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President Martinson Resigns

By Susan Rogers

Dr. Jacob C. Martinson, Jr., president of Brevard College since 1976, has announced his resignation. He is leaving Brevard to fill the position of president at High Point College, effective August 1.

Martinson will succeed Charles Lucht, who has been president at High Point since 1981. A search for Lucht's successor was begun in January after Lucht announced his resignation.

Martinson, who will become High Point's sixth president, did not actively seek the job. He was recommended to the search committee, which interviewed him while he was in Greensboro two weeks ago. He was chosen over a field of 115 applicants.

Concerning his resignation, Martinson said, "Why would any man leave heaven? We've been here for nine years and we've accomplished so many things. Brevard is in as fine a shape as it has ever been, and it is by far the finest institution of its kind in the country."

He added that he decided to go to High Point because "Never once did they say it was a promotion. They said they needed me. When you are needed, and when you are at a plateau in your cur-

rent position, you sort of feel like that's the hand of God."

In announcing Martinson's appointment, W. Roger Soles, Chairman of the High Point College Board of Trustees, said, "Dr. Martinson has had a fine record everywhere he has been, in Florida, Georgia, and at Brevard College. We at High Point College feel very fortunate to have him agree to come with us as our president. High Point is a strong college and with Dr. Martinson's leadership, it can be even stronger."

John E. Ward, Jr., a Biology professor at High Point College, was quoted in the Greensboro Record as saying that Martinson has many of the qualities that High Point needs in a president. "He's known by a lot of people in this area by reputation. I have been impressed by his credentials and by the interviews we have had with him through the search process," Ward said.

Martinson said that his resignation was "A matter of prayer. It sounds pious, but God has had a hand in every move I have made of such major consequence. God had a hand in my coming to Brevard College. I have always believed that the Lord had a plan for my life and that the fulfillment of that plan

would mean success. So far, that has been 100% true."

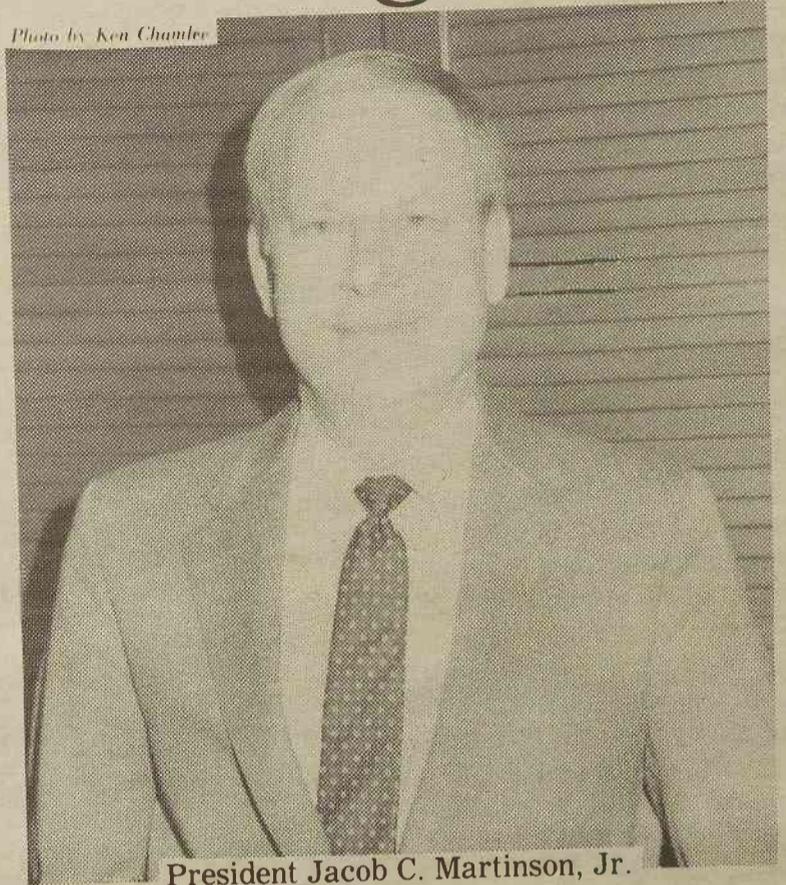
Martinson's successor will be chosen by a committee of BC trustees and faculty members, with input from the Methodist Conference. According to Martinson, there are a number of excellent candidates who have expressed their desire to come to Brevard.

Martinson is the president of the Council of University and College Presidents, a group composed of the chief administrative officers of the 17 institutions of higher education in western North Carolina. During his tenure, enrollment has increased 40% and the college's endowment has grown from \$2.1 million to \$5.4 million. Alumni support has increased 400% and in 1983-84 total charitable contributions to the college exceeded one million dollars.

A native of Wisconsin, Martinson earned his undergraduate

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President Jacob C. Martinson, Jr.

Kim Ormand Named 1985-86 Clarion Editor

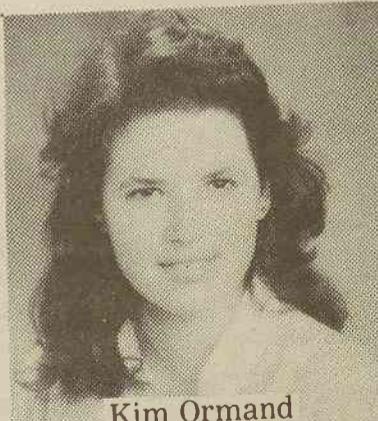
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Kim Ormand has been named the 1984-85 editor of the Clarion, BC's student newspaper.

Ormand said that she became interested in the position of editor because "The Clarion is an excellent way to get to know the people and the school." She said she has many ideas for the newspaper, adding that "my ideas sound good in theory, but I won't know if they are really good until I actually put them into practice."

Ken Chamlee, Clarion advisor, said, "Kim is an active student with good grades, just the kind of person the Clarion needs. She has shown considerable interest and enthusiasm for the editor's job, and it should be a pleasure working with her."

Ormand, who will also serve as a resident assistant next year, said, "being editor should be a challenge because it will mean a lot of budgeting of my time. I



Kim Ormand

don't want one thing to suffer because of another." She also commented that "Brevard is a conservative school. It's the responsibility of any editor of any paper to be sure that the material is acceptable to the readers."

According to current editor Susan Rogers, "Kim is an excellent choice for the editor's position. It's hard to pass on something that you have worked

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SGA Officers Elected

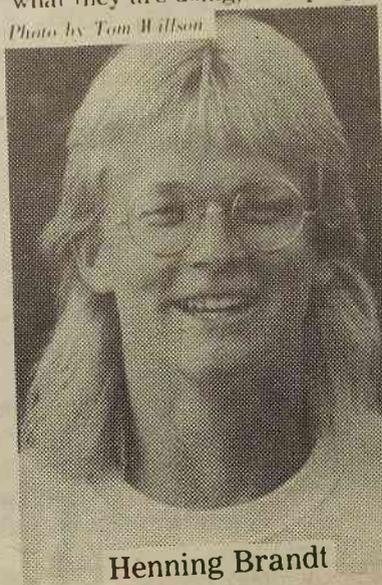
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Representatives have been chosen by the freshman class of Brevard College to fill the 1985-86 Student Government Executive Offices.

In a run-off election, Henning Brandt was chosen to assume the office of President of SGA. Brian Cook was elected as Vice-President, Judicial Board and Lynelle Lewis was elected as Vice-President, Social Board.

Brandt said that the most difficult part of his job will be getting students motivated. He thinks that if the SGA presents itself as a group of people who enjoy their jobs and care about what they are doing, then people

Photo by Tom Willson



Henning Brandt

will naturally be drawn into its activities. He said that a lack of unity on campus has made students uninterested in being together. Brandt said, "Brevard students are given too little responsibility, in and out of class. That might be why so few students take responsibility on their own."

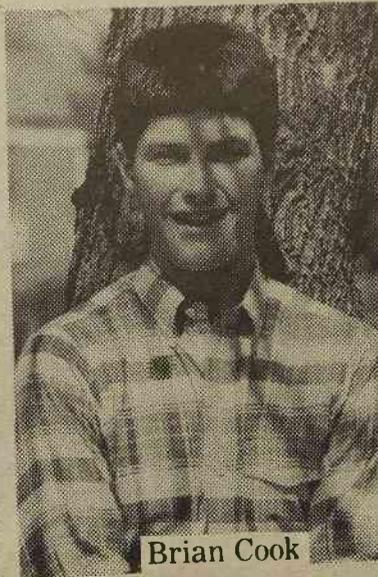
He said that he has good ideas and can do a good job as SGA President. "The SGA can get better only if we make a good team," he said. He thinks that the success of the SGA depends on how well its members communicate with other students. He plans to talk more with students to find out what they want in the area of

student activities.

Although at 25 he is older than most BC students and is from another country, Brandt feels that he will be a good representative of the college. He likes the town and the people of Brevard and feels that the size of the college provides the perfect opportunity for fun and a good education.

Cook thinks that he will make a good Vice-President, Judicial Board because he plans to work toward achieving a happy medium between the students and the administration of the college. "The hardest part is going to be remembering to use good

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