

because of my political science background. I feel I can effectively use the office to the students' advantage, stated Joel. An Aries, Joel hails from Richmond, Virginia. During leisure time, he enjoys football, bowling and cycling.

During high school, Joel was a member of the Key Club and the Circle K Club. He also served as class representative for four years. At WSSU, he has been a member of the Circle K Club and the football team. Football is very time consuming, according to Joel. This has hindered him from becoming involved in as many extracurricular activities as he would like.

What Joel would like to do mostly is to improve student input into the SGA. "I'd like to bring the SGA to students because students view the SGA as a separate entity," Joel remarked. "They don't seem to understand that they are a part of the SGA too," he added. "I'm equipped with a good political background, I am a diehard and I'll work for the students. I'm also a good listener and a strategist," Joel remarked with confidence.

He stated that many students seemed to view the SGA as a social organization. However, it is not. He felt that the SGA should be a part of national events which affect students, such as the crisis in Atlanta and the cutbacks in financial aid by the Reagan Administration. "Yes, I think that the SGA should be a part of such things and as a matter of fact, they have already started to become involved," Joel said.

"I will represent the students well and in their behalf," he promised. He concluded, I'd just like to add that I would like for everyone to vote, if not for me, for someone.

Michael Sutton, a junior, and a native of Kinston, North Carolina, is a candidate for president of the SGA. Michael, a Pisces, is a history major with a political science minor. In his spare time, he plays the organ, sings, travels, works in a political arena and meets new people.

In high school, Michael served as class secretary, homeroom representative, and served on various committees. While at WSSU, he has been involved with Phi Mu Alpha, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, the University Choir, Big Brother/Big Sister, the Political Science Club, and Mt. Zion Church Choir.

Michael is running for president of the SGA so that he can become more aware of the Student Government and the needs of the students at Winston-Salem State. He feels he knows the position well enough to run. He feels that the president is the "liaison" between the students' needs at the university and the administration.

Michael believes that the SGA should strive for total student involvement. "We should get everybody involved through the use of surveys, questionnaires and any other means that students can use to put their voice in the government," Michael remarked.

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Tina Hairston



Zenobia Nelson



Elise Rodney

Three Co-Eds Run For Miss WSSU

Three ladies are vying for the position of Miss WSSU. They are Tina Hairston, Zenobia Nelson, and Elise Rodney.

By Janet Martin

Tina D. Hairston, a native of Lexington, N.C., is a candidate for Miss Winston-Salem State University. Born under the sign of Sagittarius, Tina enjoys swimming, traveling, meeting people, and working with people.

Extracurricular activities at Winston-Salem State include membership in the Circle K Club, the University Ushers, Student Union Program Board and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

"I am running because I feel I can uphold the image of what WSSU stands for and handle all the responsibilities that come with the position," stated Tina. Tina feels that by running for Miss WSSU, she can achieve the ability to cope with different challenges that she might face.

"I feel that I am qualified because of my personal assets such as determination, personality, intellect and lady-like character," Tina remarked.

Tina's career goals are to achieve a B.A. degree in special education and be certified in learning disabilities. She believes that being Miss WSSU will give her the experience and responsibilities in life, when dealing with people. Miss WSSU stands for and represents the student body at WSSU.

Tina concluded, "Miss WSSU is also present at different affairs to exhibit the image of students at WSSU."

By Renee Wilkins

Zenobia "Tiny" Nelson is one of the candidates for the title of Miss WSSU. She is a 21-year-old resident of Concord, North Carolina. Born in Plainsville, New Jersey, Miss Nelson is an Aquarian, who likes to spend her time reading, listening to music or being by herself. She is majoring in Nursing with a minor in English. Miss

Nelson is a former Miss Bickett hall, Miss Sophomore, SGA representative, and is presently holding the title of Miss Student Union.

Miss Nelson is running for Miss WSSU because she feels that she can represent the school. She stated that she has the time and the determination to do the best for the welfare of Winston-Salem State. Miss Nelson also said that she has the qualities to make a good Miss WSSU. She stated that she had respect from students, a good reputation, leadership qualities and is someone who is honest.

If chosen, Miss Nelson plans to do two different things to make the students more aware of activities in this society. She wants to promote more seminars on human sexuality and male/female relationships. She also wants to bring various spokesmen on campus, like Dick Gregory, to speak to the students.

Miss Nelson feels that Miss WSSU is more than a symbol, who represents this student body and University. She is hardworking, shows initiative, creativity, determination and is able to make herself available to the student body.

Miss Nelson feels that the title of Miss WSSU would enable her to grow, develop and to gain strength for bigger challenges in this society. The title would also give her the satisfaction of making a contribution to the school.

Miss Nelson concluded by saying if she is not selected as Miss WSSU, she would support the reigning queen as much as possible. She also said that she would also represent the school in other fashions. She considers herself as a person who has to be involved in some activity on or off campus.

By Renee Wilkins

Elise Rodney is a candidate for Miss WSSU. She was born in Cleveland, Ohio, but she makes her home in East Elmhurst, New York. Miss Rodney is a

junior who majors in biology. She is a 21-year-old Aquarian who enjoys sports, dancing, acting and traveling. She is currently holding the title of Miss Omega Sweetheart and participates in the band, track and the Drama Guild.

Miss Rodney is running for Miss WSSU because she wants to represent the University. She stated that she is considered, by friends, who also inspired her to run, as a "natural."

She has a close "rapport" with students and can devote 24 hours to the title. Miss Rodney said that she has herself and time which would enable her to do her best for the University.

Miss Rodney uses the letters in her name to describe herself. She stated

that she is E-energetic, L-liberated, I-industrious, S-sensitive, and E-ebony. She stated that she has good

relationships with students and staff members. She also described herself as a well-rounded person.

Miss Rodney remarked that she would represent all the ideas of

WSSU. She wants to help to create a one-on-one relationship with the SGA, administration and student body. Miss

Rodney feels that Miss WSSU should be a well-rounded lady who smiles from within, as well as from the

outside. She should be, according to Miss Rodney, an on and off campus queen, who is into what is happening among students.

Miss Rodney stated that she likes to relate to people, and as Miss WSSU,

she would be given the opportunity to do so by traveling and becoming a spokesperson for the student body.