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Board announces retirement plans of MCC President Milton B. Fletcher

Board Chairman Royce Dickinson recently informed the employees of Michigan Christian College of President Milton B. Fletcher's plans to retire on August 2, 1991. After a January 29 announcement on campus, the Board released the same information to various brotherhood publications.

In a letter to the Board of Trustees, President Fletcher stated, "This is one of the most difficult letters I've ever written. I can't describe the emotions I feel as memories flood my mind." He reflected upon the many great people, inspiring occasions, marvelous friendships, and never-ending challenges that he has experienced as President of Michigan Christian College. He stated, "Our lives have been profoundly blessed by being a part of this great adventure."

When President Fletcher accepted the Presidency in 1980, he made a commitment to serve as President for ten years. He further stated that no written contract was necessary because of his trust and confidence in the Board. That special relationship continued throughout his

tenure. When August 2 arrives, he will have served as President for ten years and seven months, longer than any of the previous Presidents. He will have completed a total of twenty-two years of service with Michigan Christian College.

President Fletcher began his long association with Michigan Christian College in 1960. He served as Business Manager until 1965, when he was appointed Vice President. He left MCC in 1972 to work with Abilene Christian University, where he eventually served as Vice President of Public Relations and Development.

Since Milton B. Fletcher returned to Michigan Christian College as President in 1980, the college has experienced a time of greater financial stability. It has operated in the black for ten consecutive years. Long-term debt has decreased from \$618,100 to \$109,743, and the endowment fund has grown from \$38,770 to \$990,736. President Fletcher recently stated, "Without a faculty, staff, and administration that has been dedicated to efficient operation, and a generous clientele, the

ten-year operations record would not have been possible."

During President Fletcher's administration, a number of strides have been made with new development programs. He launched the Silver Anniversary Campaign at the close of the twenty-fifth year in 1984 with a total campaign goal of \$8.2 million. By the close of 1990, \$7,588,240 had been committed against that goal.

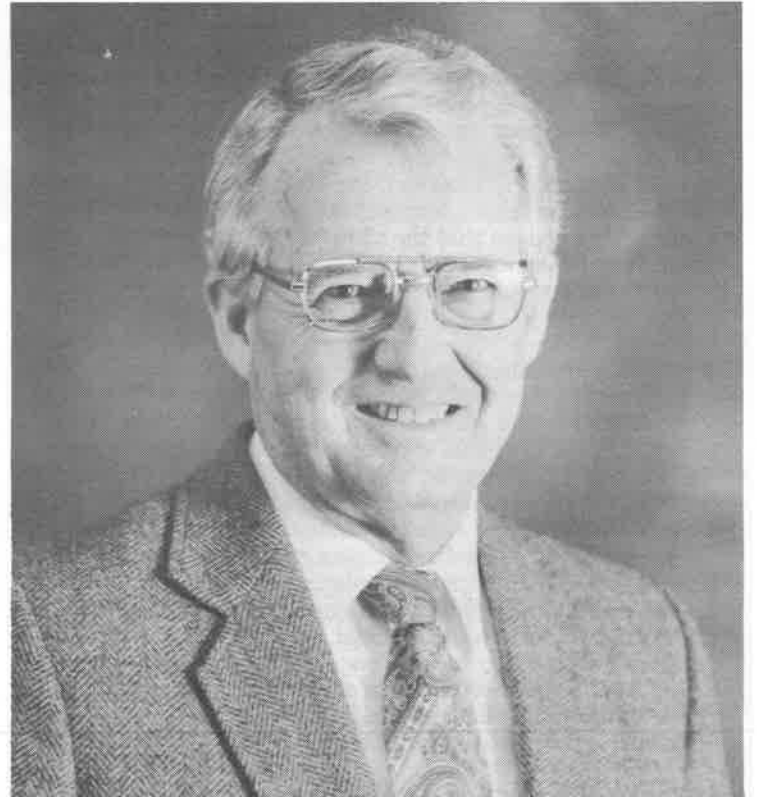
During the past ten years, President Fletcher established successful annual fund dinners in Abilene, Dallas/Fort Worth, Dayton, Cincinnati, Nashville, and Central Illinois. He also initiated Partnership Dinner campaigns in Chicago, Western Michigan, and Mid-Michigan.

Soon after returning to Michigan Christian College, President Fletcher developed the Christian Education Sunday program. He also has made a concentrated effort to recognize donors through the establishment of the Century Club, MTC 400 Club, President's Circle, and Heritage Club. Three Golf Classics that he organized now draw friends of the college together on an annual basis.

During President Fletcher's tenure, the academic program has been strengthened as well. The college conducted two successful accreditation visits with the North Central Association and awarded its first Bachelor's degrees. It expanded the curriculum to add a variety of occupational degrees and a third year in business. The college also assumed oversight of the Bristol Road School of Biblical Studies and began operation of the Child Development Center.

President Fletcher's years at Michigan Christian College have not been without sorrow and loss. When he returned in 1980, his wife, Gene, was at his side. After a long battle with cancer, Gene passed away in 1984. She served MCC faithfully for over fifteen years.

President Fletcher remarried in 1985 to the former Evelyn Templeton. Evelyn quickly filled her role as wife of the President in a wonderful way. She has traveled with President Fletcher regularly and has supported him and the college with genuine dedication and zeal.



Milton B. Fletcher, 5th President of Michigan Christian College

In closing his letter to the Board, President Fletcher expressed his deep appreciation to members of the Board. He complimented them for "their trust, consistent support, stability, and love for the special cause of Christian education at Michigan Christian College." He concluded, "Our prayer is that their stability will continue, and that the new President will enjoy the same great relationship that I've experienced."

In a written release from the Board, members stated, "President Fletcher has served Michigan Christian College with love and dedication for twenty-two years." They continued, "It is the desire of the Board that he continue in some official capacity with the college. Those plans are being formulated as the Board's Presidential Search Committee is seeking a replacement." The Board hopes that the Fletchers can serve in such a capacity from their new home in Arlington, Texas.

The Board's release ended with sentiments shared by the entire campus community. "The Board of Trustees expresses its deep appreciation to Milton Fletcher for his years of unselfish service to MCC and sincerely hopes and prays that he and Evelyn will still have many happy years as they continue to serve in the cause of Christ."

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You can help MCC complete its 11th consecutive year in the black



Dear Friends:

In this issue of the *North Star* the announcement is being made of my retirement from Michigan Christian College. Evelyn and I leave full-time service at MCC with mixed emotions, but with tremendous appreciation for the challenges, opportunities, great friends, events, and co-workers. However, even with all the enjoyment, I realize that Solomon showed wisdom when he was inspired to write, "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven." We believe that the time for our retirement has arrived. It has been a genuine privilege and joy to be a part of this noble enterprise.

One of my goals is to turn over the reins to a new President with the institution as stable as possible. Because of the generosity of thousands of people, an effective Board of Trustees, loyal and efficient employees, and tireless Associates, we have been able to operate for ten consecutive years "in the black." However, since the World War II "baby boomers" have now moved on through the colleges and universities of our country, and because their families are smaller, we have experienced a declining enrollment over the last several years. That unusual population phenomenon has generated tremendous budget challenges on campuses across the nation. We are no exception! As a result, it has been necessary to greatly expand our fund raising activities to help alleviate the shortfall. One of the new programs during the last four years has been the Fiscal Year-End Direct Mail Appeal to donors known as *Operation 29, 30, 31, and 32*.

We normally do not use the *North Star* to appeal for funds. However, in order to turn the institution over to a new President in the best possible condition; and, in order to close the 11th consecutive year "in the black", I am respectfully requesting you to assist with *Operation 32* by forwarding a check in the amount of \$32, or any multiple thereof, before May 31, 1991. This *North Star* is reaching the homes of approximately 22,500 families. Normally we do not play the "numbers" game in fund raising, but it would be such a blessing if we could beat the "numbers" game this time with a *much* larger response than we have ever had to an appeal. The people are out there! We prayerfully solicit your positive response. You may use the coupon below as you respond.

May God bless all of us as we "wear ourselves out" in the service of His Kingdom and in great Christian causes.

Very sincerely,

Milton B. Fletcher
President

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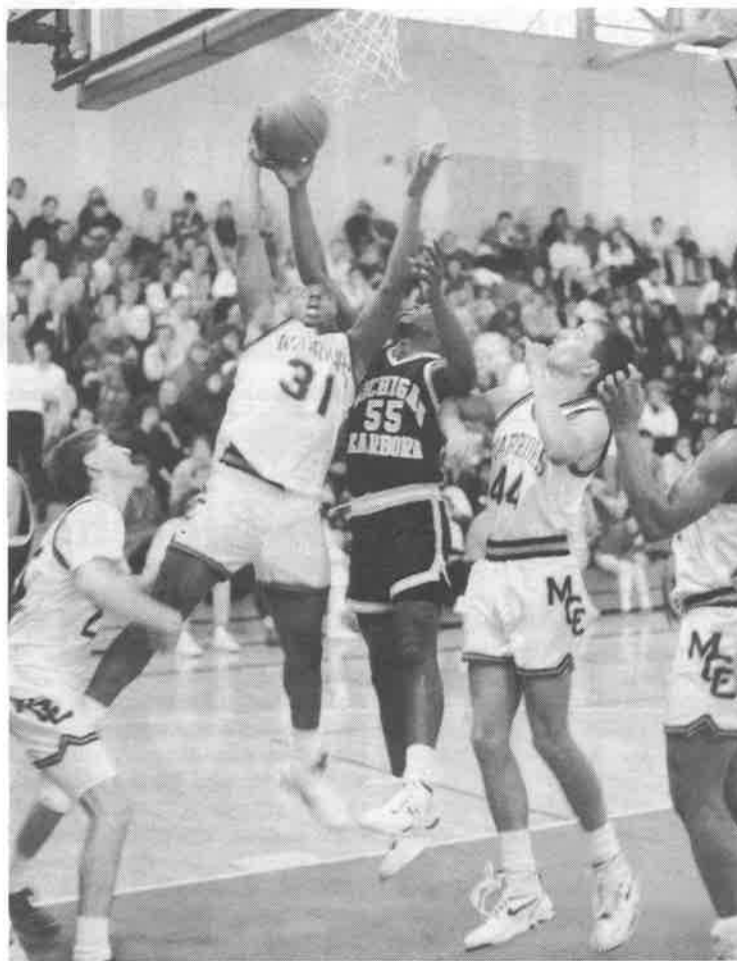
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Warriors contend for a rebound in their Homecoming game.

Collection of children's books supports new class

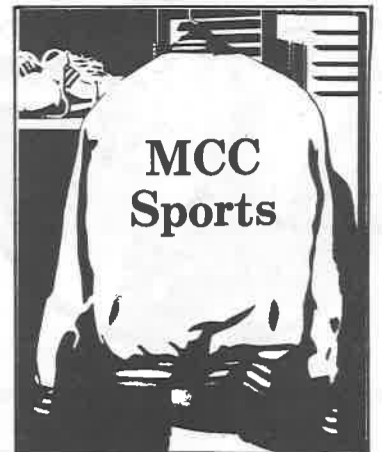
Coinciding with the introduction of a new course in children's literature at Michigan Christian College, the Muirhead Library recently received a large number of children's books for addition to their collection. The gift allowed the library to begin a core selection of children's literature for those students enrolled in early childhood and elementary education programs.

Each year, publishers of children's books send samples of new releases to Oakland University for display in an examination center operated by the School of Education. At the end of each year, Oakland keeps a portion of the books and disperses the remainder to libraries and institutions.

Dr. Fawn Knight, Associate Professor of English at Michigan Christian College, has regular contact with the Department of Education at Oakland University since she teaches graduate-level courses for them on a regular basis. Through her influence, Oakland decided to donate approximately 400 books to Michigan Christian College this year. Dr. Knight selected about 250 copies for accession into the library and passed several others on to Lockett Christian Academy.

In addition to having access to the new collection of books, students enrolled in *Literature for Children* have already participated in a number of special class activities. Thus far, they have taken field trips to such

places as the Elizabeth Stone Gallery in Birmingham and Oakland University to hear lectures by authors and illustrators of children's books. During the coming weeks, each student will prepare and present stories at the college's Child Development Center.



BASKETBALL

Inexperience prevented Coach Garth Pleasant's Warriors from placing in either NSCAA tournament this season, but the team of eleven freshmen and one sophomore will provide a good base for next year. Damian Woodmore of Auburn Hills, Michigan, and Marshall Newsome of Mt. Clemens, Michigan, both received league honors.

Traveling to Manitowoc, Wisconsin, for their first District Tournament, the women's team took third place in the competition. Cindy Sturdivant of Ferndale, Michigan, received tournament honors.

TRACK

Participants in track continued to establish MCC records as the team completed their indoor season. Vicki Bullock of Chelsea, Michigan, set 200 meter, 400 meter, and 600 yard records.

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February guest days draw crowds to campus

Two traditional events highlighted the month of February as students and off-campus guests shared the activities of Homecoming and Celebration. Both events combined activities of the student body with additional programs for off-campus guests.

Although the alumni began a full day of Homecoming activities during the morning hours of February 2, the students became actively involved in the day once the Lady Warriors met at Rochester High School for an afternoon basketball game with Ohio State University-Lima. The men's team later faced the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

During half-time ceremonies, President Milton B. Fletcher crowned Gail Rathbun of Lake Orion, Michigan, as Homecoming Queen. Gail's court included Kandi Cook of Muncie, Indiana; Julie Lovelace of Harrisville,

Michigan; Cathy Newton of Ypsilanti, Michigan; Vicki Bullock of Chelsea, Michigan; and Amy Harrison of Rochester Hills, Michigan.

Following an impressive Warrior victory over the University of Michigan-Dearborn, the alumni ended their day, while the students returned to campus for an evening Sweetheart Banquet. At the banquet, a number of individuals participated in a hilarious lip-synch contest designed to imitate popular singing groups.

Two weeks after Homecoming, guests again began arriving on campus for Celebration weekend. While students presented their first performance of Celebration, youth groups checked into the dorms.

Celebration drew its largest crowds in several years as audiences almost filled the Westside Central Chapel for the regular evening performances and the



Sigma Phi/Delta Nu members portray love within a family during their Celebration performance.

special matinee for high school students. Over 800 individuals attended one of the three performances.

Celebrate Love served as the theme for the fifteenth annual Celebration. A variety of musical selections by Hosts and

Hostesses, Celebration Singers, and the campus social clubs highlighted both the light and serious aspects of love.

Lydia Ferguson of Toledo, Ohio; James McDuffie of Benton Harbor, Michigan; Jessica Pell of Wadsworth, Ohio; and Dan Washburn of Washington, Michigan, hosted the show.

For only the second time in Celebration history, Celebration Singers were selected by audition. Cast members included John Batty, Aaron Burtch, David Christian, Ken Cleghorn, Dawn Colburn, Amy Harrison, Scott Hingst, Aaron Hopkins, Kelly Ingram, Clayton Malohn, Ken Pribish, Sheryl Rathbun, Sonja Roden, Tracy VanHouten, Jill Vick, and Anne Yoakum.

Sigma Phi/Delta Nu swept all four awards for their production of *The Quest for Love*. They received the Participation Award on Friday evening, the Costume and Make-up Award on Saturday afternoon, and the Performance Award on Saturday evening. Consequently, they earned the Celebration trophy and the Journey Award, recently named for Larry Journey, founder of Celebration.

At a Glance

Providing a new dimension to the MCC Counseling program, Jack Duty began teaching a new course entitled *Aging and Society* during the spring semester. Jack Duty, minister of the Clawson Church of Christ and a member of the MCC Board of Trustees, has an exceptional amount of experience in working with older adults and is completing graduate studies at the Abilene Christian University Center for the Study of Aging.

Broadening its services from the day care program that opened last December, the Michigan Christian College Child Development Center began a pre-school option in January. In the new program, parents may enroll their children in either two or three morning sessions per week.

Elderhostel VI will take place on campus from May 19-25. This special program for senior citizens will include non-credit classes, campus housing, meals, and a variety of social activities. Classes will be taught by Leonard Knight and Birgie Houston of the MCC faculty and Charles Nelson of Abilene, Texas. Information about the program can be obtained by phoning the MCC Office of the President at (313) 651-5800.



Hosts and Hostesses present a moving Celebration finale.



Classes are represented at Homecoming by Vicki Bullock, Kandi Cook, Julie Lovelace, Gail Rathbun, Cathy Newton, and Amy Harrison (left to right).



Employee Highlights

Brent and Kay Magner began working with Michigan Christian College on January 29. Brent is serving as Director of Church Relations and Kay as Business Office Cashier. The Magners worked with Nigerian Christian Hospital in Aba, Imo State, West Africa, from 1986 through 1990. Brent received an Associate degree from York College, a Bachelor's degree from Abilene Christian University, and a Master's degree from the University of Iowa. Kay holds a Bachelor's degree from Abilene Christian University and two Master's degrees from the University of Iowa.

Continuing his full-time responsibilities as Assistant Professor of Bible and Greek at MCC, Dr. Mel Storm began duties as pulpit minister of the Birmingham Church of Christ in January.

Kent Hoggatt, Director of Admissions, conducted a TIPS Public Communication Conference for the research staff of Central Soya Corporation of Fort Wayne, Indiana, on February 13-14. Since the workshop, Kent has been providing individualized training for Soya staff members to help them integrate workshop skills into the workplace.

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Donors continued to rally in support of Michigan Christian College during the 1990 calendar year as 2,439 individuals and organizations provided \$736,087 in gift income. Gift income usually underwrites approximately 28% of the operational budget for one year.

Many individuals made it possible for MCC to receive additional support from their employers. A total of 77 companies matched employee gifts and provided \$94,626 of the gift income.

Gifts from 32 churches accounted for \$19,416 of the gift income. Most of those gifts, each noted with an asterisk, were given to support instruction and scholarships in the Bible Department. The remainder were donations to the travel funds of groups like the Chorus and Autumn.

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Worth Repeating

Last November, President Milton B. Fletcher sent a special appeal letter to donors from the past four years. In his letter, he outlined three major expenses that had developed and asked for assistance with those unexpected projects. Those items included a replacement bus, the required removal of an old gas tank and its surrounding soil, and a new water storage tank.

In response to that appeal, 262 generous friends of Michigan Christian College covered a good portion of the unexpected expenses by donating a total of \$54,937. Commenting on the response, President Fletcher stated, "I was touched by the concern of people over the welfare of Michigan Christian College as evidenced by the abundance of written responses in addition to the gifts." Some statements from those letters appear below.

"Enclosed is a check to help. Wish I could send more, but perhaps things will be better by and by so we can help more. God help you in all your endeavors."
C.P., Franklin, NC

"We hope you get the funds you requested. You are in our thoughts and prayers and we wish nothing but the best for MCC."
H.K., Laverne, TN

"I am enclosing a check. I have hospital bills to pay on my late wife's treatments. She wasn't eligible for Medicare. I'm sorry therefore that I'm unable to send more."
M.N., Detroit, MI

"We include our check and good wishes for the holiday season and a new year filled with balanced budgets."
H.M., Whitleyville, TN

"I'm happy I can (do) something... for my Christian college. God bless you."
R.T., Flint, MI

"Enclosed you will find a check to help on the repairs. We hope and pray you will be able to overcome all things and continue your good work."
R.S., Ashland, OH

"I am sending a check to help. I know how unanticipated expenses can wreck a budget. Mine has suffered this year. On November 4, I celebrated my 92nd birthday."
J.T., San Mateo, CA

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Board of Trustees adds new members

Michigan Christian College's Board of Trustees recently elected two new members to serve among its ranks, Dean Hoggatt of LaGrange, Indiana, and Arthur Pope of Dearborn, Michigan.

Dean Hoggatt, a retired contractor and current elder of the LaGrange Church of Christ, has sent five children to Michigan Christian College. In his long association with the college, he has served on the Advisory Board and as a Congregational Chairman for the Partnership Dinner. He and his wife, Thelma, received honors from MCC as *Parents of the Year* in 1983 and are members of the Heritage Club.

Expressing his motivation for serving on the Board, Dean Hoggatt commented, "I want to see that a Christian education is made available to our young people of the North Central area, as it was to our five children. Our countless 400 mile trips to the college were well



Dean Hoggatt



Arthur Pope

spent, as our children continued their lives in Christian service."

Arthur Pope, an Advanced Product Engineering Manager for Ford Motor Company, currently serves as a deacon for the Parkside Church of Christ and as Detroit Metro Area Coordinator for the *Herald of Truth*. He has been involved with activities of the MCC

Associates with his wife, Marjorie, for over twenty years.

Commenting on his work with the Board of Trustees, Arthur Pope stated, "I am very interested in further development of Christian education for our young people in this area." His new position will provide him with an opportunity to meet that important goal.

Associates boost Silverdome profits



Volunteer Marge Christman assists a Silverdome customer.

Parallel to an increase in attendance at the home games of the Detroit Lions, the Associates of Michigan Christian College experienced a 41% increase in their profits from the souvenir stands of the Silverdome. The Associates raised a total of \$23,836 from their efforts during the past football season, an increase of \$7,000 over the previous year.

During the past year, the Associates staffed six stands at the pre-season games and nine stands at the eight regular season games. They provided an average of fifty workers per game. Associate chapters sending workers on a regular basis included Brighton, Echo Meadows, Lake Orion, Metro, Northeast, Rochester, and Ypsilanti.

The Associates have provided workers for souvenir stands at the Silverdome since the stadium opened in 1975. Although the Associates staffed all of the stands for several years, other fund-raising groups now operate a number of the stands.

For their efforts, the Associates receive a commission on their sales. During the past season, the Big Boy Stadium Division of Elias Brothers contracted with the Associates for 10% of all sales in stands operated by the MCC group.

Ginny May, a 1978 graduate of Michigan Christian College and chairperson of the Silverdome project stated, "It continues to amaze me how much money the Associates can raise through this project at no expense to the Associates. The Associates are blessed to have a dedicated core of volunteers who make this project possible year after year." Judy Miller of Millbury, Ohio, assists Ginny as project co-chairperson.



Memorial Gifts

December 7, 1990 to March 21, 1991

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Alumni News and Notes

1961

Gary and Onita (McCray) Lutes returned to Chile last March for their sixteenth year of mission work in that country. Since that time, they have helped strengthen existing congregations and have assisted in the establishment of two new ones. They have three daughters living in the states, Karla, Rita, and Rosa; and two at home, Marilu and Briana. The family lives at Casilla 14807, Correo 21, Santiago, Chile.

1968

Jeanne (Dobbins) Justiss has returned to college now that her children, Benjamin, David, and Stephen, are all in school. She will complete her Bachelor's degree next December and plans to pursue a graduate degree. Jeanne, her husband, Joel, and sons live at 146 North Sussex Street, Dover, NJ 07801.

1969

Doug McArthur was recently appointed an elder of the Brighton Church of Christ. He also is serving in his fourth year as a Board Member of the Metropolitan Detroit Youth Chorus. He and his wife, Diana, have two girls, Debbie and Denise. The family lives at 2945 Hunter, Brighton, MI 48116.

1976

Wayne and Fran (Gastrich) Johnson welcomed Ethan Wade on November 26. He joins Bethany, Nathan, and Seth in the household at 1751 Lake, Lauderdale, MN 55113.

David and Teresa (Music) Salley welcomed Tiernae Marisha on January 3. They have two other daughters, Torara and Giordanne. Teresa is a nursing student at Kettering Medical Arts College. The family resides at 209 Oxford Street, Franklin, OH 45005.

1977

Alban and Sue (Rice) Gaub are living at 17233 Meadowdale, Lynnwood, WA 98037. Sue worked as a church secretary for five years, until the birth of Brittany Elleen on July 22.

Larry and Victoria (Tansey) Kooi purchased their first house at 1911 Franklin Street, Muskegon, MI 49441. Larry is an accountant and Victoria provides licensed day care. The couple has four children, Emily, Aimee, Natalie, and Joseph.

1979

Chip Kooi completed his Master's degree in New Testament at Abilene Christian University last August. Currently, he is working on his doctorate at

Baylor University. Chip also serves as Director of Camp Shiloh. He and his wife, Mendy, have one son, William III. The family lives at 1610 Richter, Waco, TX 76711.

1980

Tom Gosser graduated with honors from the Army Chaplain Assistant School at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, last May. In October, he began preaching for the Cheboygan Church of Christ. He lives at 1203 Hancock, Cheboygan, MI 49721.

1981

Rick and Lynette (Bertrand) Root are living at 1125 Sterling Avenue #117, Palatine, IL 60067. Rick is a Cost Analyst/LAN Administrator for Midwesco Manufacturing.

1982

Byron and Roxanne (Scarborough) Kirby welcomed Melissa Catherine on June 29, 1990. The family has moved to 248 Wilowen, Nashville, TN 37210.

1983

John and Le'Ann (Ostrowski) Harvey welcomed Amanda Jill on February 6. John is working for Norton Tire. The family recently moved to 1775 Mayfield Road, Lapeer, MI 48446.

Steve and Karla (Lutes) Hawkins live at 201 North 13th, Abilene, TX 79601. Both are students at Abilene Christian University and plan to work in mission efforts with Karla's parents. They have four children, Ariane, Daniel, Anjuli, and Dustin.

1984

Rita Lutes is working as a Marriage and Family Counselor for the Harmony Girl's Home and the Noah Project of Abilene, Texas. She plans to marry David Pulley in July. Her address is 500 North Judge Ely, #6-106, Abilene, TX 79601.

1985

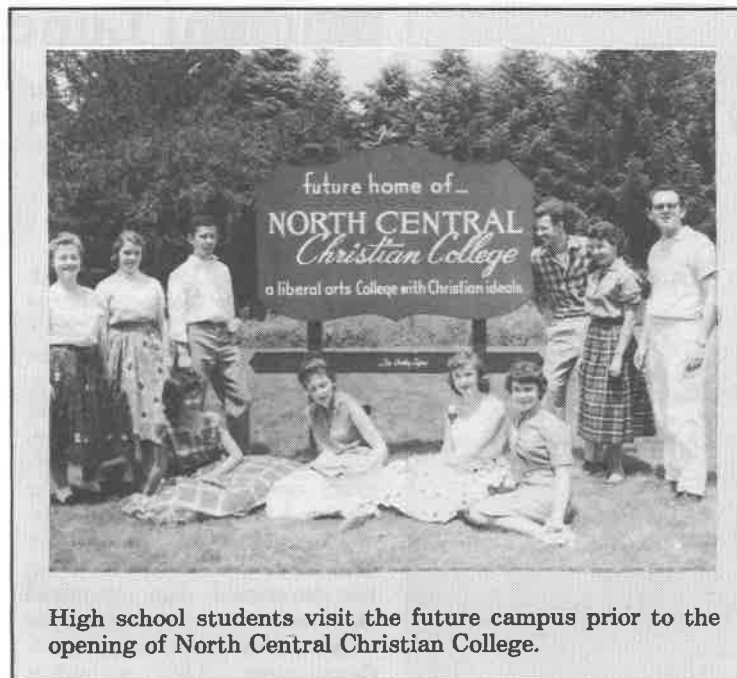
Edwin and Greta (Ashby) Montgomery welcomed Megan Ann on December 1. The family resides at 1902 Ellington Circle, Nashville, TN 37211.

1986

Kim Martin is working with the mentally handicapped as a Habilitation Supervisor for Pathfinders Services. He recently moved to 453 North Comstock, Wabash, IN 46992.

1987

Cynthia Brown married Frank Chance on December 1. The couple resides at 505 Northside, Nappanee, IN 46550.



High school students visit the future campus prior to the opening of North Central Christian College.

Gold and White Award

If you attended Michigan Christian College on a full-time basis for at least one term, your children are eligible to receive a special Gold and White Award of \$100 toward their first-year expenses at MCC. If you have any children between grade 7 and grade 12 and they are not getting mail from MCC on a regular basis, please let the Admissions Office know. Call them toll-free!

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Former student called to Pentagon to assist with news of Desert Storm

Operation Desert Storm touched lives throughout the nation as the President recently called the military into action. However, reserve duties for one former MCC student led to an assignment in the Pentagon rather than the sands of the Middle East.

In November, Susan (Hammond) Johnston was activated to work in the news-photo division of the Navy Office of Information in the Pentagon. In that position, she has been supplying the media and such magazines as *Time* and *Newsweek* with photos and captions.

Susan graduated from Michigan Christian College in 1976 and from Oklahoma Christian in 1979. She has served as a news editor and office manager for the *Christian Chronicle* and as an administrative secretary for Oklahoma Christian.

At MCC, Sue polished her journalism skills as editor of the 1976 *Totem Pole*. In commenting about her experience

Michael and Sandi (Jones) Wallace were married on August 18, 1990. Both plan to receive degrees from Harding University in December. They may be contacted at Box 535, Station A, Searcy, AR 72143.

1988

Laura Bologna married Steven Elmore in 1990. She will obtain her Bachelor's degree from Madonna College in April. The couple resides at 25482 Audrey, Warren, MI 48091.

1989

Dana (Arnold) Carswell and her husband, Christopher, are both serving in the U.S. Navy in Puerto Rico. They are expecting their first child in June. They may be contacted through the U.S. Naval Hospital, FPO Miami, FL 34051.



Petty Officer Susan Johnston receives a promotion at the Pentagon.

at MCC, she stated, "I was very shy in high school. Because MCC was small and less intimidating than larger schools, I was able to gain some confidence in my skills."

Although the Pentagon originally called Susan for ninety days, they extended her stay as the war developed. She is now awaiting word on when she will be able to return to her family.

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.

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

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Alumni Luncheon added to Homecoming

Alumni from twenty-four classes traveled to Rochester Hills on February 2 for Homecoming festivities. Those visiting for the day participated in a variety of activities, including a new Alumni Luncheon.

Homecoming Day began with a reunion for former chorus members. After a time for visiting, the group rehearsed an arrangement of the *Star Spangled Banner* for performance at the afternoon basketball game.

The formal Homecoming program opened at 10:00 in the morning with chapel. Jim Casey, minister of the Adrian Church of Christ, spoke during the devotional. Jim recounted the events that led to his conversion during the 1961-62 academic year. After a performance by the A Cappella Chorus, Rob Clarke, Vice President of the Alumni Association, closed chapel with the traditional announcements.

Guests then moved to the fellowship hall of the Rochester Church of Christ for the Alumni Luncheon. Homecoming included a luncheon during the early 1980's, but the activity had to be discontinued as available facilities became scarce.

After a meal served by the Rochester chapter of the Associates, luncheon guests enjoyed a performance by Autumn. President Fletcher then presented an Alumni Citation to



Alumni Monica Morris and Jim Pobuda are served at the Luncheon.

Winston Schloot. The Alumni Association honored Winston for exemplary Christian character, dedicated service as a Gospel preacher, and for being the first preacher beyond fifty-five years of age to earn the Bachelor of Religious Education degree from MCC.

During a women's game with Ohio State University - Lima, the largest crowd of the day assembled at Rochester High School. Over 600 guests witnessed the crowning of Gail Rathbun as Homecoming Queen and a victory over the University of Michigan - Dearborn.

Special Memories from Former Students

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| <p>1959 - tractor rides to the college when Avon Road was too muddy for cars
- singing <i>I Know the Lord Will Find a Way</i> at lakeside devotionals</p> <p>1960 - a student innocently disrupting a dorm devotional by calling through the partition for his girlfriend</p> <p>1961 - two transmissions and twenty-five states during the summer Octet tour
- the love and concern of faculty and students that led to my conversion</p> <p>1964 - unscheduled devotionals in the dorm</p> <p>1965 - performing with the A Cappella Chorus at the New York World's Fair</p> <p>1967 - the love, care, and concern of others</p> <p>1970 - the female "boys" in <i>Oliver!</i></p> <p>1971 - buttery-seasoned fries at Knapp's Dairy Bar in downtown Rochester</p> <p>1973 - Terry Blake singing at full voice in Hebrew as he crossed campus</p> <p>1974 - a demonstration speech on rappelling walls that ended with a crash landing in a second-floor dorm room</p> | <p>1975 - the loss of Ron Luckett
- worship in Switzerland before returning from a mission campaign</p> <p>1976 - Mom Sarah's gentle smile at my numerous weak excuses</p> <p>1977 - singing <i>Amazing Grace</i> in chapel</p> <p>1978 - a spontaneous verse of <i>Plenty Good Room</i> by the chorus in response to a man's request to enter a New York City elevator</p> <p>1980 - renovating the Chinese Gardens</p> <p>1981 - singing <i>Go Ye Now in Peace</i></p> <p>1982 - the significance of singing <i>The Town I Loved So Well</i> during the Spring Awards Banquet</p> <p>1986 - hot dogs purchased by a stranger for a whole row of MCC students at a Tigers baseball game</p> <p>1987 - eating ham every day of chorus tour</p> <p>1988 - winning the national championship in men's basketball</p> <p>1989 - campaigning with Mission Emphasis in the community of Oscoda</p> |
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Stan Day congratulates Winston Schloot on his Alumni Citation.

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