C. She is a third grade teacher at Matthews Elementary School in Matthews, N.C. He is head tennis professional at Piper Glenn Country in Charlotte, N.C. The couple resides in Stallings, N.C.

Amanda Michael and Bradley Harkey were married on Saturday, October 1, 2005 in Lexington. She is employed as a loan processor at the State Employee's Credit Union. He is employed as a supervisor at Packaging Services of the Carolinas in Rockwell. The couple resides in Salisbury.

Kerry Schab and Chris Stahl were united in marriage on July 9, 2005. Friends can contact her at 308 Spruce St., Salisbury, NC 28146.

Bob Walker finished a two and a half month run of "West Side Story" at the Walnut St. Theatre in Philly. He was the role of Woof in a production of "HAIR" - the American Tribal Love Rock Musical. He currently is in school to become a massage therapist and will be moving to NYC this winter to continue pursuing his acting career and massage therapy practice.

'04 **Anthony Grillo** joined the Chamber as a membership sales representative, a position in which

he'll be responsible for recruiting new Chamber members.

Jason Hartley married Hannah Kathryn "Katie" Wright on July 9, 2005 in Lexington, N.C. They will make their home in Lexington, N.C. Jason is in retail banking with BB&T. Katie is a school teacher for the Davidson County School Systems. Jason's e-mail address is hartley_23@hotmail.com or jhartley@bbandt.com.

Susan Redding Lackey and husband **Jason Lackey '04** would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Grayson MacKinnon. She was born on May 11, 2005. They would love to hear from their friends at susieqcatu@aol.com or (704) 934-3431.

Tiffany McVay of Kannapolis, N.C. and **Drew Long '05** of Lexington, N.C. were engaged July 4, 2005. They have set their wedding date for May 20, 2006 and would love to hear from friends. Feel free to e-mail them at TiffanyLn233@yahoo.com or SmokeThisGT@yahoo.com.

Mary Ann Morrison works in event planning at Lowe's Companies Inc.'s corporate office in Mooresville.

Sean Sears played Old Tom in the "Lost Colony" June through August '05 at the Historic Waterside Theatre.

Ginny Summey was in the August 31st edition of the *Credit Union Times*, the national trade publication, for being an AmeriCorps VISTA. She is working on the Asset Development Project with the Montana credit Unions for Community Development.

Megan Youngblood is performing at Bearcreek Farms Resort in Bryant, IN. She performed in the

2000s Close-up

2005 Alumna lands job on Capital Hill



Catawba College Alumna Erin Phillips '05 concluded her job search in August. She is now employed by the U.S. House's Subcommittee on Management, Finance and Accountability, under the full committee of Government Reform. Phillips' Congressman from her home state of Pennsylvania, **Todd Platts**, chairs the subcommittee and Phillips is hopeful that with some experience, she may land a job in Platts' office as a legislative assistant.

fall musical revue, "Hollywood Hoedown" She has recently signed another contract with Bearcreek to perform in the holiday show, "Tis the Season" in November and December.

'05 **Pete Arnold** is working with Residence Life and Student Activities at Louisburg College in Louisburg, N.C.

Carolyn Brannon-Kramkowski married David Kramkowski on July 30th at Our Lady of Ostrabrama in Long Island, New York. She is attending Murray State University in Kentucky this fall where she is a graduate assistant with the Racer Bands. She will be working towards her masters in music education.

Carl Finney III and Carla Lippard were united in marriage on May 14, 2005 at Sloan Lake Community Church in China Grove. He is employed by McKenzie Sports Products. She is employed with Trexler, Watson, Thompson and Dunn, PLLC as a staff accountant.

Jessica Fritts and **Matthew "Tank" McCarl '04** were married July 16,

2005 at Omwake-Dearborn Chapel. They both work for the J. Smith Young YMCA at Freidberg Elementary School. She is a third-grade teacher at Hasty Elementary. He is an adjunct professor of physical education at DCCC. He is pursuing a master's in sports studies at High Point University. They live in Lexington.

Anthony Johnson was recently Alonzo in the musical "Cats" that was presented by Central Piedmont Summer Theatre July 20-30.

Demetrius "Duke" Phipps and **Tahira '05** have moved back to Virginia since graduation and are in the process of buying their first home. Life and careers are going well and hope the best for all.

Rene John "RJ" Krier '98 wanted to let his friends know that he was married on May 21st to Katie Myers of Asheville, N.C. RJ is currently working at Merrill Lynch in Greensboro, N.C. and is graduating from Wake Forest University with an MBA this August. RJ and Katie will be living in Greensboro, N.C.

2000s Close-up

Catawba College Alumnus **Todd Bachman '01** of Washington, D.C. is employed as a special assistant to Promoter **Don King** of Don King Productions, Inc. He is pictured here with King as they are enroute by tour bus to Crawford, Texas for an event with President George W. Bush.



"Guess who" answer:

"**Cyndi Ball Osterus '73**, PhD, Assistant Professor of Teacher Education at Catawba College"

2000s Close-up

2002 Alumna trips the lights fantastic in NYC

2002 Alumna **Jasika Pruitt** of New York City reports that she has been nominated for a Barrymore as best actress in a musical for her role in "Chasing Nicolette," a show she starred in in Philadelphia with Bronson Pinchot.

Pruitt calls the nomination "quite an honor," and explains that Philadelphia "has so much theater going on that they give out their own awards, kind of like the Tonys for New York City."

She provides a hyperlink <http://www.playbill.com/news/article/94484.html> to Playbill online so her friends can read that news first-hand. In all, that show was nominated for 10 Barrymore awards, she says.

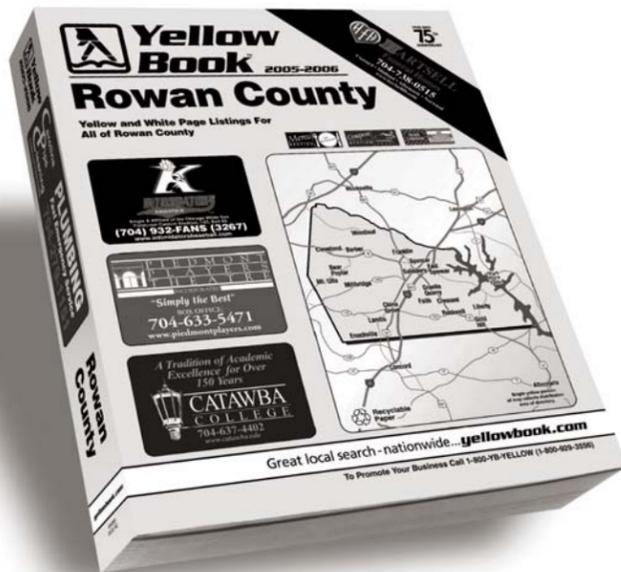
She notes that she was expecting "Chasing Nicolette" to open at the Little Schubert Theatre in NYC October, but that opening has been postponed.

Pruitt also recently returned to New York from Canada after working on the film, "Take the Lead," starring Antonio Banderas. That film is expected to be released around February of 2006. She shares a photo with her friends at Catawba

"for you to see so that you can understand what a TRULY fantastic time I had! hahaha..."



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Catawba students gear up for study abroad England

Catawba College students will have an opportunity to spend a semester abroad studying in England beginning next fall thanks to a new partnership agreement with the University of Evansville. The agreement provides for Catawba faculty to participate in the operation of Harlaxton College in Grantham, England, and for Catawba students to study there, according to Dr. Kurt Corriher, director of Catawba's Center for International Studies.

"This is the first major initiative of Catawba's new Center for International Studies," Corriher said. "It will offer our students and faculty a standing program in which they can participate, available every year in the fall for the foreseeable future.

"I know that study abroad changes students' lives, because it changed mine," Corriher continued, "And I would like to create that opportunity for every student here."

The University of Evansville, along with other contractual partners like Catawba College, has operated Harlaxton College continuously since 1971. The campus is located 110 miles north of London outside the



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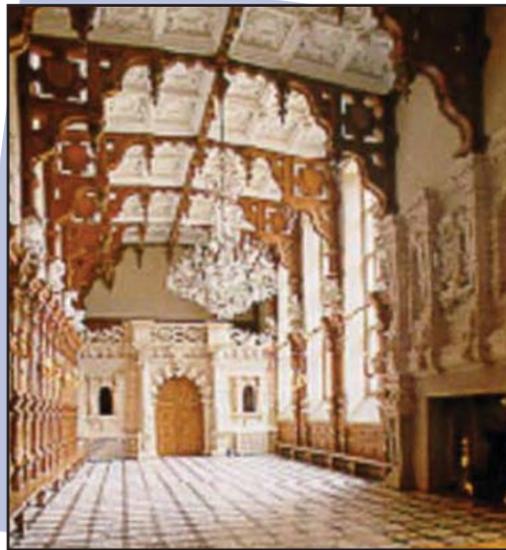
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Midlands' market town of Grantham. Approximately 165 American college students, sophomores through seniors, attend Harlaxton each semester.

The campus is situated on 55 rolling acres with its centerpiece being a beautiful 100-room Victorian manor house where almost 100 students live in rooms reached by a lift. The remaining students live a short distance away in the carriage house. Also on the property are a bistro, laundry, "telly" lounge, reading lounge, computer room and general store.

Corriher notes that a unique aspect of the Harlaxton program is a six-hour British Studies course which capitalizes on the fact that the students are in England. Visits to Stratford, Warwick and other historic places are incorporated into the course. Classes at Harlaxton College are typically held on Mondays through Thursdays, Corriher said, which leaves three-day weekends for the students to travel.

Other courses ranging from math to science and even equestrian studies and Renaissance Art are also offered. These allow students enrolled



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in them to meet course requirements at their home institutions. Each student participating in the program must enroll in at least 12 hours of coursework to maintain their visa and be a fulltime student.

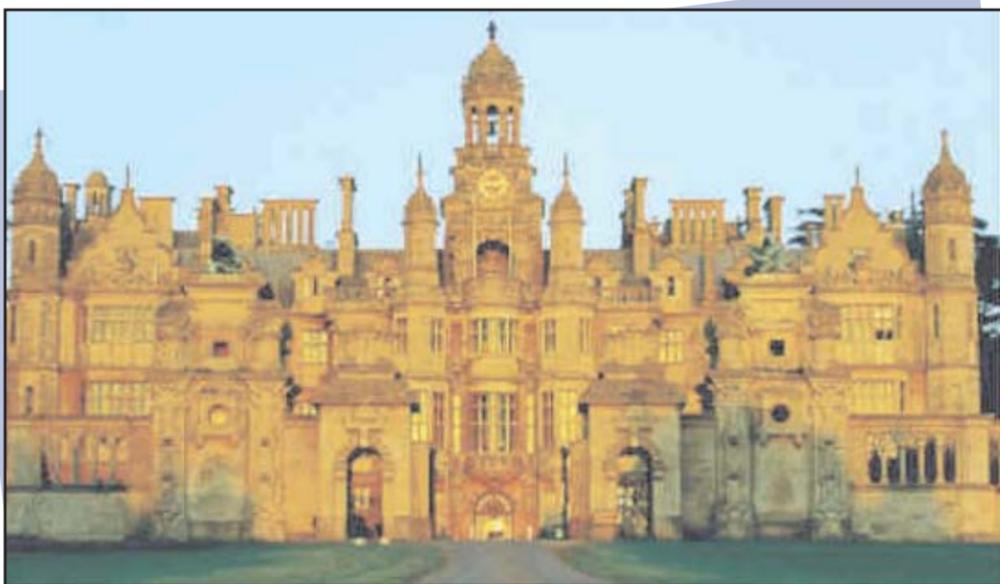
"One of the major factors behind Catawba's decision to become involved with the Harlaxton program is that it does offer an English-speaking environment," Corriher said. "I wanted a program which would be available without language impediment to almost all Catawba College students. The beauty of this program is that they're in Europe and can travel to other countries conveniently while there.

"Another attraction for us was that our faculty can participate and they can feel totally involved with this program."

Before the Harlaxton College program, Catawba offered two types of foreign study experiences for its students. These included the month-long Costa Rican language immersion program (nearing its 20th year of operation) offered each May and coordinated by Dr. Carl Girelli, College vice president and dean of students, and ad hoc travel excursions where trips to foreign destinations were associated with a domestic course, usually an Honors course, taught on campus. The ad hoc travel opportunities change year to year depending on the courses taught and the faculty members involved. Most recently, Catawba students have made ad hoc trips to Ireland and the Galapagos Islands.

But even with the Harlaxton College agreement under his belt, Corriher is far from resting on his laurels. Next on his agenda, he said, "is to develop a palette of summer study options to supplement the Costa Rican language-immersion program." These six credit-hour courses would be available in the summer of 2007 to a wider variety of Catawba students.

A foreign study experience will continue to have relevance into the foreseeable future, Corriher concluded, because of globalization. "We have to do it. We have to do it for the future and the future is that international barriers are crumbling."



Victorian manor house at Harlaxton