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Board selects Dr. Kenneth Johnson to serve as sixth president of MCC

Partnership Dinner XX provided an ideal opportunity for Board Chairman Royce Dickinson to publicly announce the selection of Dr. Kenneth Johnson as the sixth president of Michigan Christian College. Chairman Dickinson introduced Dr. Johnson to an audience of approximately 1,400 friends of the college at the May 4 benefit dinner.

The Board of Trustees began the selection process last October with the appointment of a Presidential Search Committee composed of Bob Benham, Norm Christman, Royce Dickinson, Jack Duty, Howard Hagerman, Annette Riley, and Bob Utley. Over the next five months, the committee considered over thirty candidates.

At the April 20 board meeting, the search committee presented a recommendation that Dr. Kenneth Johnson be selected as the next president. Committee Chairman Bob Utley stated, "The committee was impressed with Dr. Johnson's credentials, his stated approach to the job, and the fine recommendations received from several

well-known college leaders in the brotherhood." He continued, "It was felt that he was the person who would have the expertise and the qualities to continue the progress that MCC had experienced over the past ten years under President Milton B. Fletcher."

Following graduation from Harding College in 1966, Dr. Johnson spent ten years in business, eventually serving as a partner in a Searcy accounting firm. During those years, he completed a master's degree at the University of Wisconsin, spent a year in fund-raising efforts for Harding, and began teaching part-time in the Harding School of Business.

In 1976, Dr. Johnson began full-time employment with Harding University. While serving as director of the accounting program, he completed a D.B.A. in accounting at Louisiana Tech University in 1981. During his tenure at Harding, his division grew until it became the largest single program on campus.

Upon leaving Harding in 1986, Dr. Johnson founded a

multi-state, specialty-service, CPA firm, based in Searcy. The firm has grown rapidly under his leadership to become one of the top twenty CPA firms in Arkansas.

When leaving Harding, Dr. Johnson and his wife, Mary, made a commitment to return to service in Christian education after the high school graduation of their daughters, Kimberly and Rebecca. The youngest daughter's graduation coincided perfectly with the opening of the presidency of Michigan Christian College, which Dr. Johnson described as an "opportunity to be involved in shaping the lives and dreams and goals of Christian youth."

In addition to his work with Christian education, Dr. Johnson has served as a deacon of the College Church of Christ since 1984. He has taught Bible classes on a regular basis, chaired the congregation's Finance Committee, conducted home Bible studies, and served as a member of the congregation's long-range planning committee.

Growing up in Iowa as the son of a Midwestern preacher, Dr.



Dr. Kenneth Johnson, 6th President of Michigan Christian College

Johnson has maintained an intense interest in mission efforts. While teaching at Harding, he organized annual student trips to Philadelphia and Minneapolis in order to encourage students to pursue careers in those mission areas. After returning from an Australian mission campaign in 1985, he initiated a campaign program to take College church teens to mission points outside of the Bible Belt. Among the aims of his administration at Michigan Christian College, Dr. Johnson lists his desire "to encourage Christian youth to develop a personal commitment to lifelong learning, to responsible citizenship, and to evangelical, un-denominational Christianity."

Discussing his role as the president of Michigan Christian College, Dr. Johnson described his task at the college as one in which he would "continue sensible, stable progress by coordinating the expansion of her academic programs, her enrollment, her faculty, and her financial base." He also expressed a keen desire "to encourage Bible study and fellowship among churches of Christ in the North Central states." He concluded by sharing his vision of Michigan Christian College as an "academically excellent, financially sound, modestly endowed, four-year college."

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Celebrating the twentieth anniversary of Partnership Dinner at Cobo Civic Center in Detroit are Otis Gatewood (president, 1958-64), Irene Gatewood, Ida Palmer, E. Lucien Palmer (president, 1964-71), Don Gardner (president, 1971-78), Audrey Gardner, Walt Gilfilen (president, 1978-1980), Milton B. Fletcher (president, 1980-present), Evelyn Fletcher, Mary Johnson, and Kenneth Johnson (incoming president).

Thanks to everyone for over 22 years of good memories and great support



Dear Friends:

With this issue of the *North Star* I write my last column letter as president of MCC. Evelyn and I are experiencing so many "lasts." The emotions are running high.

The privilege of serving Michigan Christian College for twenty-two-plus years has been such a marvelous experience. I am not skillful enough with words to adequately express how deeply we feel. We thank God for having blessed us with this unique challenge. We have been enriched by the lives of thousands of friends who have common goals and interests. The journey has been filled with memories — good, happy, sad, and occasionally not very good. However, all of us know that tough times temper us and hopefully teach and strengthen us for those difficult times that will come again. Solomon said, "Iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." (Proverbs 27:17) Each of us is a part of everyone we have known.

Thank you for having helped make Michigan Christian College a great place for challenging young people to learn, to live, to dream, to love, and to respect the Divine. Thank you for having helped make my job as the fifth president of MCC one of genuine pleasure. Evelyn and I earnestly pray that you who love MCC will continue to support the institution as long as you live! We urge you to look at your tangible gifts as investments in souls. We appeal to you to personally recruit students, so as to bless their lives and to assist MCC in fulfilling her mission. A pledge to take a personal interest in the life of a young student has the ability to change his or her destiny forever. We urge you to pray for our school on a regular, specific basis.

May I appeal to you to support and cooperate with President-elect Kenneth Johnson and his wife, Mary, as you have with us. Dr. and Mrs. Johnson are godly people. He has impressed me with his spirituality, his organization, and his love for young people. He will lead Michigan Christian College to greater heights, with your help and prayers.

Thanks to each of you — to a loyal and dedicated Board of Trustees — to faithful Advisory Board volunteers — to sacrificial, talented, and unselfish employees — to an Associates organization that is unequalled — to thousands of alumni — and to hundreds of supportive preachers, elders, and deacons in the Lord's church. It has taken and will continue to take all of you, with God's help, to sustain Michigan Christian College in the years to come.

Respectfully,

Milton B. Fletcher
President



Deborah Crews presents an SBA gift to President Fletcher.

MCC awards first counseling degrees

Marking a milestone with the addition of another four-year program, Michigan Christian College awarded its first Bachelor of Religious Education degrees with majors in counseling at the thirty-first annual graduation exercises. Two students, Angela Hazel of Pontiac, Michigan, and Debi Shauver of Fort Wayne, Indiana, received the first degrees with the new major at the May 4 ceremony.

Graduation ceremonies opened with the traditional processional, performed by Bernard Leshley of the music faculty. Bill Lytle, father of Lisa Patrico of Rochester Hills, led the audience in prayer. After congratulatory remarks by Royce Dickinson, chairman of the MCC Board of Trustees, the A Cappella Chorus performed three numbers.

Beth Blake of Littleton, Colorado, addressed the audience as valedictorian of her class. She reflected upon similar memories that her parents shared as members of the pioneer class. Lisa Patrico gave the salutatory address.

Bob Utley, a member of the MCC Board of Trustees, addressed graduates as the commencement speaker. Bob is the president of Utley Brothers, Inc., a specialty printer. He serves as an elder of the Rochester Church of Christ and has been an active supporter of the college since its inception. Two of Bob's grandsons, Andy Harrison of Rochester Hills, and Edward Utley of San Antonio, Texas, were members of the graduating class.

As President Milton B. Fletcher and Dean Leonard Knight conferred degrees upon the graduates, most received one of three associate degrees offered by Michigan Christian College. A majority of 69% received the



President Fletcher congratulates Ed Utley upon graduation.

Associate in Arts degree, 20% the Associate in Science, and 11% the Associate in Applied Science.

In addition to graduates in the counseling program, five students received the Bachelor of Religious Education degree with majors in Christian ministry. Those students included Jon Fulton of Auburn Hills, Michigan; John Qualls of Houston, Texas; Pete Sexton of Attica, Michigan; Geneva Sparks of Detroit, Michigan; and Paul Yoder of Almont, Michigan.

After the hooding of graduates by parents and friends, Joe Bentley, director of the A Cappella Chorus, led the audience as they sang the *Alma Mater*. Ed Berta, a 1964 graduate of MCC and father of Penny Berta of Marquette, Michigan, led the audience in prayer before the recessional.

At a Glance

Sigma Phi and Delta Nu social clubs raised over \$325.00 from an auction, to assist a Hillsdale family with medical expenses. The family has three children who suffer from multiple sclerosis.

Art students displayed their work during a two-day exhibit in the Gold Conference Room. The show featured drawings and illustrations prepared in a variety of media.

Student Body Association President Deborah Crews presented a gift of \$2,000 to the college prior to the end of the academic year. The funds have been used to purchase bleachers for the athletic field.

Traveling to the East Coast for their annual spring tour, the MCC A Cappella Chorus performed on fourteen occasions from May 4-15. Appearances in Michigan, Ontario, New York, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, and Ohio gave the group an opportunity to visit attractions in such places as Niagara Falls, Boston, and Philadelphia.

Elderhostel VI attracted senior citizens from five states to campus from May 19-25. Classes included *Whither the American Family?*, taught by Dean Leonard Knight; *Fine Tuning Your Listening Skills*, by Dean Birgie Houston; and *Great Music with a Twist*, by Dr. Charles Nelson of Abilene, Texas.

1991 Awards and Honors (in alphabetical order)

Academic Athlete Award	Shayne Wood, Lake Orion, MI
B. Eckstein Bible Award	David Simons, Keego Harbor, MI
B. Eckstein Greek Award	Mike Davis, Rockport, MA
Dean's Award	Susan Lambert, Indianapolis, IN
Ida Award (Drama)	Lydia Ferguson, Toledo, OH
Men's Baseball MVP	Shayne Wood, Lake Orion, MI
Men's Bask. Def. MVP	Damian Woodmore, Auburn Hills, MI
Men's Bask. Off. MVP	Marshall Newsome, Mt. Clemens, MI
Men's Cross Country MVP	Eric Seelig, Wyandotte, MI
Men's Soccer Co-MVP	Bryan Davies, Novi, MI
Men's Soccer Co-MVP	Tom Hawke, Lake Orion, MI
Men's Track MVP	Eric Seelig, Wyandotte, MI
Miss MCC	Marcy McClelland, Trenton, MI
Mr. MCC	Andy Harrison, Rochester Hills, MI
Peggy Matthews Award	Martha Kindall, Grove City, OH
President's Award	Pete Sexton, Attica, MI
Salutatorian	Lisa Patrico, Rochester Hills, MI
Second Miler Award	James Salmond, Park Forest, IL
Valedictorian	Beth Blake, Littleton, CO
Wes Taphin Award	Brian Edens, Toledo, OH
Women's Basket. MVP	Cindy Sturdivant, Ferndale, MI
Women's Cross Co. MVP	Michelle Siegel, Wyandotte, MI
Women's Softball MVP	Debbie White, Alpena, MI
Women's Track MVP	Vicki Bullock, Chelsea, MI
Women's Volley. MVP	Erica Delano, Madison Heights, MI



Employee Highlights

Joe Bentley, assistant professor of music, completed his second year as director of the Metropolitan Detroit Youth Chorus. The group opened their annual tour with an overnight visit to the campus and performed in chapel on March 29.

Kent Hoggatt, director of admissions, conducted his *TIPS Public Communication Seminar* and a gospel meeting in Milford, Ohio, in April. During May, he spoke at Valley Christian Academy's graduation and conducted a seminar for the Waterford Department of Parks and Recreation.

English Instructor Vikki Bentley received honors as *Faculty Member of the Year* and Kathy Anspach, accounting clerk, as *Staff Member of the Year* at the annual Employee Appreciation Dinner.

During May, Dr. Leonard Knight, academic dean, and Dr. Fawn Knight, associate professor of English, conducted their timely *Family Life Seminar* for the Church of Christ in Barrie, Ontario.

Count of students over age 25 continues to grow

Representing 18% of the total student body, an increasing number of students over age 25 continued to make an even greater impact upon student life at Michigan Christian College during the past academic year.

The class of 1991 included three senior citizens who completed degrees through the aid of a free-tuition policy offered by MCC to students over age 55. John Qualls, a minister, and Geneva Sparks, a retired secretary, completed the Bachelor of Religious Education degree. Fay Hoshell, a retired nurse, earned the Associate in Applied Science degree.

When asked why he decided to return to college, John stated that the opportunity to complete a degree "fulfilled a dream." Geneva remarked, "After taking early retirement, I needed something to do." Fay chose to attend MCC because of the availability of Bible courses and the tuition policy.

When considering a return to the classroom, adult students often are anxious about their ability to handle study demands. John did not find that



Adult student Fay Hoshell studies with Sandra Szatmary in the Muirhead Library.

adjustment difficult. "The main thing was scheduling it as any other part of my work load and giving it proper priority." Fay admitted that "it was difficult only when I allowed myself to get behind."

All three students treasure special memories from their rela-

tionships with other students. John described his counseling class as a "crowning experience", in which he and class members related to one another and grew in a manner that was "nothing short of phenomenal." Geneva recalled the rewarding experience of watching another

adult student complete courses due to her encouragement. Fay, who lived in a residence hall, described the younger students as "confidants and friends." Each adult student touched the lives of other Michigan Christian College students as they were touched.



Metropolitan Detroit Youth Chorus sings for a chapel audience.

State extends MCC day-care license

Following reinspection by the Michigan Department of Social Services, the Child Development Center of Michigan Christian College recently received a two-year license for continuation of their day-care services.

The center opened last December with the normal six-month provisional license that the state issues to new centers.

The Child Development Center passed its inspection with no program citations. Marian

Dannis, a state licensing consultant, commended the center for exceptional interaction between student employees and the children. She was impressed by the loving attitude demonstrated by the college students. Most student employees are enrolled in either the child care or early childhood programs.

In July, Lesta Grear will join the professional staff of the Child Development Center. Lesta has directed the preschool program of Luckett Christian Academy in Royal Oak for the past six years. She will serve as the new assistant director, along with Debi Hoggatt, director of the MCC center.

During the summer months, the Child Development Center plans to concentrate on improvements in the playground area. Workers are scheduled to add gravel to selected areas of the playground and to install a swing set and a playhouse, which also will serve as a storage area for outdoor equipment.



Intern Peggy Williams supervises playground activity time.

Time to Hit THE BOOKS

It's never too late to hit the books! For the convenience of adults, Michigan Christian College offers a variety of courses in the evening. Fall classes begin on September 3.

Any course offered by MCC can be taken for regular credit or for continuing education units (no tests or assignments). Continuing education courses are normally taken for enrichment purposes or for job training. Adults over age 55 can take day or evening courses for regular credit or continuing education units without tuition charges!

Whether for one class or a full schedule, join the thousands of adults nationally who are hitting the books!

Fall Evening Class Schedule

Tuesday Evenings	
ART 2003 Art Appreciation	6:00-9:00
BIB 3313 Minister and His Work	6:00-9:00
BIB 4243 Romans and Galatians	6:30-9:30

Thursday Evenings	
ART 1363 Creative Crafts	6:00-9:00
CIS 1324 Business Applications of Computers	6:30-9:30
PSY 3103 Biblical Foundations for Counseling	6:00-9:00

Tuesday and Thursday Evenings	
BUS 2113 Accounting 1	6:30-8:00
BUS 3313 Cost Accounting	8:10-9:45

for a catalog or a complete class schedule phone:

MCC ADMISSIONS OFFICE at (313) 651-5800

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Featured Speakers

Mike Cope. Currently serving as minister of the College Church of Christ in Searcy, Arkansas, Mike Cope will begin preaching for the Highland Church of Christ in Abilene, Texas, in September. He has authored two books and is the managing editor of *21st Century Christian*. He holds degrees from Harding University and the Harding Graduate School of Religion.

Jack Duty. Preaching in Ohio and West Virginia before moving to Michigan in 1976, Jack Duty now serves as minister of the Clawson Church of Christ. He is the co-executive director of the Blue Ridge Encampment, serves on the MCC Board of Trustees, and has taught selected courses for MCC on several occasions. He graduated from Kent State University and is currently completing a graduate degree at Abilene Christian University.

Steve Eckstein. Thirty-three years of teaching for the Bible Chair of Eastern New Mexico University adds tremendous depth to Dr. Steve Eckstein's classroom presentations. He joined the Bible faculty of Michigan Christian College in 1986 and speaks on a regular basis throughout the nation. Dr. Eckstein holds degrees from Harding University, Eastern New Mexico University, and Texas Tech University.

Ian Fair. Now serving as a professor of Bible and dean of the College of Biblical Studies at Abilene Christian University, Dr. Ian Fair spent fourteen years as a missionary in South Africa and four years as dean and an instructor of the Sunset School of Preaching before moving to Abilene in 1978. Dr. Fair received degrees from Abilene Christian University and the University of Natal in South Africa.

Birgie Houston. Formerly the assistant dean of student life at Pepperdine University and an administrative assistant at the University of Iowa Foundation, Birgie Houston has just completed a tenure as dean of students for Michigan Christian College. This summer, she will begin work as assistant to the president of York College. She graduated from York College, Pepperdine University, and California State University at Hayward.

Leonard Knight. Specializing in counseling, Dr. Leonard Knight has served as a youth minister and a children's home counselor. He began working with Michigan Christian College as dean of students in 1978 and now serves as academic dean. Dr. Knight holds degrees from Pepperdine University, Fuller Theological Seminary, and Oakland University.

James LeFan. Beginning his preaching career in 1944, James LeFan preached for the Western Hills Church of Christ in Temple, Texas, for thirty-nine years before his retirement in 1989. He still holds meetings regularly and serves part-time as the visitation minister of the Western Hills congregation. He is a graduate of Abilene Christian University.

Carroll Osburn. Former professor of Greek at Harding University and chairman of the Religion Department of Pepperdine University, Dr. Carroll Osburn is now a graduate professor of Bible at Abilene Christian University. He was recognized as *Christian Educator of the Year* by *20th Century Christian* in 1983. Dr. Osburn holds degrees from Harding University, Harding Graduate School of Religion, Vanderbilt University, and the University of St. Andrews in Scotland.

Neale Pryor. Beginning his teaching career with Harding University in 1962, Dr. Neale Pryor is now a professor of Bible and vice president for academic affairs at Harding. He preaches about fifteen meetings per year in addition to speaking at youth rallies, workshops, and lectureships. Dr. Pryor attended Freed-Hardeman University, Harding University, Harding Graduate School of Religion, and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

Milton Sewell. Eight years of service as director and then vice president of institutional advancement and planning for Freed-Hardeman University prepared Dr. Milton Sewell to serve as president of Mars Hill Bible School from 1983-90. He then returned to Freed-Hardeman to become their president. Dr. Sewell holds degrees from Freed-Hardeman University, Harding University, Florence State College, and the University of Alabama.

Mel Storm. Nine years of experience in preaching and teaching were gained by Dr. Mel Storm while completing his college work. He began teaching at Michigan Christian College in 1986 and now serves as chairman of the Bible Department. He also preaches for the Birmingham Church of Christ. Dr. Storm completed degrees at Pepperdine University and Baylor University.

34th Annual Michigan Christian College Lectureship

The Sovereignty of God

October
6-10,
1991

Rochester Hills,
Michigan

TIME	PRESENTATION	SPEAKER
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6		
8:00 p.m.	Opening Session	Milton Sewell
MONDAY, OCTOBER 7		
10:10 a.m.	Chapel	Milton Sewell
11:10-noon	Class for Men (Women Welcome)	Ian Fair
11:10-noon	Class for Ladies	Birgie Houston
2:30-3:30 p.m.	General Class	Steve Eckstein
7:30 p.m.	Lighthouse Singers	Mike Cope
8:00 p.m.	General Session	Milton Sewell
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8		
10:10 a.m.	Chapel	Milton Sewell
11:10-noon	Class for Men (Women Welcome)	Ian Fair
11:10-noon	Class for Ladies	Birgie Houston
12:30 p.m.	Preachers Fellowship Luncheon	James LeFan
12:30 p.m.	Ladies Luncheon	Hostesses
2:30-3:30 p.m.	General Class	Jack Duty
5:00 p.m.	Preachers, Elders, Wives Dinner	Neale Pryor
7:30 p.m.	Songfest	Milton Sewell
8:00 p.m.	General Session	Neale Pryor
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9		
10:10 a.m.	Chapel	James LeFan
11:10-noon	Class for Men (Women Welcome)	Ian Fair
11:10-noon	Class for Ladies	Birgie Houston
12:30 p.m.	Parents and Friends Luncheon	James LeFan
2:30-3:30 p.m.	General Class	Mel Storm
5:00 p.m.	President's Circle and Heritage Club Dinner	James LeFan
7:30 p.m.	The Messengers Quartet	Carroll Osburn
8:00 p.m.	General Session	Carroll Osburn
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10		
10:10 a.m.	Chapel	Carroll Osburn
11:10-noon	Class for Men (Women Welcome)	Ian Fair
11:10-noon	Class for Ladies	Birgie Houston
2:30-3:30 p.m.	General Class	Leonard Knight
7:30 p.m.	MCC A Cappella Chorus	Milton Sewell
8:00 p.m.	General Session	Ian Fair

LECTURESHIP LOCATION

Evening lectures will be presented in the auditorium of the Rochester Church of Christ. The building is located on property bordering the east end of the campus. Please note the schedule of events for the location of daytime lectures, luncheons, and dinners.

SPECIAL LUNCHEONS AND DINNERS

Several special luncheons and dinners have been planned in conjunction with the Lectureship. For reservations, please phone Cathy Ries, secretary to the president, at (313) 651-5800, extension 16.

Preachers Fellowship Luncheon	Tuesday at 12:30 p.m.
Ladies Luncheon	Tuesday at 12:30 p.m.
Preachers, Elders, and Wives Dinner	Tuesday at 5:00 p.m.
Parents and Friends Luncheon	Wednesday at 12:30 p.m.

MEALS AND ACCOMMODATIONS

Meals may be obtained in the college dining hall, the campus seventy restaurants and fast food community. If you need overnight accommodations, there are many among several motels and inns throughout the area. However, it is extremely important to book early as many often are filled with guests.

Fairfield Inn, I-75 at University, A
Holiday Inn, I-75 at University, A
Knights Inn, I-75 at University, A
Quality Inn, M-59 at Crooks, Roch
Red Roof Inn, M-59 at Crooks, Roc
Rochester Motor Lodge, Rochester
Signature Inn, I-75 at University, A
Spartan Motel, Main Street, Down

LECTURER	TOPIC	LOCATION
John Sewell	"God's Compassion"	Rochester Church of Christ
John Sewell	"His Boundless Love"	Westside Central Chapel
John Sewell	"The Sovereignty of God in the New Testament"	Gold Conference Room
John Houston	"Freed from the Tyranny of Guilt"	Westside Central Chapel
John Eckstein	"Choose This Day Whom You Will Serve" (Josh. 24:14-15)	Gold Conference Room
John Cope	"His Amazing Grace" (Titus 2:11)	Rochester Church of Christ
John Cope	"The God That Knows Me" (Ps. 139)	Westside Central Chapel
John Cope	"The Sovereignty of God in the New Testament"	Gold Conference Room
John Houston	"He Delivered Me From All My Fears"	Westside Central Chapel
John LeFan	"The Power of a Preacher"	River Crest Banquet Facility
John LeFan	"Called to Serve the Sovereign God" (Is. 6)	Rochester Church of Christ
John LeFan	"Our Response to God's Hand in World Affairs"	Gold Conference Room
John LeFan	"The God Who is Able" (Eph. 3:20)	Rochester Church of Christ
John LeFan	"God's Holiness and Ours" (I Pet. 1:15-16)	Westside Central Chapel
John LeFan	"The Sovereignty of God in the New Testament"	Gold Conference Room
John Houston	"His Sovereignty Breaks the World's Mold"	Westside Central Chapel
John LeFan	"God's Power in the Home"	Rochester Church of Christ
John LeFan	"Faithful Servants of a Sovereign God" (Heb. 11)	Gold Conference Room
John LeFan	"In Praise of Pillars"	Gold Conference Room
John Osburn	"The God Who is There in Tragedy" (Rom. 8:28)	Rochester Church of Christ
John Osburn	"I Am — That I Am" (II Kings 18-19)	Westside Central Chapel
John Osburn	"The Sovereignty of God in the New Testament"	Gold Conference Room
John Houston	"The Triumph of God's Goodness Over Evil"	Westside Central Chapel
John Knight	"The Church: Bride of the Sovereign Lord" (I Pet. 2:9-10)	Gold Conference Room
John Knight	"The God Who is King"	Rochester Church of Christ

HOUSING
 Large cafeteria or in any one of over 100 dorms in the Rochester Hills communities, you may choose from accommodations that are located near the campus. Reservations should be made that you make reservations since major area events.

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 Auburn Hills (313) 651-8591
 Auburn Hills 1-800-822-5252
 Auburn Hills (313) 651-8100

BABYSITTING
 Babysitting services will be provided by the Women's Club of Michigan Christian College in the Nursery/Day Care area of the Rochester Church of Christ. The service will be available during each of the evening lectures for a fee of \$2 per child.

GENERAL INFORMATION
 Further information about the Lectureship is available by contacting the Office of the President, Michigan Christian College, 800 West Avon Road, Rochester Hills, MI 48307. Phone (313) 651-5800.

1992 LECTURESHIP
 The 35th Annual Michigan Christian College Bible Lectureship is scheduled for October 4-8, 1992. Mark your calendar!

Calendar of Events

SUMMER 1991

MCC Sunshine Rally at King's Island July 11
 MCC Sunshine Rally at Canada's Wonderland July 19
 MCC 11th Annual Detroit Area Golf Classic July 27
 MCC 4th Annual Chicagoland Golf Classic August 2
 Associates for Christian Education Retreat August 9-10

FALL SEMESTER 1991

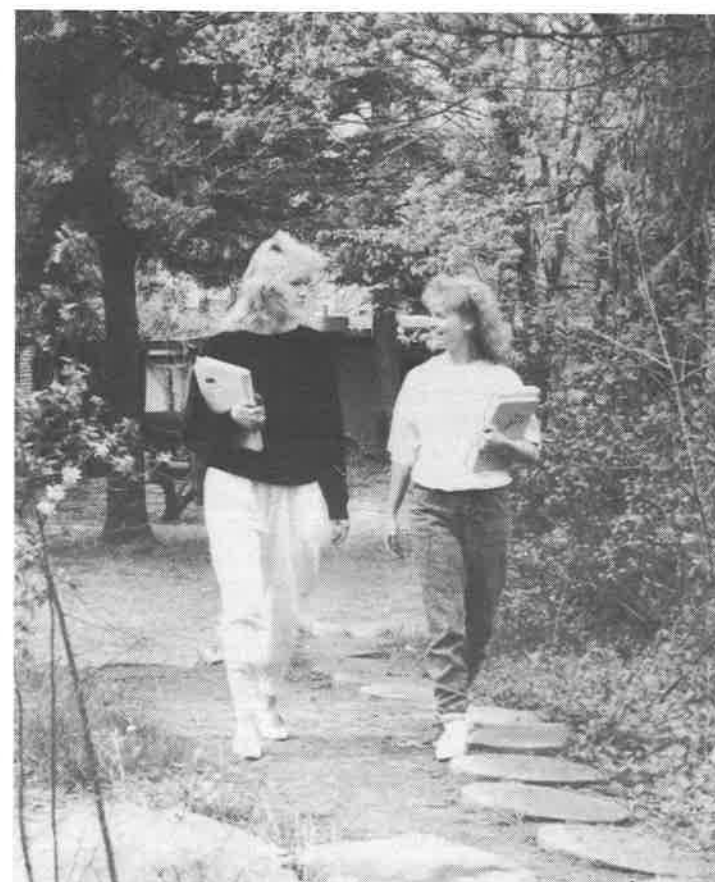
New Student Orientation August 31-September 2
 Registration September 2-3
 Classes Begin (5:00 p.m.) September 3
 Opening Day Chapel September 4
 Partnership Dinner Mid-Michigan II September 13
 Associates Fall Festival September 14
 Late Registration Closes September 17
 Father-Daughter Banquet September 27
 Alumni Beautiful Day October 5
 34th Annual Bible Lectureship October 6-10
 Terre Haute Christian Ministry Workshop October 12
 Nashville Area MCC Annual Fund Dinner October 19
 Phone-a-Visit October 21-November 21
 Chicagoland Partnership Dinner IX November 1
 Thanksgiving Break November 28-December 1
 Winter Banquet December 6
 Classes End December 9
 Final Examinations December 10-13
 Residence Halls Close December 13

SPRING SEMESTER 1992

Residence Halls Open January 12
 Registration January 13
 Classes Begin January 14
 Late Registration Closes January 27
 Homecoming February 1
 Celebration Weekend February 14-15
 Celebration Saturday for Grades 7-12 February 15
 Spring Break March 7-15
 Associates Spring Luncheon and Fashion Show March 14
 Employee Appreciation Dinner April 10
 Gospeling IV April 18
 Spring Awards Banquet April 24
 Dean's Breakfast for Graduates April 25
 Partnership Dinner West VI April 25
 Baccalaureate April 26
 Classes End April 27
 Final Examinations April 28-May 1
 Graduation May 2
 Partnership Dinner XXI May 2

MAY TERM 1992

Registration and First Day of Classes May 5
 Final Examinations May 22



Debbie White and Darla Turner enjoy a scenic route to class.



Memorial Gifts

April 1, 1991
to June 12, 1991

L.J. CAGLE Terrence & Mary Wise	LEO GENTRY Hae Gentry
WOODROW CARTER Allie M. Carter	JIM HAMILTON Terrence & Mary Wise
JUANITA CHANDLER Dorothy Cunningham	SEWELL HOWARD Mabel Howard
WALTER CLARK Allen Park Church of Christ John Bowyer Julie Bowyer Thomas Gehringer Mariella Goff Oliver Green Richard & Coralie Keyes James Lynch Betty Mackey Allan Medley James Nelson Robert & Shirley Porter Nell Russell Charles Steele	ROSE LEE JAMES Orvis & Ann Oliver
JEWELL DUNCAN Wilma Lutz	PAUL LUTZ Wilma Lutz
CHARLES EDDY Nelson & Janis Eddy	GENE AND MARY MONROE Mr. & Mrs. Ed Monroe Mary Jean Wilson
GEORGE EGELAND Jack & Carletta Miller	C.L. PATTERSON G.B. Farrar
FRED FISHER Nelson & Janis Eddy	DANIEL ROBERTS Clyde O. Summers
LAURA FLETCHER Milton & Evelyn Fletcher Mr. & Mrs. Ray McGlothlin, Jr.	BILL THORNTON, SR. Terrence & Mary Wise
	DON TICE Rick Correa Family
	JAMES TOBEN Pauline Montgomery John Preston
	BOB WILSON Mary Jean Wilson
	VINCENT N. WILSON Jay & Susie Atkinson

Honor Gifts

DAVID & DONNA DANIEL Elizabeth T. Cox Basil & Viola Coltson
BOB & MARVEL REICH Daniel Reich

Partnership Dinner West Roll Call Kalamazoo, Michigan

Battle Creek-20th Street	64
Dowagiac	2
Grand Rapids-Creston	4
Grand Rapids-Southside	18
Grandville	58
Hastings-Barry County	14
Holland	14
Jackson-Horton Road	28
Kalamazoo-East Main	126
LaGrange	16
Lansing-Holmes Road	25
LaPorte	18
Marshall	72
Michigan City	4
Portage	14
Rockford-North Kent	1
South Haven	6
Total With Matching	484



Dr. Jim Mankin speaks to guests of Partnership Dinner XX.

Spring dinners surpass 2,400 in ticket sales

Friends of Michigan Christian College gathered in two locations last spring to provide further support for the college.

On Saturday, April 13, participants of Partnership Dinner West met on the campus of Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo for their fifth annual program. Autumn provided entertainment and Dennis Jones, president of International Bible College, spoke on *The Joy of Unselfishness*.

During the program, President Milton B. Fletcher presented plaques to three congregations for the number of students that each has sent to MCC. Those congregations, and the number identified from each, included Grandville (21), Kalamazoo East Main (17), and LaPorte (10).

President Fletcher also presented an Alumni Citation to Gary Davis of LaPorte, Indiana. Gary, who attended MCC in 1975, now serves as deputy prosecuting attorney for LaPorte County.

All of the former presidents of MCC attended the twentieth anniversary celebration of Partnership Dinner at the Cobo Convention Center in Detroit on Saturday, May 4. Dr. Jim

Mankin, chairman of the Bible Department of Abilene Christian University, addressed the audience on *An Optimistic Look at the Future*.

At the dinner, Jim Casey was named as *Alumnus of the Year*, and Jodie Boren as *Artist of the Year*. Jim Casey, who was converted while attending MCC in 1961-62, now preaches for the Adrian Church of Christ. Jodie Boren, a professional artist from Abilene, Texas, presented two stunning paintings to be reproduced for members of the Century Club.

President Fletcher honored each Associate who attended the dinner with a carnation. He also presented plaques to those chairmen who have assisted with the dinner since its inception, including Helen Clemons, (Conant Gardens, Northwest), Robert Cole (Holford Street), Larry Hyder (Gateway), Ruby Kolb (Trumbull), Jim Langford (Northeast), Walter Nonnenmacher (Ann Arbor), Bill Smith (Echo Meadows), Walter Szych (Center Line), and Bob Wineinger (Hazel Park).

Partnership Dinner West VI is scheduled for April 25, 1992 and Partnership Dinner XXI for May 2, 1992.

Partnership Dinner XX Roll Call Detroit, Michigan

Adrian	55
Akron	2
Amherst	2
Ann Arbor	36
Auburn Hills-University	9
Brighton	44
Cass City	2
Clawson	50
Corunna	3
Dearborn-Dearborn	57
Dearborn-Parkside	133
Detroit-Conant Gardens	12
Detroit-Elmwood	3
Detroit-Lemay	3
Detroit-Northwest	13
Detroit-Redford	33
Detroit-Russell Woods	5
Detroit-Trumbull	2
East Detroit-Northeast	98
Ecorse	20
Farmington	8
Flat Rock	33
Flint-Bristol Road	49
Flint-North Central	17
Flint-West Carpenter	15
Garden City	17
Grand Blanc	8
Hazel Park	32
Lake Orion	63
Lapeer	37
Lincoln Park	55
Livonia	47
Milan	12
Oregon-Echo Meadows	125
Otisville	26
Plymouth	56
Pontiac-Franklin Road	1
Pontiac-Sylvan Lake	19
Port Huron	4
River Rouge-Holford	17
Rochester	182
Roseville	45
Royal Oak	44
Southfield-Oakland	27
Southgate-Gateway	107
South Lyon	12
Sterling Heights-Metro	20
Swartz Creek	32
Taylor-Sunset	8
Taylor-Taylor Center	10
Toledo-Flanders Road	10
Toledo-Parkside	8
Trenton	40
Troy-Birmingham	20
Walled Lake	14
Warren-Center Line	6
Warren-North Warren	16
Warren-Parkview	9
Warren-VanDyke	13
Waterford	23
Wayne	25
Ypsilanti-Ypsilanti	45
Total With Matching	1939



"Artist of the Year" Jodie Boren displays his paintings.

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Former student honored by Medical Association

Honoring recipients for their contributions to community service, the American Medical Association recently presented the Burroughs-Wellcome Leadership Award to fifty resident physicians from throughout the United States. Dr. Carl Griffin, a graduate of Michigan Christian College, received one of the prestigious awards at the interim meeting of the association in Orlando, Florida.

The association cited Dr. Griffin for his volunteer work in a United Way support clinic that counsels women with gynecological concerns, and for his involvement in educating elementary school children about the dangers of alcohol and drugs. During recent years, he also has provided physical

examinations for Special Olympics and camp participants on a volunteer basis.

Dr. Griffin completed the Associate in Science degree at Michigan Christian College in 1976. He received the Dean's Award that year for outstanding advancement in his academic studies. However, he recently recalled, "I wasn't a Christian when I came to MCC. MCC's greatest impact on me was in answering my search for the true God." He continued, "I appreciate those individuals who nurtured me and encouraged my growth."

Upon leaving MCC, Dr. Griffin attended Sienna Heights College for a year, but decided to complete his bachelor's degree at Oklahoma Christian Col-



Dr. Carl Griffin

lege. He worked as a research technician for the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation before entering the Oklahoma College of Medicine in 1983.

While enrolled in medical school, Dr. Griffin remained active as the bus and Bible Hour director of the Britton Road Church of Christ in Oklahoma City. He earned his Doctor of Medicine degree in 1988 and will complete his residency in family medicine this summer at the University of Oklahoma Medical Center.

Dr. Griffin has signed a three-year contract to work with a clinic operated by Baptist Hospital in Oklahoma City. He stated, "Many limitations have been made to keep God first and my family second."

Dr. Griffin's wife, Dr. May Griffin, is a research associate for the Department of Molecular Toxicology of the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation. The couple has one child, Meredith. They are members of the Britton Road Church of Christ and may be contacted at 9404 Britton Circle, Oklahoma City, OK 73120.



Tom Rellinger honors Jim Casey as "Alumnus of the Year."

Alumni News and Notes

1961

Betty (Bowersock) Hurston completed a bachelor's in psychology in May and plans to begin graduate work in the fall. She is working as a legal secretary and word processor. She lives at 1908-B Falcon Point, Winston-Salem, NC 27127.

of Keilah Joyce on March 25. They have moved to 4630 Vines, Howell, MI 48843. Kelly is a speech-language pathologist.

After assisting with mission efforts in Cologne, West Germany, for two years, Kathy Dickinson married Fritz Duesel, a native German, in 1987. She worked for a firm in foreign correspondence until the birth of Tobias Lee in 1990. The family lives at Kreppenweg 4A, 8902 Neusaess, Germany.

1969

Ethelene (Bruce) White was recently elected chairman of the Obion County Republican Party. She also works as a medical transcriptionist, teaches a ladies' Bible class, and serves as an adult literacy tutor. She has two stepchildren, Karsten and Karin, who are college students. She and her husband, Roy, live at 4248 North Highway 21, Union City, TN. 38261.

1984

Susan (Ward) Kowalski has been promoted to assistant financial officer for NBD Equipment Finance, Inc. She and her husband, Mark, reside at 24237 Tuscany, East Detroit, MI 48021.

1972

Kenneth and Corrine (Stanger) Racine are living at 5678 Lucerne, Kalamazoo, MI 49004. They have two children, Ryan and Heather. Corrine is working as a media assistant.

Alan and Robin (Stewart) Page welcomed Emily Danae on March 20. Robin is a legal secretary for Miller, Tolbert, Muehlhausen, Muehlhausen, and Groff, P.C. The family may be contacted at R.R. 4, Box 222, Logansport, IN 46947.

1974

After the birth of their daughter, Alison Nicole, Tom and Connie (Dye-78) Abele moved to 2136 State Route 61, Sunbury, OH 43074. Tom is working as an artist and the couple owns a pottery business.

1985

Mark and Denise (Wright) Hammitt are now living at 4502 Corona #7D, Corpus Christi, TX 78411. Mark is the youth minister of the Weber Road Church of Christ and Denise teaches fourth grade in the public school system. They have one son, Preston Mark.

1981

Pete Teasley completed his Master of Social Work at California State University, Sacramento, in May. Pete may be contacted at 5063 Midway Road, Vacaville, CA 95688.

Tim and Laura (Sandlin-82) Pittman became the parents of Jared Quinton on November 29, 1990. Just before Jared's birth, the couple purchased their first house at 275 Parker Drive, Springboro, OH 45066. Tim is the commercial banking manager of Society Bank, and Laura is head cashier for the Dayton Daily Newspaper.

1982

Varant and Kelly (Stanger) Blasingame became the parents

1986

Jerry Philpot plans to marry Diane Lundquist on September 14, 1991. Jerry is a Detroit police officer and lives at 4994 Cabot, Detroit, MI 48210.

Rich and Lynn (Tebbo-87) Rardin are currently living at 2015 Vienna Road, Apartment A, Rolla, MO 65401. Rich will finish his master's degree in computer science this summer at the University of Missouri. Lynn is teaching fifth grade.

1987

Jeff Westerby and Sandy Kirks were married on May 11. Jeff is a science instructor at MCC and Sandy will be student teaching in the fall. The couple lives at 27117 Park Court, Madison Heights, MI 48071.

1989

Sherry Hall graduated from Marietta College in May with a degree in psychology. She has been working for United Parcel. She may be contacted at Route 1, Box 69B, Cutler, OH 45724.

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MCC Class _____ Occupation _____

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MCC Class _____ Occupation _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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Please note children's names, recent births, job changes, marriages, promotions, etc. (attach sheet if needed).

Chorus alumni participate in reunion

"Call us a bunch of middle-aged crazies, but on April 19-21, a group of old and new friends gathered at Montgomery Bell State Park, just outside of Nashville, to celebrate music, the creation, and mid-life crisis." Planners of a unique reunion of former chorus members, who sang under the direction of Paul Downey at either Michigan Christian College or David Lipscomb University, used those words to open a directory from their recent reunion, entitled *Spring Fling Sing*.

Alumni of Michigan Christian College traveled from Alabama, Arkansas, California, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Ohio, Ontario, Tennessee, and Texas to make up approximately half of the number participating in the event. Those former chorus members sang under the direction of Paul Downey at MCC from 1964-1968.

During the three-day reunion, most participants spent the entire weekend at the park motel in Dickson, Tennessee. The former chorus members rehearsed *Light Eternal, Love Can Build a Bridge*, and excerpts from *The Spirit Also Helpeth Us*. The group of approximately 100 ended their weekend by worshipping in the park's historic Rock Chapel.

Larry Bridgesmith, a 1968 graduate of MCC, served as a member of the reunion steering committee. Larry commented, "As much as we enjoyed being together and singing together, the highlight of the weekend, for many, was communing together in Sunday morning worship."

Planners of Spring Fling Sing had been discussing the possibility of having a reunion for a number of years. After obtaining address lists of former chorus members from the alumni of-

fices at both MCC and Lipscomb, the group sent their first mailing about the reunion fifteen months prior to the event. Hours of planning and promotion took place in the months that followed.

Based upon the success of the weekend, the committee has reserved park facilities for another reunion on April 23-25, 1993. Mike Cook, a 1966 graduate of MCC, is preparing a scrapbook on the event that will be presented at the next reunion.



Family members visit campus for the graduation of Beth Blake.

Valedictorian continues strong family tradition

Beth Blake of Littleton, Colorado, followed a strong family tradition when she enrolled at Michigan Christian College in 1989. Not only did both her mother and father attend MCC, but a sister, brother, four aunts, four uncles, and two cousins attended as well.

Beth's parents, Leonard and Dona Mai (Bruce) Blake graduated with MCC's pioneer class in 1961. Dona Mai received honors as salutatorian of her class, while Beth achieved ranking as valedictorian of hers. After graduation, uncle Jim pointed to his daughter and remarked that she would be a future

valedictorian of MCC!

Beth's sister, Mary (Blake) Johnson, enrolled in 1979 as the first second-generation student whose parents both attended MCC. Her brother, Billy Blake, was one of the first students enrolled in the third-year business program in 1988.

Aunts and uncles of Beth who attended MCC have included Leecia (Bruce) Penrod, Keith and Stella (Bruce) Kreh, Jim and Carol (Anderson) Bruce, Ethelene (Bruce) White, Gary Bruce, and Brian Blake. Cousins Julie (Kreh) Turner and Becky (Kreh) Tilton attended MCC in more recent years.



Instructions are given to reunion singers by Paul Downey.

Relive the special memories in your own hometown!



Alumni Beautiful Day

- Whether a restaurant meal for two, or a family picnic for twenty, call some friends from your days at Michigan Christian College and make special plans for Alumni Beautiful Day on October 5, 1991. You might even plan a pie-eating contest like the students enjoyed on Beautiful Day 1991!
- After the event, drop a note to the Alumni Office and share with others how you celebrated the day.

October 5, 1991

Associates FALL FESTIVAL

September 14
10:00-4:00

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