

Sociologist to speak at Davidson

Sociologist Kevin Bales, the person whose work has brought slavery in the modern world to public attention, will speak at Davidson College about that subject on Wednesday, Sept. 5.

The public is invited to hear Bales' address, titled "New Slavery in the Global Economy," beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Gallery Room of Chambers Building. His presentation is sponsored by the Dean Rusk Program in International Studies, and admission is free. Bales, professor of sociology at the University of Surrey

Roehampton in London, is author of the 1999 book "Disposable People: New Slavery in the Global Economy." The book was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize, and has been published in five languages.

"Disposable People" reviewed the extent of slavery in the modern world, and concluded that there may be about 25-million enslaved people today more than at any previous time in history. Bales talks about two broad types of slavery: The "old" slavery, historically represented by the pre-Civil War United States South, was based on legal ownership and division along ethnic and racial lines. The "new" slavery, in contrast, is based not on formal ownership but on other legal

Instruments such as contracts and debts. Slaves are cheap, even "disposable," and drawn from the poor and dispossessed, rather than from particular racial or ethnic groups.

Desmond Tutu called the book "a well researched, scholarly and deeply disturbing expose of modern slavery." Born in the United States, Bales has lived in Britain for the past 18 years, and earned his Ph.D. at the London School of Economics. He is a trustee of the organization, "Anti-Slavery International," and is currently on leave from the University of Surrey to establish a chapter of the organization in this country. His work earned him the

year 2000's Premio Vlareggio for services to humanity, and British television's Channel 4 recently broadcast a documentary film based on his work.

Bales is also a consultant to the United Nations Global Program on Trafficking of Human Beings, and has been invited to advise the U.S., British, Irish, Norwegian, and Nepali governments on the formulation of policy on slavery and human trafficking. He is currently completing another book which evaluates governmental policies and programs that address slavery and trafficking.

For more information on Bales and his visit to Davidson, call the Dean Rusk Program at 704-894-2440.

UNCC enrollment hits all-time high

Preliminary enrollment numbers at UNC Charlotte are smashing previous records and could go as high as 18,300 students.

With students still registering for classes, enrollment for the fall semester stands at 18,212, topping the record mark of 17,000 set a year ago.

Much of the dramatic increase can be attributed to the largest freshman class ever admitted by the university and significantly growing numbers of graduate students.

New freshmen at UNCC number 2,344 students, a 6.4 percent jump over fall 2000. More than 850 new graduate students are attending the university. Overall, 15,121 undergraduate students have enrolled thus far, accompanied by 3,091 graduate students, up from 2,712 last year. Slightly more than 230 students in the overall count are in off-campus degree programs.

These include baccalaureate completion programs for registered nurses taught by UNCC faculty at regional locations. University administrators point to a number of possible reasons for the enrollment increases. UNCC is offering six new graduate programs this fall, while established doctoral and masters programs continue to attract robust numbers of students.

The growth of the Charlotte region itself has led to increased demand for higher education opportunities. At the same time, UNCC is becoming a school of choice for students outside the Charlotte region, school officials believe. The university saw its number of admitted freshmen from outside the region increase 11 percent over fall 2000. The number of out-of-state freshmen also climbed. In all, 37 states are represented in the 2001 freshman

class. Other potential reasons cited for the enrollment jump include the university's recent move to doctoral status, the expansion of its research programs, publicity of plans to create a high-technology research complex on campus, and the slowing economy.

In addition to being the largest, the new freshman class may be the university's brightest. The average high school grade point average for the class is 3.5. The average SAT score is 1052. During the last three years, average freshman SAT scores have increased 40 points.

Overall, nearly 8,300 school seniors applied for admission to UNCC for the fall 2001 semester. University administrators say final enrollment numbers will be known the first week of September. UNCC is planning for continued growth over the

next 10 years, anticipating a student body of approximately 25,000.

Faculty members nominated for Bank of America Teaching Award

UNC Charlotte has announced the five faculty finalists for its 2001 Bank of America Award for Excellence in Teaching, the university's most prestigious teaching honor.

The 33rd annual award will be presented to one of the finalists in a Sept. 14 ceremony in Founders Hall, at the Bank of America Corporate Center.

This year's Teaching Week activities include an on-campus lecture by Diana Oblinger, professor of practice at the Kenan-Flagler School of Business at UNC Chapel Hill. Oblinger's work deals with designing creative learning approaches and issues related to information technology and identifying new teaching models.

The five finalists are: Linda A. Berne, professor of health promotion and kinesiology; Kimberly K. Buch (Bule), associate professor of psychology; Sandra Y. Govan, professor of English; John A. Piel, associate professor of education; and David R.J. Walters, professor of architecture.

The award winner will receive a plaque and stipends of \$7,500. The other four finalists will receive a plaque and \$2,000 each.

Berne holds degrees from Mars Hill College and the University of South Carolina. Berne is an internationally known teacher in the sometimes controversial and always sensitive area of teenage sexuality and HIV/AIDS education. Buch earned degrees from Western Kentucky University and Iowa State University. Buch is an active proponent of collaborative learning. She

has applied technology to teaching using live interactive video conferencing, traditional videotapes and CD-ROMs.

Govan holds degrees from Valparaiso University, Bowling Green State University and Emory University. During her 18 years on the faculty, Govan has taught a variety of courses and been instrumental in establishing the university's minor in African-American literature.

Piel earned undergraduate and graduate degrees at the University of Northern Colorado and Florida State University. Piel first taught as a kindergarten instructor in a program designed to meet the needs of father-absent boys. In his university work, he moved instruction from the university lecture hall to the public school classroom. His education students now spend an entire semester at Thomasboro Elementary School, where their classroom and laboratory experiences are centered.

Walters leads the College of Architecture's program in Urban Design. He earned bachelor's and master's degrees at England's University of Newcastle. Walters worked to establish and teaches in the interdisciplinary graduate program in Community Planning between the College of Architecture and the Department of Geography and Earth Sciences. As co-coordinator of the college's Charlotte Community Design Studio, he offers students additional opportunities to participate in community-based design projects.

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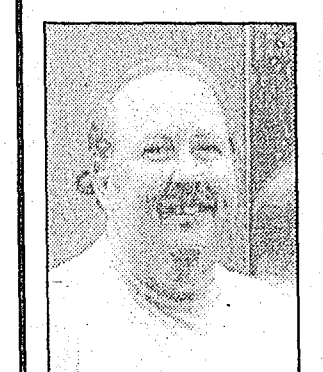
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On August 18th, 2001, Mooreville Christian Center received just over 41,000 pounds of food. This food was given freely by LeSea "Feed the Hungry" program. An international Christian organization located in South Bend, Indiana.

Several different types of food were sent by truck from South Bend, for free food distribution in this area and others. There were three other ministries that also received this food for distribution in their cities, among them churches from Spartanburg, SC, Myrtle Beach, SC and also Statesville, NC.

Mooreville Christian Center is proud to be a part of "Feed the Hungry" for this group has been feeding people all over the world by distributing to the local Pastors to give to their areas. Likewise Mooreville Christian Center wants to help its local constituency by feeding first, single parents with children and senior citizens. The church then will have a free distribution to the local area soon.

The Sr. Pastor of Mooreville Christian Center, Pastor Fred D. Smith in a statement said, "I feel that the Lord Jesus said for us to take care of the widows and children and to give to our city, and to bless our town with the good news that someone does really care."

Mooreville Christian Center is located at 250 N. Main St. in downtown Mooreville. Services are 11:00 AM and at 6:00 PM on Sundays and also Thursday at 7:00 PM. Call 704-662-8424 for other information.



Members unloading food.

Veteran officer earns his captain's bars

P. Kendall Hillard, a 14-year veteran of the Mooreville Police Department, was recently promoted to the rank of captain and will be supervising the patrol officers.

Last week, though the promotion became effective in July, Hillard was honored when his father, Pressley Hillard, came to Mooreville to present Kendall with his captain's bars.

The elder Hillard was a Statesville police officer for 34 years, retiring several years ago with the rank of assistant chief.

Capt. Hillard said he is a community-oriented police officer, a legacy from his father and four other retired Statesville police officers - Lt. Marvin Henderson, Capt. Clyde Lloyd, Asst. Chief D.Z. Brown and Sgt. Howard Brown.

"They're my role models for community policing," Hillard said. "Growing up, I saw them interact with the community. They walked the beats and they knew everybody in the city."



Kendall Hillard (center) receives his captain's bars from his father, Pressley Hillard (left) and Mooreville Police Chief John Crone.

Law enforcement seems to be a family tradition for the Hillards. Capt. Hillard's brother, Ron Hillard, is a trooper with the North Carolina Highway Patrol.

Hillard is the son of Pressley and Barbara Hillard of Statesville. A longtime Mooreville resident, Hillard and his wife, Lara, have two children, Megan, eight, and

four-year-old Curtis. "I'm proud to be the next captain for the Mooreville Police Department and I appreciate the opportunity given to me by Chief Crone," Hillard said.

Police Blotter

Local law enforcement agencies reported the following recent charges and incidents:

MOORESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

According to an accident report filed with the Mooreville Police Department, A too-wide vehicle damaged the drive-thru window at McDonald's on Plaza Drive near Iredell Ave. on Aug. 26. Reports indicate the truck, belonging to Thomas John Mott of Denver, was a Ford F-550 Dually and damage to the drive-thru was estimated at \$800.

A 14-year-old boy was assaulted by a group of teens in the parking area of the Dollar Tree on Norman Station Boulevard around 9:30 p.m. on Aug. 24.

According to reports, the boy told police that a group of males he didn't know pushed him down and began to hit him. Employees of a nearby business called police after witnessing the assault.

Reports indicate the teens got in a Jeep Wrangler and left the area before police arrived.

A Sony stereo, a Sony CD changer and a number of CDs were stolen from a boat parked in the boat storage area on Glencoe Road sometime between 11 p.m. on Aug. 23 and 2:40 p.m. on Aug. 25.

A Huntersville man reported that the center caps for the wheels on his 1998 Jaguar were stolen while the car was parked outside Shoe Carnival on Norman Station Blvd. between 2:30 and 3:20 p.m. on Aug. 25.

A sidewalk planter outside the Antiques on Broad was broken and the plants destroyed sometime between 6 p.m. on Aug. 25 and 1:15 p.m. on Aug. 26.

A Statesville man reported several tools stolen from his truck while it was parked outside Lowes on N.C. 150 sometime between 11:35 and 11:45 a.m. on Aug. 23. Items listed missing include two battery powered drill drivers, a circular saw with carbide blade, a Dewalt electric drill, an electric drill driver and assorted drill bits.

Mooreville police filed the following recent charges: Sabrina Jones, 22, 532 Billmore Ave., domestic simple assault; JoAnn Tallman Beaver, 41, 1204 Morrow St., larceny; Matias Cruz Beltran, 29, 546

Billmore St., possession of stolen property, no operator's license; James Walter Baugess II, 17, 312 E. Lowrance Ave., second-degree trespass; Ignacio Antoline Alomia, 18, 438 W. Wilson Ave., second-degree trespass; Richard Jason Pawlowski, 30, 102 Cobblestone Lane, DWI (14), possession of an open container of an alcoholic beverage in the passenger area of a motor vehicle; Steve Allen Policz, 49, 122 E. Wilson Ave., DWI (11); Jay Lee Garrigan Jr., 19, of Salisbury, possession of a malt beverage by a person less than 19 years of age; Jimmy Shane Wilkinson, 21, of Hillsville, Va., possession of an open container of an alcoholic beverage in the passenger area of a motor vehicle; Eddie Lee Bartholow, 16, 332 W. Wilson Ave., larceny; Vickie Lynn Woolledge, 35, 124 Picardy Place, DWI, obstructing and delaying a law enforcement officer; Warren Ronald Terry, 38, 429 E. McLelland Ave., communicating threats, simple assault; Christopher Stanley Watson, 20, 118 Jenkins Farm Road, communicating threats (two counts); and Gregory Scott Shreve, 25, 668 E. Iredell Ave., violation of a domestic violence protective order.

Undercover effort leads to drug indictments

Neighboring Cornelius recently announced the success of a significant undercover drug campaign identified as "Operation Street Sweep." The campaign resulted in 43 felony indictments being returned by the Mecklenburg County Grand Jury.

A local round up of nine people, who have been targets of undercover opera-

tives, have been located and served with the true bills of indictment, then transported to the county jail. Each of the suspects was deeply involved in street level sales of crack cocaine and other dangerous narcotic substances. Those charged range in age from 30 to 45 years of age and live both in and outside of Cornelius.

Approximately five teams of officers were assigned targets, in which warrants, photographs and other arrest date was distributed. Operation Street Sweep has been a joint investigation with the Cornelius Police Department, the China Grove Police Department and the Mooreville Police Department. In addition, officers from Davidson and

Huntersville along with the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office and agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms assisted in the round up. The morning operation successfully resulted in a hundred percent of the dealers being served with the indictments. Those served were loaded in a security van and taken to jail.

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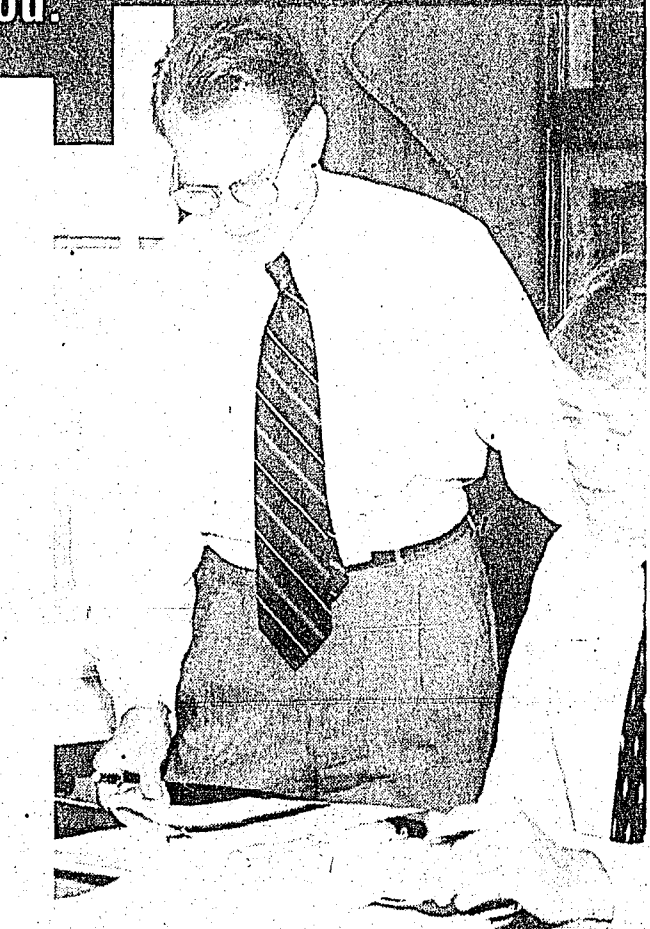
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