

MOYER RECALLS FATHER AT FOL MEETING

He was the winner of the Pulitzer Prize for drama, the creator of the symphonic play, and the “father of outdoor drama,” but to **Betsy Green Moyer**, Paul Green was simply “dad.” Moyer shared childhood memories of the famous playwright/novelist as the keynote speaker for Campbell Friends of the Library annual dinner on September 29.

Born in 1894 in Harnett County, Paul Green won the Pulitzer Prize at age 33 for his play “In Abraham’s Bosom.” He also created a new dramatic form, the symphonic drama, a form of outdoor historical play often set on the sight depicted in the action. His most famous work, “The Lost Colony,” the story of the mysterious disappearance of the settlers of Roanoke Island in 1587, is still being performed today near Manteo.

But Moyer remembers Green as a “wonderful playmate,” a humanist, and a man with an amazing work ethic.

“My parents were wonderful parents, but we spent a lot time alone when we were kids,” Moyer said. “One of my earliest memories is of my parents preparing the house for a party. They played with us by scooting us across the floor on our bottoms to ‘slick’ up the dance floor. They were great partiers.”

Moyer also recalled that Green dressed every morning for work in a suit, tie and handkerchief as if going to an office, and he always worked in a structure, usually a rough-hewn cabin, away from the house.

“He read five newspapers a day and went to work promptly at 8:30,” Moyer said. “Dinner was at 1:30 p.m. and at 5 p.m. he and mother would get on their garden togs. They were ferocious gardeners.”

Green was also an activist and passionately involved in life. He went to battle many times for racial equality, prison reform, abolishment of capital punishment, labor unions, the United Nations and equal education opportunities. Once at the University of North Carolina in the 1930s, Green observed that the black laborers laying bricks for the construction of new buildings were restricted from enrollment, “They were good enough to work on the buildings, but not good enough to use them,” he said, and had had the courage to voice this sentiment to the Chapel Hill administration.

“His weapons were words,” Moyer said, “and boy could he use them. When I was about 13, I discovered nail polish. I remember coming down to breakfast one morning and dad saying, ‘Here you come like Lady Macbeth, her fingers dripping blood.’”

Green loved comedians Laurel and Hardy and always went to bed at night with three books under his arm. “Every night he read from Sherlock Holmes, but he didn’t like Shakespeare,” Moyer said.

Yet the lines that open his well-known drama, “The Lost Colony” are some of the most beautiful in the English language, she remarked. “Friends, we are gathered here this evening to honor the spiritual birthplace of our nation and to memorialize those brave men and women who made it so.”

A well-known photographer in her own right, Betsy Green Moyer lives in Wayland, Mass., where she studied photography at DeCordova Museum. She has completed a book, Paul Green’s Plant Book: An Alphabet of Flowers and Folklore, based on folklore and stories written by her father and illustrated with photographs by Moyer.

After Moyer’s presentation, the membership elected Dr. Carl Broadhurst as president and Mrs. Dorothea Stewart Gilbert as vice president for the coming year.

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**BETSY GREEN
MOYER**

A NOTE ON PAUL GREEN, HARNETT COUNTY NATIVE AND AUTHOR

Betsy Green Moyer made a presentation of several of Paul Green's books and the collected drawings of John White to the Library when here on September 29. Her official web site notes: "**Paul Green** (1894-1981) grew up on a cotton farm in Lillington, North Carolina, where from a young age he learned the value of hard physical labor and the importance and beauty of literature and music. During his long lifetime he never strayed far from his people nor far from his roots. Many of his writings, his novels, short stories, and his beloved *Wordbook*, reflect his love and reverence for all people and all life."—<http://www.bmga.com/book.html>



GREEN IN HIS LATER YEARS



PAULA HINTON

PAULA HINTON PASSES SUDDENLY

Paula Pearce Hinton, Social Sciences Reference Librarian at the Davis Library of the University of North Carolina and a founding member of the Campbell University Friends of the Library, died on Sunday, September 17, after collapsing unexpectedly at work on the previous Monday. Her husband, L.D. "Buddy" Hinton, who was in ill health at the time of Paula's death, passed away on October 14.

Paula, a native of Durham, was the daughter of the late Dr. J. Winston Pearce, Campbell University writer-in-residence and author of a two-volume history of the institution.

Paula, a graduate of Campbell, worked at the Carrie Rich Memorial Library from 1974 until 1991, taking only a brief two year leave to complete her degree in library science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. In 1991 she went to work at the University of North Carolina and for 15 years commuted from Buies Creek to Chapel Hill.

Though her job was at UNC, Paula maintained her permanent residence in Buies Creek and was active in local affairs and in Memorial Baptist Church. She always attended local Friends of the Library meetings and even served as an officer of the organization.

Paula was active in the North Carolina Library Association. She also continued her education, completing an MS in administration from Central Michigan University in 1996.

At the Friends of the Library meeting of September 29th Paula was recognized on the program and was honored with several moments of silence. She will be very much missed by her friends at the libraries of UNC and Campbell, but will likewise be missed by all her personal friends in "the Creek." Nevertheless, Paula is now doubtless in the company of her parents and others who have gone before and hears those comforting words from Our Lord: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant..."

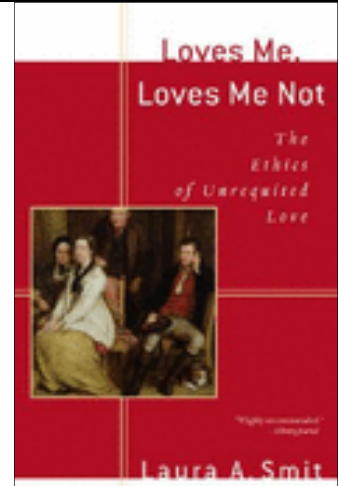
NEW LIFE MEMBERS INDUCTED

At the meeting on September 29, outgoing Friends of the Library President **Edward McCormick** inducted new Life Members of the organization. Those inducted were **Mr. Burt Holland, Mrs. Betsy Green Moyer, and Dr. James & Mrs. Linda Martin.** President McCormick and his wife, **Ann**, chose to be inducted after the meeting. Said Judge McCormick: "I'd feel silly inducting myself." Friends can achieve Life distinction via a 4-year installment method by giving \$250 a year. Employees of the University can do this by payroll deduction for the modest sum of \$21 per month. Those interested should contact the Payroll office for the paperwork.



THE LIBRARIAN'S BOOK CORNER

Though I have read a half dozen books since my last series of reviews, I have decided to give special attention in this issue to a single book that I think everyone should read. Indeed, Laura A. Smit's book *Loves Me, Loves Me Not: The Ethics of Unrequited Love* (2005) is one of the most perceptive and meaningful Christian books I have read in recent years. It deals with a subject that is universal and yet seldom fully treated in Christian literature: How as a practicing Christian does one deal with unrequited love as both the rejecter and the rejected? Starting with the premise that God is love and that all true love derives from God, Smit maintains that God is even more relevant to love that is not returned. She feels that human beings often learn more from the experience of unrequited love than from reciprocal love. Sometimes reciprocated love can blind us to our obligations to both God and our fellow man. She points to the example of the priests and the protestant ministers who were imprisoned by the Japanese in World War II. The priests, who were celibate and whose duty was to God, were more generous and caring toward other prisoners. Protestant ministers, feeling keenly the obligations of family, concentrated their concern on their relatives and refused to share with others. They often separated themselves and their kin from other prisoners. Quoting scripture, theologians, ministers, and even surveys of Christian college students, Smit, unmarried and a professor and Dean of Chapel at Calvin College, makes a strong case that family life sometimes interferes with true Christian love. "Family values are not the same as Christian values," writes Smit. She discusses at length the Christian way to both reject and face rejection, as well as the importance of celibacy for righteous single Christians. This book gives a clearer understanding the oft quoted phrase of the devoted and truly Christian spouse: "I could not love you half so much, my dear, did I not love God more!" Seldom does the written word prompt such deep introspection and reconsideration of life, but Smit's sensitive and thought-provoking book leads one to do just that! It is most highly recommended!—Review by Ronnie W. Faulkner



"This is a beautiful book, weaving together personal stories with biblical theology and challenging insight." — Stephen B. Webb, Wabash College

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LIBRARY...

Dr. Ronnie W. Faulkner attended the NC Independent College and University Library Directors meeting at High Point University on October 18. The group was welcomed to campus by HPU President Nido R. Qubein. Dr. Faulkner gave a presentation on Library Services and Technology Grant opportunities through the State Library of North Carolina.

Jennifer Carpenter, Head of Reference, attended the North Carolina User Group meeting of SOLINET, a Southeast Library Network at Guilford College in Greensboro on October 20. Highlights included: Kate Nevins, Executive Dir. of SOLINET, who spoke on new and upcoming services. Preservation and disaster planning are hot topics since Hurricane Katrina, which affected many libraries in the South. Grants have been received from both the Mellon and Gates Foundations for rebuilding libraries flooded and/or destroyed. SOLINET in Atlanta now has a disaster hotline 24/7 offering assistance in library emergencies. The keynote address, "Library Copyright Law Amendments" was given by Laura Gasaway of the UNC Law Library. Librarians from the State Library of NC presented a session on digitization. Grants funded at the State Library will allow creation of three new digitization positions. Grants will also be made available in 2007-08 for other digitization projects in NC.

Siuki Wong, Head of Technical Services and Systems, attended an API programming training workshop for the SirsiDynix Unicorn library system from October 16th to 20th in Huntsville, Alabama. After the training, the Library will be able to create custom reports and explore more functionalities in the Unicorn system. This will increase the efficiency and productivity of the Campbell Libraries and provide new services for patrons.

Marie Berry, Reference Librarian, and Linda Martin, Administrative Assist./Archives Coordinator, attended a workshop of the North Carolina Preservation Consortium at Warren Wilson College in Swannanoa on October 27. The workshop dealt with “Storage and Handling of Archival Materials” and Marie and Linda picked up valuable insights on dealing with our newly relocated Archives/Rare Books Section, now in the Library Annex.

Ronnie W. Faulkner had a number of entries just published in *The Encyclopedia of North Carolina* (UNC Press, Fall 2006), including Ad Valorem Taxation of Slaves, Battle of Averagesboro, Battle of Bentonville, Buncombe, Conservatism, Conservative Party, Convention of 1868, Convention of 1875, *The Clansman*, Equal Rights Amendment (ERA), *The Impending Crisis of the South*, Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, Mule Day, Mummy Letters, *Our Living & Our Dead*, Silver Fusion, and several others.

LIBRARIES ON THE LIGHTER SIDE... BOOKS

There are only two kinds of books in the world: good books and bad books. If you enjoy reading it, then it's a good book

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