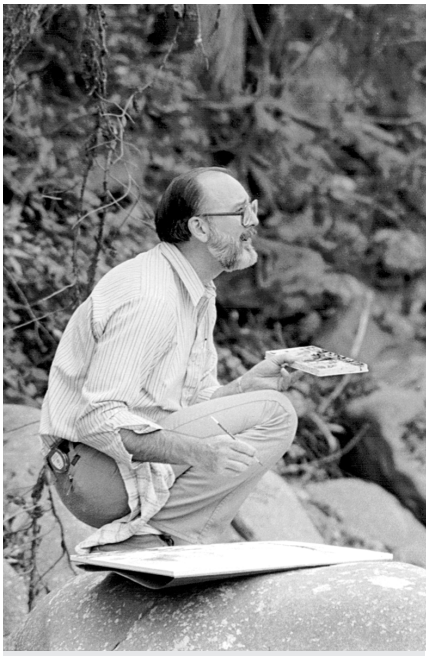

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Dr. Robert Earl Cleveland

Professor of Art

Years at C-N: 30 (1964-1994)

Degrees: BA 1961 MS College, MFA 1964 Univ MS, Ed.D. in Admin 1975 UTK

Research Interest: Art and Law, Photography, Painting

Professional Development: Led initial accreditation with the Nat Assoc of Schools of Art and Design 1992; *Desktop Publications: Intro to Art: A Study Guide* 1984, *"Black and White Photo Assignments: Intro to Photography"* 1985, *"Intro To Desktop Publishing (Macintosh and PageMaker)"* 1992; publications: *"Creation-Science and Religion"* 2014, *"A Personal Search for God 2006, An Artist's Perception"* 2013, *"A Genealogy of the Richard L. Cleveland Families"* 2008, *"Reflections of Faith in an Artistic Journey"* 2010, *"Jefferson City – 200 Years in Pictures"* 2003

Favorite Courses: Drawing, Painting, Photography

Dept Service: Chair

Service to C-N: Academic Council, Library Committee

Honors/Distinctions: Research and Creativity Award 1986; Professor Emeritus; Editorial Board, Small College Creativity, Johnson State College, VT; Phi Delta Kappa; Southeastern College of Art Conference (SECAC); Knoxville Museum of Art; 81 exhibitions: 30 one-man exhibits, 23 juried exhibits, 28 group exhibits

Family: Wife: Betty (deceased); children: Mark ('90), Cindy ('91), Catherine ('92) (deceased)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon

Special Interests: Reading, writing, fishing, traveling, art restoration



Blanch Lee Keener Ellis

Professor of Art

Years at C-N: 25 (1906-1931)

Degrees: BA 1887 Newman College

Research Interest: Porcelain Painting

Professional Development: Student of Wm M Chase, Douglas Connah, FA Passong, Miss Strafe (miniatures); studied at Doutlittle Tapestry School NY, Academie Delecluse and Academie Colarossi Paris France, Art Academy Cincinnati

Favorite Courses: Classical Art, China and Oil Painting

Dept Service: Chair, started Dept on return from France 1906, led classes on field trips (Bird Springs: picnic and painting)

Service to C-N: In her home: held C-N receptions, taught private art students, operated New Revelation china kiln; held public art exhibits once yearly; donated art works to C-N for display

Family: Sister: Lula (C-N Librarian during early 1900s); brother: Dr. JN Ellis* (1887)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City

Special Interests: Part of the Ellis family from Boyd's Creek: her uncle James Harrison Ellis donated land to help start Harrison Chilhowee Baptist Academy in Seymour

Deceased: April 22, 1951



William C. Houston

Associate Professor of Art

Years at C-N: 27 (1987-2014)

Degrees: BA 1973 C-N, MAT 1974 Univ SC

Research Interest: All things art

Professional Development: Years of personal research into painting, sculpture and other visual arts; paintings and drawings in numerous exhibitions and numerous corporate collections around the USA

Favorite Courses: Sculpture 101, Watercolor, Oil and Acrylic

Dept Service: Artist-In-Residence 1974-87

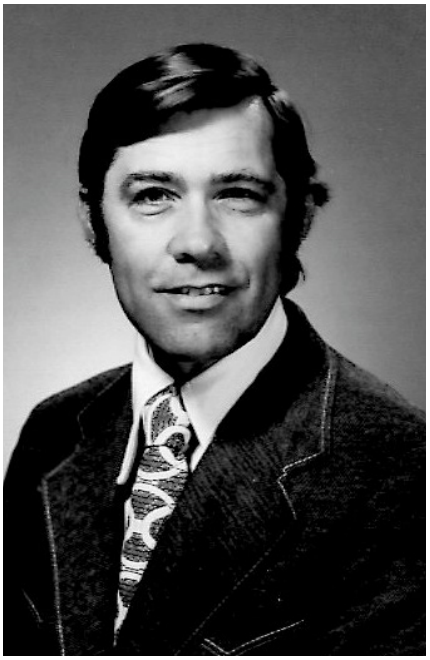
Service to C-N: 25 years working with Lyric Theatre, several years working with Concert Lecture series, 15 years producing custom handmade award for Educational Service to Appalachia

Honors/Distinctions: Associate Professor Emeritus, Creativity Award 1999, charter member of Watercolor USA Honor Society, numerous national and regional awards for artworks in various exhibitions

Family: Wife: Krista Reese

Church involvement: Various services in local and regional churches

Special Interests: Jazz music, furniture building, travel, owner/operator of Houston's Mineral Water



Harvey Tarver Niceley, Jr. (Hank)

Associate Professor of Art

Years at C-N: 36 (1965-2001)

Degrees: BA 1957 C-N, MA 1958 Peabody/Vanderbilt

Research Interest: Art History

Professional Development: Further study UTK; published more than 100 pieces nationally and internationally, including the lead piece in the *NAEA Research Journal*; studied on site at European museums and sites of art history; wrote, illustrated, and published many children and adult books

Favorite Courses: Art History I and II

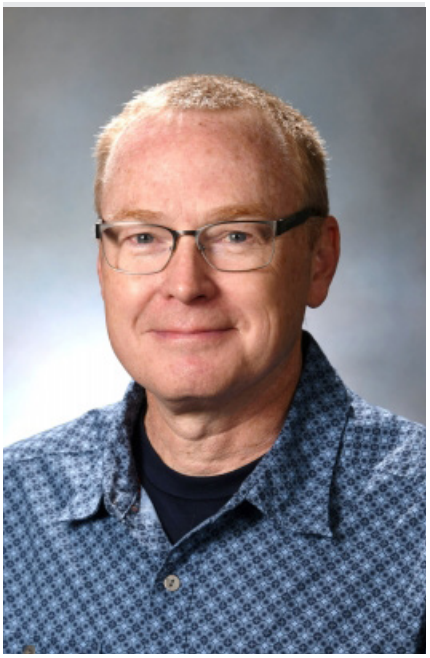
Dept Service: Chair, guided full accreditation with NAEA, led increase from 30 to 90 majors

Service to C-N: Many committees including Student Affairs Committee, conducted many travel/study tours of art history in Europe

Family: Wife: Reba; sons: Chris (’85), Vic (’89)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon

Special Interests: Travel; music, writing, recording, and performing country music; recorded with the Jordanaires, performed on ships, in churches, in Paris and Ireland; as a junior at C-N wrote, directed, and performed a Junior Production in Gentry Auditorium



David T. Underwood

Professor of Art

Years at C-N: 35 (1990-2025)

Degrees: BA 1982 C-N, MFA 1990 FL State

Research Interest: Photography, Mixed-Media Art

Professional Development : Artwork included in the permanent collections of 16 art museums around the USA; held 34+ solo exhibitions; artwork included in more than 150 group exhibitions around the USA and Europe; artwork represented by the Haen Gallery, Asheville, North Carolina; approximately 400+ stock photographs published in a variety of international publications; produced several self-published art portfolio books; personal website: www.underwoodartworks.com

Favorite Courses: Analog Photography, Alternative Photographic Processes, Mixed-Media Studio

Dept Service: Chair 2000-13, Director of Exhibitions, led two accreditations with the Nat Assoc of Schools of Art and Design, increased full-time faculty by 25%, obtained first Dept Admin Asst, taught 22 different courses of which seven were created for the first time at C-N, revised/updated Photography curriculum twice to meet changes in the discipline and technologies

Service to C-N: As Director of Exhibitions, directed/curated more than 350 public art exhibitions of work by visiting artists and C-N students during 33 years of managing C-N's two art galleries

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Creativity Award 1995, 2004, 2009, 2016; awarded four fall sabbaticals: '98, '05, '14, '21

Family: Wife: Susan* ('84)

Church involvement: First Presbyterian Church Jefferson City

Special Interests: Travel, hiking, photography at more than 160 US Nat Parks and Monuments



Dr. Mary V. Ball

Professor of Biology

Years at C-N: 27 (1985-2012)

Degrees: BS 1966 Trinity U; MS 1971, PHD 1974 Texas A&M

Research Interest: Genetic variability and genotype environment interaction

Professional Development: Assist Professor Auburn University, Board of Directors TN Environmental Education Assoc, TN Conservation League "Project WILD" facilitator, Writing and implementing grants for teacher workshops to encourage hands-on science teaching, developing environmental education curriculum materials, Southern Appalachia Man and the Biosphere Project, co-author *A View from the Academy: Liberal Arts Professors on Excellent Teaching*, published extensively in academic journals, K-12 teaching, and environmental publications

Favorite Courses: Genetics, Environmental Science, Environmental Assessment

Dept Service: EPA, World Wildlife Fund, U.S Fish and Wildlife Service Community Biodiversity Education Partnership Program Workshop participant 2002, THEC US Department of Education Eisenhower grant 2003, National Geographic Society's Educational Grant 2005, reader and scorer for the College Board's Advance Placement (AP) biology exam 2006, recipient of numerous state and federal grants

Service to C-N: Health Professions Committee

Honors/Distinctions: TN Environmental Education Assoc Award for extraordinary dedication to environmental issues 1992, TN Conservation Achievement Award 1993, C-N Creativity Award 1994, C-N Community Service Award 1992, American Geologic Institute undergraduate lesson design winner 2003, YWCA Tribute to Women Faculty Performance and Advancement finalist 2005

Family: Husband: Raiford; children: Mary Ginger, Linda, Ralph, Dana ('98), Jeremy

Church involvement: First Baptist, Auburn AL; First Baptist Jefferson City, Benevolence Committee Chair, Mission Friends, GA's

Special Interests: Gardening (certified master gardener), Boys and Girls Club, Kiwanis Club, Terrific Kid program

Deceased: May 23, 2022



Dr. Patsy W. Boyce

Professor of Biology

Years at C-N: 32 (1988-2020)

Degrees: BA 1974 Berea; MS 1977, PhD 1982 UTK

Research Interest: Reproductive Physiology

Professional Development: Instructor UTK 1986-88, lab director Reprotech Inc 1982-86, instructor Walters State CC 1978-80, sr research tech UTK 1976-78, instructor Upward Bound Berea 1974, embryo transfer consultant for multiple companies, NSF and USDA grants, Antarctica research summer 1987, Human Anatomy and Physiology Society, Am Society of Zoologists, International Embryo Transfer Soc, Southeastern Division of Am College of Sports Medicine, eight publications in such journals as *J Fertility/Sterility, J Anatomy, and J Experimental Zoology,* book reviews, book chapters, transfer manuals, C-N 150th history co-author

Favorite Courses: Mammalian Physiology, Gross Anatomy

Dept Service: Advisor: Tri Beta Honorary, Mortar Board, SAMS, Isaak Walton League, Recycling and Conservation Coalition

Service to C-N: Committees: Health Professions, 150th Historical, Faculty and Academic Councils, Acad Standards, Grad Studies, PEW Steering, AT Accreditation, Vision 2020 Strategic Plan, Panasophic (President); conducted cadaver tours for high school students from across East TN; more than 35 Spots medical mission trips to Haiti, Dominican Republic, Belize, Nepal, etc; C-N Women's Fellowship

Honors/Distinctions: Founders' Day Speaker/Honoree 2022, Distinguished Faculty Award 2000, RR Turner Award 2016, C-N Community Service 2013, Sr Choice Professor 2000, Academic Advising Award 1999, Teaching Excellence and Leadership 1991, Chancellor's Professional Promise UTK 1982, Sigma Xi, C-N Patsy Boyce Scholarship, Patsy Boyce Lab Fund

Family: Husband: Stephen; daughter: Jennifer ('12)

Church involvement: St John's Episcopal Knoxville, Sunday School teacher, Altar Guild, established the Coffee Cookie Crew

Special Interests: Friendships, helping students, hiking, pinto beans and iron skillet corn bread

Deceased: July 7, 2023



Dr. Joe A. Chapman

Professor of Biology

Years at C-N: 38 (1947-1985)

Degrees: BS 1940 C-N, MS 1947 George Peabody, PhD 1957 UTK

Research Interest: Flora of the Great Smoky Mountains

Professional Development: Additional graduate work U VA, Arizona State, and Duke (NSF Post-Doc Fellowship); Sigma Xi; Phi Kappa Delta; Blue Key; Am Assoc Advancement Science, Botanical, and Ecological Societies Am; TN Acad Sci; Assoc Southeastern Biologists; Am Assoc Plant Taxonomists; AAUP; self-guided botanical tours of Canada and the Western USA; photographer

Favorite Courses: Botany and Genetics

Dept Service: Department Chair, Chair of the Health Professions Committee, involved in the formation of the National and Southern Advisors of Health Professions

Service to C-N: Alumni Secretary 1957-64, public address and play-by-play announcer for C-N and Jefferson City football, guided routes in the Great Smoky Mountains for 25 years during the annual Wildflower Pilgrimage

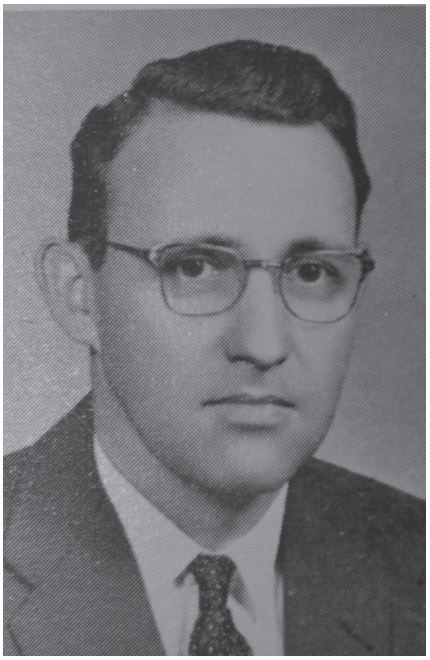
Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 1973, Academic Advising Award 1981, C-N Community Service Award 1967, Citizenship Award from Circle K, Professor Emeritus, C-N 1953 Yearbook Dedication pp 10-11, C-N 1985 Yearbook Tribute p 13, Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award 1985, Chair of the Jefferson County Board of Education, Director and Chair of the Appalachian Electric Coop 20 years, Lion's Club, Scottish Rite, York Rite Mason (32 degree), Chapman Lab in DSC dedicated in his honor 1985, DSC lobby renovation dedicated in his honor, US Navy WW II veteran in the Pacific

Family: Wife: Frances ('41); sons: Harold Joe ('64), Jimmy ('68), John ('75)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon, Sunday School teacher and Superintendent, choir, Building and Planning Committee

Special Interests: Chamber of Commerce, Chair of the Youth and Counseling Committee, traveling, sportsman, and outdoorsman

Deceased: July 21, 1993



Will John Cloyd

Associate Professor of Biology

Years at C-N: 30 (1956-1986)

Degrees: BS 1948, MS 1950 UTK

Research Interest: Ants behavior, parasitic insects, mosquitoes, parasites of grasshoppers, fire ant control

Professional Development: Teaching assistant/ instructor UTK 1951-56; additional study U GA; numerous publications in *C-N Faculty Studies, Turtox News, TN Acad Sci, J Parasitology*; member Entomological Society of Am, Am Society of Parasitology, Royal Entomological Soc of London, Sigma Nu

Favorite Courses: Entomology, Human Anatomy and Physiology

Dept Service: Valued Health Professions advisor, student research

Service to C-N: Long Range Planning Committee, Teacher Education Committee

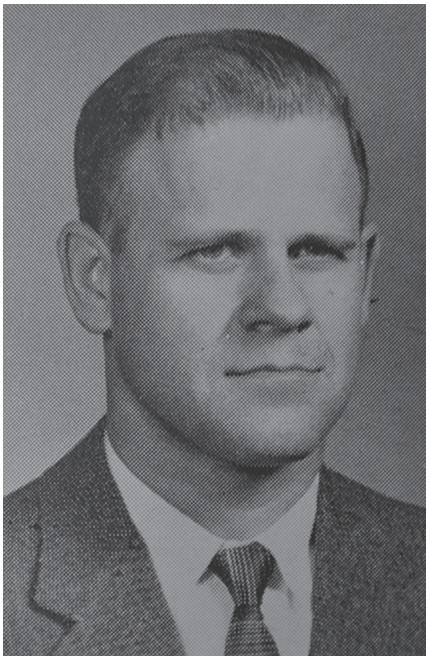
Honors/Distinctions: Associate Professor Emeritus, discovered new ant species: Smithistroma Cloydi, served in World War II and participated in the D-Day Invasion

Family: Wife, Anna; children: David, Krista (’75)

Church involvement: First United Methodist Church Jefferson City, Sunday school teacher, President of the Men’s Sunday School, Board of Stewards

Special Interests: Leather tooling, saddle construction, Civitan International

Deceased: March 23, 2007



Henry F. Dickenson

Associate Professor of Biology

Years at C-N: 35 (1953-1988)

Degrees: AB LMU, MA George Peabody College

Research Interest: Botany of East TN

Professional Development: Further study at Brown U and UTK; Botanical Society of America, Plant Physiologists Assoc, Assoc SE Biologists, TN Acad Sci

Favorite Courses: Botany, Plant Ecology, and Field Biology

Dept Service: Student advisor

Service to C-N: Men's Tennis Coach (1959-70), first athletic team to represent C-N at an NAIA National Tournament 1960, numerous committees

Honors/Distinctions: Associate Professor Emeritus, teaching fellowship 1970, sabbatical 1970

Family: Wife: Mary; sons: Tom ('76), Mike

Church involvement: First Presbyterian Church Jefferson City

Special Interests: Avid bridge player (Life Master), tennis, outdoor enthusiast, non-professional subscriber of the stock market

Deceased: January 9, 2008



Dr. Judson Dunbar Ives

Associate Professor of Biology

Years at C-N: 29 (1923-1952)

Degrees: AB 1905, AM 1906 Wake Forest

Research Interest: Fauna and ecology of caves, breeding habitat of cave spiders, cave hibernation of mosquitoes, forestry genetics

Professional Development: Additional graduate work George Peabody College, U Chicago, Yale U (1908-1940); Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA, 1909; taught at Ouachita, College of Charleston, Stetson, Wm Jewell; member American Men of Science, SIGMA XI, National Speleological Society, Pi Gamma Mu

Favorite Courses: General Biology, Plant Ecology, Animal Ecology

Dept Service: Chair of the Biology Department 1923-1952

Service to C-N: First Aid instructor

Honors/Distinctions: C-N 1949 Yearbook Dedication pp 12-13, Honorary Doctor of Science Degree from C-N 1961, Professor Emeritus, Chair First Aid/Life Saving Am Red Cross Jefferson County 10 years, Lions Club President, Scoutmaster Troop 76 (20 years), Executive Board GSM Council 5 years, member Nat Council BSA 1957, recipient Silver Beaver Award and Scoutmaster Key

Family: None

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Ives Memorial Baptist Church Pinebluff, NC, Deacon, Sunday School teacher, Trustee, Executive Committee, Historian of the Sandy Creek Baptist Association, Committee on Nominations, Secretary and Treasurer, Committee on Committees

Special Interests: Boy Scouts of America, Lions International, American Red Cross

Deceased: March 8, 1971



Dr. Stephen R. Karr

Professor of Biology

Years at C-N: 33 (1987-2020)

Degrees: BS 1975 Bridgewater State College (MA); MS 1979, PhD 1981 UGA

Research Interest: Elastin, watchable wildlife, water quality, evolution/creation, inquiry-based teaching

Professional Development: Member Am Assoc Adv Sci, Am Soc Microbiologist, Beta Beta Beta, TN Acad Sci, US Judo Assoc, SE and Nat Assoc Advisors of Health Professions; successful grant involvement: eight Eisenhower Grants, THEC, ACA Travel, Van Lunen (Cadaver Lab); some 18 publications, 36 presentations, and 30 workshops; moderator/ panelist at eight SAAHP/NAAHP meetings

Favorite Courses: Microbiology

Dept Service: Chair, faculty advisor for BBB, SAMS, Outdoor Club, Am Medical Students Assoc

Service to C-N: Dean of Natural Sciences and Math; Director of Health Pre-Professions; committees: Concert-Lecture, Library, Faculty Council (Chair), Enrollment; student group presentations: AIDS, Biological Weapons and Anthrax, Biochemistry of Aging, Evolution and the Academy, Global Warming

Honors/Distinctions: Mentoring Award 1991, C-N Community Service Award 1999, Environmental Education Award from the TN Environmental Ed Assoc 2002, Distinguished Faculty Award 2009

Family: Wife: Susan*; sons: Michael (’08), Christopher (’10, MA ’12)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City

Special Interests: Teaching Judo (as a PE class and free to the campus community), advisor Martial Arts Club, Friends of Panther Creek State Park

Deceased: July 19, 2024



Susan W. Karr

Assistant Professor of Biology

Years at C-N: (1994-present)

Degrees: BS 1980, MS 1982 UGA

Research Interest: Climate change education, campus and home sustainability

Professional Development: Teaching certification 1984 UGA, five research publications involving protoporphyrins and cytochrome P-450, co-authored through four editions and upgrades textbook on environmental science (Freeman)

Favorite Courses: Environmental Science, Animal Behavior

Dept Service: Chemical Hygiene Officer

Service to C-N: Chair of the Environmental, Management, Sustainability, and Aesthetics Committee

Honors/Distinctions: Research Award 2013 and 2018, C-N Community Service Award 2005, East Tennessee Environmental Educator of the Year 2006, Macmillan Publisher Award: STEM Product of the Year 2019 for *Environmental Science for a Changing World,* 3rd edition

Family: Husband: Steve*; sons: Michael (’08), Christopher (’10, MA ’12)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Wednesday night supper group

Special Interests: Environmental education and volunteering at the animal shelter helping C-N students train shelter dogs



Dr. Gerald W. Naylor

Professor of Biology

Years at C-N: 26 (1961-1987)

Degrees: BS 1947, MS 1949 Auburn U; PhD 1953 NC State U; BD Southern Theological Seminary

Research Interest: Lipid classes of pollen grain, pollution studies in fish and human milk

Professional Development: Further study U TX and UT Medical School, NSF Summer Institute; Gamma Sigma Delta, Alpha Zeta, Blue Key, Phi Kappa Phi; certificate as a Pastoral Counselor/Chaplain from Wake Forest School of Medicine 1960

Favorite Courses: Practical Botany, Genetics, Cell Biology

Dept Service: Student advisor, recruiter, and research coordinator

Service to C-N: For multiple years received an NSF grant for the C-N Summer Science Training Program for gifted HS students

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emeritus, Gerald Naylor Scholarship, Outstanding Educators in America, served in WW II as pilot of B-24 and was shot down on 18th mission over Germany, prisoner of war, awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and Purple Heart, football scholarship Auburn U 1945-47

Family: Wife: Hildred; children: Phyllis (’68), Deborah (’74), Gerald (’81)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, substitute teacher; ordained minister pastoring several churches in NC including interim pastor at Calvary Baptist Church Winston Salem, NC

Special Interests: Pastoral Care Counselor/Chaplain Bowman-Grey School of Medicine, gardening, hiking

Deceased: December 5, 1996



Dr. W. Robert Trentham

Professor of Biology

Years at C-N: (1989-present)

Degrees: BS 1984 C-N, MS 1986 TN Tech, PhD 2001 UTK

Research Interest: Plant physiology, plant ecology, North American pawpaw, apple physiology

Professional Development: Biotechnic and Histochemical Society of America, American Horticultural Society, Tri Beta, Phi Alpha Theta

Favorite Courses: Botany, Field Biology, Soils and Geologic Science

Dept Service: Tri-Beta Biology Honor Society, student research and honors projects

Service to C-N: NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative, Chair of the Intercollege Athletic Committee, C-N Athletics Club Executive Committee and Compliance Committee, Mortar Board

Honors/Distinctions: Outstanding Professor for Freshmen 1990, Academic Advising Award 1993, Ernest L. Boyer Outstanding Contributor 2006, Distinguished Faculty Award 2015, John B. Stevenson Fellowship Award, Mellon Fellowship Award, Pew Grant Award, Outstanding Young Men of America

Family: Wife: Kim (’93); children: Heath (’10), Shannon (’14)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Morristown, Van Ministry, Chair of the Buildings and Grounds Committee; First Baptist Church Jefferson City

Special Interests: Landscaping, native plants, sports



Dr. Stephen E. Wright

Professor of Biology

Years at C-N: 34 (1991-2025)

Degrees: BS 1980 U Charleston WV, MS 1983 WV, PhD 1986 Wake Forest

Research Interest: Anticancer drug delivery in cells, liposomes

Professional Development: Postdoc 1986-89 UTK; research instructor Dept Biochemistry UTK; research scientist Liposome Therapeutics Department, Lipogen, Inc Knoxville 1989-90; managing consultant and founder BIOphase Associates Knoxville 1991-present; adjunct prof: UTK 1992-4, 2005-6, also Maryville College 2000-04; visiting prof: UTK 1997, 2005, 2006; well over 50 publications/abstracts involving liposomes, anticancer drug delivery, cell transport, membrane composition (over half with undergraduate students) in journals such as *Int. J Toxicology, Advanced Drug Delivery Reviews, J Liposome Res, Biochemical Pharmacology*; research grants: Thompson Foundation 1992; Research Corporation 1993-96; ACA 1996, 97, 99, 2004; Mellon Foundation ACA 2001-04; NIH 1987-89, 2000-03; NSF 2010-13 ($439,000)

Favorite Courses: Molecular Genetics, Biochemistry II

Dept Service: New courses: Cancer Biology, Pharmacology, Biotechnology, Bioinformatics; established biotechnology concentration; instrumental in establishing biochemistry major with lab renovation and scholarship; over 50 undergraduate Honors/Research projects

Service to C-N: Committees: Health Professions, Honors Council, Faculty Council, Human Subject Review; enhanced C-N scientific reputation since 1991

Honors/Distinctions: NIH Postdoctoral Fellowship 1987-1989, C-N Research Award 1994, 2003

Family: Wife: Linda; daughters: Heather (’08), Lauren (’11)

Church involvement: Seymour United Methodist Church

Special Interests: Finding, repairing, and using excessed equipment; golf, hiking



Donald W. Clark

Associate Professor of Marketing

Years at C-N: 27 (1982-2009)

Degrees: BA, MBA Memphis State

Professional Development: Advanced graduate studies in marketing UTK, sales and marketing representative with Becton Dickinson medical supply and technology firm in Baltimore MD

Favorite Courses: Marketing, Corporate Finance, Production Management

Dept Service: Chair of Management and Marketing Dept within the School of Business; consistently voted favorite business professor; simple, straightforward, and highly effective classroom teacher; drew from his life experiences using his gifted skills of explanation

Honors/Distinctions: Donald and Linda Clark Scholarship, *Who's Who Among America's Teachers* 1996, service in the US Army stateside during the Vietnam War

Family: Wife: Linda Ann; daughter: Kerri Lynn

Special Interests: Exercise fanatic, interesting storyteller, Big Orange football fan, extensive international travel

Deceased: April 6, 2013



James A. Coppock

Associate Professor of Management

Years at C-N: 40 (1961-1964, 1969-2006)

Degrees: BA 1960 C-N, MS 1961 UTK

Professional Development: Advanced graduate studies GA State Univ Atlanta, Management Science Rep for IBM Atlanta 1964-69, consultant with local and national organizations

Favorite Courses: Strategic Management, Organizational Behavior, Managerial Economics

Dept Service: Chair Business and Economics 1969-1982

Service to C-N: Institutional committees, self-studies, and planning programs; served on the Alumni Board and as a representative of retirees

Honors/Distinctions: Academic Advising Award 1991, Creativity Award 1989, Distinguished Faculty Award 2001, RR Bryan Society 2024, sabbatical consultant with TN Associates International in 1990s, US Army Military Police Honor Guard for Headquarters US Army Europe Heidelberg Germany during the Cold War

Family: Wife: Martha (’60); children: Misty (’82), Dawn (’83), Leah, Jeffrey (’89), Kent (’90)

Church involvement: Fountain City Presbyterian Church Knoxville

Special Interests: Outdoors, Mt LeConte, Seven Island Birding Park Kodak, Edisto Island SC, domestic and foreign travel



Phyllis N. Driver

Professor of Business

Years at C-N: 29 (1978-2007)

Degrees: BA 1963 U AR, MBA UTK

Research Interest: Computer programming

Professional Development: Further work toward DBA; licensed CPA; computer programmer for Genesco, Varian Electronics, and UT Center for Business and Economic Research; attended the Salzburg Seminar on "Not for Profit Management" (Mellon Grant) and a two- week course on "The European Union" in Antwerp, Belgium

Favorite Courses: Accounting

Dept Service: Carried students to multiple state and national accounting meetings

Service to C-N: Taught courses or lectured at Ralston Purina St. Louis, TVA, Martin Marietta, Gibson-Inman Printing, Operation Enterprise NY, TN Dept Economic & Community Development, U of Zhengzhou 1994 and Yanbian U 2005 China and Baku Azerbaijan

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 2006; C-N Community Service Award 1991; Mentoring Award 1990; Professor Emerita; YWCA Tribute to Women Award in Education 1999; Happy Booker Award for service to the opera; served on Boards of TN Society of CPAs, Institute of Management Accounting, YWCA, AAUW, Pellissippi State Foundation, ACA, Rotary, Knoxville Opera & Opera Guild, Opera Volunteers International, UT School of Music, Knoxville Wind Symphony, Community School of the Arts, Friendship Force, Bulgarian Child Foundation; Co-President AAUW; Rotary Peace Fellowship Committee; Co-Director Middle/East TN District Metropolitan Opera Council Auditions

Family: Husband: Ely (deceased)

Church involvement: First Presbyterian Church Knoxville, Deacon, Elder, Sunday School teacher, Finance/Endowment Committee, food pantry, Housing Research Committee for Justice Knox

Special Interests: Traveling 50 states/55 countries, opera, classical music, theater, scuba diving, sailing, ballroom dancing, reading



Dr. Joan Frisbee

Associate Professor of Business

Years at C-N: 26 (1958-1984)

Degrees: BS 1949 C-N; MS 1950, EdD 1970 UTK

Professional Development: Certified Professional Secretary

Favorite Courses: Business Communication, Marketing

Dept Service: Early teaching emphasis: typing, shorthand, letter and report writing

Service to C-N: Always helpful to anyone in need, a dear friend to her many associates at C-N

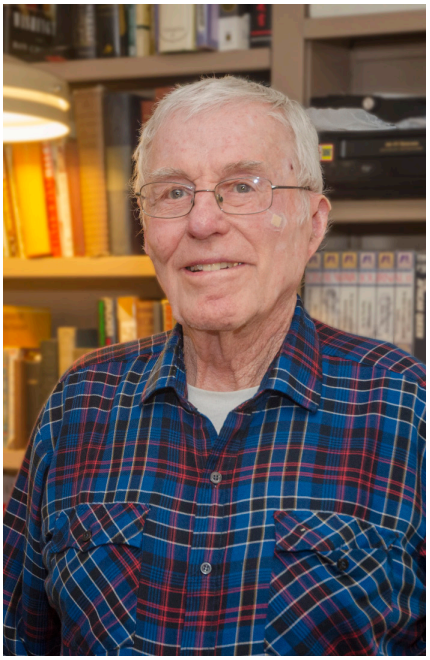
Honors/Distinctions: Associate Professor Emerita, *Who's Who of American Women*, Jefferson City Friends of the Library first Board of Directors 1979-80

Family: A staunch supporter of her mother and extended family, especially years of assisting her nieces

Church involvement: Baptist Church in Harriman TN

Special Interests: Sports, especially the Atlanta Braves and college football, domestic and foreign travels

Deceased: September 1, 2010



Joe Mack High

Associate Professor of Accounting

Years at C-N: 27 (1951-53, 1958-83)

Degrees: BS 1949 C-N, MS UTK

Professional Development: CPA, advanced graduate studies UTK, published first novel, *The Centurion, a Tale of the Crucifixion* 2018

Favorite Courses: Intermediate, Advanced, and Tax Accounting; Investments, Economics

Dept Service: Business and Economics Chair 1958 -1966

Service to C-N: Institutional committees, self-studies, planning programs

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Community Service Award 1969, US Marine Corps World War II combat veteran Iwo Jima, Marine burial detail Arlington Nation Cemetery Washington DC 1950-51

Family: Lynette (’48); children: Linda (’70), Thomas (’76)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Sunday School teacher

Special Interests: Owner of Happy Taxes local accounting firm, co-owner of several area businesses, patient gardener, disciplined beekeeper

Deceased: June 2, 2022



Dr. Tori H. Knight

Professor of Economics

Years at C-N: (2000-present)

Degrees: BS 1991 UTK; ME 1993, PhD 1998 NC State

Research Interest: Health economics, money

Professional Development: Taught at NC Wesleyan and NC State

Favorite Courses: Principles of Microeconomics, Managerial Economics

Dept Service: Chair nine years

Service to C-N: Associate Provost 2021-present, Director of Institutional Effectiveness four years, Dean of General Education one year, Vice-President for University Planning and Effectiveness

Honors/Distinctions: Teaching Excellence and Leadership Award 2004

Family: Husband: Richard; children: Kyra (’20), Benjamin, Rachel, Samuel

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Seymour



Dr. Carl T. Bahner

Professor of Chemistry

Years at C-N: 37 (1937-1973)

Degrees: BA 1927 Hendrix College, MS 1928 U Chicago, MS (theology) 1931 Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, PhD 1937 Columbia U

Research Interest: Organic chemistry, 92 publications, 16 patents

Professional Development: Studied at Yale (1932); worked at US Civil Service Commission, TVA, Roswell Park Memorial Institute, Oak Ridge (Nat Laboratory, Inst of Nuclear Studies), London (Chester Beatty Research Inst, Royal Cancer Hospital)

Favorite Courses: Organic, Research

Dept Service: Chair, Dept grew from 1 to 4 faculty, his undergrad research program produced 300 anti-cancer compounds later entered in a repository for global access, Dept in top 10 US Lib Arts colleges in research publications (58 from C-N, 13 testing results), research grants funded by foundations and Nat Cancer Inst, result presentations included International Cancer Congress (London, Moscow, Tokyo)

Service to C-N: Research program aided C-N's recruiting and prestige, sponsored BSU and missions Volunteer Band, wrote articles and gave talks for BSU, worked in NSF-funded high school summer program in retirement

Honors/Distinctions: Founders' Day Speaker/Honoree 1992, Professor Emeritus, C-N 1963 Yearbook Dedication pp 20-21, both Bahner Scholarship and Student Science Research Award, Manufacturing Chemists Assoc Outstanding Teacher 1967, C-N Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award 1969, Hendricks College Distinguished Alumnus 1969, Jefferson City Chamber of Commerce Man of the Year 1969, TN Inst of Chemists Honor Scroll 1975, Am Chem Soc (13th Florida Award 1964, Southern Chemist Award 1977), Chair East TN Section of Am Chem Soc 1951, President TN Academy of Science 1951, Memberships: Am Assoc Advancement of Science, Am Inst of Chemists, Am Assoc for Cancer Research, Am Assoc of Univ Professors, TN Education Assoc, five honor societies

Family: Wife: Catharine; children: Max* ('54), Molly ('58), Frances ('62)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, published articles on science and religion in Southern Seminary's *Review and Expositor* (1953 and 1954)

Special Interests: Missions, research, science and religion

Deceased: February 18, 2002



Karla R. Bowers

Assistant Professor of Chemistry

Years at C-N: (1994-present)

Degrees: BS 1990 Appal St U; MA 1993 UTK

Research Interest: Compliance with EPA regulations

Professional Development: Research Assistant Quillen Medical College 1993, annual attendee of TN OSHA Safety Congress, annual training in OSHA hazard communication, EPA waste management, asbestos regulations, lead-based paint regulations, DOT hazardous materials shipping, EPA universal waste management

Favorite Courses: General Chemistry, Senior Seminar, Introduction to Chemistry

Dept Service: Stockroom manager, laboratory coordinator for lower-level labs, taught course at Morgan County Correctional Complex 2024

Service to C-N: EPA Coordinator, Waste Disposal Regulator, Safety and Hazardous Waste trainer, coordinated collegiate compliance with other schools in the TN Independent College and Univ Assoc, taught basic math courses

Honors/Distinctions: Performed regulatory peer audit for Milligan College

Family: Son: Matthew ('20)

Church involvement: Purpose Church of God Sevierville; The Crossing Church Kodak, kitchen ministry, grief support group, women's ministry

Special Interests: Gardening, reading, Dallas Cowboys and Atlanta Braves fan



Dr. Kenneth C. Morton

Professor of Chemistry

Years at C-N: 29 (1985-2014)

Degrees: BS 1969 MS Coll, PhD 1975 UTX Austin

Research Interest: Biochemistry, chemical carcinogenesis: 15 publications, eight abstracts/ invited presentation/book chapter, five undergraduate research abstracts

Professional Development: Ten conferences (Process Oriented Guided Inquiry Learning (POGIL), chem educ), sabbatical (1994) and laser workshop at UTK, Beta-tester "Physical Chemistry: a Guided Inquiry" text 2003/4, chapter in *Physical Chemistry: Developing a Dynamic Curriculum* 1993, Member Am Assoc Cancer Res

Favorite Courses: Physical Chemistry, Chemistry in Controversy

Dept Service: Chair 1990-93, 1998-2012; managed Dr. Bahner's legacy (symposium, compounds, cleanup, notebooks); directed undergraduate research (seven students); received one NSF & two Pittcom Grants for lab equipment; integrated POGIL in classes and labs

Service to C-N: Led mission trips to Haiti 1993/1995, introduced POGIL to C-N faculty via workshop and follow up 1993-5, voiced concerns related to 2006 no-confidence vote as member of Fac Affairs and Facilities & Grounds Comm

Honors/Distinctions: Research and Creativity Award 1992, Professor Emeritus, $500,000 in grants/contracts, *Who's Who Among Am Teachers* (1998), invited speaker (Am Chem Soc regional and nat mtgs 1991, Biennial Conf Chem Ed 2000)

Family: Wife: Patty; children: Luke ('10), David ('13)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, deacon, multiple committees, SS teacher, led home repair ministry

Special Interests: Outdoors, energy and environment, family hand-built our passive solar home with PV and near-zero carbon footprint, student site visits as home was being built



Dr. Truett C. Patterson

Professor of Chemistry

Years at C-N: 38.5 (1964-2002)

Degrees: BS 1959 Furman, PhD 1966 UTK

Research Interest: cis-dichlorobis(substitutedpyridine) Platinum (II) compounds, three publications

Professional Development: Several short courses/ workshops

Favorite Courses: Quantitative Analysis, Instrumental Analysis, General Chemistry, General/ Org/Biochemistry for Nursing Students

Dept Service: Chair 1981-84, 1993-98; Faculty Sponsor ACS Student Affiliate Chapter; NSF Undergraduate Equipment Grant 1974 (GC, IR, NMR); repaired equipment; acquired used equipment; undergrad research on lead in soils; NSF-funded summer sci-ence program for high school students

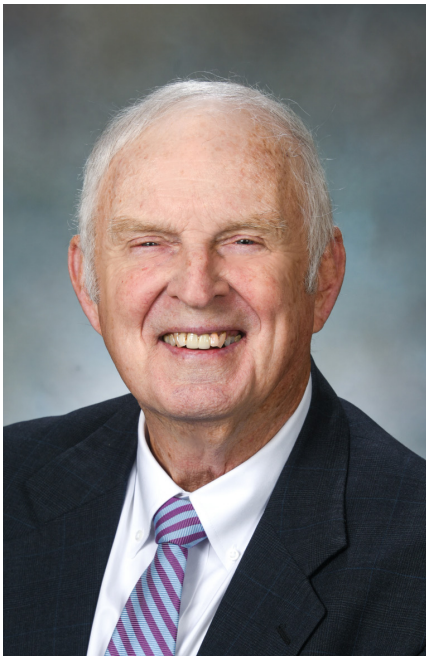
Service to C-N: Chair Steering Committee 1970-72 C-N SACS Self Study, Committees: Honors Council, Health Professions Advisory, and others

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emeritus, Distinguished Faculty Award 1988, establishment of Patterson Equipment Fund at retirement

Family: Wife: Janice (deceased); daughters: Anita (’85), Leigh

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon, sound system, other committees

Special Interests: Hiking, birdwatching, watching sports on TV



Dr. Frank H. Pinkerton

Professor of Chemistry

Years at C-N: 33 (1978-2011)

Degrees: BA 1967 Vanderbilt, PhD 1971 Southern MS

Research Interest: Organosilicon Chemistry, 14 publications

Professional Development: Short Courses/ Workshops: Microscale Organic Laboratory at UWVA;, Modern Techniques in NMR at UGA, Computational Molecular Modeling at GA State Univ; Visiting Summer Teaching Appointments U Southern MS: 1980-81, 86, 88-96, 98-99

Favorite Courses: Organic, Biochemistry, Sr Seminar, Hospital Externship, Career Planning in Health Profs

Dept Service: Chair 1984-90, ACS Student Affiliate Co-Sponsor, Patterson Equipment Fund

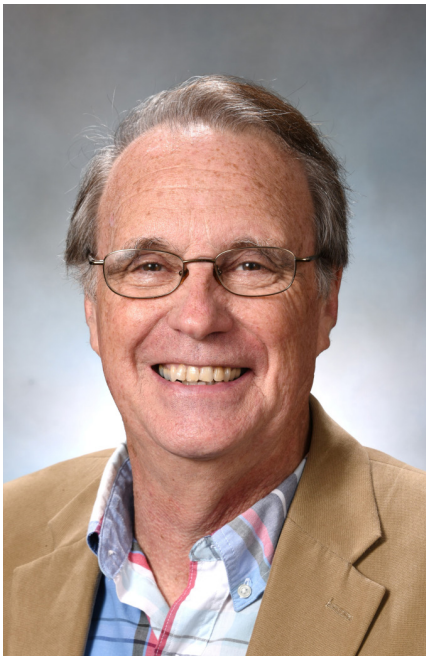
Service to C-N: Director of Health Pre-Professional Program 1990-2010, Health Professions Advisory Committee 1980s, Women's Tennis Coach 1979-1988, 175th Committee 2023-2027

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emeritus, RR Bryan Society 2022, Distinguished Faculty Award 1990, Mentoring Award 1996, Academic Advising Award 2002, Pinkerton Chemistry Scholarship, Pinkerton Women's Tennis Locker Room, DSC Van Lunen Cadaver Lab Dedicated to Pinkerton, Board of Directors So Assoc of Advisors of Health Professions 2000-02, Board of Directors Nat Assoc of Advisors of Health Professions 2003-5, NAIA District 24(VSAC) Women's Tennis Coach of the Year 1981-88, NAIA National Women's Tennis Ranking Committee 1987-88, Jefferson Memorial Hospital Foundation Board 1999-2008 (Chair 2007-8), Wm Carey University Athletic Hall of Fame 2022, Battle Ground Academy Hall of Fame 2023, ODK Teacher of the Year 1977-78 Wm Carey U

Family: Wife: Robbie; children: Joe ('97), Frank Jr, Leslie

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, deacon

Special Interests: Duplicate bridge (Silver Life Master), roses, USTA Umpire



Dr. Sheridan C. Barker

Professor of Communication

Years at C-N: 40 (1980-2020)

Degrees: BA 1972 C-N; MS 1973, EdD 1995 UTK

Research Interest: Native American newspapers

Professional Development: Co-Author of *Journey with the Fisherman* devotional on the gospel of John, *C-N Faculty Studies* "The Roll of the Publication Adviser at Religious Colleges" and also published in the *Southern Baptist Educator,* Co-Founder of Advisers of Christian Collegiate Media, served as Vice-President and President of The Society for Collegiate Journalists, led 20+ workshops for College Media Advisers national conventions

Favorite Courses: Drama in the Church, Public Relations

Dept Service: Chair of Communication seven years, advised the *Orange and Blue* student newspaper and *Appalachian Yearbook* 16 years, developed and taught Drama in the Church 17 years, advised C-N chapter of the Society for Collegiate Journalists 17 years, adjunct seven years

Service to C-N: Chaired Individual Directions Committee three years, served on Curriculum Committee three years, advised C-N chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta freshmen honor society for 21 years

Honors/Distinctions: Recipient of HY Benedict and Grantland Rice fellowships to graduate school, C-N Academic Advising Award 1987, RR Turner Award 2011, Professor Emeritus 2020, Society of Collegiate Journalists named an Adviser of the Year Award in my honor 2002

Family: Wife: Vicki* ('72); children: Lauren ('01), Bradley ('05)

Church involvement: Manley Baptist Church Morristown, Sunday School teacher, Trustee, Deacon, choir member, directed MBC Clown Ministry, served on Creative Arts committee, participated on six mission trips—three in the UK

Special Interests: Hiking, reading, swimming, antique furniture restoration



W. Glenn Cragwall

Professor of Communication

Years at C-N: 26 (1988-2002, 2006-2018)

Degrees: BS 1979 MTSU, MA 1984 SW Seminary

Research Interest: New media technologies, media law

Professional Development: Led workshops for Broadcast Education Assoc for 15 years

Favorite Courses: Media Law, Audio-Video Production, Digital Media

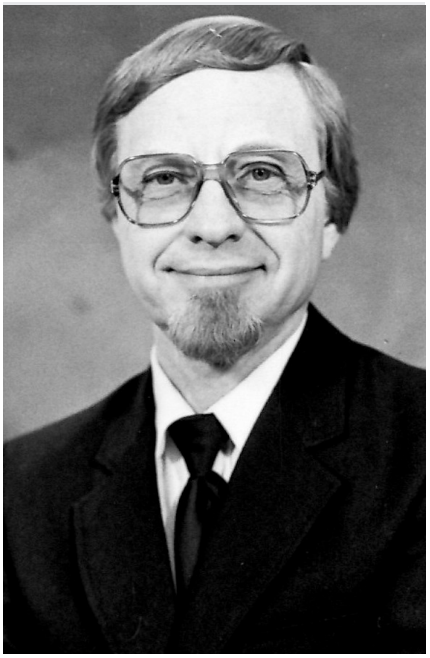
Dept Service: Sponsored Alpha Epsilon Rho, honor society for broadcasting students 1990-2000

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emeritus 2019

Family: Wife: Karen; children: Jamie, April ('99), Jesse

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Morristown, Deacon, Director of Media Ministries ten years, ten mission trips, member Fellowship Church Knoxville, served in Media Ministry

Special Interests: Golf, reading, music



Dr. John Lee Welton

Professor of Theatre

Years at C-N: 37 (1960-1997)

Degrees: BS 1956, MA 1959 West TX State; PhD 1972 IU

Research Interest: Oral interpretation of literature, historical drama

Professional Development: Directed 117 full-length plays, wrote and staged "Imp of the Perverse" about the life of Edgar Alan Poe for TN Public Television, directed outdoor drama about the Melungeons for six seasons, served as judge for the Smoky Mountain High School Forensics Tournament for 30 years, co-wrote and directed drama for C-N's 150th anniversary, wrote and directed original drama about surviving Japanese internment camps in WWII performed at C-N and three other universities

Favorite Courses: Acting, Directing

Dept Service: Sponsor of Alpha Psi Omega national honorary drama fraternity 30 years

Service to C-N: Lyceum (Concert/Lecture) Committee for 30 years, developed and taught classes in advanced acting, speech therapy, directing, interpretative movement

Honors/Distinctions: Research and Creativity Award 1988, Distinguished Faculty Award 1994, Professor Emeritus, Welton/Phoenix Players Scholarship

Family: Wife: Margaret; children: Sherry ('86), Rick

Church involvement: Northside Baptist Church, Sunday School teacher.

Special Interests: Performing historical characters



Dr. Mark N. Brock

Professor of Teaching English as a Second Language

Years at C-N: 25 (1996-2002, 2003-2022)

Degrees: BA 1980 C-N, MDiv 1985 SBTS, MA 1988 U Hawaii, PhD 1993 IUP

Research Interest: Computer-assisted text analysis, second language pragmatics, second language teacher education

Professional Development: A variety of publications addressing topics in TESL, including teaching pragmatics in the ESL classroom; the case and place for culture in the ESL classroom; comparison of computerized text analysis vs peer tutoring in the ESL composition classroom; and implementing process writing in Hong Kong secondary schools (appearing in, among others, *TESL Reporter, The Hwa Kang Journal of English Language and Literature, Prospect, Perspectives, and Journal of Second Language Writing*). Invited and keynote presentations in Taipei, Taiwan, Macao, China and Baku, Azerbaijan, as well as in TN, MS, and GA; reader*/reviewer for Writing & Pedagogy 2008-2022.*

Favorite Courses: Language and Culture, Methods of TESL, English Syntax

Dept Service: Director MAT-ESL Program 1996-2001, 2003-2022, Student Teacher Advisor 1996-2022, EdD Dissertation Committee Member 2019-2022

Service to C-N: Director Center for International Education 2000-2001; member Faculty Council 2004-2007, 2015-2018; founding Faculty Advisor C-N Chapter Gamma Beta Phi 2017-2022; founding Faculty Advisor International Teachers Association 2016-2017; member C-N Institutional Review Board 2008-2022

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Teaching Excellence and Leadership Award 2001; TESL Consultant, Ministry of Education, Djibouti, Africa 2000-2001; President, Board of Directors, Tennessee TESOL 2001; member, ESL Curriculum Task Force, TN Department of Education 1997-1998

Family: Wife: Barbara; children: Shadden (’13), Ben

Church involvement: West Hills Baptist Church Knoxville, former Grade 4 Sunday School teacher

Special Interests: Farming (muscadines, scuppernongs, blueberries, blackberries), Northern Bobwhite Quail conservation



Dr. Bernard F. Bull

Professor of Education

Years at C-N: 35 (1972-2007)

Degrees: BS 1964 C-N, MRE 1967 SW Baptist Theological Seminary, MEd 1968 TCU, EdD 1975 UTK

Research Interest: Language Arts, Teaching Homonyms

Professional Development: Additional study at USC and UGA

Favorite Courses: Language Arts, Philosophy of Education

Dept Service: Teacher Education Council

Service to C-N: Committees: Chapel, Alumni Association Executive, Admissions Standards and Registration, Inaugural Committee (Maddox), Graduation, Long Range Planning (Bd of Trustees), Faculty Affairs (Chair 1982-3), Intercollegiate Athletic (Chair 1993-4), Facilities and Grounds (Chair 2005-6), International Studies (Co-Chair 1989-91), Committee on Committees (1987-90), Senior Faculty Reception (Chair), Reception Committee for Henderson III, Eagle Club Board of Directors, Supreme Court 1984-86, Graduate Council, President of College Community Council, built the bike trail which is now Mossy Creek Park

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emeritus, Vice President of Kappa Delta Pi International Honor Society of Ed, received Kappa Delta Pi Honor Key, *Who's Who in Am Education* 1989-1990, received Key to the Future of Education in Cocke County (plaque) by the Board of Education, Outstanding Professor for Freshman Award by ALD and ΦE∑ Freshman Honor societies

Family: Wife: Barbara ('64); children: Bradley ('88), Benita ('96), Bethany ('05)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Morristown, 40+ years as a deacon, lay preacher, Sunday School teacher, mission work in Canada, Philippines, Yanti China, Honduras (22 times), Taiwan, Costa Rica, Belize, Bahamas, and St. Petersburg Russia

Special Interests: Disaster relief and God's Warehouse Morristown, C-N athletics

Deceased: June 6, 2026



Elizabeth C. Cates

Assistant Professor of Art & Education

Years at C-N: 26 (1939-1965)

Degrees: Diploma 1931 Pratt Institute of Art NY, BA 1936 C-N, MA 1942 Peabody

Research Interest: Landscapes and portraits, self-evaluation in art

Professional Development: Attended John Herron Art School IN and Art Workshop 1954 Toronto; member Nat Art Education Assoc, Southeast Art Assoc, Nat Education Assoc, TN Education Assoc

Favorite Courses: Art for Elementary Teachers, Children's Art

Dept Service: Sponsor Future Teachers of Am; had as many as 250 art students in one year, students met requirements for teaching art in any TN school, had high hope for an art major, Head of the Art Department

Service to C-N: Hired initially in Education, also taught Children's Literature in English Dept

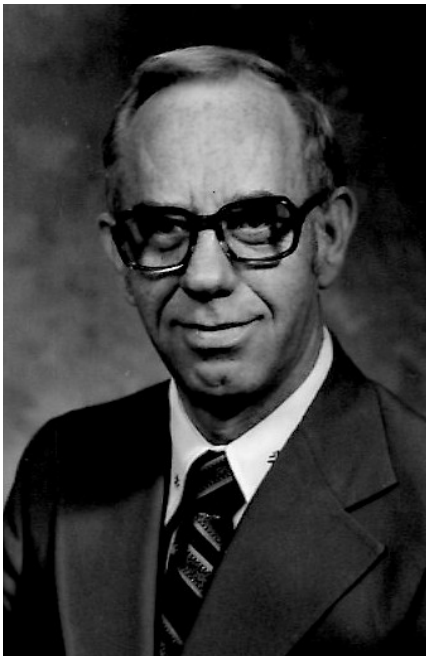
Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emerita of Art, John and Elizabeth Cates Scholarship in Education and Art, Cates Mossy Creek Scholarship, President of local PTA

Family: Husband: John; daughters: Christine ('45), Lou ('51)

Church involvement: First Baptist Jefferson City, Junior Sunday School Teacher

Special Interests: Monday Literary Club, DAR, Gatlinburg Arts and Crafts

Deceased: May 1, 1974



John B. Gibson

Associate Professor of Education

Years at C-N: 31 (1963-1994)

Degrees: AA 1951 Young Harris Jr College; BS 1956, MA 1959 Appalachian State

Research Interest: Reading

Professional Development: 1965 Reading Conference, National Reading Association workshops; member ETEA, NEA, TEA; consultant to Educational Development Laboratories; National Reading Conference; International Reading Association; College Reading Association

Favorite Courses: Reading courses

Dept Service: Chair of Developmental Education Program

Service to C-N: 1981 Director of Achievement Studies; Chapel, Library, and Faculty Affairs Committees; member C-N Quartet

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emeritus, *Who's Who in American Education*, C-N Community Service Award 1970, *Who's Who in South and Southwest,* National Community Leaders of America, President of Jefferson County Literacy Council, Jefferson County Goals Committee, 1992 Jefferson City Recreation Committee, member Jefferson City Planning Commission, member Jefferson City Council 1969, Vice Mayor of Jefferson City 1980s

Family: Wife: Nell; sons: Lamar ('79), Charles ('82), Walter ('85), Robert ('82), George ('85)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon, Sunday School teacher, choir member

Special Interests: Gibson's Men's Wear clothing store, service to community, church, and college

Deceased: August 30, 2011



Dr. Margaret A. (Peggy) Hypes

Professor of Education

Years at C-N: 43 (1977-2020)

Degrees: BA 1967 Maryville College, MA 1973 Geo Washington U, EdD 1988 UTK

Research Interest: Teacher Education, Special Education, Gifted Education

Professional Development: Additional coursework at U MD and U HI, Head of NCATE evaluation, head of faculty contribution to 150th C-N celebration

Favorite Courses: Survey of Persons with Exceptionalities, Nature and Needs of Gifted and Talented, Secondary Education Methods

Dept Service: Chair, Chair of Graduate Studies in Education, Adjunct 1975-77 and 2020-24

Service to C-N: Dean of Division of Education, Faculty Council, Les Amies, CARE

Honors/Distinctions: Mentoring Award 1992, Distinguished Faculty Award 2014, Professor Emerita, President of Les Amies 2012, Vice President/President of CARE 2022-25, President of TN Assoc of Colleges of Teacher Ed 1994-5, President of TN Conference of Graduate Schools 1998-9, *Who's Who in America* 2022, TN State Board of Ed Committee (10+ years), Co-Chair of Build a Better Future Project in Jefferson City 2009, Mid-East TN Regional P-16 Council for Excellence in Ed, Chair of Jefferson County P-16 Council

Family: Sons: Eric, Joshua ('02)

Church involvement: Piedmont Baptist Church, Sunday School teacher, choir member, Acteen leader; First Presbyterian Church Jefferson City, Elder and Session member, Clerk of Session, choir member, Sunday School teacher, chair of multiple committees, committee chair for annual yard sale, helper for Church Street Café, baker of communion bread, member of Sit 'n Knit for the prayer shawl ministry, Chair and Co-Chair of pastor search committees

Special Interests: Teaching, singing, reading, writing, baking, photography, knitting and crocheting, puzzles



Dr. Sharon T. Teets

Professor of Education

Years at C-N: 37 (1980-2017)

Degrees: BS 1969 WVU, MS 1972 UTK, PhD 1979 UTX-Austin

Research Interest: Environmental influences on children's behavior, parent/school relationships, positive discipline strategies for children, teacher education, inclusive educational practices, student engagement and decision-making in the learning process

Professional Development: Education for Ministry Certificate Completion, School of Theology, Sewanee; officer and/or presenter for the Nat Assoc for Education of Young Children and its state, regional, and local affiliates; presenter/officer of the Assoc for Independent Liberal Arts Colleges for Teacher Education; presenter at the Am Assoc for Teacher Education, the Am Assoc for Colleges of Teacher Education, and the Am Education Research Assoc; NCATE Board of Examiners Team Member/Chair for nine years; TN State Board of Examiners Team Member/Chair; some 50 presentations and eight publications involving positive discipline strategies, curriculum planning, Foxfire approach to teaching, educators with disabilities, education in Appalachia, and integrating faith into the teaching profession

Favorite Courses: Human Development, Early Childhood Methods, Research Methods, Diversity in Home/School/Community Relationships, Foxfire Approach to Teaching

Dept Service: Chair and Dean, School of Education; Director of Foxfire Program; articulation agreements with community colleges 2006-2007; Assist/Assoc Professor/ Director Child Development Laboratory, Family and Consumer Sciences 1980-1989

Service to C-N: London Semester Dean of Students 1986, Mortar Board Advisor 1998-2001, Committees: Academic Programs/Standards, Appalachian Studies, Academic Council, Faculty Council, Faculty Advancement

Honors/Distinctions: President O'Brien Rebar Award 2012, RR Turner Award 2012, Academic Advising Award 2010, Salzburg Seminar Fellow (Early Childhood Development) 2005, Distinguished Faculty Award 2002, Research Award 1997, C-N Community Service Award 1989, Professor Emerita

Family: Husband: Scott (deceased)

Church involvement: St. James Episcopal Church Knoxville, Vestry member, Children's Program Director/Teacher, Altar Guild, St. Francis Guild, Kitchen Guild, Usher, Episcopal Peace Fellowship

Special Interests: Supporting music and the arts, hiking, travel



Dr. Victoria L. Barker

Professor of English

Years at C-N: 34 (1984-2018)

Degrees: BA 1972 C-N; MA 1976, PhD 1994 UTK

Research Interest: Elizabeth Madox Roberts, Appalachian Literature, KY Literature

Professional Development: Presentations on Elizabeth Madox Roberts at MLA, SAMLA, and Roberts Society conferences; editor/essayist of works on Elizabeth Madox Roberts; poetry in *Appalachian Heritage*; adult curriculum writer for Lifeway Resources (SBC); co-author of workbook on Appalachian Children's Literature; president, Alpha Zeta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma (DKG) Society for Women Educators, publication in DKG's journal, and chair of communication and expansion for DKG TN; readers' theatre presentation (with Sheridan Barker) of *Daughter of the Legend*

Favorite Courses: American Literature, Literature for Children and Youth, Young Adult Literature, Literature of the American Civil War

Dept Service: Directed four honors projects; developed courses in Young Adult Lit, Civil War Lit, and American Realism; liaison between English Dept and alumni; Appalachian Cultural Center committee and program presenter; planned/implemented programs honoring Frances Hodgson Burnett and recipients of the Outstanding Service to Appalachia Award; participated in Writing Across the Curriculum conferences; seven years adjunct following retirement

Service to C-N: Committees: Admissions, Health Professions, Event Planning (chair), Sesquicentennial picture and history book; advisor for Alpha Lambda Delta, Chi Lambda Sigma; officer, Panasophic Club

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emerita, ACA Grant for graduate study, Delta Kappa Gamma Society Grant for graduate study, DKG first Cornetet Award for summer study, book award for outstanding presentation in Romantic literature (UTK)

Family: Husband: Sheridan* ('72); children: Lauren ('01), Bradley ('05)

Church involvement: Manley Baptist Church Morristown: adult small group teacher, choir member, choir mission trips to the UK, Bible study leader at Exmouth Baptist Church UK, Constitution and By-Laws Comm, Church Training Comm

Special Interests: Genealogy, gardening, writing, cooking, photography



Dr. William W. Bass

Professor of English

Years at C-N: 39 (1934-73)

Degrees: BS 1931, MA 1932 UTK; PhD 1948 UNC Chapel Hill

Research Interest: American Literature, especially poetry

Professional Development: Tennessee Folklore Society; three articles in *C-N Faculty Studies* about Sut Lovingood, Shakespeare, and C-N 100 years ago.

Favorite Courses: American Literature, Southern Literature

Dept Service: Chair (English and Speech) 1954-73

Service to C-N: Organized Modern Portia Reading Club for Women; committees: Credits, Honorary Degrees, Senior Comprehensive, Curriculum; established the C-N Thomas Magnus Bass Scholarship for students in Business and Economics (honoring his father who served as president of TN Woolen Mills of McMinnville)

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emeritus, C-N 1947 Yearbook Dedication pp 4-5, WW Bass Memorial Endowed Scholarship, WW Bass Literary Medal, Modern Portia Medal, C-N Community Service Award 1973, Jefferson City Planning Commission, City Library Board, Director of Jefferson City Chamber of Commerce, member Community-College Council (1957, 1959-61)

Family: Wife: Madeline; children: Thomas (’64), Charles (’67), Katherine

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Sunday School teacher (63 years), Deacon, Director of Training Union, Building Committee

Special Interests: Touring European literary sites, reading poetry, dedication to his wife in her years of decline

Deceased: February 22, 1998



Dr. Jennifer W. Hall

Professor of English

Years at C-N: (2000-present)

Degrees: BA 1992 C-N, MA 1995 Western Carolina U, PhD 2001 UTK

Research Interest: English Renaissance Literature, Shakespeare, John Milton, Medieval and Renaissance Women Writers, Christian Imagination and Literature

Professional Development: Presentations, conference, and festival participation throughout community

Favorite Courses: Shakespeare; Milton, Donne, and Their Circles; History of Drama

Dept Service: Director of Appalachian Cultural Center (2012-22)

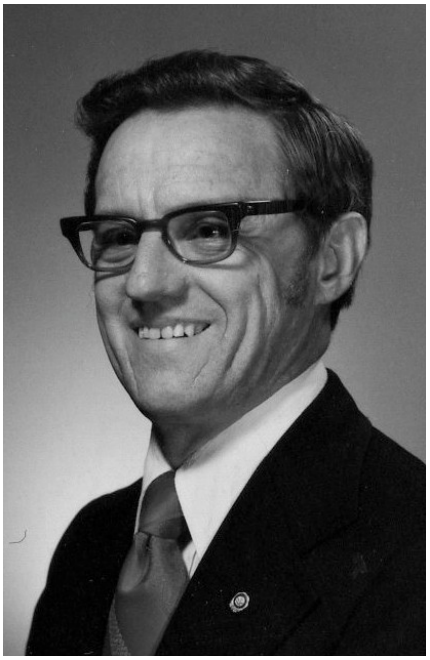
Service to C-N: Liberal Arts Coordinator (2010-12), Alpha Chi Sponsor (2002-13), C-N Arts Initiative, Undergraduate Programs and Standards, and additional committee work

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 2017, Leadership Sevier 2018, C-N Community Service Award 2014, Teaching Excellence and Leadership Award 2003

Family: Husband: Gregory (deceased); children: Nathaniel ('23), Anna Wood Hall (daughter-in-law '24), MacGregor, Kenneth, Audrianna

Church involvement: First Baptist Church, Sevierville

Special Interests: Family adventures, games nights, reading, nature walking/hiking, work with CureFinders (CF research), work with Manthano (Global Federation of Women's Clubs)



Charles C. Hobbs

Associate Professor of English

Years at C-N: 28 (1965-1993)

Degrees: BA 1953 C-N, MA 1957 UTK, MDiv 1962 Louisville Baptist Theological Seminary

Research Interest: Plays of Shakespeare

Professional Development: Further study UTK, Graduate Teaching Assistant, UTK 1960-5; Judge in NCTE Essay Contest (1975); Member of SAMLA; Treasurer and President TN Philological Association; English Institute of America; seven publications in *C-N Faculty Studies* involving Shakespeare, Hawthorne, Chaucer, Poe, and Washington Irving

Favorite Courses: Chaucer; Bible as Literature

Dept Service: Interim Chair

Service to C-N: Publication Committee (1972-73), Editor *Carson-Newman Faculty Studies* (1974-79), Co-Editor *Carson-Newman Faculty Studies* (1980-86)

Honors/Distinctions: June 12, 2001, gave opening prayer to US House of Representatives; listed in *Who's Who in the South and Southwest*; Student Foundation Faculty Research Grant 1972; Regional Judge 1975 NCTE Achievement Writing Awards; Panel 1983 TCTE Annual Meeting

Family: Wife: Betty* ('53); children: Rebekah ('77), David ('81)

Church involvement: Pastor, First Baptist Church, Andersonville, TN; Ordained Baptist Interim Pastor at over 20 East TN churches

Special Interests: Kiwanis and Masonic Lodge, woodworking, listening to music, growing award-winning roses

Deceased: June 20, 2019



Miss Janie Swann Huggins

Associate Professor of English

Years at C-N: 29 (1940-1969)

Degrees: BA 1926 C-N, MA 1938 UTK

Professional Development: Additional study U of Colorado, instructor Campbellsville 1939-40, founder of Panathenees Honor Society which later became Mortar Board in 1974, first editor of *Faculty Studies*, book reviewer for *The Chattanooga Times*

Favorite Courses: 18th century literature

Dept Service: Founder, sponsor and co-sponsor, The *Eagles' Quill* (C-N literary magazine), The Scribbler's Club (for C-N writers), Modern Portia (book discussion group)

Service to C-N: co-directed and coordinated a cast and crew of 400 persons for an outdoor drama celebrating C-N's 100th anniversary; revived the May Day program; committees: Administrative, Faculty Affairs, Lyceum, Scholarship, Social, and Placement; Faculty Women's Club; Registrar during WW II era when Naval V-12 units were stationed on campus; helped organize the Panasophic Club (President and Vice-President)

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Distinguished Alumnus Award 1977, Associate Professor Emerita, C-N 1955 Yearbook Dedication p 7; President, Faculty Research Club; Janie Swann Huggins Mortar Board Scholarship

Family: Father: Dr. James Issac Huggins (C-N graduate), mother: Virginia Lee Dorman Huggins (C-N music faculty 1897-98)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Sunday School teacher, officer in WMU

Special Interests: People, books, flowers, music, travel, collecting coffee cups

Deceased: January 12, 1989



Henrietta Jenkins

Associate Professor of English

Years at C-N: 30 (1959-89)

Degrees: BA 1950 C-N, MA 1969 UTK

Research Interest: Shakespeare, world literature, Romantic and Victorian poetry

Professional Development: Further study UT; two articles in *C-N Faculty Studies* dealing with poems by Dante Gabriel Rossetti and Robert Browning

Favorite Courses: Shakespeare, World Literature, Romantic and Victorian poets

Dept Service: Chair 1979-89

Honors/Distinctions: *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, Founders' Day Speaker/Honoree 1993, Professor Emerita 1990, the Annual Henrietta Jenkins Memorial Homecoming Poetry Reading

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City deacon, SS teacher, Bible study group leader

Special Interests: Travel, reading

Deceased: August 6, 2012



Dr. Ernest D. Lee

Professor of English

Years at C-N: 25 (1988-2013)

Degrees: BS 1973, MA 1979 W Carolina U; PhD 1983 UTK

Research Interest: Appalachian Studies, English Romanticism, Shakespeare

Professional Development: four books, 16 articles/ reviews, 20 presentations/addresses, James Still Fellowship 1990 (U of KY), three Mellon research grants, Professor of Writing at TN Governor's School for the Humanities, two Pew research grants for studies in England and for Appalachian book research

Favorite Courses: Shakespeare, Milton, Nobel Prize Winners in American Literature, Honors English

Dept Service: Created Appalachian anthology used in freshman English courses, Director of Freshman Composition 12 years

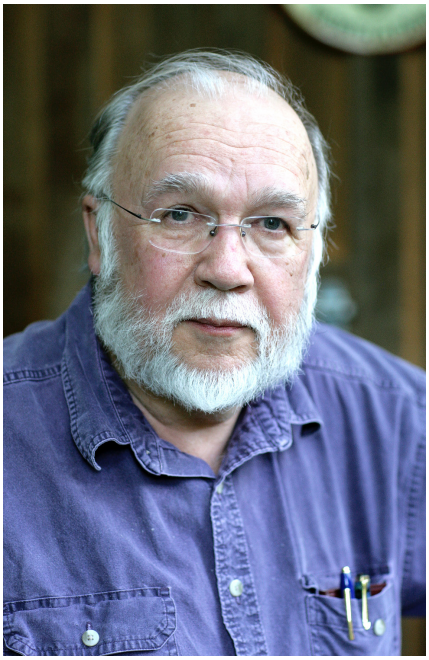
Service to C-N: Director of the Appalachian Center, Chair of Appalachian Studies Committee, Sesquicentennial Committee, Appalachian Center Development Committee, helped write grant for development of the C-N Laboratory for Learning

Honors/Distinctions: Outstanding Service to Appalachia Award 2015-16, Distinguished Faculty Award 2007, Professor Emeritus, Teaching Excellence and Leadership Award 1990, C-N Community Service Award 1994, English Dept WCU Outstanding Alumni Award 1995

Family: Wife: June; children: Joel, Phillip

Church involvement: Member West Knoxville Friends Meeting: Clerk, Ministry and Nurturing Committee; Southern Appalachia Yearly Meeting Association

Special Interests: Hiking, bicycling, traditional Appalachian woodworking, kayaking, camping



Jeff Daniel Marion

Associate Professor of English

Years at C-N: 35 (1966-1968, 1969-2002)

Degrees: BA 1962, MA 1966 UTK

Research Interest: Poetic description of the heart and soul of the Appalachian Region

Professional Development: Further study U Southern MS; author: nine books of poetry, one children's book, several chapbooks, and works in over 80 journals, anthologies, and books; founder: *The Small Farm* (a poetry journal) and Mill Springs Press; workshop and poetry reading presenter at C-N and many other campuses

Favorite Courses: Creative writing, poetry

Dept Service: Founder/Dir Appalachian Center, led the creative writing emphasis for English majors, literary fellowship from TN Arts Commission, founder and ed *Mossy Creek Reader* (C-N English Dept)

Service to C-N: As Poet-in-the-Schools and Poet-in-Residence at the Governor's School for the Arts, built liaisons between TN students and C-N; brought many well-known poets to campus for teaching and readings, such as Wendell Berry and James Still; SAP Committee, C-N Self-Study ed

Honors/Distinctions: Assoc Professor Emeritus; Distinguished Poet-in-Residence; Distinguished Faculty Award 1979, Creativity Award 1990 and 2002; East TN Writers Hall of Fame; James Still Award for Writing about the Appalachian South; Appalachian Writers' Assoc Award for outstanding contributions of Appalachian Lit; Marion Literary Festival held in his honor (2013); featured on "The Heartland Series," WBIR Television; Knoxville Writers' Guild Career Achievement Award; Emory and Henry Literary Festival honoree; Copenhaver Scholar-in-Residence at Roanoke College; Palmer Memorial Lecture presentation, Cumberland College; first recipient of a literary fellowship (TN Arts Commission)

Family: Wife: Melody ('75); children: Stephen ('86), Rachel ('90)

Special Interests: Writing, collecting pens, fishing, hiking, storytelling, mentoring Appalachian writers and artists; his students, friends, and family

Deceased: July 29, 2021



Dr. Ellen M. Millsaps

Professor of English

Years at C-N: 32 (1979-2011)

Degrees: BA 1969 MS College; MA 1971, PhD 1976 UTK

Research Interest: Writing across the Curriculum (WAC), Women Writers, Children's Literature

Professional Development: Advanced Writing Seminar, Northeastern U; WAC Workshop, Rice U; postdoc study teaching writing, New Hampshire U; Knight Writing in the Disciplines Institute, Cornell U; Mazza workshops in children's lit; Eudora Welty conferences; ed and/or author of 26 publications including book on accreditation (co-author) and writing in the disciplines at C-N, articles on WAC and women writers in *The WAC Journal, Now and Then, Bibliography of US Lit,* and *Modern African American Writers*; Appalachian Children's Literature workbook (co-author), five articles in *C-N Faculty Studies*; 58 presentations on WAC/writing to seven colleges, ACA, National WAC Conference, Lily Conference on College Teaching, TN College English Assoc, National Omicron Nu Convention, Foxfire teachers, area high schools

Favorite Courses: Women Writers through the 19th Century, Modern Women Writers, Southern Women Writers, Children's Literature, American Literature

Dept Service: Director of Composition, developed Women Writers three-course emphasis

Service to C-N: Instituted/Director of WAC; ed *Writing at Carson-Newman 1996-2009; ed C-N College Catalog*; developed annual faculty writing retreats; 14 committees, including Faculty Promotion and Tenure, Honors Council, Individual Directions (chair); ed *C-N SACS Self-Study 1992*; instituted *Writing at C-N* website on C-N Library server 2005; ed six C-N department self-studies; Alpha Chi sponsor; co-director London May Term Courses 1996, 2001; 11 years adjunct (Eng/Grad Ed) following retirement

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Academic Advising Award 1990; Mellon Faculty/Student Research Grant 1993; Pew Grant 1995; Distinguished Faculty Award 1997; ACA Grants 1995, 1999; C-N Mentoring Award 1995, 2002; Alpha Chi: Region III VP, Pres, National Council member/VP, President's Cup for Outstanding Chapter 1997, Distinguished Service Award 2001, the Ellen Millsaps National Presentation Prize in Am Lit established by Region III Alpha Chi; four C-N Media Grants; Lead QEP Evaluator for SACS college visits 2010, 2012; Professor Emerita

Family: Husband: Doug ('67) (deceased); son: Stephen ('04)

Church involvement: Member First Baptist Church Lenoir City; former SS teacher, choir and handbells member, women's ensemble director at Sevier Heights Baptist Church Knoxville

Special Interests: Bible Study Fellowship (BSF), doll collecting (member East TN Doll Collectors), travel, antiquing, reading



Dr. Shawn O'Hare

Professor of English

Years at C-N: (1996-present)

Degrees: BA 1987, MA 1989 U South AL; PhD 1996 FL State U

Research Interest: Ireland

Professional Development: Salzburg Seminar, ACA research fellowship for semester in Ireland, Editor of *Nua: Studies in Contemporary Irish Writing*

Favorite Courses: Irish Literature

Dept Service: Chair, English 2009-present

Service to C-N: Dean, School of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences 2019-present; Director, Academic Skills Enhancement, 2017-2020

Honors/Distinctions: Faculty Research Award 1999 and 2006, Distinguished Faculty Award 2025

Family: Wife: Damjana; children: Sam ('23), Jack ('24), Alex

Church involvement: First Presbyterian Church Jefferson City, Elder; volunteer at All Saints' Episcopal School Morristown

Special Interests: Traveling; reading; coaching soccer; winning IM t-shirts in co-ed softball, floor hockey, trivia, and of course Ireland



Dr. Elmer W. Sydnor

Professor of English and Forensics

Years at C-N: 37 (1918-1955)

Degrees: BA 1911 Richmond College, MA 1916 Columbia U, LittD U of Richmond

Research Interest: Forensics

Professional Development: Post-Doctoral study Duke U and Columbia U, also taught at TN Wesleyan and Newberry College, member Modern Language Assoc of America, So Atlantic Modern Language Assoc, TN Philological Assoc

Favorite Courses: Classic Literature, Shakespeare, Forensics

Dept Service: Chair of English (1934-55), Forensics Coach (1918-38)

Service to C-N: Established the C-N Student Government Association and wrote its constitution (1939) that evolved into the men's Student Government Association, for which he wrote the constitution, and the women's Student Government Association (1942); created association for commuting students

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emeritus, C-N 1939 Yearbook Dedication pp 4-5, C-N 1952 Yearbook Tribute p 175; In 1924 C-N, under his leadership, won the TN Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Contest; The Elmer W. Sydnor Leadership Award is given to Communication majors in his honor; Sydnor Freshman Debater's Medal; Sydnor Work Endowment Scholarship 1937

Family: Wife: Lucy; children: Elmer, Jr ('40), Charles ('42), Lucy ('45), Frances ('46)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Church Clerk

Special Interests: Served on the Jefferson City Board of Education

Deceased: October 21, 1969



Dr. Robert R. Turner

Professor of English

Years at C-N: 37 (1955-1992)

Degrees: BA 1951 C-N, MA 1955 UTK, PhD 1970 Vanderbilt

Research Interest: Folklore, TN legends, Southern literature

Professional Development: Frequent storyteller and speaker on Appalachian folklore, guest lecturer on folklore at UTK, guest lecturer at Peabody College, research on religion and the church in Moore's *Utopia*, edited the letters of Frances Hodgson Burnett, held poetry writing workshops in Jefferson County schools; articles on Charlotte's Web, *The Tall Woman*, Mother Goose and adult poetry, and Browning's *The Ring and the Book*

Favorite Courses: Folklore, Children's Literature, American Literature

Dept Service: Sponsor of Sigma Tau Delta, member of C-N Community Council, developed courses in folklore and advanced grammar, taught in the Elderhostel program at C-N, wrote the English department history

Service to C-N: President of the C-N Panasophic Club, famous for Appalachian folklore class and Appalachian meals, emcee of C-N banquets

Honors/Distinctions: RR Turner Spirit of the College Award named for him, as the embodiment of the university motto: Truth, Beauty, and Goodness; Founders' Day Speaker/Honoree 1995, C-N 1992 Yearbook Tribute p 84, C-N Community Service Award 1981, Distinguished Faculty Award 1976, Professor Emeritus, featured in *Dictionary of International Biography, Personalities of the South*, Rotary Club Citizen of the Year, Jefferson County Citizenship Award, Who's Who in Education, Danforth Fellow, National Defense Fellow, Student Foundation Grant

Family: Wife: Ruth*; daughter: Ellen ('81)

Church involvement: Pastor of Hebron Presbyterian Church, Dandridge, at the time of his death; other pastorates: St. Paul Presbyterian, St. Paul, VA; Northside Baptist Church, Jefferson City, TN.

Special Interests: Poodle breeding, gardening, reading, playing piano, ceramics, storytelling

Deceased: August 28, 2004



Ruth O. Turner

Assistant Professor of English

Years at C-N: 31 (1959-1990)

Degrees: BA 1945 LMU, MA 1954 UTK

Research Interest: Appalachian folklore, especially involving love lore and midwifery; Frances Hodgson Burnett

Professional Development: Additional study Vanderbilt 1961, 1962; two articles in *C-N Faculty Studies*: an original short story and a study of three Kermit Hunter plays; an entry on Frances Hodgson Burnett in *An Encyclopedia of East TN*

Favorite Courses: Appalachian Folklore, Children's Literature, World Literature, Irish Writings, The Short Story

Dept Service: Sigma Tau Delta co-sponsor

Service to C-N: Member of C-N's Speaker's Bureau, Panasophic Club president, Publication Committee

Honors/Distinctions: James Still Fellowship summer 1984, LMU Literary Hall of Fame 1984, listed in *Personalities of the South* and in *The International Who's Who of Women in Education,* charter member Jefferson City branch of AAUW

Family: Husband: Dr. R.R. Turner*; daughter: Ellen ('81)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City

Special Interests: Member of the Association for the Preservation of Tennessee Antiquities, the Jefferson County Humane Society; reading

Deceased: September 19, 2005



Dr. Susan O. Underwood

Professor of English

Years at C-N: 31 (1992-2023)

Degrees: BA 1984 C-N, MFA 1987 UNC Greensboro, PhD 1995 FL State U

Research Interest: Creative writing, poetry, Appalachian literature, modern literature

Professional Development: *Genesis Road*, a novel; *Splinter*, a collection of poetry; The *Book of Awe,* poetry; Creative fiction, poetry, and nonfiction published in a number of journals and magazines

Favorite Courses: Creative Writing Poetry, Modern/ Contemporary Poetry, Appalachian Literature, Studies in the Short Story

Dept Service: Appalachian Cultural Committee, 25 years

Service to C-N: Faculty Council (three terms), Directed the *Appalachian* yearbook (seven years)

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 2023; Professor Emerita; Creativity Award 2011; Teaching Excellence and Leadership Award 1995; TN Arts Commission Grant 2004; Mildred Haun Award for Distinguished Service to Appalachia 2023; Mellon Foundation Grant 1992

Family: Husband: David*('82); Norma Jean Ellis O'Dell, mother ('58); Jody Ellis Barker, aunt ('54); Fran Ellis Haydel, aunt ('56)

Church involvement: First Presbyterian Church; Readings and presentations at many local churches

Special Interests: Travel, especially in the American West and Canada; reading; extended family; collecting artwork—ceramics and photography from Appalachia especially; collecting first edition books



Dr. Gerald C. Wood

Professor of English

Years at C-N: 40 (1971-2011)

Degrees: BA 1966 Wabash College, PhD 1971 U FL

Research Interest: 19th Century British Literature, Film Studies, Writing of Horton Foote, Popular Culture (Baseball), Contemporary Irish and American Drama

Professional Development: Appointments: Visiting Scholar in Film and American Studies, U Iowa (1979-80); NEH Summer Seminar in American Drama, Columbia U (1999). Books: four on Horton Foote, two on Conor McPherson and Neil LaBute, and two on the Chicago Cubs and Smoky Joe Wood; numerous articles on aspects of Horton Foote including interviews, mythic realism, politics of intimacy, Southern religious experience, the role of grace, and the realism of the human heart in *Literature/Film Quarterly, Post Script, Christianity and Literature, The Horton Foote Review, Journal of Am Drama,* and *Religion and the Arts;* articles on Byron in *The Keats-Shelley Journal and the Byron Journal*; articles on film in such publications as *Film in the Undergraduate Curriculum, Recasting: Gone with the Wind in Am Culture*, and *Appalachian Journal*, and on Jeff Daniel Marion in *Appalachian Heritage*; six articles in *C-N Faculty Studies*

Favorite Courses: Plays and Films of Horton Foote, British Romanticism, American Film Genres, National Cinemas, Baseball in Literature and Film, 20th Century Drama

Dept Service: Chair, Dean of Humanities, Horton Foote Center Director

Service to C-N: Honors Program Director, Faculty Advisor to Film Society, Co-Director May Term courses in England and Ireland

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Research and Creativity Award 1985, Research Award 2005, Distinguished Professor 1993, Professor Emeritus, James Still Summer Scholar (U KY), Visiting Assoc Professor of English UTK, *Horton Foote and the Theater of Intimacy* nominated for George Jean Nathan Award and C. Hugh Holman Award, *Smoky Joe Wood* winner of Seymour Medal (SABR), RR Bryan Society 2026

Family: Wife: Edra*(deceased); children: Tim Wood, Sarah Baurle

Church involvement: Messiah Lutheran Church Knoxville, Church Council

Special Interests: Baseball, golf, running, gardening, reading and writing, movies, traveling



Dr. Catherine Bush

Associate Professor of Family & Consumer Sciences

Years at C-N: 26 (1989-2015)

Degrees: BS 1970, MS 1972 UTK; EdD 1978 NYU

Research Interest: Parenting education, generational characteristics of college students

Professional Development: Certified in Family and Consumer Sciences (CFCS), Certified Family Life Educator (CFLE), TN and NJ teacher certifications 6-12 FCS Education and K-12 HEc respectively, 12 professional presentations and publications

Favorite Courses: Current Topics in Child and Family Studies, Parenting, Human Development Through the Lifespan

Dept Service: Leader CFS and ECE, Advisor C-N Assoc. Education Young Children, Editor *Update* department newsletter 1990-2002, AFCS Accreditation self-studies 1995, 2005, 2015

Service to C-N: Faculty Council 2002-2010, Teacher Education Council 1992-2015, Graduate Council 1994-1997, Honors Council 1993-1996, SACS Self-Study Steering Committee 2001-2003, Sesquicentennial Steering Committee 2000-2002

Honors/Distinctions: Associate Professor Emerita, Editorial Board *Annual Editions: Marriage and Family* (1987-2015), C-N Academic Advising Award 2000

Family: Son: Robert N. Dorner

Church involvement: First United Methodist Church Newport, Celebrate Recovery leadership, Church Council, Pastor Staff Relations Committee, lay delegate Annual Church Conference

Special Interests: Grandparenting, leading book studies at FUMC Newport, quilting



Dr. Diana D. Carroll

Professor of Family & Consumer Sciences

Years at C-N: 37 (1977-2014)

Degrees: BS 1969 C-N, MS 1970 UTK, PhD 1982 UNCG

Research Interest: Personal/family financial management, pioneer in educator's home management, home management residences/ laboratories on college campuses

Professional Development: Am Assoc of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFS), Accredited Financial Counselor (AFC), Am Center for Credit Education (national registry), Certified in Family and Consumer Sci (CFCS), TN Jump $tart Coalition, Financial Coach Crown Ministries, 12 publications, 77 presentations/ seminars

Favorite Courses: Personal and Family Management, Cooperative Management, Family Financial Management

Dept Service: Leader CS; Kappa Omicron Nu (KON) Chapter Advisor 1980-2014 with national record 23 Outstanding Chapter Awards; AAFCS accreditation self-studies 1985, 1995, 2005, 2015, coordinator 2005 self-study/site visit; Director Cooperative Management Laboratory 1977-2014

Service to C-N: Faculty Council 2011-2013; Faculty Affairs Comm 1995-98, Chair 1996-98; Teacher Ed Council 1997-99; Founders Day Comm Chair 1992; Dolly Parton Steering Comm 1990; Student Activities Building Comm 1987-91; SACS Review Comm 1981-82; Ad hoc Comm on General Ed 1983-85; Sesquicentennial Publications Comm 2000-01

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emerita; FCS Alumni Triumph Award 2022; RR Turner Award 2014; Academic Advising Award 1985; Nat ACT Certificate of Merit for Outstanding Acad Advising 1986; Nat KON Adviser Award of Excellence 1991, 2005; KON Dorothy Mitstifer Scholarship 1998; Editorial Comm *KON Forum* 1996-99, Chair 1996-97; National KON V-P of Program 1980-1982; Outstanding Teaching Award East Carolina U 1976; TAFCS Chair-elect, Chair, Counselor 1998-2002; TAFCS State and District Honor and Leadership Awards 1984, 1993, 1997, 2000, 2002; Reviewer *Housing & Society Journal 1988*; Morristown High School East Hall of Fame 2000

Family: Husband: Mike; children: David, Mary Lynn (`07)

Church involvement: Alpha Baptist Church Morristown, pianist and Sunday School teacher 1977-present; former WMU Director, Personnel Committee Chair, and Steering Committees for "Forward in Faith" and "Together we Build"; Mission Teams Romania and Portugal

Special Interests: Piano, financial counseling, reading, traveling



Dr. Kitty R. Coffey

Professor of Family & Consumer Sciences

Years at C-N: 42 (1977-2019)

Degrees: BS 1965, MS 1966, PhD 1977 UTK

Research Interest: Food lipids, childhood obesity, accreditation, leadership

Professional Development: Course/Workshops: Nutritional Anthropology UTK; Emerging Leaders UGA; Mid-Career Leaders TX Tech U; Legacy Leaders Sea Island, GA (UGA); Leadership for 21st C Callaway Gardens (UGA); Writing Self-Studies for Regional Accreditation (SACS), FCS, and Didactic Programs in Dietetics (DPD); 25 publications

Favorite Courses: Food and Culture, Experimental Food Science, Senior Seminar, Multicultural and Professional Etiquette

Dept Service: Chair 1980-2019, Director DPD 1979-2019, Sponsor Student Dietetic Assoc 1990-2015, Dept Advisory Board 1981-2019, Director of self-studies for AAFCS (1985,1995) and ACEND (1990-2019)

Service to C-N: SACS Accreditation Self-Study Committees 1983, 1993, 2003, 2013; Self-Study Director 1993; Coordinator Division Social Sciences 1983-1990 and Division Allied Sciences 1993-1995; Inst Strategic Planning Committee 1986; Presidential and Provost Search Committees 1999, 2001, 2008; Co-Chair Inaugural Committees for Presidents O'Brien and Fowler 2009, 2019

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emerita; RR Bryan Society 2025; Founders' Day Speaker/Honoree 2019; Distinguished Faculty Award 1995; Creativity Award 1991; Coffey FCS Endowed Scholarship; Coffey FCS Faculty Development Fund 2016; HEA Leader Award 1989, HEA Council for Accreditation 1987-1990; Chair AAFCS Collegiate Assembly 2008; TAFCS Leader Award 1988; THEA Graduate Research Award 1977; Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics: Medallion Award 2001, Area V Outstanding Dietetic Educator 1999, House of Delegates (HOD) 1986-1993, HOD Area V Coordinator 1991-1993; TDA: President 1979, Outstanding Dietitian Award 1989, Nat Service Award 1994, Outstanding Educator Award 2003; UTK College of Human Ecology Centennial Leader 1997; Morristown High School Hall of Fame 1995

Family: Husband: Ben

Church involvement: First United Methodist Church Morristown

Special Interests: Reading, orchids, cookbooks



Nancy H. Farris

Assistant Professor of Family & Consumer Sciences

Years at C-N: 31 (1989-2020)

Degrees: AS 1975 WSCC, BS 1979 C-N, MS 1985 UTK

Research Interest: Young children

Professional Development: KACEE Board Member, Head Start Board Member 2019 and 2013, TAEYC State Conference Planning Committee Member, TECTA 30 hours per training 2003-2015, NAEYC Accreditation 1992-2006

Favorite Courses: Programs for Young Children I: Creativity and Expression, Programs for Young Children II: Discovery

Dept Service: Director Child Development Lab, Teaching Assistantship in Family and Consumer Sciences: Child and Family Studies

Service to C-N: Three Star Center 2001-Present; Kappa Omicron Nu

Honors/Distinctions: Outstanding Young Women of America 1982, Honorary Society Pi Lambda Theta, C-N Soar Award 2020, C-N AFCS Distinguished Service Award 2020, Modern Woodmen Hometown Hero 2010

Family: Husband: Johnny Wayne; children: Deanna (’06), Jason

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Morristown

Special Interests: Traveling, babysitting grandchildren



Dr. Barbara M. McDougal

Associate Professor of Family & Consumer Sciences

Years at C-N: 34 (1956-59, 1963-94)

Degrees: BS 1954 C-N; MS 1955, EdD 1980 UTK

Research Interest: Marriage and family, stress, personality types

Professional Development: Training program for Myers-Briggs personality type, Center for Application of Psychological Type (CAPT); Intensive Training Workshop on First Year of Life, Merrill-Palmer Institute, Detroit, MI; Intensive Training Kindergarten, ETSU; over 50 presentations, seminars, workshops for professional associations and churches, church conferences

Favorite Courses: Marriage and Family, Parenting

Dept Service: Director Preschool 1963-79

Service to C-N: Dean Student Development 1979-89, Vice-President for Student Affairs 1989-94, SACS site visit team member for reaffirmation of accreditation for eight colleges 1985-94, Faculty Women's Club, Les Amies

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emerita, first female member of C-N President's Cabinet 1989, C-N 1992 Yearbook Tribute p 106, McDougal Scholarship, The McDougal Cup for Residence Life 1996, honorary planting of tulip magnolia by Campus Ministries at MSAC 1994, Educator of the Year from the Association of Student Development in Baptist Colleges and Universities 1991, Delta Kappa Gamma Scholarships 1977, 1980

Family: Husband: Sam (deceased); daughters: Karen ('77), Jeanne ('83)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Trustee, Deacon, Sunday School teacher, Ministry Group, Building and Rebuilding Committees

Special Interests: Travel, water aerobics, gardening, movies

Deceased: January 15, 2015



Dr. Mary Baldridge

Professor of Spanish

Years at C-N: (2001-present)

Degrees: BA 1994 Berea; MS 1996, MA 1999, PhD 2004 UTK

Research Interest: Medieval and early modern Spanish women's literature, mysticism, religious literature, Spanish mythology

Professional Development: Published two books, two electronic textbooks, one edited volume, and a number of articles in scholarly journals; presented at dozens of conferences; served as consultant for Cambridge International AS Spanish Exam; presented on curricular revision in foreign languages; served as external reviewer for Albright College Spanish curriculum revision

Favorite Courses: People and Places of Spain, Spanish Mythology in Literature

Dept Service: Chair, 2006-2015 and 2019-present

Service to C-N: Faculty Council, Appalachian Cultural Center Committee

Honors/Distinctions: Faculty Research Award 2012

Family: None

Church involvement: All Souls Church Knoxville

Special Interests: Hiking, going on and leading pilgrimage on the Camino de Santiago in Spain, Board Member at Narrow Ridge Earth Literacy Center, medical translation and interpretation



Dr. Maria B. Clark

Associate Professor of Foreign Languages

Years at C-N: 27 (1991-2018)

Degrees: BA 1983, MA 1986, PhD 1992 UTK

Research Interest: Latin American women writers and film, publications in national and international academic journals, three book chapters, entries in *World Literature in Spanish: An Encyclopedia*

Professional Development: 48 conference presentations, reviewer for *Sage* and *Journal of Hispanic Higher Education,* ACTFL and Annual TFLTA Conference, faculty facilitator for summer service/learning program in Honduras with *Heifer International,* C-N Writing Across the Curriculum, Asociación de Literatura Hispánica Femenina

Favorite Courses: Latin American Literature of Social Protest, Issues of Religion in Spanish Literature, Translation Theories, Spanish for Service, German Literature and Film

Dept Service: Faculty advisor for Sigma Delta Pi and for three honors projects (German and Spanish); FL representative *C-N Writing Guide*; C-Nvolved courses with Head Start at Jefferson City Elementary School, Public Library, Junior Delinquency Court, C-N Samaritan Outreach; facilitator for summer semester in Mexico; supervisor for C-N student teachers K10-12 in Spanish and French

Service to C-N: Boyer Lab for Learning Leadership Team, Bonner Scholar Advisory Board, Panasophic President, Editorial Committee for SACS Self-study (2002-03), Honors Council, Steeple for International Studies and Missions, Committee for Environmental Stewardship, C-Nvolved QEP Committee (2012-13)

Honors/Distinctions: Research Award 2000, Academic Enrichment Awards, Mentoring Award 2004, Twin Pillar Award 2014, *HoLa* Volunteer of the Year Award 2015, C-N Community Service Award 2015, Professor Emerita of Spanish 2018

Family: Spouse: Boyd Ashley Capps

Church involvement: Immaculate Conception Knoxville, La Gran Comisión Iglesia Bautista Morristown

Special Interests: Programming Board for YWCA Knoxville; *HoLa Hora Latina* Festival volunteer, Board member, Chair of *HoLa Luis Velázquez Scholarship* Committee; international travel; hiking and gardening; music festivals



Dr. Louise Dickenson

Professor of French

Years at C-N: 30 (1959-1989)

Degrees: BA 1959 C-N; MA 1964 UTK; MA 1968, PhD 1976 Vanderbilt

Research Interest: Nineteenth Century French Romanticism

Professional Development: High school teacher in Algeria, NDEA Fellowship (1966-68), member of Am Association of Teachers of French, TN Foreign Language Teaching Association, East TN Teachers Association, South Atlantic Modern Language Association, Am Association of University Women, TN Philological Assoc

Favorite Courses: French Civilization, The Nineteenth-Century Novel

Dept Service: Faculty Advisor for Pi Delta Phi French Honor Society

Service to C-N: Member of Concert Lecture Series Committee, Panasophic Club, Les Amies Secretary

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emerita, *Who's Who of Women in Education* (1978), C-N Community Service Award 1980, recognition for her teaching legacy by the 100th General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, both DEMS Foreign Language Scholarship and Dickenson French Scholarship named in her honor

Family: Sons: Craig, Brent, Carroll

Church involvement: First Methodist Church Morristown, Council on Ministries, Chair for Ecumenical Affairs, Administrative Board member

Special Interests: Phi Alpha Theta History Literary Club, Knox County Historical Society, Association for the Preservation of TN Antiquities/ Glenmore Mansion

Deceased: August 28, 2018



Dr. Jerry P. Harper

Associate Professor of Foreign Languages

Years at C-N: 32 (1967-2000)

Degrees: BA, MA UTK

Research Interest: Cervantes, his life and his literature

Professional Development: Further study UTK and UCLA

Favorite Courses: Hispanic Civilization

Dept Service: Chair 1976-2000, Pi Delta Phi French Honor Society

Service to C-N: Member of Concert Lecture Series Committee, Panasophic Club, Les Amies

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Community Service Award 1998, Outstanding Service Award 1995

Family: Wife: Joyce (deceased); daughters: Jerilynn, Carla, Carmen ('92)

Church involvement: New Market United Methodist Church

Special Interests: Leatherworking, gun engraving ("chasing") and restoring, translating and interpreting for local human service agencies and emergency offices

Deceased: December 2, 2016



Karen H. Hutton

Assistant Professor of Foreign Languages

Years at C-N: 30 (1960-90)

Degrees: BA 1959, MA 1960 UTK

Research Interest: 19th Century Spanish novels

Professional Development: Further course work at UTK

Favorite Courses: Courses involving Spanish language and culture

Dept Service: Assisted with Sigma Delta Pi, National Hispanic Honor Society, and Pi Delta Phi, National French Honor Society

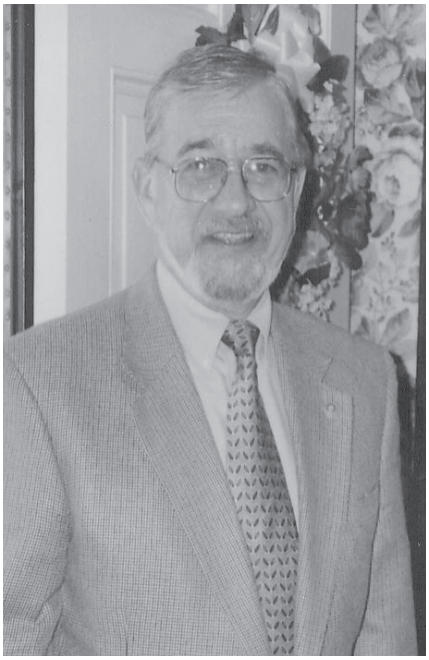
Service to C-N: Early 1960 self-study

Honors/Distinctions: Volunteer at Samaritan House for over 20 years

Family: Husband: Frank (deceased); son: Eric

Church involvement: First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ): Deacon, Elder, Sunday School teacher, Chair Education Committee, Secretary of the Governing Board, tutor in English for an adopted family

Special Interests: Hiking with family in Cherokee Nat Forest and the Smokies including parts of the AT and Middle TN, bridge, gardening



Dr. C. Bruce Whitney

Associate Professor of French

Years at C-N: 33 (1967-2000)

Degrees: BA Citadel, MA and EdD UTK

Research Interest: French literature and film; standards in language acquisition

Professional Development: Am Association of Teachers of French, TN Foreign Languages Associates, Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development, ACTFL National Convention

Favorite Courses: French

Dept Service: Workshop for ET Foreign Language Collaborative Learning, Jefferson City National French Week, French Club, Faculty Advisor Pi Delta Phi

Service to C-N: Director of Language Lab at Media Center

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Community Service Award 1979, Distinguished Past President of the Kiwanis Club

Family: Wife: Carole; daughters: Shannon, Laura

Church involvement: First United Methodist Church Jefferson City, longstanding active member and organizer in community outreach events

Special Interests: Poetry, hiking, volunteer for Am Cancer Society, volunteer video producer for Knoxville TV-20 and Jefferson City Junior Miss Program, Timberlake Neighborhood Association

Deceased: April 12, 2000 (C-N 2000 Yearbook Memorial p 161)



Dr. Edward T. Freels, Jr

Professor of Geography/Geology

Years at C-N: 40 (1961-2001)

Degrees: BS, MS, PhD UTK

Research Interest: Topography of East TN

Professional Development: Member Assoc Am Geographers, Sigma Xi, Nat Council for Geography Education

Favorite Courses: World Geography

Dept Service: Dean of Division of Natural Science and Math, instrumental in adding and equipping the PEW Computer Annex to DSC, served as Chair of Biology and Director of Health Professions late 1980s

Service to C-N: Dean's Council, map repository in DSC, geological displays in DSC

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 1998, University Community Service Award 1976, Professor Emeritus, Jefferson County School Board, Secretary Jefferson County Planning Commission, first of three generations of Eagle Scouts

Family: Wives: Jerrilyn (deceased), Sally; children: Edward ('85), Russell ('87), Anne Marie ('91)

Church involvement: First United Methodist Church Jefferson City

Special Interests: Traveling with camper, fire arms display and trading

Deceased: March 12, 2020



Dr. James L. Baumgardner

Professor of History and Political Science

Years at C-N: 51 (1964-2015)

Degrees: BA 1959 C-N; MA 1964, PhD 1968 UTK

Research Interest: American presidential elections and Southern politics

Professional Development: President of the TN Political Science Association; numerous talks, conference papers, and peer-reviewed journal articles involving presidential elections and Southern politics

Favorite Courses: American History, The Vietnam War, Middle East History

Dept Service: Chair Department of History and Political Science 1986-1994

Service to C-N: Chair Faculty Council

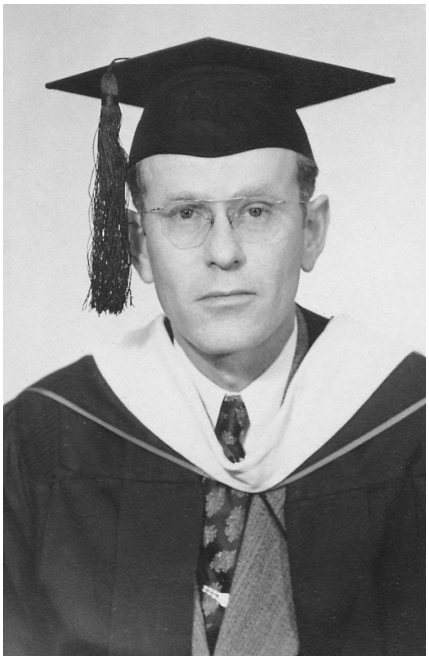
Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 1991, RR Turner Award 2015, Founders' Day Speaker/Honoree 2013, TN Baptist Association Bi-Vocational Pastor of the Year 1997, RR Bryan Society 2023, Professor Emeritus

Family: Wife: Paula (deceased); children: Ellen ('88), Mike ('93), Joe, Sarah

Church involvement: Pastor Pond Grove Baptist Church, interim and supply pastor for numerous small Baptist churches in East TN

Special Interests: Innovations, made history come alive through his storytelling

Deceased: August 13, 2015



Dr. J. Cripps Brashear

Professor of History and Political Science

Years at C-N: 25 (1948-1973)

Degrees: BA Western KY St, MA Peabody College, PhD UNC

Research Interest: Dissertation "The Impact of Industrialization Upon Politics and Political Institutions of Jefferson County, Tennessee, 1772-1960"

Professional Development: Additional study Iowa, Louisville, Birmingham England

Favorite Courses: International Relations, American Political Parties, American Constitutional Law

Dept Service: Chair Department of History and Political Science 1960-1972

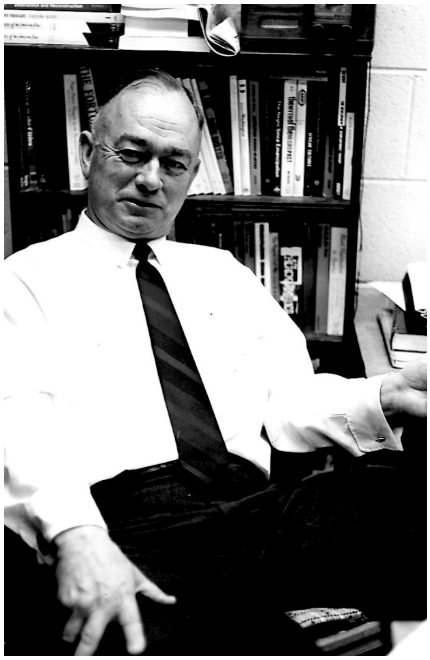
Service to C-N: Faculty Advisor to Blue Key Honor Society

Honors/Distinctions: Ford Foundation Grant (1965) to study Latin American politics at the University of Texas, Professor Emeritus, C-N 1952 Yearbook Dedication pp 14-15, Brashear Memorial Scholarship, Brashear History and Political Science Award, Civitans, Masons, Blue Key

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City

Special Interests: International travel to Russia and other countries expanding his understanding of foreign affairs which he shared with his students

Deceased: December 27, 1977



Dr. Robert M. Burts

Professor of History

Years at C-N: 36 (1957-1988)

Degrees: BA 1940 Berry College, MA 1945 Duke, PhD 1957 Vanderbilt

Research Interest: *Richard Irvine Manning and the Progressive Movement in South Carolina*, book published in 1974

Professional Development: Taught at Presbyterian (SC) and Bethel (KY); attended three summer seminars at Heidelberg University (Institute on Ancient and Modern Studies) and Hamline College (Institute on East Asia) to prepare for expanding the department curriculum to include courses in Chinese and Japanese history

Favorite Courses: Southern History, 20th Century American History, African American History

Dept Service: Chair Department of History and Political Science 1973-1985, Advisor Phi Alpha Theta Honor Society

Service to C-N: Chair Social Sciences Division, Chair Honors Program, Concert Lecture Committee for 20 years

Honors/Distinctions: Founders' Day Speaker/Honoree 1963, Distinguished Faculty Award 1969, C-N Community Service Award 1977, Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award 1979, Professor Emeritus, promoted in his students both a breadth of learning and the development of an individual consciousness of the world

Family: Wife: Frieda; children: Robert Jr ('79), Amanda ('83)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church of Jefferson City, Deacon, Sunday School teacher

Special Interests: Friends of the Jefferson City Library, assisted with history of C-N for 150th celebration, growing loblolly pines in SC

Deceased: December 4, 2005



Lavinia Tennessee "Miss Tennie" Jenkins

Professor of History

Years at C-N: 54 (1892-94, 1896-1948)

Degrees: Classical Degree 1891 Newman College, Litt. D. 1893 Carson and Newman College, MA 1922 Columbia Univ, Honorary Doctorate 1951 C-N.

Professional Development: Further studies at Harvard and U Chicago, took classes at C-N in piano and art, member Am Historical Assoc, So Historical Assoc, and Am Academy Political Science

Favorite Courses: European History

Dept Service: 1st Professor of new School of History 1896, long time Chair

Service to C-N: Founding leader of 1st Hypatian Literary Society for Females 1891; Director of Young Ladies' Physical Drills; also taught French, English literature, and government; hosted annual tea for Hypatians at her home until her death

Honors/Distinctions: C-N 1925 Yearbook Dedication pp 4-5; C-N 1931 Yearbook Tribute p 123; TN Jenkins Scholarship; TN Jenkins Award; Profs RA Henderson, Walker, and TN Jenkins Scholarship 1900; won $10 gold piece from Frosty Holt for renaming the "Fighting Parsons" the "Fighting Eagles"; considered to be "The Sweetheart of Carson and Newman"; Professor Emerita

Family: Never married

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City,
Sunday School teacher

Special Interests: JC Garden Club, travel in Europe, President Faculty Women's Club

Deceased: July 30, 1963



Dr. Charles G. Moffat

Professor of History

Years at C-N: 41 (1969-2010)

Degrees: BA Erskine College, PhD 1974 UTK

Research Interest: Scotland, Ireland, military history

Professional Development: Chosen to participate in West Point History Summer Workshop; Dissertation: "Scotland and the Catholic Emancipation Question" included in the holdings of the National Library of Scotland, National Library of Ireland, and the National Library of Germany; "Byron, Whig and Poet," co-authored with Gerald Wood, presented at the Modern Language Society meeting in Chicago

Favorite Courses: History of Scotland, History of Ireland, British History, World War I and II

Dept Service: Chair Department of History and Political Science 2002-2010

Service to C-N: Chair of General Studies Committee 1976, wrote the faculty grievance procedure as a member of Faculty Council, participated in five C-N theater productions, taught US Military History for the C-N ROTC Department

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 1999, James F. Ellis Endowed Professor of History 2001-2010, Professor Emeritus, active member Robert Burns Society

Family: Wife: Jerrie (deceased); sons: Charles Gordon II, Samuel

Church involvement: First Presbyterian Church Strawberry Plains

Special Interests: Bagpipes, eclectic reading, Civil War reenactments with his sons, master chef



Joe Bill Sloan

Professor of Political Science

Years at C-N: 41 (1969-2010)

Degrees: BA 1967 C-N, MA 1969 UTK

Research Interest: Justice Goldberg and the Bill of Rights, the religious right's impact on American Presidential politics 1980s-2000s

Professional Development: Doctoral studies in political science and psychology at UTK, political analyst 1990-1998 WATE Channel 6, 2000-2010 WTVK Channel 8

Favorite Courses: American Federal Government, American Constitutional Law, Church-State Relations, Presidential Politics, sophomore honors class: Faith, Freedom, and the Individual

Dept Service: Chair Department of History and Political Science 1994-2002

Service to C-N: Two terms as Chair of Faculty Council, Faculty Parliamentarian, Pre-Law Advisor 1974-2006, Dean of Social Sciences 2001-2005, Associate Provost 2005-2007, Interim President 2007-2008

Honors/Distinctions: Academic Advising Award 1981 and 1988, Distinguished Faculty Award 1986, C-N 1991 Yearbook Tribute p 151, Founders' Day Speaker/Honoree 2004, RR Turner Award 2009, RR Bryan Society 2022, Tennessee Independent Colleges and Universities Association (TICUA) Hall of Fame 2023, Professor Emeritus, Joe Bill Sloan Scholarship, Jefferson County Commission 1994-1998, Board member St. Mary's Hospital Jefferson County 2004-2008, Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce 2004-2006

Family: Wife: Brenda (deceased); father: Albert* ('32)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church of Jefferson City, former Deacon, Sunday School teacher

Special Interests: Duplicate bridge, classical music, British murder mysteries, mystery novels



Dr. K. Elizabeth Vanlandingham

Professor of History

Years at C-N: (1994-present)

Degrees: BA/MA combined degree 1985 Emory U, PhD 1993 UTK

Research Interest: Social movements: women's history, Civil Rights, and Black history; environmental movements

Professional Development: Public history work at C-N and in the community including "We March with Selma: 50th Anniversary of the Voting Rights Act," "WarWorks: Women and War, 1914-1945," "The School on the Hill: Nelson Merry School and African Americans in Jefferson County," "The Green Book"; "The World War I Years" film series public discussion 2004; co-organizer with African Am Heritage Alliance of "Echoes of Emancipation: One Region, Many Stories" Regional Black History Conference 2013, and the African-Am Quilt Conference of Appalachia 2015; papers presented at National Women's History Assoc Conferences, C-N Faculty Showcase, and Maryville Symposium on Faith and the Liberal Arts; encyclopedia entry for "Selma" in the *Encyclopedia of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties 2017*

Favorite Courses: Literature and Revolution, Asian Cinema, Civil Rights Movement and Film, Global Feminisms

Dept Service: History Program Coordinator, Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society Faculty

Service to C-N: Program Coordinator for History, Bonner Center Co-Director, Faculty Council

Honors/Distinctions: Phi Beta Kappa 1983, Distinguished Faculty Award 2013, C-N Mentoring Award 2011 and 2017, James B. Ellis Endowed Chair in History 2016, C-N Community Service Award 2007, Salzburg Seminar Fellow 2001, C-N Teaching Excellence and Leadership Award 1998, Pew Faculty Development Grants, NEH/Yale Scholar's Seminar on Slave Narratives 2011

Family: Children: Dr. Elizabeth Loy, Benjamin Loy ('17 MA TESOL)

Church involvement: Wautauga Avenue Presbyterian Church, Johnson City

Special Interests: Hiking, backpacking, camping, cross country skiing, environmental activism, public history and public discussion of difficult topics in American and world history



Dr. David N. Young

Professor of History

Years at C-N: 34 (1962-1996)

Degrees: BA 1953, MA 1954 MS College; PhD 1968 U AL

Research Interest: The American South

Professional Development: Plymouth Rock Foundation Workshop Fellow 1973, member Southern Historical Association 1962-1996, East TN Historical Society, and TN Baptist History Association

Favorite Courses: The American South, History of Latin America

Dept Service: Faculty Advisor Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society 1962-1996; Director of the Washington Intern Program 1972-1996

Service to C-N: Established the Leon V. Young/Hugh G. Collins History Scholarship, Secretary C-N Panasophic Club, Health Professions Advisory Committee

Honors/Distinctions: US Navy 1954-1956 served in Atlantic, Caribbean, and Mediterranean; President of Jefferson County Historical Society; founding member of Jefferson County Friends of the Library Board; Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society International Council 1973-1975, International Advisory member 1975-1979 and Chair of Paper Prize Committee for 7 years; Professor Emeritus; Young Family History Scholarship; Mississippi College Distinguished Alumnus 2005

Family: Wife: Barbara; children: Cathy (’77), Susan (’80)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon and Sunday School teacher

Special Interests: Local history, travel, life-long leadership in civic organizations

Deceased: December 9, 2022



Imogene B. Brewer

Associate Librarian

Years at C-N: 28 (1965-1993)

Degrees: BA 1952 C-N, MS 1965 UTK

Research Interest: Cataloging library materials, organization of archives

Professional Development: Secretary TN Library Assoc 1966-67, panel leader TLA 1977, Secretary East TN Historical Society 1978-81, panel participant SOLINET Annual Meeting 1988

Dept Service: Interim Library Director 1981-82

Service to C-N: Various committees as assigned, chapter advisor Mortar Board 1973-76

Honors/Distinctions: Pi Lambda Theta 1965; Mortar Board Chapter Citation for Distinguished Service 1976; Faculty Research Grant from C-N Student Foundation 1978, 1980; Associate Librarian Emerita; Imogene and Paul Brewer Scholarship; 1st Board of Directors, Jefferson City Friends of the Library 1979-80

Family: Husband: Paul* (’51); children: Paul David Jr (’75), Don, Dan (’80)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Sunday School teacher, Deacon, Committees: Benevolence, Bereavement, Budget

Special Interests: Community, Friends of the Library, Literary Club



Mildred L. Iddins

Library Director

Years at C-N: 37 (1944-1981)

Degrees: BA 1936 C-N, MS 1941 George Peabody College

Research Interest: Collection and archives development, planning new buildings

Professional Development: Post-graduate U of IL; high school librarian; Army librarian Ft. Oglethorpe Center during WWII; active member of national, state, and local library associations; TLA College and University Chair 1973; member SACS Accreditation Committee; Delegate TN Conference on Library Information Service for White House Conference on Libraries 1979

Dept Service: Library Director 1944-1981

Service to C-N: Planning with Pres and Trustees for two new buildings 1949, 1970; consulting with faculty on collection development; managing library budget; establishing C-N Archives; Chair Cornerstone Committee for Henderson Hall 1975; Planning Committee for 125th Celebration; President Faculty Women's Club

Honors/Distinctions: *Who's Who of American Women* 5th ed, Mildred Iddins Scholarship, C-N Archives named in her honor, Librarian Emerita

Family: Sister: Mae* ('26)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Sunday School teacher, WMU Director, Library volunteer

Special Interests: Travel abroad; attending Olympics; participation in civic, literary, and music clubs

Deceased: March 24, 1988



Dr. Bruce G. Kocour

Professor of Library Science

Years at C-N: 33 (1991-2024)

Degrees: BS 1978, MSL 1983 U AL

Research Interest: Information literacy, open educational resources, institutional repositories

Professional Development: Publication in *College and Undergraduate Libraries* on using web-based tutorials for library instruction 2000 and in *Virginia Libraries* on multi-state collaboration concerning library instruction 2002, ALA poster presentation on library instructional collaboration 2002, numerous presentations and committees for the Appalachian College Assoc

Dept Service: Wrote the library portion of the last three SACS self-studies; installed and managed first library computer lab; oversaw the latest two library system installations; selected all databases and periodicals for the library; instituted use of Springshare products to design library homepage, research guides (LibGuides), surveys and quizzes (LibWizard), and frequently asked questions and virtual research assistance including live chat (LibAnswers)

Service to C-N: Dean of Library Services, Academic Council, Faculty Council, Committees: Graduate Programs and Standards, Undergraduate Programs and Standards, PIE, Multicultural Advisory, QEP Selection (Chair of C-N's first QEP selection committee), Sesquicentennial, Library, Denton Gallery Design

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 2019, TN Library Association's Library Instruction Award, TN Lib Assoc Board of Directors, TennShare Board of Directors: Academic Library Representative

Family: Wife: Cindy ('85); daughters: Hannah ('13), Rachael ('21)

Church involvement: Kodak Methodist Church, Vice Chair and Chair of Pastor-Parish Relations Committee, created/maintained church website; St. Joseph's Episcopal Church, Vestry, representative on the Board of Directors for the church Montessori School

Special Interests: Landscaping, fishing, golf, reading, writing, and his favorite: napping



Albert L. Lang

Professor of Library Science

Years at C-N: (1996-present)

Degrees: BA 1991, MA Ed Ministries 1995 Wheaton College; MA Library Science 1996 U KY

Research Interest: C-N and Jefferson County history

Professional Development: Co-authored *Jefferson City,* for Arcadia Publishing's *Images of America* series 2014; served as co-facilitator for grant-funded Neighborhood Story Project for Mossy Creek Foundation 2018; numerous publications in *C-N Studies, Journey Magazine of* C-N, *TN Baptist History, J of East TN History*, and *TN Ancestors* involving topics like the C-N WW II experience, TN Baptist Convention, myths, and including personalities Caswell A. Frame and Rev. Jesse Archibald Lockhart; several book reviews in *TN Baptist History* 2015-18

Favorite Courses: C-N 101, Intro to Liberal Arts (LA 101)

Dept Service: Dean of Library Services and University Archivist 2025-present, Special Collections Librarian and Archivist, oversaw construction of the C-N Online Student Archive (catalogs 1856-1950), assisted with every phase of the 25-Year Club project

Service to C-N: Co-authored *Carson-Newman College* for Arcadia *Publishing's Campus History Series* 2012; produced "On This Day in Carson-Newman History..." flip-calendar; assisted Oxford Scholars with research in Baptist Archives since 2013; numerous speaking engagements including Fellowship of Christian Athletes (4 times 2012-15), Baptist Collegiate Ministries (3 times 2014-18), Jefferson County Leadership Luncheon 2014, Student Affairs Vesper Service 2014, Heritage Hall Easter event 2018; member of the 175th Anniversary Committee

Honors/Distinctions: SGA Staff Appreciation Award 2011, Davis C. Woolley Award for Outstanding Achievement in Assessing and Preserving Baptist History from the Assoc of Librarians and Archivists at Baptist Institutions in partnership with the Baptist History and Heritage Society on behalf of C-N Baptist Archives 2019

Family: Wife: Cindy; children: Harper ('19), Maggie ('21), Gracie Li

Church involvement: Cedar Springs Presbyterian Knoxville

Special Interests: American Revolution, Harry Potter, Sherlock Holmes, National Hockey League, NFL, comic books



George Anah Self

Associate Librarian

Years at C-N: 26 (1969-1995)

Degrees: BA 1952 Tusculum College, MS 1969 UTK

Research Interest: Library resource sharing, access to electronic databases

Professional Development: Member national, regional, and state library associations; member Task Force on Staff Development, TLA, 1977-78; additional graduate classes in Library Services at UTK 1976-79; Institute for Library Supervisors UTK 1968-69; Secretary for East TN Library Association 1971-72

Service to C-N: Committees as assigned

Honors/Distinctions: Pi Lambda Theta, received music scholarship Berea College 1945-46, Associate Professor Emerita of Library Services

Family: Children: Marguerite (’77), Robert (’79)

Church involvement: First Presbyterian Church Jefferson City, Church Librarian, Worship Committee; Manley Baptist Church

Special Interests: Tennis, member 1997 Knoxville USTA League 3.0 Senior Women’s National Champions

Deceased: March 27, 2005



Lori A. Thornton

Professor of Library Science

Years at C-N: (1999-present)

Degrees: BA 1985 Mid-South Christian College, MRE 1990 Cincinnati Bible Seminary, MLIS 1994 U KY

Research Interest: Cataloging, authorities, genealogy

Professional Development: *Research In Mississippi* (NGS Research in the States series); articles in *The Christian Librarian*; book reviews; presentations many years at National Genealogical Society's Family History Conference, Association of Christian Librarians Conference, Southeastern Library Association Conference, Tennessee Library Association Conference, Federation of Genealogical Society's Conference, and many other genealogical conferences at the local, state, regional, and national level

Favorite Courses: Microcomputer Applications

Dept Service: SAILS (Students Actively Interested in Library Science) sponsor, coordinator for Awesomely Awful Book Club

Service to C-N: Faculty Performance and Development Committee Chair, Liberal Arts Committee, APSC

Honors/Distinctions: Retrospective Indexing Coordinator, *Christian Periodical Index*

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Morristown, choir/praise team member

Special Interests: Counted cross-stitch



Dr. Thomas P. Bass, Jr.

Professor of Mathematics

Years at C-N: (1995-present)

Degrees: BA 1987 Mercer; MA 1989, PhD 1992 Vanderbilt

Research Interest: Foundations of mathematics, mathematics education, algebra

Professional Development: Numerous workshops and short courses on the mathematical preparation of teachers; led and/or presented at professional development workshops for teachers in Hamblen, Jefferson, and Blount Counties; served as Examinations Coordinator and member of the Board of Directors for the TN Mathematics Teachers' Association

Favorite Courses: Mathematics for Elementary Teachers two-course sequence, Calculus I and II, Abstract Algebra, Modern Geometries

Dept Service: Program Coordinator 2011-2018, Chair 2018-present

Service to C-N: Boyer Laboratory for Learning Fellow 1997-1999, *Appalachian* yearbook faculty advisor 1998-2007, Faculty Council Chair 2013-2014 and 2021-2022, Programs Committee Chair multiple terms

Honors/Distinctions: Teaching Excellence and Leadership Award 2000, Distinguished Faculty Award 2024

Family: Wife: Julia; children: Joseph, Rachel

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, choir member, Treasurer, Deacon, Sunday School teacher

Special Interests: Board games, camping, reading



Dr. Denver R. Childress

Professor of Mathematics

Years at C-N: 34 (1967-2001)

Degrees: BS 1959 Maryville College; MS 1964, EdD 1975 UTK

Research Interest: Mathcad, Scientific Workplace

Professional Development: U of CA-Santa Barbara Mathematical Association of America Summer Institutes in linear algebra 1969-72, TN Mathematics Teachers Association, National Council of Teachers of Math, Mathematical Association of America

Favorite Courses: Math for Elementary Teachers, Linear Algebra

Dept Service: Led department to integrate computers in courses, assisted junior faculty in acclimating to C-N

Service to C-N: Financial Aid Committee, Athletics Committee, Student Affairs Committee

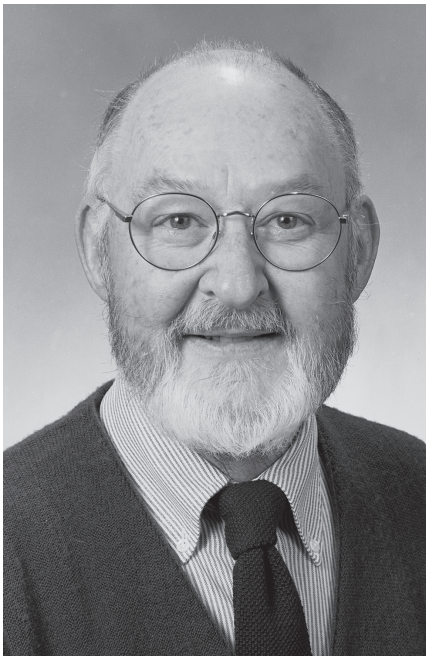
Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emeritus, Outstanding Educators of America, Personalities of the South, Denver Childress Mathematics Scholarship

Family: Wife: Margaret (’73); children: Kim (’82), Mark (’84)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon, Treasurer

Special Interests: Licensed real estate broker, photography, history, exploring Panther Creek State Park, spending time with grandchildren

Deceased: December 3, 2013



Dr. Howard Chitwood

Professor of Mathematics

Years at C-N: 38 (1957-1995)

Degrees: BS 1953 C-N, MS 1955 U FL, PhD 1971 UTK

Research Interest: Differential Equations

Professional Development: Summer study University of WY

Favorite Courses: Calculus, Statistics, BASIC Programming, Differential Equations

Dept Service: Interim Chair, Kappa Mu Epsilon Sponsor, developed computer programming courses

Service to C-N: Committee to Study the Academic program, Student Affairs Committee, Health Professions Advisory Committee, represented faculty at inauguration of President Cordell Maddox

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 1975, Howard and JoAnn Chitwood Mathematics Scholarship, JoAnn & Howard Chitwood Alumni House, Professor Emeritus, TN Mathematics Teachers Association, Mathematical Association of America, Blue Key, Order of KY Colonels, Outstanding Educators of America, listed in several national biographies, Veteran U.S. Army

Family: Wife: JoAnn* (deceased); Sons: Jeffrey('78), Wesley ('83)(deceased)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon

Special Interests: Birdwatching, mystery novels, Sudoku, Board of Friends of Jefferson City Library

Deceased: January 15, 2019



Dr. Verner T. Hansen

Professor of Mathematics

Years at C-N: 32 (1962-1994)

Degrees: BS 1953 Livingston State College, MA 1960 LSU, EdD 1973 U GA

Research Interest: Mathematics education

Professional Development: Nat. Defense Ed. Act Fellow U GA, NSF summer institutes U AL and LSU, NSF academic year institutes LSU and U of Wisconsin, NSF Chautauqua participant LSU and Clark College, Mathematical Assoc of America, Nat Council of Teachers of Mathematics, TN Mathematics Teachers Assoc

Favorite Courses: Topology

Dept Service: Taught math courses for business majors

Service to C-N: Faculty advisor Blue Key National Honor Society, Faculty Advisor Science Honor Society, C-N self-study committees, Executive Committee, Faculty Affairs Committee, led faculty in Vision ’80 Capital Campaign

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 1982, Hansen Fund for Excellence in Mathematics, veteran US Navy

Family: Wife: Maurine (’89 MEd); children: Steven (’76), David (’78), Sheila (’82), Mark (’85)

Church involvement: First Baptist Jefferson City, Deacon Chair, Chair Pastor Search Committee, Kitchen Committee, Church Council, Director Training Union

Special Interests: Beach, gardening, construction, cooking, Danish legacy, grandchildren

Deceased: February 1, 2019



Dr. Carey R. Herring

Professor of Mathematics

Years at C-N: 44 (1967-2011)

Degrees: BS 1965 C-N, MA 1967 Samford U, EdD 1975 UTK

Research Interest: Teaching techniques

Professional Development: Appalachian College Assoc Fellow U KY 1989, US Dept of Education grant 1993, presenter Nat Council of Teachers of Mathematics convention

Favorite Courses: Calculus, Math History, Statistical Methods, BASIC

Dept Service: Chair 1994-2011, Advisor to Kappa Mu Epsilon, Advisor for Honors / Senior Projects, host Mathematical Assoc of America convention

Service to C-N: Dean School of Natural Science and Math 2000-11; led School to acquire Van Lunen grant for cadaver lab upgrade; Interim Dean of Students 1969-70; Speaker Founders' Day 2008, C-N Graduation 2011, and Church College Day; Faculty Search Committees in Nursing and Religion; Self-Study Visit KY Wesleyan; London term faculty 1994; Advisor student mission trip and Mortar Board; President C-N Retiree Organization

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 1985, RR Bryan Society 2024, Phi Kappa Phi, *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*, Professor Emeritus 2011

Family: Wife: Shirley; daughters: Rhesa and Shera

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Chair Deacons, adult Sunday School teacher, Pastor Search Committee, Director English language class for internationals

Special Interests: Hiking in the Smokies, swimming, gardening, grandchildren, great grandchild



Shelby E. Jones

Professor of Mathematics/Philosophy

Years at C-N: 26 (1880-86, 1893-1913)

Degrees: BA 1876, MA 1889 C-N

Research Interest: Homiletics

Professional Development: Ordained 1878 in Sevierville; full-time pastor 1886-1893

Favorite Courses: Theology, Homiletics

Dept Service: Chair Math 1893-1911

Service to C-N: Headed Latin/Greek, Natural Sciences 1880-86 (father a physician), Philosophy 1911-13

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Trustees awarded Honorary DD 1896, during 1883-85 at FBC Morristown helped form the Foreign Missionary Society which led the SBC to form the WMU in 1888

Family: Wife: Ida Grace; children: Horace (Prof of Greek at Cornell), three other sons

Church involvement: Held pastorates at Baptist churches in Jefferson City, Murfreesboro, Morristown, and South Side Knoxville

Special Interests: Nobility of character and a devoted Christian life

Deceased: December 4, 1913



Albert R. Sloan

Professor of Mathematics

Years at C-N: 40 (1936-1976)

Degrees: BA 1932 C-N, MA 1933 Vanderbilt

Professional Development: Additional coursework at Duke and U of KY

Favorite Courses: Taught every undergraduate course offered in Dept of Mathematics

Dept Service: Chair 1937-56

Service to C-N: Treasurer and CFO 1956-76, Chair Athletic Comm 1949-76, managed basketball time clock 1936-86, worked with President Fite preparing C-N budget, Academic Committee for Navy V-12 Program 1943-45

Honors/Distinctions: Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award 1976, C-N 1948 Yearbook Dedication pp 14-15, first President of So Atlantic Athletic Conference, inducted Nat Assoc of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Hall of Fame, Eligibility Chair Dist 24 NAIA, Pres Smoky Mtn Athletic Conf, C-N Athletic Hall of Fame 1987, Professor Emeritus 1976, Community Leader of America 1969, posthumous induction So Atlantic Conference Athletic Hall of Fame 1997, Albert Sloan Math Scholarship, President Jefferson City Chamber of Commerce, three terms Jefferson City Council

Family: Wife: Lois (’32); children: Ann (’60), Wayne (’60), Joe Bill* (’67), Marcile (’73)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon, Treasurer, SS teacher

Special Interests: JC Kiwanis Club, JC Property Tax Adjustment Committee, Fundraising Director for area Polio Campaign

Deceased: March 24, 1993



Dr. B. Alden Starnes

Professor of Mathematics

Years at C-N: (2001-present)

Degrees: BA 1983 C-N, MS 1985 Virginia Tech, MS (Statistics) 1994 U KY, PhD (Statistics) 1999 Virginia Tech

Research Interest: Model robust regression

Professional Development: Five publications involving robust regressions, visiting faculty Virginia Tech 2000-08

Favorite Courses: Statistical Methods, Linear Algebra, Mathematical Statistics, Advanced Linear Algebra, Orientation Course for Freshmen

Dept Service: Kappa Mu Epsilon faculty sponsor 2001-09; directed Honors projects

Service to C-N: Vice Provost 2009-10, C-N Research Statistician 2004–present, Chair Standards Subcommittee of Academic Programs and Standards Committee 2012–16, Faculty President 2023-25, C-N Football Public Address 2001-23, Chair Athletics Advisory Committee to President 2002-07

Honors/Distinctions: 1990 Sears Award for Excellence in Teaching/Leadership Bluefield College; 1996 Distinguished Faculty Award Bluefield College; 1999 Best Student Paper, Meeting of the VA Academy of Science; 2000 Outstanding Presentation Award American Statistical Association

Family: Wife: Mary; children: Elizabeth, Enoch

Church involvement: Mill Springs Baptist Church, Deacon, pianist, Sunday School Director; Verdad en Amor Baptist Church pianist (bilingual church plant of Jefferson County Baptist Association and First Baptist Church Dandridge)

Special Interests: Baseball and football board games, 3D printing, golf, geography, University history (2 presentations given to the Jefferson County Genealogical Society on Geohistory of C-N), family history (President of Starnes Triennial Association 2016-19)



Dr. W. Henry Suters

Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science

Years at C-N: (1994–present)

Degrees: BA 1984 Berea College; MA 1991, PhD 1994 Duke; MS 2004 UTK

Research Interest: Computational fluid dynamics (one publication); fixed-parameter tractable NP-complete graph theory (three publications); computer science education (three publications)

Professional Development: Graduate program at UTK 2000-2004, consultant on Federal Race to the Top Grant (*From Earth to Space with STEM* 2012-2013), consultant on TN Education Department Improving Teacher Quality grants (*Coding for the Core* 2015, *Coding Connections* 2016, *STEM Literacy in the Classroom to Enable Societal Change* 2017)

Favorite Courses: Theory of Computation, Advanced Calculus, Algorithms, Differential Equations

Dept Service: Program Coordinator for Computer Science 2015 to Present, Computer Science Program Director in College of Professional Studies 2022 to Present

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Creativity Award 2017, C-N Community Service Award 2025

Family: Wife: Leslie; children: Beth, Clara, Will

Church involvement: Church Street United Methodist Church Knoxville

Special Interests: Woodworking, scouting



Dr. Sherman B. Vanaman II

Professor of Mathematics

Years at C-N: 40 (1956-64, 66-68, 69-95, 97-2001)

Degrees: BA 1949 U Louisville, MS 1951 University KY, PhD 1967 University MD

Research Interest: Mathematics Education

Professional Development: President TN Mathematics Teachers Assoc; Presenter: Nat Council of Teachers of Mathematics, Mathematical Assoc of America, Nat Assoc for Research in Science Teaching; Visiting Professor: U MD, U DE, UTK; Visiting Scientist TN Academy of Science

Favorite Courses: Algebra, courses for teachers, honors courses

Dept Service: Chair 1956-95; curriculum reform

Service to C-N: Taught courses in Honors Program, SO Assoc Accrediting Team for several high schools

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 1970; C-N Community Service Award 1972; Jefferson County School Board; member Phi Kappa Phi and many honor societies; NSF summer institutes: American U, U FL, U CA Santa Barbara; for 40 years opened every class session at C-N with prayer

Family: Wife: Juanita (deceased); children: Deborah Marie (deceased), Bonnie ('83), Sherman III ('80)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon, Sunday School teacher, Intermediate Training Union leader, ordained Baptist minister, supply pastor in East TN churches

Special Interests: Knoxville Symphony Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra, Knoxville Opera and Ballet, Clarence Brown Theatre, Barter Theatre, visited all 50 states and several countries, KY basketball fan

Deceased: February 10, 2013



Dr. Louis O. Ball

Professor of Music

Years at C-N: 35 (1961-96)

Degrees: BA 1951, MS 1953 UTK; MSM 1957, DMA 1962 Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Research Interest: Church Music

Professional Development: Several publications involving lessons for the church pianist and hymn playing kit; numerous hymns arranged for piano duet, organ/piano, and further arrangements for organ/piano with handbells appearing in *Pedalpoint* magazine; 27 magazine articles relating to music; lectures at the National Association of Schools of Music annual conferences; annual faculty recitals at C-N (1961-96); conducted oratorio performances at C-N (1962-75, 1977, 1983, 1995)

Favorite Courses: Church Music, Piano

Dept Service: Chair 1963-96

Service to C-N: Academic Council, budget planner, student recruitment

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 1983, Ball Alumni Recital Fund, Ball Church Music Institute, Distinguished Alumnus SBTS 1991, *International Who's Who in Music*

Family: Wife: Mary Charlotte*; children: David, Mark ('84)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, interim minister of music at 11 churches, conducted TN Baptist Chorale from 1968-1982

Deceased: February 28, 2013



Mary Charlotte Ball

Assistant Professor of Music

Years at C-N: 26 (1968-94)

Degrees: BA 1951 UTK, MSM 1958 Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Research Interest: Organ

Professional Development: Numerous hymns arranged for piano duet, organ/piano, and further arrangements for organ/piano with handbells appearing in publications such as *Pedalpoint* magazine; annual faculty recitals at C-N

Favorite Courses: Organ

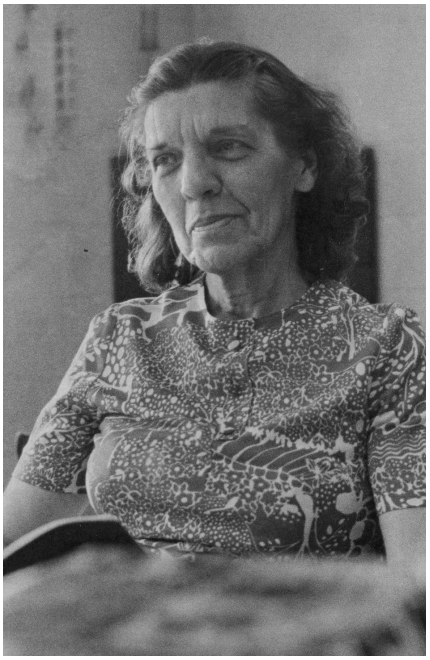
Service to C-N: Established Ball Alumni Recital in honor of her husband Louis Ball, Louis and Mary Charlotte Ball Institute of Church Music, established an organ scholarship

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Community Service Award 1984, active in the American Guild of Organists

Family: Husband: Louis*; children: David, Mark (’84)

Church involvement: Organist at First Baptist Church of Jefferson City for 35 years

Deceased: December 5, 2010



Alma R. Baskerville

Associate Professor of Music

Years at C-N: 26 (1949-1975)

Degrees: Diplomas in Organ and Piano 1928-1931 Sullins College; AB 1948, MA 1949 George Peabody College

Research Interest: Piano

Professional Development: Further studies at U of KY, Oxford U, IN U; served as an exchange teacher to Bretton Hall Training College in Yorkshire, England, in 1959

Favorite Courses: Piano, Piano literature, Music History, Music Appreciation

Dept Service: Membership in Kappa Delta Pi fraternity

Service to C-N: Founder of the Danforth Associate Program and first Associate (1955-59)

Honors/Distinctions: Alma Baskerville Music Scholarship, *Who's Who of American Women, Who's Who in TN Nursing Homes Hall of Fame*, won two Danforth Summer Scholarships (one to Southern California U and one to Columbia U, NY)

Church involvement: Organist for First United Methodist Church Gallatin, organist for First United Methodist Church Jefferson City until early 1990's, pianist at Hebron Presbyterian Church for several years

Special Interests: Taught piano privately, frequent piano soloist

Deceased: March 24, 2001



Ersa N. "Miss Ersa" Davis

Professor of Music

Years at C-N: 45 (1923-1968)

Degrees: BA 1923 C-N

Research Interest: Developing music at C-N

Professional Development: Graduate work: New England Conservatory of Music Boston, Cincinnati Conservatory of Music, Chicago College of Music; Knoxville Chapter of Am Guild of Organists

Favorite Courses: Organ, Piano

Dept Service: Chair 1926-63 (called to service after her teacher Mrs. Nora Rankin became ill)

Service to C-N: 1963 led Music Dept as 1st Baptist College to gain membership in Nat Assoc of Schools of Music

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Alumnus Award 1972, Honorary Doctorate 1978, Professor Emerita, C-N 1941 and 1962 Yearbook Dedications p 20 and pp 24-25, Chambliss Fine Arts Building Recital Hall named the Ersa N. Davis Recital Hall 1963, Tarr Music Building Lobby dedicated to Ersa N. Davis, Ersa Davis Music Scholarship, granted lifetime membership into both Blue Key National Honor Society and the C-N Alpha Gamma Chapter of Delta Omicron, local music club dedicated as Ersa Davis Music Club

Family: Siblings: Fred ('34), Bernice ('35), Lucy

Church involvement: First Baptist Jefferson City, organist over 40 years, the 1974 organ dedicated the Ersa Davis Organ

Special Interests: Reading, crossword puzzles, travel, C-N sports fan, Sr Citizens Club of Jefferson City

Deceased: April 9, 1981; at her death a student wrote, "The song may have ended, but the melody will last forever."



Dr. Mark E. Hussung

Professor of Music

Years at C-N: 32 (1993-2025)

Degrees: BM 1987 U Louisville, MM 1989 UWI-Madison, DMA 1998 U Cincinnati

Research Interest: Piano Music of William Grant Still

Professional Development: Presentations to National Collegiate Honors Council, TN Music Teachers Assoc, Appalachian College Assoc Honors Program Conference; recorded "Resonances for Piano" for *Resonant Edges* on the Capstone label; President of Knoxville Music Teachers Assoc, President of TN Music Teachers Assoc; regular adjudicator for local and state piano competitions; two-time participant in the Music Teachers Assoc National Leadership Summit; performed over 25 different faculty solo, concerto, and chamber music recital programs

Favorite Courses: Private Piano Lessons, Class Piano for Beginners, Formation for Music Ministry

Dept Service: Chair 2020-2024, Director of Keyboard Instruction 1994-2005, Assistant Director of Summer Music Camp and Director of Keyboard Camp 1999-2003

Service to C-N: Honors Program Director 2000-2010, Interim Dean of Fine Arts 2011-2012

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Mentoring Award 2005

Family: Wife: Rita; children: Steven, Jonathan, Luke

Church involvement: Emmanuel Baptist Church Jefferson City, Minister of Music 1996-2023, Preschool Music Teacher 1998-2008, Men's Group Leader (1997-1999, 2004-2007, 2015-2019), First Baptist Maryville, Classic Service Worship Pastor 2023-present

Special Interests: Gardening, service dog puppy raising



Ann A. Jones

Professor of Music

Years at C-N: 52 (1965-2017)

Degrees: BA 1961 C-N, MA 1963 IN U

Research Interest: Vocal Pedagogy and Choral Conducting

Professional Development: Additional study IN U, Oberlin Conservatory of Music Ohio, and Westminster Choir College NJ; taught at MS College 1964-65; member ACDA, NATS, Knoxville Choral Society, MENC, and Delta Omicron International Music Fraternity

Favorite Courses: Vocal Pedagogy, Sacred Solo Literature

Dept Service: Director of Women's Singers, Chair of the Voice Department 2003-17; NASM Accreditation Committee

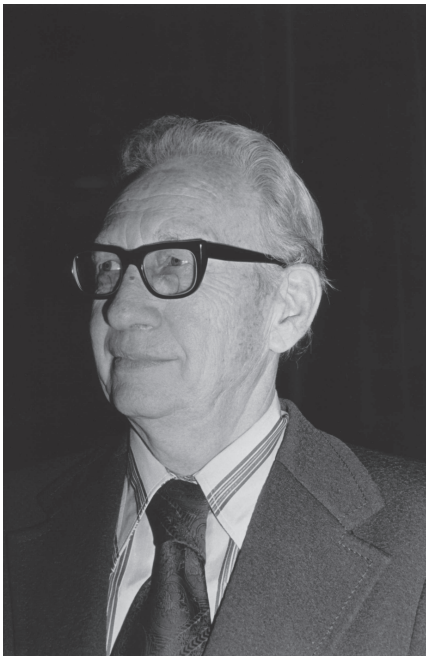
Service to C-N: In 1967 installed the Alpha Gamma Chapter of Delta Omicron at C-N, served as chapter advisor until retirement in 2017, the local chapter received the Chapter of Excellence Award from the Board of Directors every year for 43 years; Committees: Provost Search, Appalachian Steeples of Excellence, Faculty Council (Chair), SACS work

Honors/Distinctions: Outstanding Service Award 1995, Mentoring Award 1999, RR Turner Award 2006, Distinguished Faculty Award 2008, RR Bryan Society 2023, Ann Jones Voice Scholarship, International President of Delta Omicron 2003-13, presently Delta Omicron Foundation Trustee

Family: Husband: Charles*; son: Todd

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, choir member and frequent soloist, personnel committee

Special Interests: Gardening, working in the yard, traveling



Charles H. "Fessor" Jones, Jr.

Professor of Music

Years at C-N: 35 (1946-1981)

Degrees: BA 1935 Cumberland College KY, MA 1940 Cincinnati Conservatory

Research Interest: Choir Performance

Professional Development: Additional study at Eastman School of Music and IN U, taught at Martin Jr College TN and Salem College WVA, life member of ACDA, NATS, MTNA, PI KAPPA LAMBDA, PHI MU ALPHA and Knoxville Choral Society

Favorite Courses: Music Theory, A Cappella Choir

Dept Service: Legendary conductor of A Cappella Choir, taught voice, piano, and accompanied innumerable faculty recitals

Service to C-N: His A Cappella Choirs represented C-N across the country at Southern Baptist Conventions, Baptist Radio Hour programs, TMTA and Southern Division of Am Choral Directors Conventions, and with the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra travelling more than 80,000 miles in the process

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 1981, Emeritus Professor, Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award 1977, C-N 1983 Yearbook Tribute pp 26-7; "Fessor" Jones Endowed Professorship established 1998 by alumni and friends of A Cappella Choir, Jones Piano Scholarship Fund, Choral Rehearsal Room in Tarr Music Building dedicated to "Fessor" Jones, charter member Jefferson City Kiwanis Club, Air Force Veteran of both WWII and Korean Wars

Family: Wife: Ann* ('61); Son: Todd

Church involvement: First Baptist Jefferson City, choir and substitute music minister

Special Interests: Gardening

Deceased: December 25, 2007



Dr. D. Clark Measels

Professor of Music

Years at C-N: 37 (1983-2020)

Degrees: AA 1973 East Central CC (MS); BA 1974, MM 1976 Wm Carey; MCM 1980, DMA 1986 SBTS

Research Interest: Vocal Music, Church Music, Music History, the Arts

Professional Development: Editor/Author, *Music Ministry: A Guidebook*; member Text and Tunes Committee, *Celebrating Grace* Hymnal; numerous performances: Knoxville Symphony, Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center, Knoxville Choral Society, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Baylor U, various churches; music accreditation visitor (23 visits) for the National Assoc of Schools of Music; committee member to rewrite the national church music accreditation standards

Favorite Courses: Voice, Music History, Hymnology, Church Music Administration

Dept Service: Chair 20 years, Dean of Fine Arts 15 years, London Study Abroad Program leader three years, additional part-time service

Service to C-N: C-N Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee member, co-chair Presidential Inauguration Committees for Netherton, O'Brien, Fowler

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 2020, Professor Emeritus, William Carey U Circle of Excellence Award 2009

Family: Wife: Nenette*

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, choir, various committees; multiple terms of service as an interim music leader for churches in the region

Special Interests: Woodworking, amateur radio (WD4CM), emergency management



Dr. Thomas B. Milligan, Jr.

Professor of Music

Years at C-N: 39 (1978-2017)

Degrees: BA/BM 1969 C-N, MA/PhD 1979 Eastman School of Music at U of Rochester

Research Interest: Music History

Professional Development: Numerous articles appearing in publications like *Mitteilungen der internationalen Stiftung Mozarteum* (1978) and *American Harp Journal* (1981); leading expert on Johann Baptist Cramer, Franz Cramer, and Nicolas Hüllmandel included in the famous *New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians* (2000); many arrangements for duel pianos, piano/organ, and small instrumental ensembles

Favorite Courses: Music History, Music Theory, Electronic Music Methods

Service to C-N: Editor SACS Self-Study 2001, Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee, Academic Programs and Standards Committee, programmed and updated annually the online graduation requirements for the Registrar until retirement in 2017

Honors/Distinctions: Research and Creativity Award 1987, Creativity Award 2003, Distinguished Faculty Award 2005

Family: Wife: Karen (’78); children: David, Meredith

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon, sang in choir, accompanied children’s choir, taught children’s Sunday School, played piano and organ occasionally, served on various committees

Special Interests: Hiking



James L. Pethel

Associate Professor of Music

Years at C-N: 37 (1962-1999)

Degrees: AA 1956 Truett McConnell, BS 1959 C-N, MA 1960 Peabody

Research Interest: Organ and piano compositions

Professional Development: Additional graduate work Peabody and N TX State, over 300 music compositions and articles published by some 17 publishers, wrote commissioned choral work for Governor's School of the Arts 1988, member Am Guild Organists, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Phi Kappa Lambda

Favorite Courses: Organ, Piano, Composition, Theory

Dept Service: For many years sight-singing adjudicator for state music festivals in TN

Service to C-N: Distinguished Composer-in-Residence

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Outstanding Alumnus 1996, Research and Creativity Award 1984, Associate Professor Emeritus, established the Omalee Simpson Pethel and the Martha Prevost Pethel Scholarships, *Who's Who in Music,* Standard Award from Am Soc of Composers, Authors and Publishers for 25 years, Knoxville Music Teachers Assoc Composer of the Year 1987, Greeneville Music Teachers Assoc Composer of the Year 1991, Meritorious Award from Knoxville Chapter of Am Guild of Organists, Delta Omicron Service Award, Outstanding Service Award Phi Mu Alpha, Nat Defense Ed Act grantee 1959-62, Class President Truett McConnell

Family: Wife: Martha (deceased); children: Stephen, Ann ('88)

Church involvement: First Baptist Jefferson City, organist for FBC Morristown, FUMC Dandridge, and Jefferson City

Special Interests: Hiking, photography, swimming, collecting unusual toys

Deceased: January 22, 2026



Dr. W. Sue Swilley

Professor of Music

Years at C-N: 39 (1965-2004)

Degrees: BME 1961 SE LA, MM 1963 LSU, DMA 1978 University of Iowa

Research Interest: Music literature for flute choir

Professional Development: Member of the National Flute Assoc (attended 20+ conventions), National Assoc of College Wind & Percussion Instructors, taught English two summers in China (1988 & 1990), TN Music Educators Assoc

Favorite Courses: Solo Flute Instruction, Flute Choir, Freshman Theory, and Instrumentation

Dept Service: Chapter sponsor for Kappa Delta Pi, Delta Omicron International Music Fraternity

Service to C-N: Faculty Advisor for Alpha Lambda Delta, National ALD Council for three years, advisor to C-N Mortarboard for three years, Delta Kappa Gamma, Scholarship Chairman for Les Amies

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emerita, Swilley-Hudson Flute Scholarship, *Who's Who Among America's Teachers* 1996, performed with the Knoxville Symphony and Knoxville Chamber Orchestras, performed as a solo flutist in England, Scotland, Wales, Austria, and China

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City choir, Sunday School teacher, First Presbyterian Church Jefferson City choir, Elder, communion preparation and scheduling, Church Street Café worker, annual yard sale participant

Special Interests: Director and coordinator of Grace Notes Flute Choir (2003 to present), hiking, traveling, mountain climbing (Doctorate in Summer Program Mtn Climbing, U CO), gardening, and reading



Dr. Thomas S. Teague

Professor of Music

Years at C-N: 41 (1962-2003)

Degrees: AA 1958 Mars Hill; BM 1961, MM 1962, DM 1969 FL State U

Research Interest: Vocal performance, teaching voice, music theatre

Professional Development: Produced a manual on diction (1968) used by many voice teachers in the Southeast, enhanced the reputation of C-N and its music program through his numerous vocal performances in widespread venues

Favorite Courses: Teaching Voice, Lyric Theatre

Dept Service: Long time Director of Vocal Studies, along with Dr. Welton founded Lyric Theatre and served as Music Director and Producer for more than 30 years

Service to C-N: Chair of Vocal Studies, Chair of the Concert-Lecture Committee, Interim Chair of the Music Dept

Honors/Distinctions: Malcom Miller Award 1965 for outstanding student projects from the *Knoxville Journal,* C-N 2003 Yearbook Tribute p122, Professor Emeritus, Tom Teague Lyric Theater Program Endowment, Teague Music Scholarship

Family: Wife: Nyoka (’71 BA, ’91 ME); children: Julie (’86), David (’88), Chris (’98), Rachel (’97), Matthew (deceased)

Church involvement: Minister of Music at First Baptist Church Morristown, long time Music Director for First United Methodist Church Jefferson City, many church performances as a singer

Special Interests: Horses, boating, farming, gardening

Deceased: July 6, 2020



Dr. Eric A. Thorson

Professor of Music

Years at C-N: 39 (1981-2020)

Degrees: AA 1972 Iowa Central CC, BA 1974 Buena Vista College, MM 1978, EdD 1982 Arizona State U

Research Interest: Collegiate male chorus curricular repertoire, general choral music

Professional Development: Numerous performances at C-N, in churches across the nation, and internationally with student and professional musicians

Favorite Courses: Music Education, Beginning & Advanced Conducting, Student Teacher Supervision, Choral Methods, Ensembles: A Cappella Choir, Men's Chorus, Oratorio Chorus

Dept Service: Director of Choral Activities including multiple international tours with A Cappella Choir

Service to C-N: Amazing concerts presented to many and varied audiences for the benefit of C-N

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 2003, Mentoring Award 1998, Professor Emeritus, *International Who's Who in Music*, Orpheus Award for the Advancement of American Music from Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, American Choral Directors Assoc TN State President, Artistic Director and Conductor of the Knoxville Choral Society 1995-2018, founder and director of the Knoxville Chamber Chorale 1996-2018, "Master Teacher" TN Governor's School for the Arts 1986, Outstanding Young Man of America 1984 and 1985, multiple concerts with the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra, Delta Omicron Chapter Patron

Family: Wife: Wanda; children: Kimberly ('03), Christopher ('07 BA, '11 MAT)

Church involvement: West Hills Baptist Church Knoxville Minister of Music 1995-present, supply music director 1982-95

Special Interests: Golf



Dr. Kimberly S. Bolton

Professor of Nursing

Years at C-N: (1997-present)

Degrees: BSN 1988, MSN 1991, PhD 2006 UTK

Research Interest: Women's health care: Florence Nightingale's environmental theory in nursing practice, women survivors of childhood abuse, parent-daughter relationships in abusive families

Professional Development: Certified in Women's Health Care Nurse Practitioner by Nat Credentialing Corp; author of multiple publications and book chapters; presentations at international, national and regional nursing research conferences; meetings and workshops attended include yearly new drug updates, Am Acad of Nurse Practitioners Leadership, Southern Nurses Research Society, National Women's Health Care Conference; member: NLN, American and TN Nurses Assoc, Sigma Theta Tau Treasurer and Graduate Counselor

Favorite Courses: Advanced Health Assessment

Dept Service: Asst Chair, Graduate Studies in Nursing; Director MSN program 2018-22; Program Director Grad Studies 2012-18; Chair Grad Studies 2009-12; Graduate Project/ Thesis Chair for over 40 student research projects

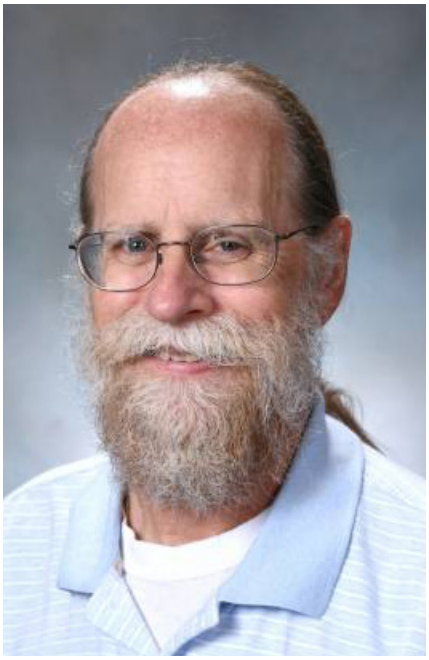
Service to C-N: Women's Health Care Nurse Practitioner for C-N Wellness Center Health Clinic, local remote area medical health clinics, Mountain Hope Good Shepherd Clinic Sevierville since 2001

Honors/Distinctions: *Biltmore Who's Who 2009*, Professional Nursing Clinical Experience Award from Regional Cooperative for Professional Nurses Week 2007, Scholarship Award from TN Nurses Assoc 2007

Family: Husband: Preston (deceased); son: Christopher

Church involvement: Wallace Memorial Baptist Church

Special Interests: Gardening, reading, puzzles, walking



Dr. Gregory A. Casalenuovo

Professor of Nursing

Years at C-N: (1996–present)

Degrees: Diploma Nursing 1976 LG-ML Hospital; BSN 1984, MSN 1989 UNC-CH; PhD 2002 UTK

Research Interest: Fatigue, diabetes mellitus, gentle human touch

Professional Development: Post-Master's Certificate FNP 2016 C-N; Post-Master's Certificate PMHNP 2023 King University; co-author of article on chronic fatigue syndrome in *Journal of Chronic Fatigue Syndrome* 2000; nine presentations involving diabetes and the Neuman System Model for diabetics, chronic fatigue syndrome, and how much touch for preterm infants at conferences of the Southern Nursing Research Society, International Congress on Women's Health Issues, Neuman Systems Model Symposium, and Sigma Theta Tau Annual Research Day

Favorite Courses: Critical Care Nursing, Statistics, Pathophysiology, Pharmacology

Dept Service: Chair 2008-2011, 2012-2013; program coordinator 2011-2013; courses developed: Special Topics for ROTC (Nursing 273), Introduction to Altered Health States (Nursing 302), Complex Health Patterns Alterations (Nursing 414), Nursing Leadership for ROTC (Nursing 419), Professional Synthesis for RNs Nursing (422), and NCLEX Success (Nursing 432), Transition to Advance Nursing Practice (Nursing 500); faculty advisor for special nursing populations: ROTC students, Honors students, RN-MSN students, and student research both undergraduate and graduate

Service to C-N: Assoc Dean, School of Nursing and Behavioral Health 2007-2011; Dean, School of Nursing and Behavioral Health 2011-2012; Committees: Honors Council, Graduate Program, Standards

Honors/Distinctions: *Who's Who Among America's Teachers* 2005; Professional Nursing Clinical Excellence Award, Knoxville, TN 2005, 2016; C-N Academic Advising Award 2008; *Who's Who – Empowering Executives and Professionals* 2009

Family: Daughter: Tiffani Zichko (BSN '07; MSN '16); aunt: Maggie Monroe (1925)

Church involvement: Heritage Fellowship Oak Ridge, Elder, Prayer and Worship with 2–5-year-olds, five mission trips to Zimbabwe

Special Interests: Reading, traveling



Dr. Angela F. Wood

Professor of Nursing

Years at C-N: 29 (1993–2022)

Degrees: BSN 1979, MSN 1986, PhD 1998 UTK

Research Interest: Maternal-Infant care, nursing education

Professional Development: Organizations: National Association of Neonatal Nurses, Sigma Theta Tau; professional activities: reviewer for JACN 2020–present, Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education; review of professional publication, Lippincott Williams and Wilkins, AACN Accreditation Site Visitor; reviewer for NOEP Neonatal Review course 2017; numerous publications in *American Journal for Nurse Practitioners, Neonatal Network,* and *BJOG* involving childhood asthma, human milk banking, risks of placental dysfunction disorders, and the NP role in assessment of partner violence; several chapter contributions to textbooks on nursing models and instructor resource manuals

Favorite Courses: Maternal Infant Nursing, Nursing Research

Dept Service: Chair 2007–2013, 2013-2020

Service to C-N: Served on numerous committees including Curriculum, St. John Bible, Interim President Selection

Honors/Distinctions: Certifications: Certified High Risk Perinatal Nurse by American Nurses Credentialing High Risk Nursing Center, 1992–2013; Certified Neonatal Nurse Practitioner by the National Certification Corp for Ob, Gyn and Neonatal Nurse Specialists, 1993–2015; Awards: Award for Professional Nursing Clinical Excellence 2009; Fellow, Leadership for Academic Nursing Program, AACN 2004

Family: Husband: Samuel; children: Jennifer (’09), Samuel (’11)

Church involvement: Monte Vista Baptist Church, pianist 1993–present, Deacon

Special Interests: Reading, cooking



Dr. D. Brian Austin

Professor of Philosophy

Years at C-N: 30 (1995-2025)

Degrees: BA 1982 Samford U; MDiv 1985, PhD 1989 SBTS

Research Interest: Philosophy of Religion, Religion and Science, Christian Theologys

Professional Development: *The End of Certainty and the Beginning of Faith: Religion and Science for the 21st Century,* Smyth and Helwys Publishing, 2001; 20 papers/conference presentations in philosophy of religion; Executive Council of the Society for the Philosophy of Religion; additional study Yantai University, China 1991; Bexley Seabury Seminary 2022

Favorite Courses: Christian Ethics, Philosophy of Religion, Non-Western Religious Thought

Dept Service: Chair/program Director of Philosophy for 15 years, intermittently

Service to C-N: Director of the London Program 1995-2010; Chair of General Education Revision Task Force 2003-2006; Director of the Honors Program 2010-2016; Chair of Faculty Council 2015, 2021; Chair of QEP Development/Implementation 2021-2023

Honors/Distinctions: Research Award 2001 and 2009, Distinguished Faculty Award 2012

Family: Wife: Sandra; children: David ('10), Seth (deceased)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City 1995-2010, Sunday School teacher; Senior Warden, St. James Episcopal Church Knoxville 2016-2017; ordained Episcopal Clergy 2024; Priest-in-Charge Episcopal Church of the Annunciation, Newport, TN, 2024-present

Special Interests: Classical guitar, vocalist in various choirs



Dr. Paul D. Brewer

Professor of Philosophy and Religion

Years at C-N: 37 (1958-1995)

Degrees: BA 1951 C-N; MA 1956 TCU; MDiv 1954, ThD 1957 SWBTS

Research Interest: Baptist studies, history of philosophy, philosophy of literature

Professional Development: Publications: *Youth Affirm: Doctrine of Man* 1977; sermons in *Pulpit Digest* 1980's; Sunday School lessons in *Baptist and Reflector*; Training Union lessons for youth, Baptist Young People's Union; articles on Baptist history and heritage; workbooks for C-N courses in Philosophy and Education; editor and contributor, *C-N Faculty Studie*s 1964-70; author, History of C-N Philosophy Dept; speaker: various Baptist conventions, student week at various colleges, international student retreat, religious, civic and educational groups; guest professor, SBTS 1980; further study Union Theol Sem, IU 1961, UTK 1964-66

Dept Service: Chair, Philosophy Dept 1967-74; Chair, Humanities Div 1974-83; formed and advised C-N chapter of Phi Sigma Tau; Chair, Curriculum Committee 1980's

Service to C-N: Chair, Chapel 1960's; Director, Center for Baptist Studies; initiated and directed C-N Honors Program 1963-69; initiated and directed General Studies 1970-75; volunteer C-N football coach 1960-65; basketball scorekeeper 1970's

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 1980, Professor Emeritus, Imogene and Paul Brewer Scholarship, Brewer Oxford Scholars Endowment

Family: Wife: Imogene* ('52); children: Paul David Jr ('75), Don, Dan ('80)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon, Benevolence Committee Chair, interim minister at over 40 East TN churches

Special Interests: President Habitat for Humanity, President and Board of Directors JC Friends of the Library, President JC Little League, Director JC Summer Recreation Program '72-'73, election official for local precinct, referee TSSAA '59-'60

Deceased: June 28, 2016



Dr. Arlie E. Cate

Professor of Philosophy

Years at C-N: 31 (1924-1955)

Degrees: BA 1916 C-N, ThB 1922 SBTS, MA 1923 University of PA, MTS 1923 Crozer Theological Seminary, ThD 1924 SBTS

Research Interest: None noted

Professional Development: Additional graduate study, University of Poitiers; George Peabody College for Teachers

Favorite Courses: Philosophy

Dept Service: Chair of Philosophy 1947-1955

Service to C-N: Dean of the College 1925-1947; led C-N to its first accreditation and affiliation with SACS

Honors/Distinctions: Supt of Schools, Willacooche, GA; Taught at Yancy Collegiate Institute (school sponsored by Southern Baptist Convention Home Mission Board); Dean, Mars Hill College; Private, US Army, WW I served in France; Lt. Col US Army Quartermaster Corps, WWII; Chaplain, Army Reserves; Dean Emeritus (1947), Cate Memorial Scholarship, C-N 1929 and 1954 Yearbook Dedications pp 2-3 and p 16, C-N 1951 Yearbook Tribute pp 5, 82-83

Family: Wife: Leola McDonald; children: Sara Arline Thrash (’49), Anne Laurel, Glenn, James

Church involvement: First Baptist Jefferson City; pastored area churches

Special Interests: Sons of the American Revolution, Freemason, Royal Arch Mason, Knight Templar Mason, Scottish Rite Mason, and Shriner

Deceased: April 6, 1955



Dr. Don H. Olive

Professor of Philosophy

Years at C-N: 33 (1975-2008)

Degrees: BA East TX Baptist College; BD, ThD SWBTS; PhD Tulane

Research Interest: Baptist theology, medieval philosophy

Professional Development: On faculty at Wayland Baptist, visiting professor NOBTS, for 15 years adjunct Prof of Philosophy at Walters State and Roane State Community Colleges, several grants for seminars and summer institutes including NEH and Mellon, many publications including books, articles and reviews on topics like incarnation, positivism and Wolfhart Pannenberg

Favorite Courses: Honors Course: Humanity and the Cosmos

Dept Service: Chair of Philosophy; brought to C-N seminar type course: Dialogue of the Western World

Service to C-N: Dean of Humanities; taught in the C-N Honors Program

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 1992

Family: Wives: Linda (deceased), Judy; children: Don (’85), James (’90), Jennifer, Sara (’04), Austin (’14)

Church involvement: Interim pastor of multiple churches in East TN, since retirement Pastor of Fifth Avenue Baptist Church Knoxville

Special Interests: Surveying company (employing Tom O’Neal* and Truett Patterson*)



Libby Hudson Gardner

Assistant Professor of Health, PE and Leisure Services

Years at C-N: 37 (1969-2006)

Degrees: BS 1968 C-N, MS 1969 UTK

Professional Development: Member of both TN Association and American Alliance for Health, PE, Recreation and Dance; American Red Cross: water safety instructor trainer, lifeguard instructor trainer, community CPR/first aid, automated AED instructor, PET first aid instructor

Favorite Courses: Volleyball, Badminton, Swimming, Water Safety

Dept Service: Lifeguard and Swimming Pool coordinator 1980-90

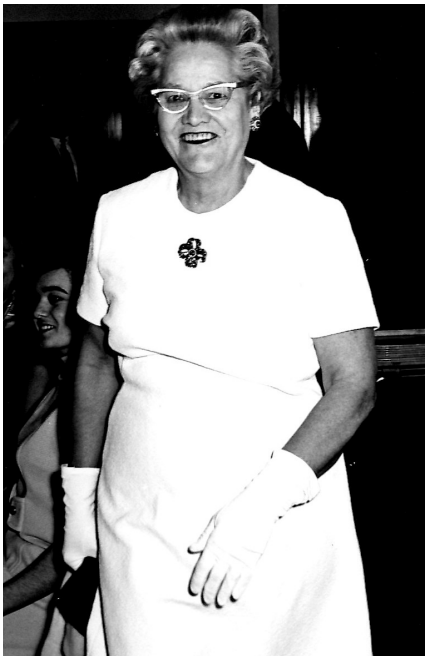
Service to C-N: Volleyball coach 1969-79, women's basketball and tennis coach 1973-79, Wellness Center resource person for faculty/staff 1990-1

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Athletic Hall of Fame 1993, Basketball Team of the Century 1994, VSAC Volleyball Coach of the Year 1978

Family: Parents: John ('39), Marge ('39); Sister: Judy ('65)

Church involvement: First Presbyterian Church Jefferson City, Property and Finance Committee

Special Interests: Pickleball, fitness swimming, painting/crafting, boating/fishing



Mae Iddins

Associate Professor of Physical Education

Years at C-N: 42 (1928-1970)

Degrees: BA 1926 C-N, B.P.E. 1928 Am. College of PE Chicago

Research Interest: Physical education and sport for women

Professional Development: Additional study UTK; author of *A Workbook of Physical Education* 1940; author of a chapter "A Comparison of Softball and Baseball" in the *Official Softball Guide for Women* 1942; memberships: Am Assoc of Health, PE and Recreation; National Assoc of PE for College Women; TN PE Assoc for Colleges; TN Valley Women's Official Rating Board; Southern Assoc of PE; East TN Teacher's Assoc; International Assoc of PE and Sports for Girls and Women; International Assoc for Health, PE and Recreation; Am Assoc of University Women

Favorite Courses: Exercise for women

Dept Service: Established PE major for men and women, long term Chair

Service to C-N: Mathematics teacher in C-N's Navy V-12 program, established intramural program for women

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emerita, Mae Iddins Scholarship, Am Red Cross 50 yr Service Award 1981, C-N Distinguished Alumnus Award 1973, C-N Athletic Hall of Fame 1985, Holt Fieldhouse pool named in honor of Mae Iddins 1970, Honor Award from TN PE Assoc (1959), TN rep to National Women's Athletic Assoc 1941

Family: Sister: Mildred* ('36)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, college Sunday School teacher

Special Interests: China painting, collection of ships, attending Olympics

Deceased: March 19, 1989



Dr. N. Jean Love

Associate Professor of Health, PE and Exercise Science

Years at C-N: 32 (1990-2022)

Degrees: BS 1983 C-N, M.Ed. 1985 George Peabody College of VU, EdD 1990 UTK

Research Interest: Psycho-social aspects of sport and exercise performance

Professional Development: Memberships and presentations: Am. Alliance of Health, PE, Recreation and Dance; TN Assoc of Health, PE, Recreation, and Dance; Assoc of Applied Sport Psychology; presentations: Nashville Baptist Hospital Sports Medicine; Jekyll Island Share the Wealth PE Conference; technology workshops

Favorite Courses: Human Motor Learning and Performance, Psychology of Sport and Exercise Performance, Teaching Team Games, Teaching Individual and Dual Sports, Wellness

Dept Service: Chair of Health, Physical Education, and Exercise Science 1998-2003; Dean of Education Division 2004-06

Service to C-N: Tennis Coach Men (1988-90, 2000-18) and Women (1988-2018), numerous committees 1991-2022, writer of PE Dept history for C-N Sesquicentennial 2001

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Academic Advising Award 2003, RR Turner Award 2017, SAC Coaching Service Award 2003, C-N Athletic Hall of Fame 2002, NCAA DII Regional Tennis Ranking Committee, SAC Coach of the Year 2009

Family: Parents: Jack (’56), Nancy (’56)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, numerous committees, Deacon

Special Interests: All sports, classic movies, Am. songbook genre singers



Martha B. Wilson

Professor of Physical Education

Years at C-N: 26 (1965-1991)

Degrees: BS 1950, MEd 1951 Univ of MS

Professional Development: American Alliance for Health, PE, Recreation and Dance; TN Association of Health, PE, Recreation and Dance; TN College PE Association; Past President of PE section of the East TN Educ Association; President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports; taught spring semester in London with C-N London Semester 1990; taught non-credit aerobic dance classes

Favorite Courses: Rhythmic Movement, Teaching Health and PE in the Elementary School

Dept Service: Coordinator of Health, PE and Recreation, Sponsor Majors Club and Chi Sigma Nu Honorary Club for women PE majors

Service to C-N: President of the Faculty Women's Club, member of the College Community Council, member of the Eagle Club, Co-Sponsor C-N Chapter Kappa Delta Pi, coached extramural women's volleyball, badminton, and softball

Honors/Distinctions: Frosty Holt Award 2019, SCHAS Citizen of the Year 2007, Marquis *Who's Who of American Women* 1979, Distinguished Faculty Award 1978, International Biographical Institute's *World Who's Who of Women in Education* 1977, Eagle Club Booster of the Year 1976, Professor Emerita

Family: Husband: Bobby*; son: Rob

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Secretary of the Agape SS Class

Special Interests: U.S. Lighthouse Society, Morristown Square Dance Club, Monday Literary Club, teaching water aerobics

Deceased: February 2, 2022



Dr. John W. Burton

Professor of Physics

Years at C-N: 38 (1964-2002)

Degrees: BS 1959 C-N; MS 1961, PhD 1964 U IL; MS 1976 UTK

Research Interest: Recoilless absorption of nuclear radiation

Professional Development: Attended several national meetings of Am Physics Soc, Assoc of Physics Teachers

Favorite Courses: Physics of Musical Sound, Basic Physics, Astronomy

Dept Service: Chair, Director C-N Computer Center

Service to C-N: Chaired Impact Symposium dedication of DSC; speaker for chapel, high school Science Night; produced A-V presentations: "The Passion of Christ," "Creation!" and others; innovative teaching techniques, lab instruction and grading system; wrote lab manual for General Physics; developed computer-assisted instruction system; installed computer systems for instructional and administrative use; maintained email communication for C-N retirees

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emeritus, John and Patsy Burton Endowed Scholarship, Burton and O'Neal Physics Scholarship, *Who's Who Among Students* 1959, *Who's Who in American Education* 1966, *Outstanding Young Men of Am* 1966, Volunteer of the Year Appalachian Outreach 2006, represented C-N in Danforth Associates Program

Family: Wife: Patsy ('59); children: Becky ('83), Tim ('85), Amy ('87), Mark ('91)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, interim music director, choir member, Sunday School teacher and Director, instructor for MasterLife course, presentation of oral interpretations of scripture in monologue form, member of several committees, Deacon chair

Special Interests: Woodworking, construction of ramps, choral and solo singing, maintaining email communication with various groups, President of Jefferson Elementary PTA, singer of the National Anthem at Jefferson County Founder's Day, speaker in public school science classes and assemblies, member of Knoxville Choral Society, webmaster, soloist



Alexander Chavis

Associate Professor of Physics

Years at C-N: 33 (1922-24, 1926-57)

Degrees: AB 1922 C-N, MA 1926 University of KY

Professional Development: Further study U S Electrical School

Favorite Courses: Household Mechanics, Astronomy, Meteorology

Dept Service: Established the Physics Department, first Dept Chair, procured lab and demonstration apparatus, supervised construction of observatory and installation of telescope 1933

Service to C-N: Alumni Secretary, instrumental in promoting and planning the construction of the first Science Building 1939, laid early groundwork for funding construction of the Dougherty Science Building, printed programs for campus events and faculty letterheads

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emeritus, C-N 1936 Yearbook Dedication pp 4-5, Distinguished Alumnus Award 1963, Superintendent of Schools in Jefferson City 1924-1926, instrumental in formation of the local Appalachian Electrical Cooperative

Family: Wife: Willie; children: Martha (’45), Carolyn (’51), Barbara (’56), Charles, Don

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon and other offices

Special Interests: Development, printing

Deceased: November 4, 1964



Dr. Thomas N. O'Neal

Professor of Physics

Years at C-N: 37 (1963-66; 1970-2004)

Degrees: BS 1960 MS College, MS 1962 U FL, PhD 1970 Clemson

Research Interest: Solid state physics, electron irradiation effects in metals, density changes in copper caused by neutron radiation, thermodynamics of charge-density wave transitions

Professional Development: Numerous publications, presentations, physics workshops, SACS self-study

Favorite Courses: Radiation Physics, Physics and Everyday Life, Man and His Universe {Honors course)

Dept Service: Chair

Service to C-N: Instituted and maintained an interdisciplinary course in Health Physics, numerous committees

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emeritus, Burton and O'Neal Physics Scholarship, Kappa Delta Pi Outstanding Educator of America 1971, Appalachian Colleges Pew Scholarship for Research at UK 1987-1988, *Who's Who Among America's Teachers* 1998

Family: Wife: Amelia ('65) (deceased); children: Kimberly ('91), Beverly ('93), Christy ('97)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, sound engineer, choir member, brass ensemble, member of several church committees, Deacon

Special Interests: Played in several bands in the area, works on a land surveying crew



Freddie W. Clark

Professor of Psychology and Art

Years at C-N: 27 (1953-1980)

Degrees: AB 1947 Judson College, BA 1949 C-N, MA 1959 UTK

Research Interest: Student development and college student retention

Professional Development: Additional study at Columbia, U of New Mexico, and U of Hawaii; Master's thesis topic: "A Study of Factors Relating to Student Withdrawals at Carson-Newman College"

Favorite Courses: Art, Education, Psychology

Dept Service: Monitored five different national tests 3-5 times a year for C-N and area students

Service to C-N: Assistant Director of Guidance and Counseling, Head Resident of Burnett Hall 1953-60, Faculty Advisor to Alpha Lamba Delta and Mortar Board, Sponsor for Hypatian Literary Society, directed C-N first student retention efforts, co-painted mural in Chambliss

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emerita, Vice-Pres Am Assoc of University Women, Delta Kappa Gamma, League of Women Voters, Volunteer Pink Ladies, Chair of 1992 Glenmore Country Market for APTA, Jeff County AARP Board

Family: Husband passed away 1943

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, choir

Special Interests: Travel to Europe, the Holy Land, Hawaii; member of Ladies Lost Creek Golf Club; avid bowler; Mother Goose to kindergarteners

Deceased: September 2, 2000



Dr. James E. Collins

Professor of Psychology

Years at C-N: (1990-present)

Degrees: BA 1981 UNC; MS 1984, PhD 1987 UGA

Research Interest: Autobiographical memory, self-concepts, self-awareness, meta-cognition, remembering styles, rumination, humor, goal-directed thinking (goal progress), counterfactual thinking, simulation of alternative futures, aesthetic appreciation of art, perception of time, episodic vs semantic memory

Professional Development: Post-Doc research in social cognition U Memphis 1986-88; 10 publications in major scientific journals; 112 paper presentations (1993 – 2024) at 84 regional, 26 national, and 2 international conferences; author of "Theory of Humor Elicitation"; Chair paper sessions at SE Psy Assoc, Blue Ridge Undergrad Research Conf, and other Symposia; Site Director for Soc of SE Social Psy 2001 and the International Rumination Conf; Guest appearances on The Oprah Winfred Show (social psy of love) and NPR/Canadian BC (humor)

Favorite Courses: Social Psychology, Intro to Behavioral Science, Cognitive Psychology, Positive Psychology, Research

Dept Service: Created and developed at least 23 distinct courses at C-N; directed 16 Honors Theses, seven Masters Theses, and statistical consultant for two PhD students

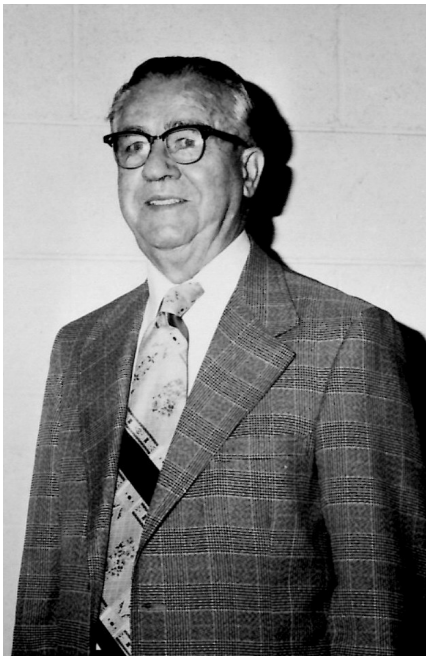
Service to C-N: Lead Advisor for Mortar Board, Committees: Faculty Council (currently VP), Planning and Institutional Effectiveness, Quality Enhancement Program

Honors/Distinctions: Teaching Excellence and Leadership Award 1994, Research Award 1993, Board of Regents Leadership Award in Research 1985 UGA

Family: Daughter: Celeste

Church involvement: First Presbyterian Church Jefferson City, Elder and Choir, Sunday School teacher for both children and adults; mission trips: Haiti (especially hospital for infants with AIDS), China (leprosy village in Ganzhou)

Special Interests: Played saxophone with The AMPs (absent-minded professors), gardening, poetry



Dr. Edgar M. Cook

Professor of Psychology and Education

Years at C-N: 35 (1934–1968)

Degrees: BA 1923 C-N; MA 1928, PhD 1936 George Peabody College for Teachers

Professional Development: Visiting summer teaching appointment TN Polytechnic Institute (now TN Tech U) 1929–33; Principal Hancock County High School, Sneedville, TN 1923-25; Principal Wartburg Central High School, Wartburg, TN 1929–30; Book: *Stalwart Youth* 1939; several small booklets including *The Stages of Life, Fifty Years of Marriage, Life as I Experienced it, See It at 78 Years of Age*; taught at Lee College 1968–71

Favorite Courses: General Psychology which he taught 120 times to 4937 students

Dept Service: Chair 1939–68

Service to C-N: Dean of Men 1934–57, Academic Dean 1957–61 until C-N mandatory administrative policy forced retirement at age 65, continued to teach psychology courses until his full retirement 1968

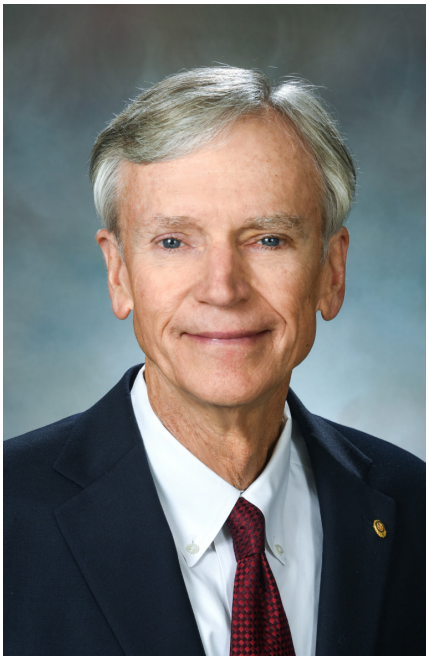
Honors/Distinctions: C-N Distinguished Alumnus 1978, Cook Memorial Scholarship, 1918 tour of duty during World War I, Air Raid Warden during World War II

Family: Wife: Lillie; children: Marion* ('55), Clarence ('57)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon Chair, Sunday School teacher and Superintendent, Chair Pulpit Committee

Special Interests: A true academic and teaching scholar and a dedicated churchman

Deceased: April 27, 1983



Dr. Mark A. Heinrich

Professor of Psychology

Years at C-N: 27.5 (1980 – 2007)

Degrees: BS 1975, MA 1976 TN Tech; PhD 1980 U of AL

Research Interest: Juv delinquency, sex offenders, rural homeless and unprepared college students, death and dying

Professional Development: Many papers/pubs at prof conferences and in peer-reviewed journals, 20 CEUs yearly for TN PSY license

Favorite Courses: Intro to Psy, Abnormal Psy, Counseling Theo and Tech, Psy of Personality, and Group Procedures

Dept Service: Chair 1992 – 1996

Service to C-N: Chair Counselor Ed; Dean of Social Sciences 1993-01, 2004-07; Dean of Ed; Assoc Provost 2002-04; VP for Academic Affairs and Provost 1999-01

Honors/Distinctions: RR Bryan Society 2022, Distinguished Faculty Award 2004, Academic Advising Award 1992, Heinrich C-N Psy Scholarship, Professor Emeritus, Chancellor AL Community C System 2012-17, President Shelton State Community C 2008-12, TN Tech Outstanding Alumni 2014, TN Psy License, member TN Psy Assoc and American Psy Assoc, Natl Admin of the Year for Natl Assoc for Dev Ed 2014, AL Governor's Award 2014, Member AL Committee of 100, Athens State U Board of Trustees and Executive Committee, member Board of Visitors Univ of AL C of Continuing Studies, Leadership AL Class of XXI, West AL Service Award, United Way Board member, Tuscaloosa AL Rotary Club Board member, AL Assoc of Intercollegiate Athletics Coach of the Year, President AL Comm C System Presidents' Assoc

Family: Wife: Elaine

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City; Calvary Baptist Church Tuscaloosa, Alabama; First Baptist Church Morristown, TN; former Deacon and Sunday School teacher

Special Interests: Tennis, traveling, bike riding, hiking



Dr. Guy Larry Osbourne

Professor of Psychology

Years at C-N: 35 (1979–2014)

Degrees: BA 1971 Clemson; MA 1974, PhD 1978 Vanderbilt

Research Interest: Fetal alcohol syndrome, community research and action, Appalachian studies, music and social change, education for social change

Professional Development: Publications in research journals and regional publications; conference presentations, many co-authored with students; organized regional conferences on issues in place-based higher education and greening the curriculum; participated in the formation and work of Just Connections and NatureWatch; recorded albums to support local nonprofits

Favorite Courses: Ecological Psychology, Peace Psychology, History and Systems of Psychology

Dept Service: Chair, adjunct instructor for nine years after retirement

Service to C-N: Dean of Academic Special Programs, Chair of the Appalachian Studies Steeple Committee, MLK Day planning, Advisor for Amnesty International and Sierra Club, Co-Director Bonner Center at its endowment

Honors/Distinctions: Professor Emeritus, Mentor Award 2000, C-N Community Service Award 1987, Distinguished Faculty Award 2010, Highlander Center Board, Community Shares of TN Circle of Change Educator Award, Citizens for Justice Equality and Fairness Campaign Planning Comm, Oak Ridge Environmental Peace Alliance Peacemaker Award (for his band, The Emancipators), Narrow Ridge Earth Literacy Center Board Chair

Family: Sons: Aaron, Stephen, Chris

Church involvement: First Presbyterian Church Jefferson City, Ruling Elder; Presby World Service Advisory Board; Bridge Refugee and Resettlement Agency Board; Peace and Social Concerns Comm (West Knoxville Friends Meeting); with Church of the Good Shepherd, Episcopal: Justice Knox and the Good Shepherds, a worship music folk trio

Special Interests: Camping, hiking, canoeing, songwriting, Underground Railroad in East TN, personal peacemaking



Dr. Laura R. Wadlington

Professor of Psychology

Years at C-N: 33 years (1989-2022)

Degrees: BA Meredith College, MS UGA, PhD UTK

Research Interest: Task persistence, optimism and self-efficacy, styles of learning

Professional Development: Five publications with some in the Journal of Psychology, *Journal of Psychological Assessment*, and *The Department Chair*; 23 presentations at national or regional conferences; *School Psychology Manual* for Cherokee Health Systems, first edition

Favorite Courses: Human Development Through the Lifespan, Abnormal Psychology, Child and Adolescent Psychopathology, Senior Seminar

Dept Service: Chair 2008-2022, Advisor to Psi Chi and Psychology Club, Honor's Advisor, adjunct 1985-1989, part time 2022-24

Service to C-N: Dean School of Social Sciences 2008-2012, Vice-Chair of Chairs (2012-2014), Chair of Chairs (2014-2019), Coordinator for Students with Disabilities, developed the first Student Research Creativity and Performance Day and coordinated for three years, Advisor to ODK

Honors/Distinctions: Academic Advising Award 1994, Mentoring Award 2006, Boyer Laboratory for Learning Fellow, Excellence in Service-Learning Instruction, *Who's Who in American Education*, Faculty induction into Alpha Chi, Professor Emerita, Kappa Delta Pi, Phi Omicron Nu, Omicron Delta Kappa, Psi Chi

Family: Husband: Bill; sons: Will, Joe

Church involvement: First Presbyterian Church, Morristown: Deacon, Elder, Sunday School teacher, Wednesday night program coordinator, Sunday School Superintendent, Director of children's choir, Sanctuary Choir, Worship Ensemble, Chair of CE

Special Interests: Kayaking, beaching, singing, hand knitting, sewing



Carolyn D. Blevins

Associate Professor of Religion

Years at C-N: 29 (1977-2006)

Degrees: BS 1959 C-N, MA 1961 SBTS

Research Interest: Baptist history, role of women in Christianity

Professional Development: Additional study at UTK and Regents Park College, Oxford, England; articles in *Review and Expositor, Theological Educator, Baptist History and Heritage,* and *C-N Studies;* contributed to eight books on Baptist history and on women in Baptist life; a bibliography on women in Christian history (1995), books on the history of the TN Cooperative Baptist Fellowship (2002), women in Baptist life (2003), and loss (2012); Sunday School Youth lessons, Youth Teacher lessons, Resource Kit for 11 years for the Baptist Sunday School Board

Favorite Courses: Baptist History, Women in Christianity, Faith and Freedom

Dept Service: Championed the role of women in Baptist life

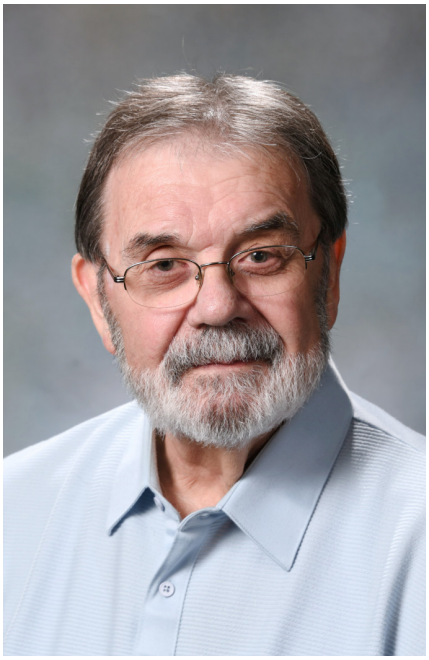
Service to C-N: Director of Honors Program 1978-1992, chair of Sesquicentennial Committee 1997-2001, led mission groups to Haiti, Zimbabwe, Argentina, and three to China

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Community Service Award 1978, Distinguished Faculty Award 1984, C-N 1984 Yearbook Tribute p 76, Creativity Award 1996, Professor Emerita, Baptist Sunday School Board Writing Excellence Award 1987, Southern Baptist Historical Society Norman Cox Award 1991, TN CBF Betty Galloway Advocacy for Women in Ministry Award 2005 and Legacy Award 2006, The Baptist History and Heritage Society established The Carolyn D. Blevins Service Award 2006 and gave a Festschrift in Honor of Carolyn DeArmond Blevins 2018, RR Bryan Society 2026

Family: Husband: Bill* (’59); children: Suzanne (’83), Art (’85), Alan (’90), Kym (’02) (deceased)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Sunday School teacher, Deacon, Stephen Ministry, Pastor search committees

Special Interests: Grandchildren, travel, puzzles



Dr. William L. Blevins

Professor of Religion and Counseling

Years at C-N: 51 (1966-2017)

Degrees: BA 1959 C-N, MDiv 1962 SBTS, PhD 1967 NOBTS, EdS Counseling Psychology 1980 UTK

Research Interest: Neurology

Professional Development: 1970-72 Post-Graduate work Regents Park College, Oxford, England; 1987 Certificate in Clinical Hypnosis (Am Hypnosis Training Academy); National Institute for the Clinical Application of Behavioral Medicine: Certificates in Interactive Guided Imagery 1997 and Mind/Body Medicine 1998; TN Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist; TN Licensed Professional Therapist; five books on grief (Balboa P), family (New Harbinger), the Christian life (Word P), Biblical authority (Convention P), and beginnings of the New Testament (J-K P); an article on "Jude" in *The Disciple's Study Bible* and numerous articles in professional journals; audio tape cassette commentaries on Jesus and Philippians (Smith Bros.)

Favorite Courses: New Testament Survey, Spirituality in Healing

Dept Service: Chair of Religion Department 1968-1989; Chair of the MEd graduate program in Counseling 1996-2011

Service to C-N: Director of the Blevins Institute for Spirituality and Mental Health 2011-2017

Honors/Distinctions: Distinguished Faculty Award 1971, Professor Emeritus, Research Award 1995, C-N Distinguished Alumnus Award 2016, C-N 1984 Yearbook Tribute p76, Blevins Spirituality and Mental Health Endowment, Blevins Scholarship, RR Bryan Society 2026

Family: Wife: Carolyn* ('59); children: Suzanne ('83), Art ('85), Alan ('90), Kym ('02) (deceased)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Sunday School teacher, Deacon, various church committees, interim pastor in numerous churches

Special Interests: Family, research on developments in neurology, reading, KY basketball



Dr. Ross Brummett

Professor of Religion

Years at C-N: 33 (1987-2020)

Degrees: BA 1977 Ouachita, MDiv 1983, PhD 1990 SBTS

Research Interest: Theology, spiritual formation, particularly in young adults

Professional Development: Two articles in *C-N Studies* and six articles in *Dimension* magazine 1994-95, chapter on "Jesus's Relationship to God" in C-N Religion Department book 2001, member NCAA DII Legislation Committee 2001-2004, member NCAA Division II Management Council 2003-2004, NASPA Institute for New Student Affairs Officers 2012

Favorite Courses: Introduction to Systematic Theology, Spiritual Growth and Development, Introduction to the New Testament, Readings in Historical Theology

Dept Service: Director of Norton Institute for Christian Ministries 1987-1991, established internship program with Baptist Joint Committee on Religious Liberty, lead developer of REL 469 Senior Seminar course, developed REL 224 Spiritual Growth and Development course

Service to C-N: Residential Fellow Boyer Laboratory for Learning 1992-1994; lead Trainer Academic Advising Workshop for new faculty 1993-2005; NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative 1995-2011; Senior Vice-President for Student Affairs 2011-2020; task force chair for acquiring and displaying *Saint John's Bible, Hild Collection, and Viel Collection* housed in the Denton Gallery; task force chair for establishing the J Randall O'Brien Center for Veterans; served on numerous committees, including Academic Programs and Standards, Vision 2020, and Planning and Institutional Effectiveness

Honors/Distinctions: Research and Creativity Award 1992, Academic Advising Award 1996, Outstanding Teacher of Freshmen Award 1997, Mentoring Award 2009, Distinguished Faculty Award 2011, EPC Support of the Year Award 2012, SGD Staff Appreciation Award 2012, Bonner Center Twin Pillars Award for Scholarship and Service Learning 2018, RR Turner Award 2019, Fox Hole Award 2018, David Barger Award 2022, RR Bryan Society 2025, Professor Emeritus

Family: Wife: Lea Ann; children: Molly ('10), Will (MA '17)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City 1987-2021, numerous positions, interim pastor seven different TN Baptist churches and pulpit supply in numerous others 1987-2020, Emmaus Way Community, Durham, NC, 2021-present

Special Interests: Grandparenting, family history research



Dr. Donald W. Garner

Professor of Religion

Years at C-N: 40 (1980-2020)

Degrees: BA 1972 UNC-CH, MDiv 1975, PhD 1980 SBTS

Research Interests: Ancient Hebrew prophets, use of OT in the NT, archaeology of ancient Mediterranean world

Professional Development: Sabbatical Emory ('91), Duke Divinity School ('09, '18); book on Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther for *Guideposts Magazine Bible Study Program* ('89); six articles in *Mercer Dictionary of the Bible* ('90); various articles in *Biblical Illustrator, Southern Baptist Educator, The Student, Pulpit Digest;* weekly commentary on Sunday School lessons in TN *B & R* ('83, '86); 153 commentary video sessions for SS teachers via Baptist TV Network (BTN) satellite broadcasts from SBC SS Board studios (1986-90); various Bible study curricula published by BaptistWay Press Dallas, TX (2009-21); Int Ombudsman Assoc (2018-20); archaeological excavation and publication, Karak Resources Project at Khirbet al-Mudaybi', Jordan (1995-2025)

Favorite Courses: Introduction to Old Testament, OT Prophets, OT Wisdom Literature, Archaeology of Palestine

Dept Service: Chair (1990-2007), managed Missionary-In-Residence program ('90s), initiated and edited *Writ From Religion* newsletter ('90s), led ongoing revisions of core and majors curricula, initiated travel tours to Israel ('96), editor and "Introduction" to *Following Jesus In Relationships* department gift book ('01)

Service to C-N: Committees: SACS Self-Study Review ('81-'83), General Education Revision ('80s), chair of Provost Search ('89), chair of Faculty Affairs ('88-'89),), Provost Search ('01), vice chair for faculty & staff solicitations "Of Minds & Miracles" campaign ('89-'94), Russell Bradley Jones Lecture ('92), initiated contact with alumnus Jim Ellis and the VanLunen Foundation to explore future funding gifts to C-N ('98-'99), Faculty Council ('11-'12 vice chair, '13-'14 secretary), Honors Council, task force to establish Denton Gallery ('13-'15), University Ombudsman ('17-'20)

Honors/Distinctions: Advisor to Mortar Board ('83-'86), Academic Advising Award ('83), faculty representative to Board of Trustees ('85), Distinguished Faculty Award 1987, Outstanding Teacher of Freshmen Award ('87), Nat Assoc of Baptist Professors of Religion SE region vice-president ('03) and president ('04), RR Turner Award ('07), Rebar Award ('14), Professor Emeritus

Family: Wife: Vickie ('93); children: Aaron ('99) (deceased), Andrew ('03), Adam ('07)

Church Involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Deacon, Sunday School teacher, various committees; nine Interim pastorates in TN and KY; scores of weekend Bible studies, sermons, and conferences in churches across the Southeast; regional Bible teaching conference in Croatia, "Book of Jeremiah," FBC Knoxville sponsor (Aug '09)

Special Interests: Antique automobiles (restored or customized); gardening; travel



Dr. Merrill (Mel) Hawkins

Professor of Religion

Years at C-N: (1995-present)

Degrees: BA 1985 Baylor, MDiv 1990 SWBTS, PhD 1995 Baylor, MEd 2022 C-N

Research Interest: Baptist Studies; Spirituality and Health

Professional Development: University of MS School of Law Fall 1986; one year residency in Clinical Pastoral Education, UTK Medical Center 2003-2004; training in Jungian oriented spiritual direction and dreamwork, Haden Institute 2008-2012; author of several peer-reviewed articles and one book

Favorite Courses: Introduction to Old Testament, one hour courses on religion and emotional well-being; Vocation, Calling, and Life Purpose

Service to C-N: Chair, Center for Baptist Studies and Director of the Oxford Studies Program 2000-2012; Chair, Tenure and Promotion Subcommittee (two terms); Joint Appointment in Graduate Counseling, 2008-2013; Affiliate Faculty in Graduate Counseling, 2013-present. Director of the Wm Blevins Institute for Spirituality and Mental Health

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Teaching Excellence and Leadership Award 1999, Research Award 1998 and 2019; Meritorious Service Award, Baptist History and Heritage Society 2002; W O Carver Distinguished Service Award, Baptist History and Heritage Society 2022

Family: Wife: Kim; children: Annalee, Conner

Church involvement: Member and Deacon, First Baptist Church Jefferson City; Part-time pastor Jones Chapel and Mulberry Gap United Methodist Churches 2001-2004; Mt Pleasant United Methodist Church 2005-2021; Bethel United Methodist Church 2021-2022

Special Interests: Running half-marathons, bowling, travel, visiting major league ball parks



Dr. Thomas Carlyle Hutton

Professor of Latin and Greek

Years at C-N: 28 (1919-1947)

Degrees: BA 1910 Richmond College, MA 1921 University of MI, PhD 1937 Vanderbilt

Research Interest: Latin, Greek, Classics

Professional Development: Additional graduate study U of Chicago

Favorite Courses: All courses that allowed him to introduce and promote the higher values of beauty and truth from the classics to his students

Dept Service: Head of the Dept of Latin and Greek 1919-1947

Service to C-N: Registrar 1917-1930

Honors/Distinctions: First Registrar of C-N, C-N 1941 Yearbook Dedication pp 4-5

Family: Wife: Maori; children: Carl, Virginia, Mary Elizabeth

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City

Deceased: June 29, 1947 (C-N 1948 Yearbook Memorial p 23)



L. Dan Taylor

Associate Professor of Religion & Greek

Years at C-N: 31 (1946-1977)

Degrees: BA Georgetown College, ThM SWBTS

Research Interest: Creating a translation of the Greek New Testament

Professional Development: Doctoral studies in Greek at SWBTS, participated in numerous theological seminars, attended and presented in professional workshops that involved translations of NT Greek

Favorite Courses: Greek

Dept Service: Helped develop the Religion Department curriculum, initiated a scholarship fund for ministerial students

Service to C-N: Served as faculty sponsor for the Definite Service Band, a student organization focused on missions; served on various C-N faculty committees

Honors/Distinctions: Memorialized by the annual L Dan Taylor Golf Tournament, L Dan Taylor Ministerial Vocation Scholarship

Family: Wife: Helen; children: David (’54), Diane (’65), Donna

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, pastored churches in Kentucky and Texas, interim pastor of several local churches

Special Interests: Family, missions, study of Greek NT

Deceased: August 8, 1990



Clarence H. Watson

Associate Professor of Religion

Years at C-N: 33 (1953-1986)

Degrees: BA MS College, BD SBTS, DRE SWBTS

Research Interest: Church educational programs and issues

Professional Development: Further study UTK, SBTS

Favorite Courses: Various areas of Christian education

Dept Service: Taught in Religion (1961-1986) and part-time after retirement for two years

Service to C-N: Director of Off-Campus Education for Christian Service (1953-1961), served on various academic committees

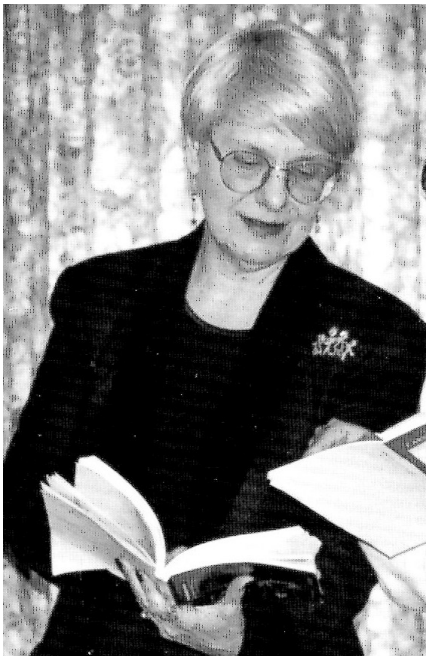
Honors/Distinctions: Associate Professor Emeritus, C-N 1987 Yearbook Tribute p 87, Clarence Watson Scholarship, served as Associate State Sunday School Secretary for the Florida Baptist Convention

Family: Wife: Francis; children: Suzanne, Melanie

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, Sunday School teacher, served on various committees; before coming to C-N, pastored churches in Kentucky, Texas, and Alabama; frequently spoke in other local churches

Special Interests: Personal family activities, denomination education programs

Deceased: September 15, 2008



Janice M. Addington-Strong

Assistant Professor of Sociology

Years at C-N: 39 (1968-2007)

Degrees: AA 1964 UVA-Wise, BA 1966 C-N, MA 1968 Appalachian State

Research Interest: Sociological analysis of cross-cultural death rituals, family crisis and types of intervention, family violence and preventative strategies

Professional Development: 30+ graduate hours beyond Masters at UTK, sabbatical year of research UTK, annual social work conference (UTK and Nashville), "Teenage Suicide: No Easy Answers" *Orange and Blue* (C-N '85), "Impact of Appalachian Migration Upon Extended Family Orientation," "In-Depth Study of Merton's Theory of Anomie"

Favorite Courses: Appalachian Studies, Death and Dying, Family Violence, Intro to Human Services

Dept Service: Sponsor of Alpha Kappa and Sociology Club, developer of new sociology courses and creative field trips, intensive tutoring for departmental exit exam

Service to C-N: Member of Disciplinary, Library, and Appalachian Center Committees (involved in the creation of the C-N Appalachian Center); participation in Welcome Weekends; at C-N, organizer of Appalachian Week, Family Enrichment Week, and Saturday field trips to introduce new faculty to areas of interest in Jefferson and Hamblen counties; Howdy Hoot judge; trouble shooter in academic advising

Honors/Distinctions: Listed in *Who's Who of American Educators, Who's Who of Professional Women*, and *Personalities of the South*; plaques and pins for loyal service at C-N

Family: Husband: Rev S E Strong (deceased), Don Howard

Church involvement: Sunday School teacher, fundraiser for Lighthouse Ministry in Cambodia, mission leader, organizer and presenter for seminars on family violence and guilt issues, VBS leader

Special Interests: Avid reader of regional novels, Celtic music festivals, National Storytelling Festivals, marathon walker, supporter of theatre guilds



Dr. Ray Dalton

Associate Professor of Sociology

Years at C-N: 29 (1990–2019)

Degrees: BA 1970 C-N; MDiv 1976, ThM 1979 SBTS; PhD 2002 UTK

Research Interest: Faith and justice issues, community development

Professional Development: Led workshops for C-N service-learning faculty (2014, 2015); Survey Research Workshop for C-N administrative staff (2013); service-learning presentation at Bonner Summer Leadership Inst (2012); lecture for visiting Korean High School Students' English Language Camp (2010–12); taught at the St. Petersburg Evangelical Theological Academy, St. Petersburg, Russia (2008); "Sociology: Unmasking Weapons of Mass Deception," a lecture in the "Faith and Academy" series at C-N (2004); "Shopping Mentality in Megachurches" w/James E Collins, SE Psychological Assoc Atlanta, GA (2004); "The Second Creek Survey" presented to a Joint meeting of the Knoxville City Council and the Knox County Commission (1996); "Building Community in the 21st Century", New Orleans (1991)

Favorite Courses: Soc of Religion, American Minority Groups, Individual and Society (Honors, co-taught with Dr A Dye), Rural Community in a Global Perspective (graduate course taught in the MASE and MBA programs)

Dept Service: Director of Cross-Cultural Sociology, directed four Honors Projects, Program Director Master of Arts in Social Entrepreneurship (Psychology)

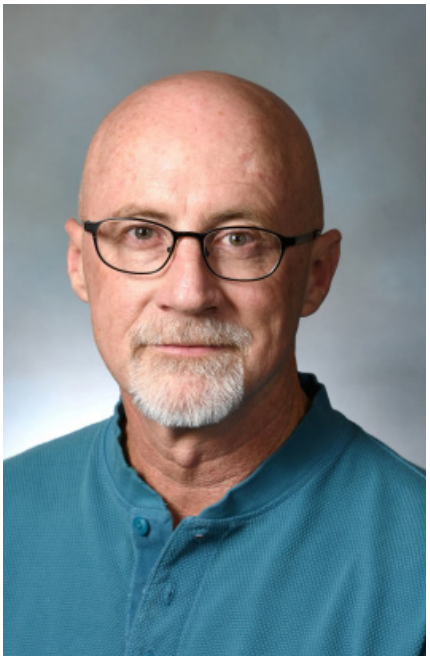
Service to C-N: Director of C-N's first Quality Enhancement Program (Service-Learning) 2010; member of Appalachian Studies and Baptist Studies Committees; led SPOTS, Bonner, Civil Rights student groups; judged intercollegiate forensic tournaments

Honors/Distinctions: Twin Pillars (Bonner) Community Engagement Award ("Morristown Crossroads Downtown Project") 2015; Twin Pillars Faculty of the Year, 2019; Professor Emeritus 2020

Family: Wife: Peggy ('70 Elem Ed, '95 BSN); children: Tim ('97), Ami ('99)

Church involvement: First Baptist Church Jefferson City, former Deacon, Bible study teacher, chair/member of several committees

Special Interests: Reading, playing guitar, photography



Dr. Gregory A. Hoover

Associate Professor of Sociology

Years at C-N: (1987-2026)

Degrees: BA 1977 Atlanta Christian College; MA 1983, PhD 1987 UGA

Research Interest: Global inequality, homelessness

Professional Development: Published *Hallowed Hills, Holy Waters* (2014), *Paths Less Traveled* (2016), *Sociological Research Methods* (2023)

Favorite Courses: Social Problems, Social Change and the Civil Rights Movement, People and Places of the Great Smoky Mountains

Dept Service: Chair (1989-present), wrote Sociology Department's 10 Year Report and Strategic Plan (2015); Director of Honors Project

Service to C-N: Committees: Student Affairs, International Studies/Students, Academic Computing, Curriculum, Honors, Library, Judiciary, Enrollment Management, Faculty Performance and Advancement, Academic Programs and Standards, Graduate, Institutional Review Board, Global Diversity; Faculty Council (secretary); Liberal Arts Undergraduate Programs and Standards (secretary)

Honors/Distinctions: C-N Faculty Research Award 1989, nominated for the Sears-Roebuck Foundation Teaching Excellence Award 1991, C-N Community Service Award 1995

Family: Wife: Phyllis; children: Melissa ('04), Seth ('08)

Church involvement: Jefferson City Christian Church, Deacon, Elder, Bible study teacher

Special Interests: Hiking, fly fishing, bee keeping