

Reports of Institutions



226th Annual Convention

The Episcopal Church in South Carolina

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BISHOP GADSDEN



This past year at Bishop Gadsden has been characterized by strategic planning focused on maintaining our position as the premier retirement community in our market area, and continuing to expand our ministry and mission.

In the area of maintaining our market position, we welcomed 80 new residents into The Quay, our recently completed construction of three buildings, encompassing 45 flats, surrounding a lake. The distinctive architecture of this new addition, and our new residents, have added greatly to the vitality of our Community. With this now completed and occupied, planning is in progress for a replacement of our skilled care facility, which will be expanded to include Medicare reimbursed rehabilitation. We believe our envisioned new health care facility, with its additional services, will not only be a significantly enhanced service amenity for those who live at Bishop Gadsden, but for our greater church and Charleston communities as well.

Also, this past year we have continued to focus on our charitable ministry and mission, as an important aspect of our Community life as reflected in our Mission Statement-“We reach out with a generous spirit.” In 2016 our residents, future residents, employees, family members, and friends have given significantly to Bishop Gadsden’s charitable causes, both internal and external.

At the heart of our charitable giving is our Resident Assistance Fund, which was created to provide financial support to residents who may not be able to afford the full amount required to live at Bishop Gadsden, or who encounter financial difficulties through no fault of their own. This year we have seen our greatest need for Resident Assistance of more than \$500,000.

In addition to Resident Assistance, Bishop Gadsden donated \$75,000 to the Lowcountry Food Bank, \$3,000 for Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary, \$1,800 for the S. C. Alzheimer’s Association, \$1,700 for Our Lady of Mercy Outreach, and \$400 for Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy. Our goal is to always give more.

The Bishop Gadsden Episcopal Retirement Community continues to be honored by our affiliation with The Episcopal Church and The Episcopal Church in South Carolina and, through its own mission and ministry, seeks to be a partner in advancing the mission and ministry of the church and diocese as well.

Faithfully submitted,
Bill Trawick, CEO



2016 Report to the Episcopal Church in South Carolina

Serving the Episcopal Church since 1928, Kanuga is located six miles from Hendersonville, NC on 1,400 mountain acres with scenic Kanuga Lake at its center. We welcome more than 25,000 guests annually to our year-round conference & retreat center, Camp Kanuga, Camp Bob and the Mountain Trail Outdoor School. Kanuga is embracing the future and its boards and staff are exploring ways to speed accomplishment of long-range plans, completed in 2010. The long-range plan provides a clear roadmap for phased enhancements of Kanuga's campus, facilities, programs, funding basis and overall capacity for ministry from now until Kanuga's centennial in 2028.

Begun in December of 2015, a comprehensive renovation of the Kanuga Lake Inn was completed in June of 2016. Refinements have renewed the Inn inside and out. The new entrance court, elevator and redesigned rooms make our largest facility accessible to all. New insulation, windows, doors and energy-efficient heating and air conditioning made all of the spaces comfortable year-round. New flooring, interior and exterior walls, woodwork and lighting have given the Inn a fresh, comfortably rustic feel. Furniture from the beloved 1905 Inn has been lovingly restored and complemented by custom-made furnishings, made in NC, designed to preserve Kanuga's history. At a cost of \$6.5 million, the Inn renovation was the largest capital project ever undertaken by Kanuga. This effort was made possible by the extraordinary generosity of more than 500 individuals, families and institutions.

Other campus renovations and improvements included a new welcome sign at the Neill Entrance Park to the much needed renovations in the St. Paul's-Colhoun Gym. Other projects of renewal included paving the road behind the lakefront cottages and new wayfinding signage on campus. Accessibility at several cottages was improved with the installation of roll-in showers, wider door frames and appropriate ramps. On Kanuga Lake, repairs were made to the floating docks while the lake was lowered. Lakes at both camps were also temporarily lowered to allow for dredging of swimming areas and maintenance of the surrounding banks. One family graciously donated enough for the complete renovation of Guest House D. More roofs are to be replaced and a total renovation of Cottage 29 is scheduled for this winter. If you have questions about any of these projects or wish to make a contribution to Kanuga, contact Gary Giniat at 828.233.2816 or gary.giniat@kanuga.org. More info found at: www.kanuga.org/about/ways-to-give/

Kanuga continues to be a change agent for the environment. This year, with the help of Camp Bob and Conference Center guests, the organic garden put about 800 lbs. of produce into the 3 on-site kitchens. Through partnerships with the NC Wildlife Resources Commission we participated in two separate studies of amphibians found on site, developing a better understanding of animal species on our property. We have also taken the first steps in implementing a comprehensive forest management plan that will increase the health of our forests while generating revenue from timber management, continuing Kanuga's journey to become a more sustainable property.

Across all of Camp Kanuga's programs, we welcomed and served 750 campers, an increase of 80 from 2015. Campers and parents saw additions to programming and improvements in facilities. These were highlighted by the addition of a Mountain Bike program, new mattresses and upgrades to the waterfront landscape. Kanuga's youth programs department continues to serve both Episcopal youth groups and other youth organizations through hosting retreats at both of Kanuga's youth campuses throughout the year.

Partnering once again with the National Military Family Association, based in Arlington, VA, Kanuga's outreach camp, Camp Bob, hosted two sessions of Operation Purple Camp in July. The session provided to 200 children a comprehensive camping experience staffed by Camp Bob counselors and offered at no cost to children with parents serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. Overall, Camp Bob had growth in the number of campers it served this past summer in its 9 one-week sessions.

Outreach is a common theme at Kanuga. For instance, none of the chapel offerings gathered here stay here. They are divided and sent out 1/3 globally to Episcopal Relief & Development, 1/3 nationally to the Armed Services and Federal Chaplains of The Episcopal Church, and 1/3 locally to Henderson County outreach.

The Outreach Camp at Saint Columba's Conference & Retreat Center in Memphis, TN and the Spanish Speaking Ministries project through the Diocese of Western NC were named this year's recipient of the Patricia Minkler Howell Endowment for Children's Outreach grant, a sub fund of Kanuga Endowment, Inc. The grant assists communitybased efforts by parishes, dioceses and nonprofits that focus on children's ministry and emphasize children serving other children. The fund enabled children to attend a weeklong camp this past summer at St. Columba and the Summer Enrichment Program in WNC – teen led tutoring and swim lessons. Applications for the grant are reviewed each year between November 1 and April 15. If your group would like to apply for next year's grant, visit www.kanuga.org/grants.

In 2016 Kanuga was the site chosen by many Episcopal groups from the national, provincial, diocesan and parish levels, confirming the important role it plays in the many ministries of the Church. Nationally we hosted the CPG Benefits Partner Conference, Federal Chaplains for TEC, the General Board of Examining Chaplains and Formation & Vocation Ministries. From Province IV were the Altar Guild, Daughters of the King, HIV/AIDS Ministry, Women's Conference and Young Women Clergy Conference. On the diocesan level we hosted clergy retreats, executive councils, standing committees, youth retreats and the Convention of the Diocese of Western North Carolina. At the parish level there were over 35 parish retreats, 25 vestries, several choirs and retreats for men, women and youth.

Kanuga welcomes all types of associations, churches and organizations for events such as training, education, retreats, workshops, conferences and more. With its natural setting and accessible location, Kanuga offers a setting that inspires success with a variety of spaces and services to accommodate many groups' needs. Hosting several weddings and over 70 organizations such as the Diocese of Charleston (RC) Priests Retreat, Open Gate, Watermedia Workshop, the Haden Institute, AAPC, Medicine & Ministry Conference, International Outward Bound, Carolina Planned Giving and the Wisdom School with Cynthia Bourgeault, enables Kanuga to succeed as a viable business and further its own programming and mission.

In 2016, Kanuga had a terrific lineup of its own conferences which included Church Leadership, Iconography, Knitting and Quilting, Christian Formation, Renewal, Liturgical Arts, Faith Politics and the Golden Rule, and Enneagram. This year's highlight was Nuevo Amanecer, "New Dawn," a conference in partnership with both Episcopal and Lutheran Hispanic and Latino ministries. With 460 participants, it ranked amongst the largest conference in Kanuga's history. Kanuga's youth conferences served 300 participants over the year at Winterlight and the summer Youth Week.

After twelve successful years serving as president, we are saying a fond farewell to Stan Hubbard. On October 31st, 2016 Stan will retire. At the recent Board of Visitors' weekend, Stan and his wife, Carol, were toasted by the Most Rev. George Carey, 103rd Archbishop of Canterbury, along with past and present trustees and the Division Head Team. Current Board of Trustees Chair, Ed Colhoun of Winston-Salem, NC, sums up Kanuga's progress since 2005 as, "nothing short of amazing. While the beautiful 'new' Inn is the most obvious physical legacy of Stan's tenure, each successive board has seen different aspects of Kanuga's operations improved.

As we say a fond farewell to Stan, Kanuga is pleased to welcome the Reverend Michael Radford Sullivan as President effective November 1, 2016. Most recently, the Rev. Michael R. Sullivan served as Rector of Holy Innocents' Episcopal Parish, Atlanta (GA) where he has been since 2009. He brought stability to finances of the 2,500 member parish and has extensive executive level leadership, strategic planning and fundraising experience. A native of Seneca, South Carolina, the Rev. Michael R. Sullivan holds a Master of Divinity from The University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee; a Juris Doctor cum laude, from the University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina; and a Bachelor of Arts summa cum laude, Wofford College, Spartanburg, South Carolina (Phi Beta Kappa).

We look forward to seeing you soon. All of us at Kanuga continue to be grateful to friends, supporters, conference and Guest Period participants, campers and partners in ministry from the Episcopal Church in South Carolina. Please join us with your wonderful presence and your amazing Kanuga Spirit as we head onward through the year!

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Haden", written in a cursive style.

James L. Haden
Vice President of Hospitality & Sales



**Annual Report:
The Episcopal Church in South Carolina
Porter-Gaud Board of Trustees
November, 2016**

LEADERSHIP

Hank Cheves 87' is the currently elected Chair of the Board of Trustees. He began a 3-year term in July 2015. Luther Cochrane is chair of the Porter-Gaud Foundation which oversees the philanthropic efforts for the school. There are three clergy representatives on the board in addition to 18 other members. Rev. John Zahl began his term in 2012. The other clergy positions are held by Rt. Rev. Mark Lawrence and Rev. Haden McCormick. Dr. John McCardell, Vice Chancellor of Sewanee is also serving on the Board of Trustees. DuBose Egleston is in his 8th year as Head of School. DuBose serves on the Governing Board for the National Association of Episcopal Schools. He will also be chairing the 5-year Accreditation for the Episcopal School of Baton Rouge this winter.

HISTORY

Porter-Gaud has a long history of living out its spiritual identity as an independent Episcopal school rooted in the rich heritage of Anglicanism. For much of its history, Porter-Gaud had one chaplain who taught all the religion classes, conducted chapel services, and provided pastoral care for the school community. As the School has grown and the needs for ministry have increased, the Board of Trustees has bolstered the chaplaincy so that there are now three full-time chaplains on campus: the Rev. Brian McGreevy serves as Head Chaplain, Mr. N. Hutson Dodds is Associate Chaplain for the Middle School, and the Rev. Dr. Jennie Olbrych is Associate Chaplain for the Lower School. Rev. McGreevy and Rev. Olbrych will both be serving as presenters at the NAES Biennial Meeting in New Orleans in November 2016 in a forum for New Chaplains.

WORSHIP AND DISCIPLESHIP

In addition to the traditional celebration of Holy Communion each Thursday morning in St. Timothy's Chapel and special services offered on major Holy Days, there is weekly chapel on a divisional basis for the Lower, Middle, and Upper School students and faculty. The School also has a divisional Christmas Eucharist for the Middle and Upper School, as well as divisional services on Ash Wednesday and divisional Eucharist during Holy Week. The School's service of Lessons and Carols, held at the Church of the Holy Communion, is a tradition that dates back over 30 years and is a highlight of the Christmas season for the school community. Voluntary lunchtime Bible studies offered for Middle and Upper School students continue to attract 70-120 students respectively each week. The Upper School Vestry, selected by a nomination and interview process, serve as spiritual and moral leaders on the campus; some 140 Upper School students serve on Vestry and participate in weekly discipleship groups as well as two retreats each year. In addition, 60 freshmen serve on the Chaplains' Advisory Council (CAC), a discipleship group for 9th graders who work with the chaplains. Vestry members assist with chapel programs at all levels of the School and help the chaplains coordinate various service and fellowship opportunities. Vestry and CAC are the largest voluntary student organizations in the Upper School. The School has recently engaged two women with youth ministry experience on a part-time basis to help mentor and pray with girls on the Upper School Vestry, as well as engaging a part-time student ministries intern to help with Vestry activities overall.

ACADEMICS

Porter-Gaud offers a religion and character education curriculum in the Lower School that focuses on the major stories of the Bible in tandem with selected virtues each month. In Middle School there is a required course on the Old Testament, as well as developing coursework on ethics and world religions, and in Upper School a required course on New Testament, along with an elective on C.S. Lewis. This past summer, the School offered a very successful C.S. Lewis pilgrimage to England for a small group of Upper School students who met with distinguished scholars and clergy in London, Cambridge, and Oxford. In Middle and Upper School, the character education thread is woven through Advisory, Chapel, and other programming for students that follows the virtues framework established in the Lower School.

SERVICE

Porter-Gaud has an active community service program through which students volunteer thousands of hours annually to assisting various agencies throughout the Lowcountry. Service opportunities are available with agencies working with at-risk and special needs children, environmental and animal welfare, health and senior adult issues, and hunger and poverty needs. Porter-Gaud has entered a strategic partnership with Water Missions International, and regularly offers mission trip opportunities abroad, some in conjunction with Water Missions. The Rev. Dr. Olbrych served this year as the keynote speaker at the 2016 Leadership Conference of the LAMB Institute to be held at San Buenaventura, Honduras.

Porter-Gaud Mission Statement

Porter-Gaud is an Episcopal, coeducational, independent, college preparatory day school. We acknowledge the sovereignty of God, recognize the worth of the individual, and seek to cultivate a school community that endows its citizens with a foundation of moral and ethical character and intellect. Porter-Gaud fosters a challenging academic environment that honors excellence in teaching and learning, respects differences, expects honesty, and applauds achievement. The school strives to create an environment that nurtures and protects what we value most in our children: their faith, their curiosity, their talents, their integrity, their humanity, and their dreams.

Porter-Gaud Vision

The vision for Porter-Gaud School is to offer outstanding individuals from all communities and from all walks of life an unsurpassed educational experience. With the finest teachers, great facilities and a dynamic curriculum we will engage student's hearts, minds and souls, seeking to awaken in them what is most valuable in themselves; their knowledge, their honor, their faith and their social consciousness.

- Approved by Board January 13, 2015

The WATCH Prayer

O Lord, may our words be full of truth and kindness, our actions gracious and honorable, our thoughts unselfish and charitable, our character noble and upright, and our habits virtuous, that our school family may grow in faith, honor, and knowledge, as we watch together in all things. AMEN



College of Arts & Sciences

- Enrollment from The Episcopal Church in South Carolina: 48 students total (21 report Episcopal heritage)
- Financial aid awarded to all college students from The Episcopal Church in South Carolina: \$873,644.00

The School of Theology

Seminary

Enrollment from The Episcopal Church in South Carolina: 2 students total

The Beecken Center

Education for Ministry (EfM) Groups: 4

EfM Diocesan Coordinator: Dr. Walter Limehouse

Support Received from The Episcopal Church in South Carolina: \$2,000

Support Received from The Episcopal Church in South Carolina churches: \$100

About Sewanee

The University of the South is home to an outstanding liberal arts college, a School of Letters, and a School of Theology. Located atop the Cumberland Plateau between Nashville and Chattanooga, Tennessee, Sewanee's 13,000-acre campus, the second largest campus in the United States, provides vast opportunities for research, recreation, and reflection. Within the traditionally strong curriculum of humanities, sciences, and graduate theological studies, Sewanee faculty members promote intellectual growth, critical thinking, and hands-on research.

The University's Board of Trustees is composed of the bishops of the 28 owning dioceses, together with clergy and lay representatives elected by each diocese and representatives of other University constituencies. The Board of Regents, to which the Board of Trustees delegates some of its responsibilities for governance, is composed of Episcopal bishops, priests, and lay people, and may include a limited number of members of other Christian bodies. The chancellor of the University, elected by the Board of Trustees, is a bishop from one of the 28 owning dioceses.

An Episcopal Center of Learning

The University of the South is an institution of the Episcopal Church dedicated to the pursuit of knowledge, understanding, and wisdom in close community and in full freedom of inquiry, and enlightened by Christian faith in the Anglican tradition, welcoming individuals from all backgrounds, to the end that students be prepared to search for truth, seek justice, preserve liberty under law, and serve God and humanity.

The University was founded by church leaders from the southeastern United States in 1857 and is the only university in the nation that is owned and governed by dioceses of The Episcopal Church, specifically the 28 dioceses that are successors to the original founding dioceses. The historic ownership and governance of the University by these Episcopal dioceses has produced a living synergy of leadership, resource, and mutual support, enriching the Church and advancing the University's role in American higher education.

2015–2016 Statistics for the University of the South

- College of Arts and Sciences total students: 1,710
- Class of 2019: SAT combined: 1730-1960 ACT: 26-30
- High School GPA: 3.66/4.0
- College tuition and fees: \$ 38,428
- College faculty: Full-Time: 150 Part-Time: 56
- Student/faculty ratio: 10:1

- School of Theology students: 156 (includes summer students)
- School of Theology full-time tuition and fees: \$ 16,106
- School of Theology faculty: Full-Time: 10 Part-Time: 7
- Student/faculty ratio: 5:1

University Fiscal Year July 1, 2015–June 30, 2016 (unaudited)

Endowment: \$378 million

2015–2016 Highlights from the University of the South

Details and more news may be found by visiting: sewanee.edu/newstoday/ and theology.sewanee.edu/seminary/media/news/

- Sewanee defined as place of global orientation; July 16, 2015
- University welcomes the Class of 2019; August 19, 2015
- Fulford Hall will continue to stand on Sewanee’s campus; August 25, 2015
- Sewanee faculty ranked among the best; September 9, 2015
- Ryan Mails receives Freeman Award for Merit; October 5, 2015
- Osborne receives the 2015 Woods Leadership Award; October 27, 2015
- Jon Meacham, C’91, regales Sewanee audience with tales of politics and history; November 23, 2015
- Lilly endowment supports high school students’ faith exploration; December 7, 2015
- Planning for “phase one” of the Commons given the go-ahead; February 11, 2016
- Sewanee car will race at Atlanta Motor Speedway this weekend; February 25, 2016
- Sewanee celebrates sesquicentennial of its second founding; March 24, 2016
- Reconciliation service raises awareness and creates conversation; April 21, 2016
- University names Geoffrey Ward organist and choirmaster of All Saints’ Chapel; April 25, 2016
- Commencement weekend events continue; Charlie Rose and Jon Meacham present “The Art of Conversation”; May 7, 2016
- School of Theology commencement graduates 41 students and confers three honorary degrees; May 9, 2016
- School of Theology adds two new faculty: Kenneth Miller, instructor in Church music; and Romulus Stefanut, theological librarian; July 1, 2016



STILL HOPES

Episcopal Retirement Community

2016 Annual Report

Looking back over the past year, a word which readily comes to mind is celebration. Not just celebrating what was accomplished, which was no small feat, but also celebrating how great strides were made to carry Still Hopes to an even better place in the future.

The year of 2015 brought Still Hopes the long awaited unveiling of Main Street. Until then, Main Street was a beautiful idea being built brick by brick for over 10 years. Now our residents are able to walk the halls of Main Street, and all agree it has made their lives at Still Hopes even richer and more fulfilled. On any given day, you can view residents dining with loved ones in the Palmetto Dining Room, or taking in a concert in the Keenan Event Center. The benefits of Main Street are too numerous to mention, and we feel truly blessed to have brought this project to fruition. You owe it to yourself to visit Main Street and see the transformation for yourself.

While we feel a deep sense of pride in our Main Street, we know we must continue to build and grow to pave the best possible road for our future. This means new expansion and the exploration of new ideas to keep Still Hopes on the cutting edge, providing the very best possible lives for our residents.

The largest new project currently underway is our North Campus Expansion Project. This project will yield two new buildings called HealthPointe and WellPointe. HealthPointe will house brand new, state of the art Skilled Nursing Neighborhoods, along with a Neighborhood of Assisted Living Apartments. Once construction of HealthPointe is complete, WellPointe will begin construction and will open in 2020 with 81 beautiful apartments. Along with this large expansion project, Still Hopes is also exploring a possible expansion to a site in York, SC.

As you can see, we at Still Hopes are committed to staying on the cutting edge to ensure we are fulfilling our mission in the best way possible. We are humbled by our success thus far, and we strive every day to provide the best possible home for our residents. As always, we covet your prayers and support in the many ways you provide that to us.

Danny Sanford
Executive Director



Report of Voorhees College

The Episcopal Church in South Carolina

Voorhees College is again honored and pleased to submit a Report for inclusion into the Diocesan Journal of the Episcopal Church in South Carolina. For several decades, we have served as “*partners in mission*” with the Episcopal Church. The Church’s support of our mission of education has produced graduates who are now highly productive citizens in our nation.

The College continues to aggressively move to implement the final year of its Strategic Plan under the administration of Dr. Cleveland L. Sellers, Jr., who retired in June, 2016.

We remain committed to providing a quality educational experience for our students in a Christian environment.

We are also pleased to present to the Church, the appointment of Dr. W. Franklin Evans, as the 9th President of Voorhees College. Dr. Evans is a visionary leader who brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the campus. The Episcopal Church will play a key role as we launch a new Strategic Planning Process that will guide our vision for the next five years. The Inauguration of Dr. Evans is scheduled for spring of 2017 and the Episcopal Church will be invited to play a key role.

Our commitment to investing in the local community is undaunted. We believe that we must become aggressive in our recruitment of new students, fundraising campaigns, new academic majors, cutting-edge technology and intrusive support services to ensure our survival for years to come. We celebrated the opening of a new Living and Learning Center which includes a bowling alley, Internet Café, multi-purpose room and Suite Style living quarters for our students. Additionally, a new major in Psychology has generated excitement in our academic affairs unit. The College is also optimistic as it prepares to submit its Fifth Year Interim Report to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in 2017.

We continuously seek to provide opportunities for our young people to explore ministry as their life’s work and help them to examine the relationship between their faith and vocation choices. The College continues to conduct weekly chapel services, Absalom Jones Feast Day celebration, Bible Study groups, and its annual religious emphasis week of activities in support of this effort.

We solicit your prayers as we continue to carry out the legacy of our founder and achieve our vision for Voorhees College. We are grateful for the Diocese unwavering support and we invite you to visit our campus at any time or visit our website at www.voorhees.edu.

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