

BEST WISHES TO OUR GRADUATES

The News Argus

Volume 22, No. 6

Winston-Salem State University

May 6, 1988



Rankins and Anderson New Student Body Leaders

By Tezra O. Ellis
Staff Reporter

Photos by: M. Chavis

Congratulations are in order for Mr. John Perry Rankins. On April 12th, WSSU's "Super Tuesday," Rankins was elected to the position of SGA President for the forthcoming year. A political science major, Rankins anticipates attending graduate school. On his list of possible choices are the University of North Carolina and East Carolina University. His career aspirations include becoming a city manager and ultimately, Governor of North Carolina.

As president of the SGA, Rankins feels his number one priority will be to bridge the communication gap between students and administration and organizations. "The accusation that students at WSSU are apathetic is not true. A lot of times, students just don't know what is going on so they

can't participate." Rankins cited organizations such as The Wesley Foundation and several groups that sponsor activities, but experience poor student participation. He is presently in the process of collaborating with the campus activities board and SGA representatives to work on creating a bridge for the gap.

Attention will be devoted to other areas including opportunities for cooperative education and working with administration to solve any problems. In order to implement change, Rankins plans to have administrative representatives present at any meetings held along with representatives of the student body so that both sides of an issue can be heard.

Look! Up in the SGA Vice-President's seat! Faster than a campaign promise! Stronger than a politician's handshake! Abie to leap all opponents in a single vote! It's "SuuuuPER Haven!"

Through the assistance of a spectacular campaign, Haven Omar, Anderson, a Business Administration major from Charlotte, NC is the newly elected SGA Vice-President for 1988-89.

Anderson's first consideration as vice-president will be to get the university more involved in the community than it is at the present time, with a concentration on the East Winston area. "I have talked with some of the community residents and they feel that we are not as involved as we could be. I personally think that we could do more to help the city." Anderson's plans include regenerating the "Go to high school-

go to college" program which originated in the Alpha-Phi-Alpha Fraternity of which Anderson is a member. The program will concentrate on Glenn and Carver high schools. In addition to this, Anderson anticipates working in conjunction with Hanes Memorial Church in the development of a junior high and high school program. This program will feature intense educational lectures on drugs, pregnancy, parenting, and the importance of education.

Along with community involvement, Super Haven will concentrate on two campus-oriented programs: the food service committee and the Student Congress board on which he serves as chairman. Anderson plans to place suggestion boxes in the cafeteria and to increase the monthly meetings of the food service committee from one to two times a month.

These super ideas from a super individual should lay the foundation for a super year!

Candidate Screams Foul Play

By Carter B. Cue

There has been some controversy after a candidate in the recent Student Government Association elections claimed her bid to hold an office was seriously marred because of administrative errors.

Renee Leathers, junior, a candidate for Executive Secretary of the S.G.A. says she should have won the office because she filed for the position before the deadline.

Two other persons, Dawn Hicks and Mike Dickerson, had originally filed for the position of Secretary of Student Affairs which does not exist. After the misprint was discovered on the candidate application form, Dickerson and Hicks refiled for an office on March 5th. They were later placed in the same category with Leathers after which ballots with the candidates names were placed about campus. According to Ms. Leathers, "the ballot was made public so it should be adhered to." Hicks and Dickerson were said to have been placed in

the Executive Secretary position with Leathers after the ballots showing Leathers' name only had been posted.

Leathers says she was under the assumption that she was running unopposed so she didn't see the need to mount a serious campaign.

Leathers contends she didn't find out about the rearrangement until after a March 26th Leadership Conference sponsored by the S.G.A. Leathers made mention of the fact that newly-elected SGA president John Rankin, was appointed a position in the 1987 elections because of overlooked errors on the ballot.

Vice-Chancellor for Student Affairs, Dr. Haywood Wilson would not comment on the situation. He however, said he supported the elections committee and would stand behind their judgement.

After a 5 to 2 vote the elections committee agreed not to create a position for Leathers

within the S.G.A. The Elections committee chairman, Rhonda Tatum, said she was sorry for the complications but they would have problems in the future if they added offices to satisfy everyone.

Leathers had sought the legal counsel of a lawyer after the decision had been rendered by the Elections Committee.

Professors Learn More About Writing

By Linda McKnight
Staff Reporter

The English and Communication Arts Department sponsored a workshop entitled "Writing Strategies," this workshop was held to inform professors of English how to better prepare lessons and lectures for students. Not only were WSSU English and Education majors a part of the audience,

but area junior high and high school English teachers from Winston-Salem/Forsyth County were present also on April 19, at 7:30 p.m.

The speaker for the occasion was Dr. Miriam Thomas Chaplin a member of the National Teachers Examination Board. She did three years of her undergraduate work at Spellman College and graduated from St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia. She received her master's degree in Education from Temple University and a Ph.D. in English Education from Rutgers University. She has published an excess of 17 articles and has been successful in grant writing strategies.

The focus of her lecture was on how to teach writing to students which she divided into parts. She focused first on "The Lesson" then "Feature Groups" that she divided into Grammar and Syntax and were concerned with inter/intra sentence connections.

continued on page 12