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**From the Chancellor
Allen C. Meadors, Ph.D., FACHE**

Many new opportunities await students this fall

Imagine you are in a movie theater, popcorn in one hand, soda in the other. As you settle in for the preview of coming attractions, flashing across the screen are a group of attractive students and distinguished professors from UNC Pembroke!

It is not a dream, but a part of our mission to reach out to new audiences across the Carolinas and beyond. Marketing experts agree that this form of advertising is economical and effective in reaching an otherwise elusive target — the college-bound student.

This is just one small part of our comprehensive effort to let people know about your great university. We are working harder and hopefully smarter than ever before.

It appears to be paying off. Last year we led the UNC system in enrollment gains. This year, record-breaking numbers of applications and acceptances, room reservations and attendance at events for prospective students indicate we will do well again.

This is a university bursting at the seams with positive energy. A number of

things are happening here that I would like to share with you, our alumni and friends:

- When students return for the fall semester, they will be greeted by a new women's soccer team and a nearly completed track and soccer complex.
- A 336-bed, private apartment complex opens this fall, revolutionizing student housing and student life on our campus.
- A select group of North Carolina's best and brightest students will find new academic and social challenges at the new University Honors College.
- All students will enjoy rich cultural diversity from around the globe when our new Multi-Cultural Center opens in early fall.
- Unprecedented opportunities to study abroad and gain leadership experience through community service will become increasingly available right here at home.
- Agreements have been signed with two Chinese universities for an exchange of programs, students, faculty and ideas. Additional agreements and a new Office for International Programs will enhance global educational experiences for our students and faculty.

• In its second year, our Distinguished Speaker Series will bring Ralph Nader, Erin Brockovich, Maya Angelou and others to our community.

• The Professional Artist Series begins its 26th year, and the new Nostalgia Concert Series begins its second year with artists including the 5th Dimension (Parent's Weekend October 5-6), Crystal Gayle and Percy Sledge.

There are opportunities for our entire community of alumni and friends. One of our good friends from Lumberton, Dick Taylor, found an opportunity to make a significant contribution toward the construction of our new track. We are appreciative of his generosity.

There are many other ways to be involved with your university, such as the Alumni Soccer Tailgate September 29.

These are just some of the new events taking root to become popular new traditions.

However, there are no traditions without friends to share them with. Please join us on our journey by visiting the campus for one of the many exciting events this year. You'll relive the best of times and share in our vision for the future.

From your Alumni President

Alumni Association continues to expand services and opportunities

Greetings, Fellow Alumni:



It is with great excitement and anticipation that I begin my two-year term as your Alumni Association president. I look forward to receiving your ideas and suggestions on how the Association can meet the needs

of the ever-increasing alumni of the university in a more effective manner.

Many thanks to Darrell Johnson for the valuable leadership he provided as Association president during the past two years. We look forward to Darrell's continuing service to both the Alumni Association and the university.

The Alumni Association continues to expand its scope in terms of both active membership and program enhancement.

In recent years, several alumni chapters have been revitalized throughout North Carolina and others are envisioned. New travel programs have been launched, and this magazine has been expanded with additional alumni features. As the new academic year begins, all alumni are encouraged to assume an active role in the life of UNC Pembroke.

Live well,
Dwight Pearson '77

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Spring Commencement

325 awarded degrees in spring ceremonies

Commencement speaker Josephine Humphreys offered UNC Pembroke's 325 graduates the same advice she

gives her own children: "Take vitamin C, turn off the TV and have fun."

The university and Chancellor Meadors conferred degrees upon 325 graduates

during Spring Commencement ceremonies held at the Givens Performing Arts Center.

It was fitting advice on the day before Mother's Day from the Charleston, S.C., novelist. Humphreys, whose latest book is about Rhoda Strong Lowrie, wife of local hero Henry Berry Lowrie, offered advice that the late UNCP Professor Adolph L. Dial gave her some years ago.



Humphreys

"I was having a crisis of confidence because I was not sure that I could write the story of a young Indian woman," Humphreys said. "Mr. Adolph told me to write the book, 'because you'll learn a lot.'"

"That is the best advice I can give you. It is possible you will get rich, but given the choice between earning and learning, I hope you will choose the latter."

Author of five books, Humphreys' latest on the Lowrie Wars is titled *Nowhere Else on Earth*.

It was not a time for motherly advice as a spirited group of UNCP graduates headed out the door. But it was a time for mothers to celebrate.

"It's been a long time coming," said Pat Edwards of Hope Mills, mother of John Edwards.

Jackie Parker of Lumberton said the graduation of her son Keri is a family milestone.

"He is the first person in my husband's family to graduate from college and the first grandchild to graduate," Parker said.



Carolyn Hollifield taking it in

"His brother, Adam, will be a senior at UNCP next fall."

Beverly Lowry of Pembroke said it was "a wonderful day" for her daughter Heather.

"I'm excited, nervous and proud," Lowry said.

Cornelia Smith of Bladenboro said she is proud of her daughter, Angela.

"Part of me is walking across the stage today," Smith said. "She is my only daughter."

"Angela loved Pembroke and is a very good student," she said of her daughter, who majored in biology. "She will return to finish work on her second major in chemistry."

And Helen Collins of Rowland said her son, Marcus, a UNCP employee, worked hard for his degree.

"It's a very important day for us," Collins said. "I watched him work so hard to reach this day."

Humphreys was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Letters. Professor Emeritus James B. Ebert was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Science.

Dr. Ebert has taught biology at UNCP for 44 years and continues to be involved in university affairs in a variety of ways. (See story page 16.)

Grand Marshal for the event was Dr. Shelby Stephenson, winner of the 2001 UNC Board of Governors Award for Teaching Excellence.

Chancellor Meadors closed the ceremony with a few words of encouragement.

"To get here today, you had to make decisions that were not always easy," he said. "Go out and claim your slice of the American dream."



NO SWEAT! — Three unidentified grads enjoy the day.



FOREIGN RELATIONS

UNCP signs agreements with two Chinese universities

Historic agreements between UNC Pembroke and two Chinese universities will create international opportunities for students and faculty.

This spring, university officials and visiting officials of the China University of Mining and Technology signed an agreement for UNCP to offer a master's program in China.

During a visit to China in early June, Chancellor Allen C. Meadors signed an articulation agreement with Macau

Faculty in the Public Management (MPM) program will travel in pairs to China University each semester to train students there. The classes will be about two weeks long and will be augmented through the Internet.

UNCP will certify Macau University academic programs and provide administrative support



Chancellor Meadors and Professor Zhou Li Gao, Director of Macau University.

“... partnerships like this provide our students educational experiences and opportunities that will carry them beyond the classroom.”

University of Science and Technology. It would allow Chinese students who earn associate degrees to transfer credits to UNCP toward their baccalaureate degrees.

Macau University is located on the tiny island of Macau, south of Hong Kong. China University is located in the central mainland city of Xuzhou in the province of Jiangsu.

services. Both agreements pave the way for exchanges of students and faculty between UNCP and the People's Republic of China, the world's most populated nation.

The future of international educational relations is an open door for the university, said Chancellor Meadors.

“As part of our ongoing efforts to prepare our students for the global society

in which we live, these partnerships provide our students educational experiences and opportunities that will carry them beyond the classroom,” he said.

Dr. Dan Barbee, who directs the MPM program at UNCP, said the international educational alliance is an opportunity for faculty to travel and gain international exposure.

“We're very pleased and excited with the opportunity,” Dr. Barbee said. “I hope to go with the first wave.

“I see long-term and interesting possibilities. It will expand our cultural and scholarly horizons.”

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New members appointed to Board of Trustees

Carl Meares and Marion Bass were named to the Board of Trustees in July.

Meares of Fair Bluff replaces Robert Caton of Lumberton and will serve a four-year term. Bass of Charlotte will finish the term of Mac Campbell, who resigned to join the State Board of Transportation.

Bass served on the board from 1987-95 and was chair for four years. He is a 1965 UNCP graduate and a securities broker.

Bass is an appointee of the UNC Board of Governors. Meares is an appointee of Gov. Mike Easley.

Meares is president of Ellis Meares and Sons, a distribution company. He is a graduate of UNC Chapel Hill.

Meares is the mayor pro-tem of the town of Fair Bluff, a member of the board of trustees of the Columbus County Hospital and a member of the Columbus County Committee of 100.

Shelby Stephenson wins top UNC teaching award

UNC Pembroke English Professor Shelby Stephenson has been named the recipient of the UNC Board of Governors Award for Teaching Excellence.

A faculty member since 1978, Dr. Stephenson is described by students as “humble, caring, humanistic, inspirational and exciting to be around.”

For the past 22 years, Dr. Stephenson has been editor of the literary journal *Pembroke Magazine*. The magazine has played an important role in the modern renaissance of North Carolina writers.

He has written or edited seven volumes of poetry and published poems in scores of collections and journals. Colleagues praise Dr. Stephenson as a teacher and artist.

“Shelby is a magnificent teacher,” said Dr. Thomas Leach, dean of the College of

Arts and Sciences. “He connects from the heart and inspires his students with his genuine love of literature.

“He is one of UNCP’s greatest treasures and one of the reasons so many students enjoy being here. In him, the poetry comes alive.”

“At UNC Pembroke, there quite simply is no higher honor to be earned than the Board of Governors Award for Teaching Excellence,” said Dr. Roger Brown, provost and vice chancellor for Academic Affairs. “In my short acquaintance with him, I have found Dr. Stephenson to be a wonderfully gifted individual with the warmth and concern that make him a truly great teacher and mentor.



Dr. Shelby Stephenson

“We also share a love for the old-time mountain gospel and folk music. I am genuinely delighted to see Shelby earn this prestigious recognition from his students and his colleagues.”

Dr. Stephenson has been recognized by the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources and the N.C. Literary and Historical Association with the R. Hunt Parker Award for “significant lifetime contributions to the literary heritage of North Carolina.”

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Powers wins an unprecedented two Dial Awards

Business Management Professor Edward L. Powers has an outstanding record of scholarly work at UNC Pembroke.

He has published dozens of papers in his area of academic expertise — human resources and organizational behavior. For this, he was awarded the 2001 Adolph L. Dial Award for Scholarship.

For his volunteer work at Pembroke Elementary School, Dr. Powers was awarded the Dial Award for Community Service. He is the first professor to win both awards.

Following the announcement, scholarship was not uppermost in his mind.

“I connect with first graders,” Dr. Powers said. “I don’t know why.”

He contributed 112 volunteer hours during the last school year and 300 hours this year.



Dr. Ed Powers

“It started out small, but I now spend all my free time over there,” Dr. Powers said. “I just love it over there. Those people are awesome.”

Dr. Powers enjoys tutoring at Pembroke Elementary so much that he volunteers for bus and lunch duty.

“Lunch is my favorite because I get to hop from table to table,” he said. “They

call me ‘Mr. Ed’ and gave me a T-shirt with my name on it.”

Many of the children he works with don’t have men in their lives.

“There are more things I would like to do for these children,” he said. “Getting more people from the university to volunteer — especially men — is one project.

“This is the nicest place I have ever been, and Donna (teacher) and Rhonda Locklear (assistant) are just fantastic.”

He is just beginning to tap the connection between scholarship and community service. He and Dr. William Gash, assistant vice chancellor for Academic Affairs, are co-writing a paper on school management for an academic journal.

A 13-year veteran professor at UNCP, Dr. Powers teaches undergraduate business management courses and graduate courses in the MBA and Public Management programs.

Community service program a huge success

“People generally say that today’s college students are apathetic and not reliable,” said Abdul Ghaffar, director of Student Activities. “This program shows that it is not true.”

At the second annual awards ceremony for Leadership and Service Opportunities Program (LSOP), 109 students received awards for completing more than 20 volunteer service hours. This is a 500-percent increase in participation over the program’s first year on campus.

UNCP students like Bryan Scott and Yuri Ono proved to be dedicated, sometimes above and beyond the call of duty.

Scott volunteered more than 400 hours, mostly at the Baptist Student Union. One of his projects was helping pour the foundation of a church in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

Yuri Ono’s love for animals resulted in a volunteer job at the Robeson County Humane Society. “I went twice a week,” she said. “The program is over, but I still go.”

Other students, including Lyzanne Charles and Calvin Webster, proved to be creative in their volunteer efforts.

Charles created her own reading program for kids at a nearby housing project. She rewarded her students with a trip to the University Center for dinner.

Webster, who was last year’s outstanding LSOP volunteer, invented a weeklong program he dubbed “Campaign for Compassion,” which helped raise student awareness of world hunger.

LSOP harnessed a total of 4,300 volunteer hours of community service at local hospitals, public schools, animal shelters, hospices, nursing homes and other local agencies.

Besides finding outlets for community service, LSOP’s goal is to develop leadership skills, Ghaffar said.

“This program is designed to build on the intangible and interpersonal side of education at UNCP,” he said. “In LSOP,

students have the opportunity to develop the habit of leadership.”

The program rewards its graduates with distinctive sashes to be worn with their regalia at commencement. It also provides a transcript that may be used in job searches along with a traditional resume and transcript.

“Employers are looking at more than grades,” said Dr. Lisa Schaeffer, director of UNCP’s Career Center. “They are

looking for well-rounded individuals who demonstrate leadership qualities.”

Norman Rugg took the program one step further. The computer science major volunteered at a Southeastern Regional Medical Center’s data processing center.

“It was a good experience, and I learned a lot,” he said. “Apparently, they liked me because they gave me a job application before I left.”

The program has a great future, said vice chancellor for Student Affairs, Dr. Diane Jones.

“This program shapes leaders,” she said. “Building the total student is a critical part of what we do at UNCP.”

Next year, Student Activities will hire a full-time LSOP administrator. The Student Government Association is so pleased with the program it voted to increase student fees to help fund the new position.

While good ideas come and go, LSOP is a project whose time has come.

“It’s been one of the most rewarding things I have been involved with on campus,” Ghaffar said.



At work — Summer Chavis and Nichole Winter roll out wire in preparation for pouring concrete

UNCP volunteers going global

On an island better known for its sun, sand and surf, 12 members of UNCP’s Baptist Student Union sweltered under the hot sun in St. Thomas, helping build a church.

The volunteers spent 11 days last spring helping lay the foundation of Trinity Methodist Church. They continued their community service project by painting Calvary Baptist Church.

The team of volunteers also had the opportunity to lead a youth leadership seminar and participate in worship and youth programs of the churches. They impressed the locals.

“I was impressed with the effort and attitude of the students from UNCP,” said site work coordinator Bob Bains.

BSU Director Ron Sanders said the trip was inspirational.

“The hot, hard work, the generosity of the island people and the tropical beauty made deep impressions on our volunteers,” he said.

The students participated in fund-raising projects throughout the school year to pay for the trip. BSU member Kahlid Tapia ’01 played host to the group at his grandparents’ home on St. Thomas.

University Courtyard opens doors, eyes

When University Courtyards apartments opens its doors in August, student housing at UNCP will never be the same.

Located across University Drive from campus, University Courtyards will offer 98 apartments to 334 students. The apartments sport attractive features, including:

- Fully furnished rooms with two- and four-bedroom options
- Dishwasher, microwave, washer and dryer
- Phone, cable TV and Internet connections
- Monitored intrusion security system with card-entry, panic button in bedrooms and on-site security
- Fire sprinkler system in every room
- Outdoor pool, volleyball and basketball courts and barbecue grills
- Clubhouse with a computer lab, game room and fitness center

“This is the future of student housing — study hard, live easy,” said Craig Kennedy, property manager for the Ambling Company. “This is not just a place to live — we serve the total student.”

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Ambling, which operates 19 other student apartment complexes across the nation, began site preparation in November 2000, and construction has proceeded smoothly toward an August opening date.

The idea to bring private housing to the university was initiated more than two years ago by Chancellor Allen C. Meadors.

“Today’s students have diverse housing needs” he said. “In University Courtyards, we have a solid company which will offer our students a first-class off-campus residential experience.”

If early indicators are on target for UNCP’s surging enrollment, the additional housing space will be welcome at a growing university this fall.

“We are planning for our second consecutive record freshman class and a record number of transfer students,” he said. “A mix of public and private

housing will meet demands for student housing now and in the future, when enrollment is considerably larger.”

For Ambling’s part, the company is pleased with the initial response from students.

“Interest has been high,” Kennedy said. “We are working hard to plan an exciting opening.”

University Courtyards is planning a “splash bash” to coincide with the opening of the new Track and Soccer Complex, also on University Road.

“It is a bit of luck that both facilities on this side of University Drive will open at the same time,” Kennedy said. “I get a great feeling for the future of UNC Pembroke.”

At \$355 per person for four-bedroom apartments and \$440 per person for two-bedroom apartments, rent is affordable. All utilities — electric, water, sewer, phone, cable and Internet connections — are included.

“When we sit down and crunch the numbers, the price is quite reasonable,” he said.

University officials are understandably enthusiastic about the new student housing opportunity.

“It’s exciting,” said Admissions Director Jackie Clark. “It gives a new definition to the term commuter student.”

Clark and others believe that University Courtyards gives students more housing options and may bolster student satisfaction. It also makes a positive statement about the direction in which the university is headed.

“It is tangible evidence of a growing, successful university,” she said.

Visit University Courtyards online at www.universitycourtyard.com.





Indianhead wins top national honors

As editor of UNC Pembroke's yearbook, Sarah-Lynn Brown said she learned about the creative process.

"The theme came to me over time," said the Fayetteville native. "It took a lot of brainstorming and just going at it and at it. Then, all of a sudden, I had it."

What the senior art major had was an award-winning idea for the 2000 *Indianhead*. This spring, the publication was awarded the All-Columbia Scholastic Press Association's silver medal for overall excellence and top awards in the areas of concept and design.

It is the first time in recent history the yearbook took two top honors.

Brown learned that creativity is "95 percent perspiration and 5 percent inspiration," said yearbook adviser Sara Oswald.

"Sarah has a lot of talent for visual images, and she is also an excellent writer," Oswald said.

This combination of talent may not be the most common package, but Brown



Indianhead adviser Sara Oswald, left, and editor Sarah-Lynn Brown

has nurtured both talents in her undergraduate career. The art major graduated in 2000, but returned this year to finish a second major in English.

In addition to serving three years on the yearbook staff, she also wrote and sketched comic strips for the school newspaper. This year, Brown also won an ADDY Rising Star award for her advertising designs.

"I think as a total package this is the best yearbook in the 12 years I have been here. No, it is by far the best," Oswald said.

The theme of the 208-page yearbook was "Endless Flight," signifying the university's progress over time. A spiral staircase design was repeated in each section, and the university's prominent flights of stairs were used as photo props for group pictures.

The theme also worked as a 20th-century historical retrospective, which Brown wrote and designed.

Brown said she will pursue a career in advertising and design after graduation.

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Dr. Barbee said there is a great deal to be learned about China by UNCP's instructors.

"The Chinese have an extraordinarily large and complex system of government," he said. "They can contribute significantly to our understanding of public administration as we teach them an American management program."

The agreements must be approved by the UNC Board of Governors, but UNCP leadership is excited by the possibilities of additional international ties.

Will there be more outreach programs into Asia or elsewhere? Chancellor Meadors can envision a Center for Asian Studies and Entrepreneurship at UNCP.

"When you realize that over half of

the world's population is Asian, you start to appreciate the importance to our students to interact and become comfortable with this part of our small world," he said. "There are tremendous opportunities for collaborations and partnerships with Asian universities."

And UNCP will be there as Chinese relations with the West continue to grow.

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Dr. Stephenson encourages his students to take the journey of self-discovery through creative writing.

"Writing must be ultimately — this is almost always true — its own reward," Dr. Stephenson said. "That is why I am doing what I am doing — teaching and writing.

"Teaching and writing create a climate for me, a way of life, style and spirit of adventure — together with a sense of mission."

The UNC Board of Governors created the Teaching Excellence Award in 1994 to underscore the importance of teaching.

The award, totaling \$7,500, is given to one tenured faculty member on each of UNC's 16 campuses.

At UNCP, the award recipient leads ceremonial events at the university and serves as featured speaker at Winter Commencement.



Advancement adds two members to fund-raising team

Valerie Cheeseman is the new director of corporate and foundation relations, and Thomas Giffin is the new major gifts officer. They will report to Dr. Glen Burnette Jr., vice chancellor of Advancement.

At UNCP, Cheeseman will be responsible for securing major grants and other support from corporations and foundations for university programs.

Cheeseman, who has a lengthy management record in corporate and community relations, comes to UNCP from a position with a national nonprofit health agency. She has worked for major U.S. corporations in the businesses of information technology, energy and finance.

A New York City native, she holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Lehman College and a Master of Arts degree from the University of Denver.

She is a member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals, the North



Valerie Cheeseman



Thomas Giffin

Carolina Center for Nonprofits, the Carolina Farm Stewardship Association and the N.C. Council for Entrepreneurial Development.

Giffin will be responsible for the development of programs of giving and securing major gifts from individual donors.

“The University of North Carolina at Pembroke is in an excellent position to combine its rich history of dedicated

alumni and friends with a strong present-day desire to move the institution forward,” he said. “I believe private giving will play a monumental role in achieving that goal over the next 10 to 13 years.”

Giffin has worked extensively in public affairs and fund-raising in higher education. He comes to the university from the West Virginia University Foundation in Morgantown, where his responsibilities included serving as director of development for Potomac State College of West Virginia in Keyser. He has held fund-raising and public affairs posts at a branch campus of Penn State University, Berks County United Way and a regional hospital in Western Maryland.

Giffin has an Associate Degree from Allegany College, a Bachelor of Arts from Shippensburg State University and a Master of Science from St. Thomas University.

Pembroke physician honors parents with scholarship

For anesthesiologist Dr. Jayne P. Maynor, a 1983 UNCP graduate, the gift is a family affair. Her parents — James C. and the late Magenta J. Maynor — are alumni, too.

The scholarship will provide three students with \$250 per semester.

The Magenta J. Maynor Endowed Scholarship will be awarded to two art majors, and the James C. Maynor Endowed Scholarship will go to a history major.

“My mother loved art and loved cultivating an interest and appreciation of art in her students,” Dr. Maynor said. “In this fast-paced age of science and technology, there seems to be an even greater need to enjoy the enriching beauty of art.”

Magenta Maynor was a Pembroke native and a 1949 UNCP graduate. She taught in the public schools of Robeson



Dr. Jayne P. Maynor

County for 33 years. She passed away in 1984.

James C. Maynor also grew up in Pembroke. He was a World War II veteran and 1950 UNCP graduate, majoring in history.

“My father believes there should be more emphasis on the importance of our nation’s history,” Dr. Maynor said of the history scholarship in his name. “He believed as Ecclesiastes says, ‘There is nothing new under the sun.’”

Dr. Maynor majored in biology at UNCP. She graduated from the UNC School of Medicine and performed her residency at UNC Hospitals before joining Lumberton Anesthesia Associates.

“These scholarships will serve as a perpetual tribute to my parents in the disciplines they loved most,” she said. “This university meant a great deal to my entire family and to our community.”



From left: Dr. Glen Burnette Jr., vice chancellor for Advancement; Shirley Stockton, Mary B. Carroll, Maxine Amos, Chancellor Meadors, Katrina Locklear, Elizabeth Currie and Flora Ransom.

Retired school teachers establish scholarship

Teachers never stop caring about education.

Just ask Maxine Amos, Shirley Stockton, Flora Ransom, Elizabeth Currie, Mary B. Carroll and Katrina Locklear.

Representing the Robeson County Retired School Personnel, this group of retired teachers recently presented an endowed scholarship to the University of North Carolina at Pembroke.

The scholarship will benefit a junior or senior who is studying to become a teacher. The beneficiary will receive an annual award of \$500.

“Hopefully, some deserving person will have the opportunity to join the profession,” said Amos, association president.

Chancellor Allen C. Meadors thanked the group for giving back to their profession.

“It is true what they say about the dedication public schools teachers have for their profession and the young people they teach,” he said. “This is a special gift that will help a deserving student join this elite club.”

“We are proud of our School of Education, which is one of the top-ranked in the state of North Carolina. Because of this generous gift, a student will benefit and, ultimately, our entire public school system will benefit.”

Present were Amos, who taught at Pembroke Elementary and Carroll Middle School; Stockton, Red Springs High School and Lumberton Junior High School; Ransom, Fairgrove School, Smith’s School and East Robeson Elementary School; Currie, Red Springs High School and Flora MacDonald College; Carroll, Purvis Elementary and Southside School; and Locklear, Carroll Middle.

Locklear, a 1963 UNCP graduate, is chair of the scholarship committee.

“We had an outstanding year enrolling new members, and there were funds available for a good cause,” she said. “As retired educators, we are still able to contribute to the education community.”

Anonymous donors saw the need for a textbook scholarship

A UNC Pembroke trustee and a professor noticed a disturbing trend: They saw a growing number of students who could not afford the textbooks required for their courses.

“Often, students struggling to pay tuition and fees find that they are unable to afford textbooks,” said Lynda Parlett, director of Development. “Used textbooks are not always available and, sometimes, one textbook is shared by several students.”

Through the efforts of two anonymous benefactors, the university recently created a new scholarship to assist financially struggling students with the purchase of textbooks.

“In order to ensure that all students have access to books, the benefactors of a new book scholarship have provided the seed money to get it started,” Parlett said. “It is just seed money, and the benefactors are hoping that other concerned individuals will help the book fund grow.”

The awards will be \$100 per approved applicant.

The scholarship was initiated in January and has already benefited 10 students: Jessica Bullard, Goldie Shanae Ingram, Alison J. McNamara, Lenin Alonso Noguera, Amy Osbourne, Adrienne Satchell, Angela Gail Southerland, Mary A. Standifer and Anquonette Lekeisha Stiles.

“It is the hope of these two benefactors that faculty, staff, alumni and friends of UNCP will give generously to this fund,” Parlett said.

If you would like to make a gift to this or any other scholarship at UNCP, please contact the Office of Development at (910) 521-6533.

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October 3- *The Eroica Trio*
November 2- *Footloose*
December 4- *A Christmas Carol*
January 24- *Emile Pandolfi*
February 5- *Titanic*
March 27- *Death of a Salesman*

*The Nostalgia
Concert Series*

- October 6- *The 5th Dimension*
December 7- *Crystal Gayle*
January 17- *Mitch Ryder*
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The Playboys*
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1960s

Ray Brayboy '69 was named South Carolina Superintendent of the Year by the S.C. Athletic Administrators Association in Charleston. Ray was nominated by Marlboro County High School Athletic Director Dean Boyd.

1970s

R. Leon Martin Jr. '73 has been elected senior vice president at First Citizens Bank in Elizabethtown, where he is a market executive.



He is a member of the Bladen County Economic Development Commission and the Eastern Center for Regional Development and a board member of the Bladen County Committee of 100.

Randy McCall '73 recently accepted a job as project administrator of a federal research project in the South Carolina Pee Dee area. He will be working with six counties to help former TANF (welfare) clients get jobs or increase wages. Randy formerly worked with the Marlboro County Department of Social Services for 28 years as a program coordinator.

Renee George Abernathy '74 is a social worker for the blind for the Gaston County office of the North Carolina Division of Services for the Blind. She attended Southeastern Baptist Theological

Seminary, where she earned a Master of Divinity degree.

Patricia Lowry Chavis '74 has been named the new South Central Region director for the Division of Prisons (See article on page 17).

BB&T has promoted **J. Philip McEachern '74** to senior vice president. Phil is a regional corporate banker and joined the bank in 1977. He and his wife, Mary, reside in Manteo with their two sons, Philip, 19, and Timothy, 12.

Emilio Pagan '75 replaced **Patricia Chavis '74** as superintendent of Lumberton Correctional Institution effective July 1. Pagan started with the Department of Correction in 1974 as a correctional officer at Sandhills Youth Institution. He was later a program supervisor and classification coordinator at Morrison Youth Institution. In 1992, he went to the Columbus Correctional Institution as assistant superintendent for programs. He has two adult sons and lives in Pinehurst.

The artist for the North Carolina quarter is **Mary Ellen (Lawson) Robinson '75**. Her name will be mentioned in the *U.S. News and World Report*, plus a coin collector magazine subtitled "How one company spent nearly a year of detective work discovering who the missing artists are." The article is titled "Searching for the Elusive State Quarter Artists" by James Taylor. She was recently interviewed by ABC News' Winston-Salem affiliate.

Dwight Pearson '77 completed requirements for a Ph.D. in educational research at North Carolina State University in November 2000. Effective January 1, he was named as section chief with the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction.

Anthony Locklear '79 has been named executive director of "GEAR UP North Carolina," a collaborative initiative to increase the high school graduation and college-going rates of low-income students in North Carolina.

1980s

Ruth Dial Woods '81 was awarded a Ph.D. in education with a concentration in curriculum and instruction at the 199th commencement at UNC Chapel Hill in

May. Ruth is a retired career educator in the public schools and higher education. She is also a member of the University of North Carolina Board of Governors.

David Clark '83 works as a computer systems analyst as an independent contractor. He has recently earned a black belt in the martial art he has been studying for several years. David and his wife, Victoria, now live in Hermitage, Texas. "Tory," a pediatrician, has been named chief resident at Vanderbilt Hospital.

Richard Ward '85 completed the requirements for a master in education degree at UNC Greensboro in August 2000. The degree included a social studies track in secondary school education. As part of the program, he completed student teaching in High Point, N.C., and acquired North Carolina teacher certification. He taught classes of advanced placement and college preparatory high school students in the subjects of world, U.S. and European history.

Vance K. Bishop Jr. '86 has been appointed director of the North Carolina Biotechnology Center's Conference and Education Facility. Vance will oversee the 19,000-square-foot facility and its five-person staff. He was previously director of auxiliary services and director of conference services at St. Andrews Presbyterian College in Laurinburg. He was a first lieutenant in the N.C. Army National Guard from 1982 to 1991 and served as a military aide-de-camp to former N.C. Governor Jim Martin.

Jamie K. Oxendine '87 is a music and choir director and a Native American speaker in the Toledo (Ohio) Public Schools. Recently, Jamie composed the original musical score for the PBS docudrama film "Through Native Eyes: The Henry Berry Lowrie Story," which was inducted into the American Folklife Center of the Library of Congress May 23, 2000, during the Library of Congress Bicentennial Celebration. Jamie is also on the Advisory Board of the Native American Music Association, which sponsors the Native American Music Awards, a new category in the 2001 Grammy Awards. He lives in Bowling Green, Ohio.

Ronald P. Rundus '88 is an administrative assistant with the Casey Foundation, one of the largest philanthropic

organizations in the world. He is also on the board of directors and serves as treasurer of the Pacific Crest Biodiversity Project. Ron lives in Seattle, Wash.

1990s

Ellen Marie Barney '90 has recently taken a position as a paralegal at Hunton & Williams law firm in Raleigh. She was previously employed with the Office of the President at the University of North Carolina.

Debbie Lowery Jacobs '91 was promoted to student services assistant in the Career Services Center at UNCP. She has been employed at the university since 1993.

Tommy O'Briant "Brian" Freeman '92, a UNCP Alumni Association board member, has been chosen as one of three teachers across the state to receive the 2001 North Carolina Jiffy Lube Teaching Excellence Award. Parents and students made the nominations and the award was presented on behalf of WRAL and Jiffy Lube. The award was based on criteria set by the North Carolina Parent Teacher Association program.

Clay Alexander '95 became the new assistant to the president of Greensboro College July 2. He was previously

associate director of admissions. Some of his major responsibilities include assisting the president in the overall administration of the college, in the conduct of his "Promise to Keep" \$60 million capital campaign, and development of special programs in the president's office, including Triad World Affairs Council, character education, Boy Scouts, Ford Foundation, Corporate Leadership Initiative, chamber of commerce events and other civic and philanthropic events. Clay will begin working on his Master of Science degree in Higher Education at UNC Greensboro in January 2002.

Clara Lassiter '95 has been named Teacher of the Year for 2001-2002 at Brentwood Elementary School in Fayetteville, where she teaches first grade.

Herbert Lowry Jr. '95 earned his master of divinity degree from Duke Divinity School in May. He also completed a long-time goal by running in his first marathon last December in Raleigh. Herbert is pastor of Triad Native American United Methodist Church in Greensboro.

Sandra McCormick '95, a UNCP Alumni Association board member, and **Lois Oxendine '95** were selected by members of the Robeson Association of Educators to attend the National NEA Convention in Los Angeles. When they return, they will leave again to spend two

weeks studying at the University of Connecticut on behalf of the AIG Department with the Public Schools of Robeson County.

Jeffery Alejandro '96, UNCP Alumni Association board member, graduated in May from East Carolina University with a Master of Arts degree in Adult Education. He is employed at ECU as a program coordinator for conferences, special programs and marketing. Jeffery will begin work on his doctorate this fall.

Al Strickland '96 is band director at Hoke County High School. He is married to **Russchelle '97**, who is a social worker for Hospice of Hoke County. They are the proud parents of a daughter, Alyson Russchelle, born May 19, 2000.

Schnele Renee '97 and **Ursulla H. Kerns '97**, daughters of Bobby Ray and **Frances '65 Kerns**, graduated from North Carolina Central University in Durham May 12 with a Master of Education in Communication Disorders. Both graduated with honors. Ursulla plans to work with the Public Schools of Robeson County, and Schnele is employed with Scotland Memorial Hospital in Laurinburg.

Meredith Wilcox Storms '97, a Ph.D. candidate in the Department of Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Sciences, was nominated and accepted into the Rho Chi National honor society, a society

2001-2002 Calendar-at-a-Glance

DESTINATION	DATE	DEPOSIT DUE	BALANCE DUE
Irish River Dance, Myrtle Beach	September 15	\$20/immediately	August 1
New England/Nova Scotia	Sept. 19-Oct. 1	ASAP	August 19
Disney/Sea World/Universal	November 9-12	\$100/August 28	October 3
Concord Mills	November 30	\$10/July 3	October 30
Callaway Gardens/Lake Lanier	December 6-9	\$100/September 1	November 1
Selma/American Jubilee	December 14	\$10/September 14	November 14
Charleston Weekend	March 8-10	\$100/November 30	February 8
Southwest/Las Vegas/Grand Canyon	April 12-18	\$200/January 15	March 1
Potomac Train Trip	May 17-19	\$100/February 1	April 17

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Twilla Chavis '98 of Maxton is the regional long-term care ombudsman with the Lumber River Area Agency on Aging. She was previously employed with Sunbridge Care and Rehabilitation of Pembroke.

Chad Griffin '98 has been named assistant men's soccer coach at Stetson University in Florida. He moves to the NCAA's Division I ranks from a position as assistant men's and women's coach at Division II powerhouse St. Edwards University in Texas.

Felicia R. Treadwell '98 is employed at Research Triangle Institute in Research Triangle Park as a chemist in the analytical, chemistry and sciences department.

2000s

SunSarae Locklear '01 recently joined UNCP as a counselor/education adviser with the Youth Opportunity Program, contracted through Lumber River Council of Governments, May 1.

Retirements

David '68 and Carolyn K. '70 Johnson recently retired from the Wayne County (N.C.) Schools after teaching for 30 years. David, an elementary major, spent 28 years teaching seventh grade. Carolyn, a chemistry major, taught chemistry for 30 years.

Births

Crystal Edmonds '88, former UNCP Alumni Association Board member, and husband Derek are the proud parents of a baby girl, Elizabeth Denise. Elizabeth was born January 8 at Cape Fear Valley Hospital in Fayetteville. This is their third child.

Congratulations to **Jill Ammons-Rogitz '92** and her husband, Todd, on the birth of their son, Todd William Rogitz II,

March 16. Baby Trey weighed 5 lbs., 10 oz. and was 18 1/2 inches long.

The UNCP Athletic Department proudly announces that Hunter Lee Edkins, an 8-lb.,



8-oz. all-around athlete, was born April 17. Hunter's mom and dad are Susan Edkins, UNCP head athletic trainer and assistant athletic director, and **Brian Edkins '93**, South View High School soccer coach.

Audrea Barnes Brisson '95 and her husband, Jeffrey, welcome their fourth child, Conner Daly.

Conner was born October 27, 2000 in Elizabethtown. She weighed 6 lbs., 10 oz., and was 19 3/4 inches long. Conner was welcomed



home by her three older siblings, Christina Dawn, 11, Catherine Danielle, 8, and Colby Drake, 2.

Caleb Andrew Malcolmm '97 and his wife, Kyle, announce the birth of their son, Caleb Alexander, September 23, 2000 at Womack Army Medical Center, Fort Bragg.



Killian-Gray wedding party, first row from left: Rebecca Ann Gray Carr '93, Nicole Elma Carr, Wright Killian, Rodney Oxendine Jr., Ila Gray Killian '83, Mary Ila Gray Oxendine; back row, from left: Richard Kenneth Carr '97, Tim Brady, Theresa Marie Gray Brady '91 and Rodney Oxendine.



Mary Gray Oxendine '99 and husband, Rodney, announce the birth of their baby boy, Rodney Jr., May 30, 1999. Little Rodney weighed in at 8 lbs., 12 oz. Mary is employed with Robeson Health Care Corporation as their human resources coordinator.

Marriages and Engagements

UNCP Controller **Ila Paul Gray '83** and UNCP Professor **Paul Wright Killian Jr.** were united in marriage March 3 at Midway Presbyterian Church in Maxton. In attendance at the wedding were her daughters **Rebecca Gray Carr '93**, **Theresa Gray Brady '91** and **Mary Gray Oxendine '99**; her sons-in-law **Richard K. Carr '97**, Tim Brady and Rodney Oxendine; grandchildren Nicole Carr and Rodney Oxendine Jr. — future UNCP alumni!

Theresa Gray '91 and Timothy Brady were married August 5, 2000 in Buffalo, N.Y. They reside in Depew, where she is employed as a photographer.



Londa Hunt '94 and Troy Santoscoy, both of Charlotte, were married at Elegant Beginning Wedding Chapel in Gastonia, N.C., February 20, with the Rev. Jim Shock officiating. She is employed with Belk Stores Services as an accountant supervisor. Following a wedding trip to central Florida, the couple resides in Charlotte.

Penny Sue Wollard '97 and Randall Wayne Blackburn of Waco, Texas, were married April 28 at Judson Baptist Church in Fayetteville with the Rev. Kenneth Wilson officiating. She is employed as a social worker with the Cumberland County Department of Social Services. Following a honeymoon trip to Myrtle Beach, the couple resides in Wheaton, Ill.

Jennifer Leigh Parker '97 is engaged to Dr. Michael Ebner of Fayetteville. The wedding was June 23 at Sandals Caribbean Resort in Jamaica.



Alumni Professionals

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Hugh "Oz" Queen '88, CPA,
Hamlet, N.C.



Renee George Abernathy '74
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Services for the blind



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Charlotte

Deaths

If you wish to reach family members of the deceased, you may call the Office of Alumni Relations for contact information. Whenever possible, additional information, such as contact and/or memorials, will be provided.

Chesley Oxendine Jr. '64 passed away May 2.

Our condolences to **Judy Locklear Lowery '64** and her extended family on the death of her mother, Stella Oxendine Locklear, April 10.

Sara Diane Hale '00 died April 9.
David W. Foltz died in 1997.

ALUMNI CAREER CONNECTIONS

The Career Connection is a network of graduates willing to contribute information and/or time to UNCP students or alumni exploring careers and graduate schools. Please sign up to at www.uncp.edu/alumni or contact Dr. Lisa Schaeffer at the Career Services Center, (910) 521-6270.



Jim Ebert

Professor Emeritus James Boyer Ebert has given 44 years of dedicated service to the university, its students and the community.

Although he retired in 1989 as a full-time professor, Prof. Ebert begins his 45th year of instruction this fall as a lecturer in the Biology Department.

In recognition of his service, he was conferred an Honorary Doctor of Science degree during Spring Commencement.

In letters to the Awards Committee, friends praised his loyalty to the university and his students:

- “Mr. Ebert has served the university community in a most diligent, honorable and loyal capacity for several decades,” said UNCP Trustee Sybil Collins. “Even after retirement, he remains a great ambassador for UNCP.”

- “Mr. Ebert can be highlighted because of his outstanding service to his community in recruiting students to UNCP,” said Dr. Jose D’Arruda, chair of the Department of Chemistry and Physics. “I have observed for many years that he has the highest respect among his peers.”

- “Mr. Ebert is a kind and compassionate person, but he is also tough and demanding as a teacher,” said former students and retired teachers Ralph and Hilda

Evans. “He had kind encouragement for each student who entered his class.”

Prof. Ebert said the honorary doctorate is a great honor.

“I thought it was great to be honored in that way at this stage in my life and in this profession,” he said. “I hope to continue teaching into my 80s and as long as I am needed.”

The university had only 154 students when Prof. Ebert arrived in 1955 with a new degree under his arm and a desire to make a difference for his students.

“I knew I could teach biological science, but I felt I contribute something more to student development,” he said. “It’s hard to put into words how richly blessed I have been by my students over the years.”

During his tenure, Prof. Ebert served on almost every faculty committee, including committees for textbooks, athletics,



James B. Ebert and wife, Eleanor, at a reception

discipline, scholarship, guidance and student government. He is a founding member and chair of the Retired Faculty Committee.

Prof. Ebert continues to help students today, both inside and outside the classroom.

He has personally endowed a scholarship, and an anonymous donor contributed another endowed scholarship in his name. This spring, he launched yet another scholarship drive from the Retired Faculty Committee.

In addition to teaching biology, Prof. Ebert served UNCP as dean of Student Affairs and as administrative assistant to the president from 1962 to 1966.

Alumni Professionals

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Joe Deese '74, M.D.



Cheryl Locklear '75, D.D.S.



Greg Bell '79 attorney

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Chuck Oxendine

Chuck Oxendine is a success story with a long history. Married with two children, he has an important job with a great company.



Like so many hard-working and successful families in Robeson County, the history of the Oxendine family is woven into the fabric of the University of North Carolina at Pembroke.

Oxendine's uncle, the late Dr. Herbert G. Oxendine, was a longtime Dean of Faculty, and the Oxendine Science Building bears his name.

Oxendine's father, James Arthur Oxendine, is a 1952 graduate. His wife, the former Sandra Locklear, is a 1991 graduate.

Chuck is a 1987 graduate who says UNCP prepared him well for work at Buckeye Technologies Inc.

"I felt I could get a good education close to home that would build a good foundation for future growth," he said.

Since Oxendine grew up a mile from campus, UNCP was in the blood, so to speak.

"The decision to attend Pembroke was an easy one for me," he said. "I've always felt family ties to the university.

"Attending college wasn't really an option — it was an expectation that I felt my parents had for me, so I placed it on myself."

Growing up in the shadow of the university got Oxendine oriented to college, but, as the saying goes, it takes a village to raise a success story.

Biology major at UNCP prepared him for rigors of business world

"I was always interested in science and math, but my high school biology teacher, Vicky Lowry, probably influenced my decision to major in biology more than anyone else," he said.

Oxendine's career began at Alpha Cellulose (predecessor to Buckeye) in 1986. He excelled at both the scientific and management sides of the business. He worked in various roles over the years, including production, research, lab, environmental and management.

In 1992, he was promoted to technical services manager, responsible for quality assurance. In 1993, Oxendine assumed responsibility for environmental operations at the specialty cotton pulp processor.

Located on the banks of the Lumber River in Lumberton, Buckeye has a self-contained wastewater treatment facility. Oxendine's position is critical to the company that exports 40 percent of its products. In 2000, he was promoted to operations manager of a newly installed manufacturing operation.

"Working with Buckeye has afforded me the opportunity to travel all over the world," he said. "We export pulp that is used to make fine paper and other specialty products to Asia, Europe and South America."



Oxendine in Buckeye's lab

And everywhere he goes, he carries a little bit of Pembroke with him.

"The degree I received at UNCP has afforded me the knowledge and education needed to be successful in a global enterprise," he said.

Oxendine's sons, Jarrett, 7, and Luke, 2, inherit a long legacy of educational achievement and family success.

Add a lot of hard work to that mix and success can't be much farther down the road than UNCP was to the Oxendine family home.



Pat Chavis '74, south central region director, N.C. Division of Prisons

Pat Chavis named regional director of prisons

Robeson County resident Patricia Chavis '74 has been named the new south central region director for the Division of Prisons effective April 1. Chavis oversees operations at 14 state prisons in a 12-county area between Charlotte and Wilmington.

"Pat Chavis is an excellent leader, motivator and administrator," said Department of Correction Secretary Theodis Beck.

A 27-year veteran of the Department of Correction, she became the first American Indian woman to lead a state prison in 1990. In 1994, she supervised the opening of Lumberton Correctional Institution.

Chavis earned her Bachelor's degree in Sociology in 1974, followed by her Master's in Educational Administration. She and her husband, Kenneth, have two children.

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ALUMNI CHAPTER NEWS

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Fayetteville Chapter News

Tom Martin '67, President

The Fayetteville Chapter continues to have fun by visiting different restaurants for monthly meetings. Our last meeting was at an excellent seafood restaurant, so we have decided to return there for our next meeting. Feel free to call me at (910) 630-6360 if you would like to join us at a future meeting and need to know the location and time, or check out the alumni Web page at www.uncp.edu/alumni/news_events/chapter_meetings.htm

ALUMNI AT A GLANCE

August 17	Freshman Move-In 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
	Pizza Party 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
August 29	Mountain Chamber Players, Moore Hall 10:15 a.m.
Sept. 19-Oct. 1	Travel: Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, 13 days
September 29	Soccer Tailgate UNCP vs. Catawba 7 p.m.
October 7-10	Phon-a-thon Phase I
October 14-17	Phon-a-thon Phase II
October 17	Senior Salute 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
	Opera Carolina's Hansel & Gretel, Moore Hall 10:15 a.m.
October 18	Senior Salute 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
November 7	Senior Brunch 10 a.m.
	Valerie Zamora, Moore Hall 10:15 a.m.
November 9-12	Travel: Disney/Sea World/Universal Four days
November 30	Travel: Concord Mills One-day trip
December 1	Alumni Holiday Drop-In 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
December 6-9	Travel: Callaway Gardens/Lake Lanier Four days
December 14	Travel: Selma/American Jubilee Christmas One-day trip
January 19, 2002	Soups & Hoops Competition TBA
January 23	Danny & June Infantino, Pianists, Moore Hall 10:15 a.m.
February 4-9	HOMECOMING 2002!

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The Fayetteville Chapter is working on funding for a scholarship, with members selling Pizza Hut coupon books. The coupon books are free to us and sell for \$10 each, so any we sell will be direct profit for the chapter.

We have a great time with good fellowship, and keep our meetings simple. Come join us!

Robeson Chapter News

Sandra McCormick '95, President

The Robeson County Alumni Chapter has been busy this year. On June 21, during our regular chapter meeting, we hosted a membership social inviting alumni to come out and join the chapter.

During the Lumbee Homecoming festivities this year, the chapter set up a tent and sold tickets for a 50/50 raffle and a raffle for a TV. These two raffles were held Saturday near the end of the festivities.

Our chapter is in the process of preparing a proposal to submit to the university concerning the construction of an alumni garden with a brick walkway to be located on campus. More details will come as they are available.

The Robeson Chapter challenges you to make a difference at UNCP by getting involved! Check with the Alumni Relations office about starting a chapter in your area.

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UNCP is the hand that rocks the cradle

There is a persistent myth in the world of sports of a special place called “the cradle of coaches.” This is where all the best coaches are born.

At South View High School in Hope Mills, N.C., this special place is not a myth. UNCP is South View’s “cradle of coaches.”

At the school with arguably the best overall sports program in the region, UNCP has supplied 10 coaches and athletic director Ron Luck.

“This is not a conspiracy,” Luck said. “It just worked out that way.”

It’s a good thing when you consider the contributions of a 36-year head basketball coach like Ron Miller ’63. Miller won more than 400 games before retiring this season.

“Coaching is what I like to do, and I’ve enjoyed every minute of it,” said the New York City native. “We have stayed close with our friends at the university like Tim

Brayboy, Frank Winfree ’70, W.K. Morgan ’63, Delton Ray Locklear ’54 and others. It’s been very special.”

There were other outstanding coaching jobs by UNCP graduates this year. Wrestling coach Mike Stanbridge

took his team to a fourth-place finish in the state duals, and football coach Mike Ledford went all the way to the state 4A finals before losing.

- **Doug Caudill ’74**, assistant football and baseball coach.
- **Ronnie Luck ’70**, athletic director.
- **Mike Stanbridge ’71**, head wrestling coach.
- **Faye Council ’81**, head volleyball and junior varsity basketball coach.
- **Holly Hedman ’01**, junior varsity volleyball coach.
- **Kellie Aldridge ’93**, assistant softball and basketball coach.
- **Vernon Aldridge ’93**, assistant football coach.
- **Brian Edkins ’93**, head soccer coach.
- **Randy Ledford ’74**, head football and baseball coach. He is a member of the UNCP Athletic Hall of Fame.



UNCP’s “Tigers” — Front row from left: **Holly Hedman ’01**, **Kellie Aldridge ’93**, **Brian Edkins ’93**, **Mike Stanbridge ’71**, **Doug Caudill ’74** and **Ron Luck ’70**. Back row from left: **Faye Council ’81**, **Vern Aldridge ’93**, **Ron Miller ’63** and **Randy Ledford ’75**.

Mac Campbell honored for contributions to athletics



D.M. Campbell

Braves Club Past President D.M. “Mac” Campbell has been named the National Association of Athletic Development Directors’ (NAADD)

College Division Volunteer of the Year.

The award is presented to the person whose volunteering efforts have made the greatest contribution to the athletic department of a school.

The National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) administers NAADD.

“When a professional organization recognizes somebody from our family, it is very gratifying,” said Athletic Director Dan Kenney. “Mac Campbell is very deserving of the honor. He has made a major difference by giving his time, talents and treasures to UNCP athletics.”

Campbell, a 1968 graduate, was appointed to the University’s Board of Trustees in 1997. Since then, he has led a revitalization of fund-raising functions. He has served as a volunteer, vice president and president of the Braves Club.

“We’re delighted that Mac is being recognized for his tremendous support of the university,” said Chancellor Meadors.

Campbell has led events, including the annual Braves Club Auction, Reverse Raffle and Golf Tournaments. He has also helped double the number of endowed scholarships.

“Honestly, it is a surprise and a great honor,” he said. “I’m humbled by it. I enjoy doing what I’m doing. Maybe I’m getting too much credit for what Dan is doing, but I’m very appreciative of this honor.”

Campbell and his wife, Sylvia, established the first endowed scholarship for the men’s basketball team.

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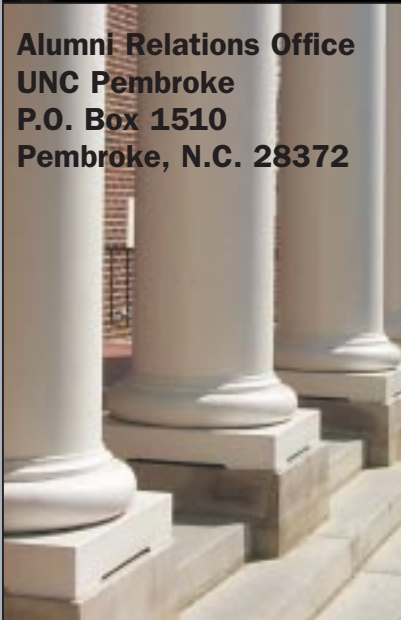
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