



north star

NEWS BULLETIN OF MICHIGAN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

VOLUME 34 NUMBER 1 FALL 1992

MCC experiences large increase in enrollment

New faces filled the campus of Michigan Christian College as students and new employees arrived for the opening of the thirty-fourth academic year. The largest number of students since the fall of 1985 enrolled, representing an impressive 24% increase in enrollment over the previous academic year.

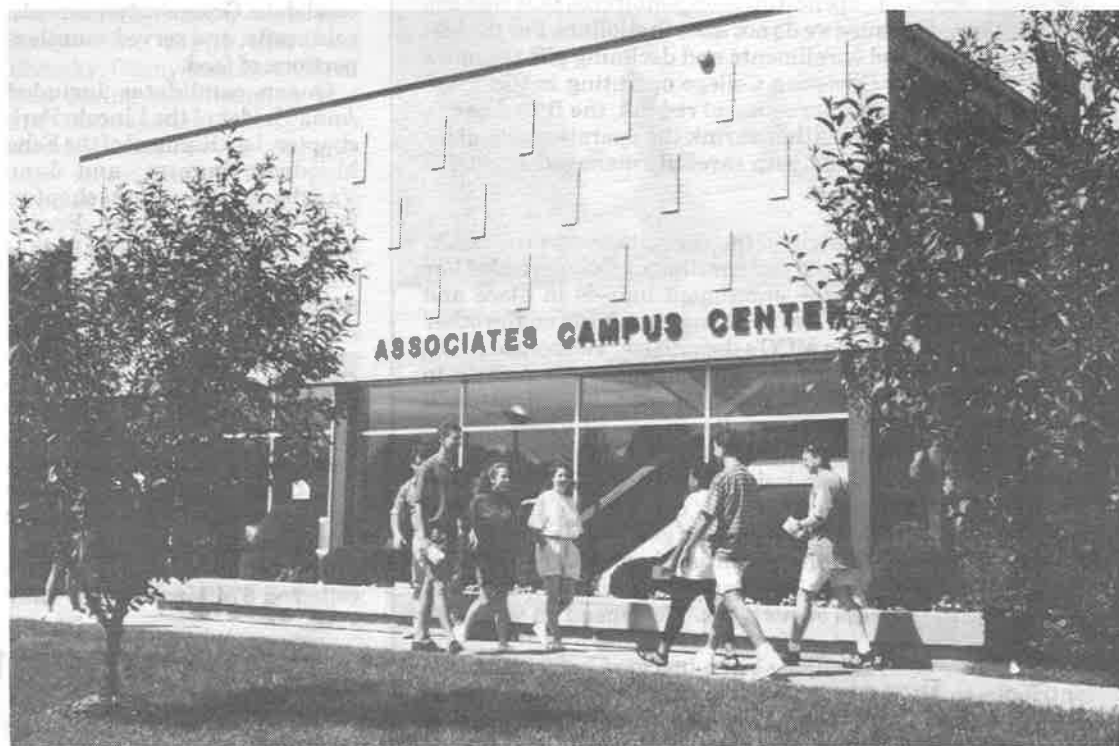
A combination of gains in the number of both new and returning students contributed to the growth pattern. Admissions personnel, directed by Kent Hoggatt, continued intensive work with new students until the year began. A large increase in the number of juniors remaining at MCC for new academic programs also had a significant impact on the enrollment.

During the past year, college personnel initiated a number of programs that helped boost the enrollment. In the fall, an expanded admissions staff introduced a number of new scholarship programs designed for new students. The faculty and Academic Services Office developed hundreds of "2+2" degree programs to facilitate transfer to other colleges.

In the spring, the college announced the addition of new majors in criminal justice, missions and evangelism, and youth and family ministry. Throughout the year, Dr. Ken Johnson gave regular progress reports on plans for additional four-year majors and campus renovation projects. An air of expectation for the new year prevailed.

As the current student body enrolled, students came to Michigan Christian College from Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New York, Ohio, Tennessee, Washington, and Wisconsin. In addition, international students traveled to MCC from Canada, Iran, Japan, the Virgin Islands, and Zimbabwe.

As the college prepares to expand four-year degree offerings, a number of individuals joined the faculty this fall, including Rodney Ashlock, instructor of Bible; David Brackney, instructor of physical science; Pete Brazle, adjunct instructor of Bible and missions; Tina Britton, instructor of biology; Rob Byrd,



Students make new friendships as Michigan Christian College opens its thirty-fourth academic year.

instructor of mathematics and computer science; Teresa Fields, adjunct instructor of music; Dr. Wayne Francisco, adjunct professor of criminal justice; Kay Magner, adjunct instructor of music; and Ben Noah, instructor of psychology.

In addition to the changes in

admissions personnel described on page seven, fall transitions among the staff included Mary Alberts, bookstore clerk; Beth Cranford, administrative assistant to the academic dean; Andrea Flatt, assistant director of the Child Development Center; and Susan Noah, accountant.

Computer lab updated to support new degrees

Updating the former computer lab with new equipment, Michigan Christian College opened a state-of-the-art computer lab this fall to support current and anticipated changes in the academic program.

During the past academic year, the faculty decided to implement a computer literacy requirement in all degree programs. In addition, a committee lead by Dr. Steve Williams, chairman of the business department, developed a proposal for updating the computer lab.

As summer progressed, Dr. Williams coordinated transformation of the computer lab. New IBM compatible 386-33 computers and laser printers eventually replaced the Wang VS computer system and the CPT word processors that had serviced students since 1983.

Academic personnel planned changes in the lab to support not only a computer literacy require-

ment and current course offerings, but also future academic needs. Currently, the college offers a number of computer and word processing courses, as well as four associate degree majors in those areas.

In the immediate future, the new computer equipment will allow all business courses in the proposed Bachelor of Business Administration degree to include a computer component. After receiving permission to offer the B.B.A., the college eventually will be able to consider the addition of a major in management information systems.

Within the next few years, the configuration of the computer lab will permit networking into a second lab and into the college residence halls. While installing new phone lines in the dorms this past summer, workers also placed the hard wire that will be needed to attach dorm terminals into the lab system.

Making Headlines

FALL FESTIVAL
Queen candidates near festival record with proceeds from contest. Page 2.

AN ALUMNI FIRST
Former student leads MCC Associates for first time in the organization's thirty-four year history. Page 3.

CLASS REUNIONS
Four classes host reunions on campus during the past summer. Page 4.

NEW GENERATION
Second generation students set record as the largest group to enroll in a particular year. Page 5.

TITLE III GRANT
College receives federal grant to develop plan and proposal for a larger grant. Page 6.

CAMP PROGRAM
Students complete twentieth season of work in Christian camps. Page 7.

RENOVATIONS
Many areas of campus receive new look during summer months. Page 8.



Computer questions are answered by Rob Byrd, a new instructor.

Dear Friends:

We are excited! Enrollment is up 24%, from 257 last year to 319 this year. The Lord has greatly blessed our admissions effort over the last twelve months, and we have in place now a full complement of admissions personnel who are already hard at work communicating with another outstanding group of high school students.



Increased enrollment and redecorated facilities come only as a result of increased expenditures—expenditures that we have hereto deferred because we do not have the dollars. For the last three years, reduced enrollments and declining gift revenues have left Michigan Christian College operating in the "red." This year, to avoid another round of red ink, the Board had to make a difficult choice—either shrink the operation and defer critical repairs, or expand with carefully managed growth in enrollment and gifts.

I'm grateful for the foresight of the Board to choose the latter. The first obvious result is a fall enrollment that exceeded our goal. Half of the plan—the enrollment half—is in place and functioning well. We are now focusing our efforts on the other half of the plan—building MCC's donor base. To operate in the black in the current year, we must increase gift income to \$850,000 from \$700,000. This is a far more formidable task than building enrollment, especially since no new large donors are waiting in the wings. Thankfully, MCC has thousands of friends who share in this mission. Some are able to send only relatively small amounts each year; every one of those gifts, regardless of size, is deeply needed and gratefully appreciated. Others, encouraged by the potential from MCC's focus on carefully managed growth, are responding with larger gifts to help ensure the success of our work. We depend on you.

President's Circle is the name given to a group of friends who contribute to MCC \$1,000 or more during a calendar year. Even with other good works in our personal budgets, many of us who believe in MCC do have the potential to be *President's Circle* contributors. Won't you please make this year the year that you become a member of the *President's Circle*.

You have made our first year at Michigan Christian College a delightful experience. Your kind words, your continued encouragement, and your generous financial support are vital to this work. We continuously thank God for His role in everything that happens, and dedicate to Him and His eternal kingdom the fruit of our efforts.

Yours for His sake,

Kenneth L. Johnson

Dr. Kenneth L. Johnson
President

Queen contest nears festival record

Nearing the 1989 record of \$40,606, queen candidates for the Fall Festival and their supporters raised \$39,447 in queen's votes prior to the September 12 festival. Three candidates, rather than the normal five, reached this impressive figure.

Throughout the summer, local chapters had sponsored dozens of projects on behalf of the queen candidates. Each dollar represented a vote for a particular candidate. Groups catered meals, sold crafts, and served countless portions of food.

Queen candidates included Anna Holder of the Lincoln Park chapter, Iola Rummel of the Echo Meadows chapter, and Jane Vaught of the Ypsilanti chapter. Festival Co-chairman Benita Ward introduced Anna Holder as the 1992 queen during a noon ceremony at the festival.

Participants operated a total of fifty-five booths on festival day. Chapters receiving first place ribbons for decoration of booths included Metro in the food tent, Northern Michigan in the crafts tent, Chase Road in the children's area, and Hazel Park and Pontiac in the outside area.

The beautiful babies contest collected \$749 in votes for baby



Queen Anna Holder thanks festival guests as Benita Ward looks on.

pictures. Joan Long, festival co-chairman, announced that Matthew Pate of Ypsilanti took first place; Keilah Blasingame of Pontiac, second; and Molly Thomas of Sterling Heights third.

While hundreds participated in the Fall Festival activities on campus, other volunteers staffed the mobile kitchen at the annual

Art 'n Apples Festival in Rochester. During this event, the Associates raised approximately \$3,000, half of which was applied to Fall Festival proceeds.

Combining income from the queen contest with that of the actual festival day, the Associates have collected over \$53,500 as a result of the annual event.

Equipment donated by foundation

Allowing Michigan Christian College to upgrade its administrative computer system, the Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Michigan, recently donated a substantial amount of computer equipment to the college. The donation included twenty-two workstations, five laser printers, and one band printer, all compatible with the college's computer system.

Dr. Ed Blews, president of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Michigan, notified member institutions about the availability of the computer equipment last spring. He stated that the foundation pre-

ferred to donate the equipment to a Michigan private college. Upon learning about the availability of the equipment, Mark Briggs, business services manager of Michigan Christian College, immediately contacted the foundation, and made arrangements to receive the gift.

Aside from the value of the actual equipment, the donation

will save the college approximately \$4,000 per year on maintenance agreements. In addition, the update has increased productivity in several offices. Those offices that previously had to route printing to other locations, may now print documents more efficiently in their own area. Longer reports can now be produced in half the amount of time.

Planned Giving Matters

The last quarter of the year traditionally has been a popular time to complete charitable gifts that donors have contemplated earlier in the year.

All of us contemplate more gifts than we ultimately consummate. Life has a way of managing our schedule so tightly that we never get around to some of life's more important and more enjoyable experiences.

Each of us personally understands the Truth in Jesus' words, recorded at Acts 20:35, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Moreover our joy in giving is significantly enhanced when we know the recipient will manage value out of the gift.

Michigan Christian College has, for nearly thirty-five years, been squeezing maximum value out of every dollar received. Her leadership throughout her history has recognized the need to avoid expenditures that do not directly enhance her mission. With far fewer dollars than most colleges have available, we continue to produce young men and women of quality who will make a difference in the world and in the Kingdom of God. Michigan Christian College is a worthy investment which will continue to pay strong dividends in the lives of our youth for many years to come.

As the final weeks of 1992 approach and you finalize your year-end giving, please include a gift to Michigan Christian College. She cannot exist without you.

Thank you for remembering.

Dr. J



Founder and national director of the Lads to Leaders and Leaderettes program, Dr. Jack Zorn, speaks to guests of an August 21-22 workshop held on the campus of Michigan Christian College.



Memorial Gifts

July 13, 1992
to September 29, 1992

WILLIAM BRACKEN
Gracie Bracken

S.R. HOWARD
Mabel Howard

MARTIE DUNN
Don Dunn

JEAN LITTON
George & Bessie Matty

LEO GENTRY
Hae Gentry

MORTON & MAUDE McGREW
Douglas & Cynthia McGrew

JAMES & IRENE GOODE
Hugh & Joy Mingle

MR. & MRS. GENE MONROE
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Monroe

HALLIE LEONA GRIZZELL
Elmer & Bessie Dunlap Family

JOHN TREW
Hae Gentry

MATT HAHN
Nelson & Janis Eddy

JAMES WHITEHEAD
B.A. & Phyllis Tansil

Honor Gift

COACH SHINKSY
James & Phyllis Bruff

Check One: Memorial Gift Honor Gift

Amount of enclosed gift: \$ _____

Given by

name _____ phone _____

street _____

city _____ state _____ zip _____

In Memory of
or

name _____

In Honor of

name _____

occasion of honor gift _____

Send card to

name _____

street _____

city _____ state _____ zip _____

Please send me additional memorial/honor gift forms.

Send form and gift to:

Office of the President, Michigan Christian College
800 West Avon Road, Rochester Hills, MI 48307

Remembering When ...



Associates President Bell Parsons and Founder Alma Gatewood present Mildred Freeland with a lifetime member pin in 1961. Since 1959, 909 women have earned lifetime member pins.

Former student leads the Associates

Marking a milestone in the thirty-four year history of the Associates of Michigan Christian College, a former student has been selected by the group to serve as the organization's president. Ginny May, a 1978 graduate of the college, began her new duties this past summer.

The former Ginny Fidler decided to attend Michigan Christian College because of the influence of two high school friends who attended MCC with her, Robin (Gill) Smith and Paul Shinsky. Ginny became a Christian during her freshman year and "that experience changed the direction that my life was taking," stated Ginny. That year, she also met her husband, Ernie May, an MCC sophomore.

Ginny continued, "Everything took on a new and different meaning. I felt I had a purpose in life, relationships with others became more special, and for the first time in my life, I had a relationship with God."

In 1980, Ginny returned to Michigan Christian College to serve as secretary to the dean of students. Five years later, she began work as secretary to the



Associates President Ginny May visits with Fall Festival guests.

president. She continued in that capacity until the arrival of her daughter, Kaitlin, in 1989.

Ginny became an Associate in 1987, when the Lake Orion chapter of the Associates formed. She then served as the new chapter's first chairman.

For four years, Ginny served as co-chairman of the Silverdome project, one of the most successful ventures of the Associates. During the past two years, she served as the organization's vice-president, gaining the experience needed for her current role.

Volunteers in Action

Youth leaders brought over 1450 individuals to the Sunshine Rallies sponsored by Michigan Christian College during the past summer. About 900 attended the rally at Cedar Point, 300 at King's Island, 130 at Canada's Wonderland, and 130 at Mackinac Island.

Guests of Partnership Dinner Mid-Michigan III met on September 19 at the Doherty Motor Hotel in Clare, Michigan. Congregations participating in the campaign and the number of tickets sold by each included Akron (6), Flint-Bristol Road (8), Gladwin (22), Ludington (4), Midland (26), Mount Pleasant (52), and Oscoda (2). Some congregations that previously participated in the Mid-Michigan dinner plan to begin attending a new Partnership Dinner North in Gaylord, Michigan, on October 3.

Gallagher Center on the campus of Michigan Christian College is pictured on a new limited-edition tree ornament recently released by the Ypsilanti chapter of the Associates. The dated collector's item can be purchased for \$10 by contacting Jane Vaught, 1010 East Cross Street, Ypsilanti, MI 48198.



Check your list and come ready to shop!

Associates Gift-a-Rama

December 5, 1992

MCC Cafeteria



Michigan Christian College
Building the Infrastructure of the Kingdom

knowledge
jobs ~ homes ~ relationships

Forty years ago this fall, N.H. Beaman organized evening Bible classes in the Detroit area under the name of Michigan Christian College. He and others who pioneered that effort recognized the substantial value to churches in the region of formalized Christian education. To those pioneers and scores of others who led North Central Christian College and ultimately Michigan Christian College, one of life's pleasures is seeing the fulfillment of an incredible dream.

Recently, at an Indiana church, we saw striking evidence of the realization of that historic dream. That Indiana church sent many of its teenagers to Michigan Christian College, hoping they would prepare to serve in churches in the North. Most of them returned home, bringing along MCC alumni as spouses, and the ten of them are actively involved in programs of that fine congregation.

The dream is alive, and thanks to hundreds of parents and thousands of friends who have caught the dream, Michigan Christian College will continue to make a significant difference in churches all across the North Central states.

Dr. J

Four classes host summer reunions

Former students from sixteen states converged on the campus of Michigan Christian College during the past summer for class reunions. Individual classes hosted ten, fifteen, twenty-five, and thirty-year reunions. Participants traveled from Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Nebraska, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and Wisconsin for the various events.

The class of 1967 opened the reunion season on June 26-27, in conjunction with an alumni picnic held in honor of Coach Shinsky. During the reunion, class member Ray Hudson of Louisville, Kentucky, presented Coach Shinsky with a plaque that he obtained from the governor of Kentucky, honoring Coach as a *Kentucky Colonel*.

With the experience gained from a very successful ten-year reunion, the class of 1977 returned to campus for a fifteen-year reunion on July 10-11. Among scheduled activities, the class planned games and a scavenger hunt for the large number of children that attended the reunion with their parents.

Members of the college's first graduating classes attended a July 17-18 reunion, hosted by the class of 1962. During a cloud-burst that occurred at the end of a picnic by Lake Norcentra, re-



Members of the class of 1977 pose on the brick sign in front of campus.

union guests took shelter in the music room. That visit resulted in an impromptu period of singing with the same sheet music that the group used in 1962. Guests then took a nostalgic tour of Gallaher Center, the original building on the MCC campus.

The class of 1982 rounded out the summer reunion schedule with their ten-year reunion on July 31 and August 1. Following a catered barbecue dinner, the group enjoyed a slide presentation that class members originally presented at their Spring Awards Banquet.



Class of 1967 members pose in front of the Associates Campus Center.



Class of 1962 reunion guests gather in front of Gallaher Center with their president, Otis Gatewood.

Summer class reunions have become increasingly more popular during the past five years because of the availability of housing on campus during the summer months, and the potential of families planning vacations around a reunion. Each reunion has been scheduled and organized by volunteers from par-

ticular classes. The type and amount of formal activities has varied from class to class. College representatives have provided mailing lists of class members, scheduled campus facilities, and provided guidance for reunion planners.

To date, members of the classes of 1963, 1978, 1980, and 1983

have inquired about hosting reunions during the summer of 1993. Anyone interested in assisting with the planning of those potential reunions or in scheduling additional reunions should contact Larry Stewart in the Public Relations Office at 1-800-872-2579 from Michigan or at 1-800-521-6010 from out-of-state.

Worth Repeating

Following the class of 1962 reunion, organizers Dean and Mary (Branstetter) Moore received a number of letters about the weekend. Some are *Worth Repeating!*

"I can not begin to tell you how much the class reunion has meant to me. We laughed, cried, and prayed together and the years melted away. What a great joy it was to see everyone."

Shirley (Robinson) Leach, Arlington, Tennessee

"The reunion brought back feelings of keen spiritual sensitivities I hadn't felt so strongly since the school was in its first years of struggle. I needed this."

Robert L. Waggoner, Selma, Alabama

"Saturday, July 18th, was most definitely one of the highlights of the past decade for me. It was great to see and visit with friends who were at one time closer than family! And even though so many years have passed, for most of us it was like picking up a conversation from last week and continuing it. I hope to see you both again next year - same time, same place!"

Marilyn (Kincade) Henson, Flint, Michigan

RR 1993 Homecoming

February 6, 1993
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

- ◆ Homecoming Chapel with the MCC Chorus
- ◆ Alumni Luncheon
- ◆ Basketball Game and Queen Crowning
- ◆ Post-Game Reception

Arrange to Meet a Friend!

For information call the Public Relations Office at (313) 651-5800



Ten-year reunion guests from the class of 1982 gather near the Westside Central Chapel for a photograph.

Thank You

So many cards and notes have been sent to Coach Bill Shinsky upon his retirement, that he wanted to pass along a message.

I would like to express my appreciation to each one who made my retirement memorable in so many ways. The Lord has abundantly blessed me and all my family because of our decision to make MCC my career. Thank you for 32 years of treasured memories. May God continue to bless "our dear Christian college."

Coach Bill Shinsky

Alumni News and Notes

1962

After five years with Harding Academy in Memphis, **Tom Martin** began teaching English and Spanish for York College this fall. He may be contacted at York College, York, NB 68467.

1975

Dennis Swindle recently began preaching for the Bell Street Church of Christ in Savannah, Georgia. He and his wife, Terri, now live at 6 East 65th Street, Savannah, GA 31405.

1979

David Briggs recently completed the Certified Management Accounting (C.M.A.) exam. He is the manager of finance and administrative services for the Grand Rapids Child Guidance Clinic. He and **Laurie (Stark)** have four children, Timothy, Annalisa, Jerica, and Curtis. The family lives at 3514 Canal S.W., Grandville, MI 49418.

1980

Dakoda Jaimes joined Torrie in the home of **Tim and Terri (McGhee) Lanier** on May 8, 1992. Terri works as an operational engineer for WHOI-TV in Peoria, and Tim is an informational systems analyst. The family resides at 2237 Washington Road, Washington, IL 61571.

1983

Harold and Dawn (McKamey) Gentry are living at 271 Burgess, Indianapolis, IN 46219. Harold is a retail sales manager. Dawn placed first in branch sales during the past year as a Longaberger Baskets consultant. The couple has two children,

Michael, age 5, and Elizabeth, who was born last December.

Kevin and Deb (Estep) Sircloumb recently bought their first home at 1217 Kilbee Circle #5N, Orlando, FL 32825. Kevin manages a dinner theatre show at Walt Disney World, and Deb is the telecommunications manager for Clarke-American, a national check-printing firm.

1984

Angela Greer recently became engaged to **Paul Carpenter**, a 1985 B.R.E. graduate of MCC. After completing her bachelor's degree at Madonna University and a period of employment with Children's Hospital of Michigan, Angela accepted her current position as head nurse of the neonatal intensive care unit of Hendrick Hospital in Abilene, Texas. Paul preached for the Church of Christ in Kent, Ohio, for three years before moving to Abilene to complete his master's degree. The couple plans to be married in Rochester Hills on January 1, 1993. They may be contacted through Angela at her address of 3501 Curry Lane #112, Abilene, TX 79606.

1985

Caleb Thomas joined Jared in the home of **Tim and Laura (Sandlin-82) Pittman** on May 5. Tim is a commercial credit analyst with Society National Bank, and Laura is head cashier for Dayton Newspapers, Inc. The family lives at 275 Parker Drive, Springboro, OH 45066.

1986

Dan and Shannon (Roper) Boren welcomed Katie Ann on July 28. They also have a son,

Second generation students set record

Although over 125 sons and daughters of former MCC students have entered Michigan Christian College since 1979, the largest number of second generation students enrolled this fall.

alumni dads	current students	alumni moms***
Dick Payne (61)	Carla Brown, Perrysburg, OH**	Merrile Artist (64)
Ron Cameron (64)	Amy Byars, Lincoln Park, MI*	Jean Hayes (63)
Jim Dickerson (65)	Andy Cameron, Elyria, OH**	Nancy Ashby (68)
Norman Venson (80)	Ron Dawson, Indianapolis, IN**	Linda Robbins (64)
Norman Venson (80)	Shannon Dickerson, Pontiac, MI**	
	Keisha Dukes, Inkster, MI*	Carroll Palmer (63)
	Kwaun Dukes, Inkster, MI*	Donna Allen (64)
	Jeanne Duvall, Troy, MI**	Jerri Gilmer (87)
	Jennifer Fredin, Owatonna, MN*	
Rick Gilmer (85)	Ladell Gilmer, Romulus, MI*	
Bruce Dye (75)	Heather Hammond, Westerville, OH*	
Ken Handley (70)	James Handley, Jackson, MI**	
Del Holland (67)	Mike Holland, Flint, MI**	Lila Ramsey (67)
	Eli Jones, Canton, MI*	
	Justin Lewis, Flint, MI*	
Gary Lewis (71)	David Light, Auburn Hills, MI**	Anne Dahlstrom (68)
Michael Light (81)	Sara Light, Auburn Hills, MI*	
Michael Light (81)	Axel Liimatta, Pontiac, MI*	
Fred Liimatta (68)	Olivia Little, Tipton, IN*	
Don Little (69)	Denise McArthur, Brighton, MI**	
Doug McArthur (69)	Christie McKinnie, Romulus, MI*	Carol Franklin (71)
Jerry McKinnie (68)	Sunny Michelin, Marquette, MI*	Mona Nichols (79)
	Ray Nichols, Sterling Heights, MI**	Marilyn Parks (92)
David Parks (92)	David Parks, Waterford, MI*	Judy Gunter (72)
	Stephanie Perry, Lincoln Park, MI**	Pat Palmer (70)
Garth Pleasant (69)	Kim Pleasant, Orion, MI**	
Richard Rutherford (66)	Tiffany Rutherford, Flint, MI**	Nancy Strbenac (64)
	Melissa Schroeder, Rochester Hills, MI*	Sherry Duvall (71)
	Shelly Smith, Warren, MI**	Linda Pate (74)
Ed Stewart (71)	Melody St. Charles, Ypsilanti, MI*	Judy Sparks (70)
Rick Watson (70)	Heidi Stewart, Walled Lake, MI*	
Cecil White (68)	Ryan Watson, Oregon, OH*	Sandra Hinson (68)
	Sarah White, Alpena, MI**	

() last academic year of regular attendance *new student **returning student ***name while attending MCC

Tres. Dan is a teacher and coach at Greater Atlanta Christian School. Shannon operates a child care business in her home. The family lives at 1357 Fairview Trail, Lawrenceville, GA 30243.

1988

Lisa DiMarzio married Jackie VanNatta on July 25. Lisa is a service representative for the IRS. The couple lives at 13900 Benson #117, Edmond, OK 73013

1987

George and Tonya (Meyer-88) Barlow welcomed Brock Arnold Austin on June 12. The family lives at 7461 Mallard Court #D, Indianapolis, IN 46260.

1991

Sherrie Allen married John Bailey on June 12. The couple lives at 300 South Rankin #32, Edmond, OK 73034.

Employment Opportunity

Administrative Secretary for the Academic Services Office. Contact Dr. Leonard Knight, dean of academic services, at the college address or phone (313) 651-5800.

Share your news! Clip and return this form to Larry Stewart, Director of Public Relations, Michigan Christian College, 800 West Avon Road, Rochester Hills, MI 48307.

Name (maiden if appl.) _____

MCC Years _____ Occupation _____

Spouse's Name (maiden if appl.) _____

MCC Years _____ Occupation _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (area code _____) _____

Please note children's names, recent births, job changes, marriages, promotions, etc.



Enjoying their newly renovated surroundings, the A Cappella Chorus rehearses in the Alumni Music Center under the direction of Joe Bentley, assistant professor of music. The college named the facility for the alumni after volunteers donated over 600 hours of labor to complete the project.

College receives federal grant to develop plan

Michigan Christian College received notification in July that the U.S. Department of Education plans to fund the college's latest Title III grant request for \$17,680. The proposal, originally prepared by Dr. Leonard Knight, dean of academic services, requested a planning grant that is available under the Strengthening Institutions Program.

Normally, the Department of Education funds only about eight-percent of the proposals they receive for planning grants. The proposal submitted by Michigan Christian College received a score of 98 out of 100, resulting in funding.

Funds from the Title III grant will be used to research and prepare a comprehensive development program for the college, and to write another proposal for Title III funding that would help the college implement that program.

Dr. Steve Williams, associate professor of business, has been named Title III project director. He will be assisted by a self-study committee that has been assigned with a similar task of

preparing a comprehensive student assessment plan for the North Central Association. In addition, Walt Gilfilen, former president of Michigan Christian College and a specialist in federal grant programs, has agreed to serve as project consultant, as he did in the writing of the original proposal for the planning grant.

During the next year, Dr. Williams will complete a number of specific tasks as the Title III project director. He will organize a series of workshops for board members, employees, and representatives from support groups, to discuss institutional goals and planning. He will review and summarize all institutional research data from the past ten years.

In addition to his efforts with workshops and institutional research, Dr. Williams will prepare an analysis of demographic trends in southeast Michigan, and conduct a market survey of the area. The resulting data will provide valuable information that can be used in developing new academic programs, and in



Soccer players practice ball-handling on the front lawn to pass time on a sunny fall afternoon.

strengthening placement services for the graduates of Michigan Christian College.

Efforts funded by the Title III planning grant will culminate in January of 1994, when the college will submit its next Title III

grant proposal. As intended by the Title III Strengthening Institutions Program, Michigan Christian College should be better equipped to serve students into the twenty-first century as a result of this planning process.

Local church features former ministry interns

Academic preparation continues in the summer for a number of Michigan Christian College students as they complete internship requirements for the Bachelor of Religious Education degree. Students majoring in Christian ministry, counseling, missions and evangelism, and youth and family ministry must each work in a supervised setting related to their major before receiving their degree from Michigan Christian College.

The Parkside Church of Christ in Dearborn Heights, Michigan, has worked with interns from Michigan Christian College for a number of years. On November 1, the congregation plans to honor each of their former interns at a *Minister-in-Training Sunday*. During the day, each of the former interns will be speaking for the congregation.

Parkside's first intern, Randy Dill, currently preaches for the Evanston Avenue Church of Christ in Muskegon, Michigan. Dan Corp serves as minister for the Church of Christ in Milan, Michigan. Jim Calkin is employed as an admissions counselor for Michigan Christian College, and until recently worked on a part-time basis with the Lake Orion Church of Christ.

Parkside's last intern, Mark Brackney, currently is working part-time with the Church of Christ in Lexington, Oklahoma, while completing his master's degree at Oklahoma Christian. Parkside's current intern, Tony Reynolds, will complete his degree at Michigan Christian College in the spring. Parkside plans to employ Tony on a full-time basis after he graduates.

Russ Bone, minister of the Parkside congregation, commented, "Each young man communicates their appreciation to the Parkside congregation as well as the elders for this program." The internship program has provided valuable experience for each student, and a good resource for neighboring congregations.



Class schedule options are explained by Dr. Leo Hindsley.



Bookstore employee Mearl Ryan assists a student with her textbook purchases. Mearl retired on September 30 after twenty-two years of dedicated service to Michigan Christian College.

At a Glance

Initial enrollment in the criminal justice program exceeded expectations as the college initiated the new major this fall. The first two courses offered in the program, *Introduction to Criminal Justice* and *Police Processes and Operations*, each attracted almost double the number of students expected.

Spectrum, a new musical ensemble of eight students, began rehearsals shortly after the opening of the academic year. The group plans to perform several types of popular music. Those interested in hosting the MCC A Cappella Chorus, Autumn, or Spectrum, may contact the Admissions Office at 1-800-872-2579 from Michigan or 1-800-521-6010 from out-of-state.

Counseling students enrolled in the Bachelor of Religious Education degree program may now take a course at Michigan Christian College entitled *Fundamentals of Substance Abuse Counseling*. The final examination for the course is one of three licensing exams required by the state of Michigan for chemical dependence certification.

Participating in a traditional fall outing, a number of employees and students traveled to Stratford, Ontario, on September 26, for the Shakespearean Festival. The group enjoyed a picnic lunch on the Avon, followed by a production of *Love's Labours Lost*.



Employee Highlights

Christian Chronicle featured an article by **Dr. John Todd**, assistant professor of political science, in their July issue. The article responded to the question, "What do we do about the election?"

Assisting the *Let's Start Talking* program, **Sylvia Zavitz**, admissions counselor, participated in a five-week mission campaign in Mannheim, Germany, during June and July. The group, which included MCC students, taught English from the gospel of Luke.

Dr. Steve Eckstein, professor of Bible and Greek, and his wife **Mildred**, instructor of education, spoke at a teacher's workshop at Abilene Christian University in July. This fall, Star Bible Publications plans to release the third printing of *History of the Churches of Christ in Texas: 1824-1950*. The book, by Dr. Eckstein, first appeared in 1963.

Lynne Stewart, Registrar and Instructor of Home and Family Living, has been named for inclusion in the 18th edition of *Who's Who of American Women*.

Lake Norcentra Basketball Camp attracted over 375 participants, from age six to sixteen, to the campus during three summer sessions. **Garth Pleasant**, assistant professor of physical education, directed the popular camp for his twelfth year.

Admissions staff begins year under new director

Building upon a successful year in student recruitment, admissions personnel have started the recruiting season under new leadership. Effective September 1, Dr. Ken Johnson has named Toby Osburn as dean of enrollment services. Osburn replaces Kent Hoggatt, who has shifted responsibilities at the college and now serves as a development officer.

During the past year, Osburn served as youth and campus minister for the Rochester Church of Christ. In addition, he taught freshman Bible for Michigan Christian College on a part-time basis.

Prior to moving to Michigan last fall, Osburn served as an admissions counselor and then as director of admissions counseling for Abilene Christian University. In the latter position, he supervised student recruiting personnel, managed recruiting office operations, and assisted in the development and implementation of a major recruiting strategy for ACU.

Joining veteran admissions counselors Michael Light, Jim Calkin, Phil Conner, and Sylvia Zavitz, three additional counselors have been added to the recruitment team. Laura Day and Arnold Best changed from part



Admissions personnel include (back row) Toby Osburn, Jan Coe, Sylvia Zavitz, Tracy VanHouten, Laura Day, Debi Rutledge, Arnold Best, (front row) Michael Light, Jim Calkin, and Phil Conner.

to full-time status in their work with the college during the late summer, and Tracy VanHouten, began working with the admissions team in August.

In September, Jan Coe shifted responsibilities on campus and began work as the admissions secretary. She replaced Debi

Rutledge, who moved to her new position as director of financial aid. Debi's experience with the Admissions Office gave her a valuable background for working with prospective students and their parents.

Commenting on his new work with the college, Toby Osburn

stated, "With an enrollment increase of 24% this year, MCC's future seems very bright. Our Admissions team is talented and hard-working, so there's no doubt in my mind we will see similar increases in the coming years. I look forward to the challenges that lie ahead."



New students compare book purchases at the beginning of the year.

Christian camps benefit from 20 years of service

"Terri has had a tremendous impact on our kids." "Darryl was asked to baptize one of the campers in his class as a result of his teaching." "Stephanie was one of thirty counselors. She was nominated counselor of the year." "Wish all of my staff had Jim's maturity and attitude."

Such comments from Christian camp directors arrived on campus regularly over the past summer as twelve students and two employees from Michigan Christian College spent a portion of their summer working as counselors in sixteen camps.

Camp workers from MCC spent the majority of their time at camps fulfilling the normal responsibilities of cabin counselors or activity directors. In addition, they served as representatives of the college, obtaining the names of teens and encouraging students to consider Michigan Christian College.

Over the past summer, MCC representatives assisted in a combined total of sixty camp sessions at Michigan Christian Youth Camp and Beechwood Hills in Michigan; Fort Hill, Northeastern, Northwestern, and Judson in Ohio; Indogan, Wabashi, and Spring Mill in Indiana; Illinois Christian and Rockford in Illinois; Wisconsin Christian and Lake Geneva in Wisconsin; Camp Concern in Pennsylvania; Agape in New York; and Omagh in Ontario.

For twenty years, camps in

most of the North Central states have benefited from the service of counselors that have been provided by Michigan Christian College. With the exception of one year, the college has sent representatives to camps since the summer of 1972.

Nearly 200 students have represented MCC in twenty-three camps over the years. Even though some of the camps no longer exist, MCC counselors have touched the lives of children and teens in over 900 weeks of Christian camping.

MCC representatives have provided a valuable staffing resource for the camps. As stated by one director, "I appreciate MCC for allowing a student to come each summer."



Mark Your Calendar!

February 19-20, 1993



Celebration in Song



"Celebrate the Seasons"



Medical Missions Seminar

November 14
MCC Campus
(313) 651-5800

Renovations peak during summer

Renovation projects on the campus of Michigan Christian College increased during the summer months, giving many facilities a new look prior to the opening of the academic year. Throughout the summer, maintenance personnel, student workers, volunteers, and contractors accomplished numerous projects.

Over a four-month period, workers applied over 370 gallons of paint, redecorated a number of areas, removed the trailer previously used by the Development Office, and completely renovated two facilities. Contractors supplemented those efforts by replacing three roofs, installing a new campus-wide phone system, and com-



Student workers paint the gym.

pleting a variety of other specialized tasks.

Even though some areas received more attention than others, every permanent facility experienced change. As stated by David Parks, a local minister who is pursuing his counseling degree at MCC, "I have never seen so much improvement in college facilities in just one year."

Gallaher Center. Volunteers from the Alumni Association completely renovated the music facilities in the lower level of Gallaher Center. Workers covered walls with an attractive vinyl-covered wallboard, built curved, permanent risers for the chorus, installed new lighting, and recarpeted the entire area. Contractors replaced the roof surface on the flat areas of the building, installed a new heating system in the west end, and leveled the sidewalks leading to the front entrance.

Muirhead Library. Enhancing several improvements that took place in the library last January, maintenance personnel completely renovated the entrance and circulation center of the Muirhead Library. In addition, a contractor replaced the roof on the entire building.

Associates Campus Center. Workers painted a number of rooms in the residence hall portion of the Associates Campus

Center before redecorating the hallway of the west wing. Dean Candace Cain prepared murals in the hallway to coordinate with the lobby mural. Maintenance personnel built additional cabinets for the beverage area of the cafeteria, added ceramic tile to the food service line, and updated the appearance of the hallway leading into the cafeteria. Contractors replaced the roof on the west wing, recarpeted a classroom and a portion of the dorm rooms, and leveled the sidewalks in front of the building.

Westside Central Chapel and Utley Student Center. Maintenance personnel added windows to the hallway doors near the Westside Central Chapel and those entering the Utley Student Center. A contractor repaired settling cracks in both facilities.

Gatewood Residence Hall. After painting and recarpeting a number of rooms, workers gave the lobby of the Alma Gatewood Residence Hall a fresh appearance by refinishing the walls.

Barbier Residence Hall. In addition to painting and recarpeting several rooms, maintenance personnel repaired and repainted the outside surface of Barbier Residence Hall. Dean Cain coordinated the painting of murals on the outside of the building, along with the addition of a canopy over the entrance.



Assistance is provided in the library's renovated circulation center.

Palmer Residence Hall. Maintenance personnel installed kitchen cabinets from the former Homemaking House in three suites of Palmer Residence Hall to accommodate married student housing. After workers painted and recarpeted some of the rooms, Dean Cain added wallpaper and borders to the married student units.

Gymnasium. Using funds donated by individuals in the Rochester Hills community, workers painted both the exterior and a portion of the interior of the gym. They replaced the backboards on the side walls and added mats behind all of the backboards. Dean Cain painted a mural on one wall, and Coach Garth Pleasant obtained banners honoring

the college's championship teams and All-American athletes.

Science Center. Workers repainted the entire interior of the Science Center and resurfaced many of the ceilings in the building. In addition, they replaced a portion of the roof over the Biology laboratory.

Gatehouse. Maintenance personnel completely renovated the interior of the Gatehouse into two attractive classrooms.

Upon entering the presidency of Michigan Christian College, Dr. Ken Johnson unveiled plans to refurbish the entire campus within a two-year period. A great deal has been accomplished toward that goal in the first year.



Barbier Residence Hall portrays a new image after the completion of outside renovation work.



now available
from the
MCC Bookstore

Heritage of Faith

Bible School Curriculum
by Gospel Advocate Publishing Company

also available from the MCC Bookstore:
New Life Through His Word, 20th Century Christian
New Journeys, Sweet Publishing Company
Living Bible Lessons, Lambert Book House
The Living Way, Lambert Book House

Buy from MCC at publisher prices
while funding student scholarships!

1-800-872-2579 (MI) or 1-800-521-6010 (Outstate)

The North Star is the official news bulletin of Michigan Christian College. Comments should be addressed to Larry Stewart, Director of Public Relations.

Michigan Christian College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, age, disability, or national or ethnic origin in the execution of its educational program, activities, employment, or admissions policies except where necessitated by specific religious tenets held by the institution and its controlling body.

Michigan Christian College
800 West Avon Road
Rochester Hills, MI 48307

Address Correction Requested

Non-Profit Org.
U.S. Postage
PAID
Rochester, Mich.
Permit No. 86