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American humorist Calvin Trillin was the special guest speaker at the Friends of the Library’s annual Spring Dinner on May 3, 2000. Trillin, a journalist and syndicated columnist, is best known for his columns in the *New Yorker*, where he has been a staff writer since 1963. He also writes for *Nation* and *Time* magazines.

Friends’ Author-in-Residence Kaye Gibbons introduced Doug Marlette, a Pulitzer-Prize winning editorial cartoonist, to the crowd of more than 250 guests. Marlette, author of the comic strip “Kudzu,” extended a warm welcome to his long-time friend, Trillin.

Trillin described the evolution of his writing career and how he came to be a poet, claiming his poetry career was first inspired by John Sununu, chief of staff for the Bush administration, for whom he wrote his first poem, “If You Knew What Sununu.” Politicians and current events became the main subjects of Trillin’s poetic musings, which offered a clever and very funny way of looking at people and situations. Trillin also entertained the audience with anecdotes from his recent book of short stories, *Family Man*.

Franklin Hart, president of the Friends of the Library Board of Directors, presided over the business portion of the dinner, and Chancellor Marye Anne Fox brought greetings from the university. Linda G. Murphy, past president and chair of the Nominating Committee for the Friends, conducted the election of new members to the board. Robert Bashford, Maryann Bitzer, Suzanne Pur-lington, Emma Garnett Satterfield, John Stewart, and Brenda Wilson were elected for five-year terms. Murphy was reelected to a five-year term, and Wyndham Robertson was elected vice president/president-elect. Hart thanked outgoing board members Robert Beasley, Audrey Kates Bailey, and Arthur Cooper for their years of service.

Susan K. Nutter, vice provost and director of Libraries, announced the establishment of ten new endowments and eleven new incubator endowments. Nutter also inducted thirteen new Friends of the Library life members.

[Left to right] front: Spring Dinner attendees Jackson Marlette, Lee Smith, Doug Marlette, Calvin Trillin, Alice Trillin, and Kaye Gibbons; back: Susan Ketchin.
Spring Dinner Photo Highlights

Calvin Trillin signed many books before the Spring Dinner Reception.

UNC–Chapel Hill’s William Rand Kenan, Jr., Professor of History William E. Leuchtenburg and a Spring Dinner guest enjoyed the reception.

[Above, left to right]
Chancellor Marye Anne Fox and Mimi McKinney
[Left to right] Frank and Eleanor Hart, George and Reba Worsley, and Mimi and Claude McKinney at the Friends’ 2000 Spring Dinner.

[Left to right] Robert A. Bashford, Friends’ Board of Directors; Wyndham Robertson, vice president/president-elect of the board; and Kaye and Mary Gibbons.

[Left to right] Linda and Alex De Grand share a laugh with Suzanne and Alfred Purrington.

[Left to right] Beth and Bruce Weir, Provost Kermit L. Hall, and Jeffrey J. Crow at the Spring Dinner festivities.
Provost Hall To Speak at Friends’ Annual Fall Luncheon

Kermit L. Hall, NC State provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs and professor of history, will present “The Virulence of the National Appetite for Bogus Revelation: Opening the Secret Documents of the Kennedy Assassination” at the Friends’ annual Fall Luncheon. The program will be held on November 8, 2000, in NC State’s Jane S. McKimmon Center.

President Clinton nominated and the U.S. Senate confirmed Hall to serve on the John F. Kennedy Presidential Assassination Records Review Board. The board, established by Congress in 1992, re-examined for release the records related to President John F. Kennedy’s assassination that federal agencies still deemed too sensitive to open to the public. The board reviewed and voted on more than 27,000 redacted records and obtained consent to release an additional 33,000 records. More than four million pages of records were made available to the public through the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection at the National Archives in Washington, D.C.

Hall is a scholar of American constitutional law and history and is the author or co-author of four books on the history of law, the courts, and public life. He served as editor-in-chief of The Oxford Companion to the Supreme Court, which was named an Outstanding Reference Work for 1992 by the American Library Association and won the Gavel Award of the American Bar Association. He is a member of several national advisory boards.

The twelfth annual NCSU Libraries Faculty Award will also be presented during the Fall Luncheon. This award is given to an NC State faculty member who has contributed consistently and notably to the accomplishment of the Libraries’ mission, vision, and strategic initiatives. For ticket information, call the Friends at (919) 515-2841, Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

New Life Members 1999–2000

Mrs. Mary M. Beam
Dr. and Mrs. Don Bitzer
Mr. and Mrs. Leslie N. Boney, Jr.
Dr. and Mrs. Richard C. Dillman
Dr. and Mrs. Hayne Palmour III
Mr. and Mrs. Vincent R. Ross
Dr. and Mrs. Bruce J. Zobel

Annual Book Sale

The Friends’ annual Book Sale will be held from November 16 through 19, 2000, on the ground floor of the East Wing in the D. H. Hill Library.

The Friends’ members-only preview sale, which is by invitation only, will be held on November 16, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. The public sale on November 17 and 18 will run from 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The sale on November 19 (Sunday) will open at 12:00 and run to 4:00 p.m. For more information on the sale, call the Friends at (919) 515-2841, Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Spring Dinner Speaker Set

Tony Earley, author of the critically acclaimed Jim the Boy, will speak at the Friends’ Spring Dinner on April 27, 2001. Earley’s short stories earned him a place on Granata’s list of the 20 Best Young American Fiction Writers in 1996 and a National Magazine Award for fiction. He has been included in the anthologies Best American Short Stories and New Stories from the South. In 1994 a collection of his short stories, Here We Are in Paradise, was published. A new book of short stories will be published by Algonquin Press in spring 2001.
In Memoriam
Life Members of the Friends of the Library

Carey H. Bostian, former NC State chancellor from 1953 to 1959, died on April 22, 2000. Before becoming the university’s seventh chancellor, Bostian was a zoology and genetics professor and associate dean of the School of Agriculture. A dozen new buildings were constructed during his tenure as chancellor, including the D. H. Hill Library. Chancellor Bostian worked at NC State for forty-three years. His wife, Neita, and a son, Richard, preceded him in death. He is survived by two sons, Lloyd and Karl (both NC State graduates), as well as grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and a great-great-grandchild. Memorial donations can be made to the Carey and Neita Bostian Library Endowment.

R. O. Everett (NC State Class of 1947), retired executive vice president with Wachovia, died on June 24, 2000, in Salisbury, N.C. Everett served during World War II and was a prisoner of war. He later joined Wachovia Bank and remained there until he retired in 1986. He is survived by his wife, Edith, and two children, Simon Justus and Susan (both NC State graduates). Everett and his wife made provision to establish the Susan Ellen Everett Library Internship Endowment through a planned gift.

Don W. Hayne, professor emeritus of statistics, died on May 18, 2000, in Chapel Hill, N.C. Hayne was considered a pioneer in devising quantitative measurements for ecology. He came to NC State in 1961 to direct the Southeastern Fish and Game Statistics Project and retired in 1981. His wife, Harriet Rheingold Hayne, preceded him in death.

Harriet Rheingold Hayne, a preeminent developmental psychologist, died on April 29, 2000, in Chapel Hill, N.C. Rheingold Hayne was a professor emeritus at UNC–Chapel Hill, serving on the faculty of the Department of Psychology from 1964 to 1986. She was married to Don W. Hayne.

Z. Zimmerman (ZZ) Hugus, Jr., professor emeritus of chemistry, died on May 9, 2000, in Raleigh, N.C. Hugus was a professor of chemistry from 1967 until his retirement in 1992. His specialty was inorganic chemistry. His wife, Nancy, predeceased him.

George W. Poland, head of the Department of Modern Languages at NC State from 1956 until 1971, died on April 28, 2000, in Raleigh, N.C. Poland came to NC State in 1948 as an instructor and retired as a full professor in 1976. Memorial donations may be made to the library’s Richard G. Walser Endowment.

Mary Frances Munch Rood, of Cary, N.C., died on October 13, 1998. Rood earned a B.A. and M.D. from UNC–Chapel Hill. She was a psychiatrist at Dorthea Dix Hospital in Raleigh until 1986. She was preceded in death by her husband, H. Waldo Rood, and is survived by daughters Margaret and Elizabeth and stepchildren Robert, Mary Ann, and Richard. The Hood Waldo and Mary Munch Rood Library Endowment was established through a bequest to benefit the NCSU Libraries.

Jean C. Speck, of Cary, N.C., died on July 13, 2000. Speck was married to Marvin L. Speck, NC State William Neal Reynolds professor emeritus of food science, for almost sixty years. Speck, a full-time homemaker, artist, and author, wrote a biography of state Senator Ralph Scott entitled The Gentleman from Haw River. Speck is survived by her husband, Marvin, and three daughters, Linda Jean Speck, Martha Speck Huggins, and Susan Speck Sexton. Memorial donations may be sent to the Marvin and Jean Speck Library Endowment or to the music fund of White Memorial Presbyterian Church.
Focus, a newsletter published three times a year, seeks to promote the services, activities, needs, and interests of the NCSU Libraries to the university, the Friends of the Library, and beyond. 

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**FOL Calendar of Events**

- **2000 Fall Luncheon**
  - NC State Provost Kermit L. Hall
  - November 8, 2000

- **Annual Book Sale**
  - Members-only sale, November 16
  - Public sale, November 17–19
  - November 16–19, 2000

- **University Author Days**
  - Dates TBA
  - January 2001

- **2001 North Carolina Writers Series**
  - Kaye Gibbons
  - February 20, 2001
  - Jim Dean
  - March 6, 2001
  - Daniel Wallace
  - April 10, 2001
  - Marcia Douglas
  - May 1, 2001

- **Spring Dinner**
  - Tony Earley, author of *Jim the Boy*
  - April 27, 2001

*See “Friends of the Library News” for details.*