

FACULTY HAPPENINGS

New faculty and staff join Chowan family

Dr. Charles P. Bentley

Dr. Charles P. Bentley has joined the faculty of Chowan as the chairman of the college's new department of education. He comes to Chowan from Wilkesboro, N.C. where for the past ten years he was director of the Regional Education Center and member of the State Superintendent's Administrative Team for the state of North Carolina.



Dr. Bentley assumed responsibilities for the department of education at Chowan in early August. Education (pre-school through middle) is one of the four-year degrees Chowan will offer beginning in the fall of 1992.

"In seeking to fill the position of chairperson of the department of education, we were looking for a person with extensive knowledge and experience in the field," states Dr. B. Franklin Lowe, vice president for academic affairs at Chowan. "We also wanted someone who was knowledgeable of teacher education in North Carolina, and who could provide the special skills needed to build and direct a quality, accredited program. We believe we have found such a person in Dr. Charles Bentley."

Dr. Bentley has a wide range of experience in education including fifteen years as associate superintendent for instruction and personnel for the 12,000 pupil school system in Wilkes County, N.C. He served for three years as principal of the junior high school in Kernersville, N.C. and five years as a teacher at the elementary level in Winston-Salem, N.C. He also has ten years of experience as adjunct professor in curriculum and school administration at Appalachian State University Graduate School.

A graduate of Mars Hill College with the associate of arts degree, he holds the

bachelor's degree in social studies and English from Wake Forest University; and the master of education from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a graduate teaching certificate in social studies and school administration. He also received the educational specialist degree from UNC-Chapel Hill. He earned the doctorate in education in school administration from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Dr. Bentley is a member of the National Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development (board of directors 1986-87); American Association of School Administrators; and the North Carolina Association of School Administrations (board of directors 1986-87). He was elected president of the North Carolina Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development in 1986. He served as president of the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Education Alumni Association for 1989-90.

Dr. Bentley and his wife, Lois are the parents of three daughters and reside in Murfreesboro.

Linda Marie Blincoe

Linda Marie Blincoe has joined the staff of Chowan College as assistant director of admissions. She will work primarily with Baptist churches throughout the region and with Baptist youth groups throughout the state.



She most recently served as administrative assistant to the president of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary at Wake Forest, N.C. She also served as assistant director of admissions at Campbellsville College in Kentucky. She was director of continuing education at Oakland City College in Oakland, Indiana and youth

director for Powersville Baptist Church in Kentucky.

Blincoe received the B.A. in religion from Belmont College in Tennessee and the Master of Religious Education from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky with an emphasis in missions.

Blincoe also was a summer missionary and conducted church retreats for the Home Mission Board and Tennessee Baptist Convention. She was named one of the Outstanding Young Women in America in 1988. She was the devotional writer for the Oakland City Journal newspaper in Oakland City, Indiana and also for the Braken County Newspaper in Brooksville, Kentucky.

A member of Wake Forest Baptist Church in Wake Forest, Blincoe will reside in Murfreesboro.

Dr. Richard R. Gay

The new professor of English in the department of language and literature at Chowan is Dr. Richard R. Gay who joined the faculty at the beginning of the fall semester.



Dr. Gay was awarded the doctorate in English from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, received the bachelor's and master's degrees in English from the University of Richmond in Virginia. He completed his doctoral thesis on "The Deianean Tradition in Six English Tragedies."

His previous teaching experience includes ten years of teaching secondary English in the Virginia public schools; six semesters of teaching English undergraduate courses at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro; and English lab assistant at the University of Richmond.

Dr. Gay is the author of journal articles, one of which recently appeared in *Notes on Mississippi Writers*, entitled "Arthurian Tragedy in Faulkner's Absalom, Absalom!". He also published a paper at the Southeastern Medieval Association in 1990. He is a member of the Modern Language Association, the National Council for Teacher Education and the Southeastern Medieval Association.

His teaching specialties are in the areas of British literature through the 18th century, rhetoric and composition, and supervision of English education majors. He resides in Waverly, Virginia.

Edwin Dean Gilbert

Edwin Dean Gilbert has joined the faculty of Chowan as chairperson of the department of graphic communications, announced Dr. B. Franklin Lowe, vice president for academic affairs. Gilbert will supervise all of the instruction, printing and photography programs, and production work in the Krueger School of Graphic Communications at Chowan.



Gilbert comes to Chowan from Charlotte, N.C. where he was employed with Ringier American, Inc. a graphic

arts firm specializing in electronic pre-press production. He designed a training program for production employees and management staff while at Ringier and initiated training programs at printing plants in Georgia and Illinois.

He received the bachelor of science degree in industrial and technical education from Appalachian State University with a concentration in drafting and graphic arts. He also received the master's degree in higher education with a concentration in administration from Appalachian.

Gilbert's teaching experience includes positions at Anson Technical College in Ansonville, N.C. and at Pensacola Junior College in Pensacola, Florida, where he instructed printing courses, served as in-plant printing manager for the college, and taught graphic arts courses including phototypesetting, lay-out and design, camera, and plate-making. At Anson Technical College, he served as chairman of the graphic arts department and supervised all instructors in printing management, commercial art, and photography programs.

As the director of new and expanding industries at Central Piedmont Community College for six years, he marketed North Carolina's economic development package in Mecklenburg County. He is married with one son and resides in Murfreesboro.

Herman Gatewood, former department chairman, continues at Chowan as professor of graphic communications.

John D. Nesbitt

John D. Nesbitt, from Columbia, S.C., has joined the staff of Chowan as vice president for business affairs. He comes to Chowan from South Carolina where he has served as the director of business and finance for Columbia Bible College and Seminary since 1984.



Nesbitt holds the B.S. degree in industrial relations (personnel management), with a minor in psychology from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He received the Master of Theology with honor from Dallas Theological Seminary with a major in historical theology. He has completed continuing education at the College Business Management Institute in Lexington, Kentucky; the Institute of Christian Organizational Management, Barrington, Rhode Island; and the National Institute of Christian School Administrations, Winona Lake, Indiana; as well as graduate courses in higher education finance and the use of computers and software applications in finance at the University of South Carolina in Columbia.

He previously held positions as chief administrative officer for North Hills Christian School, and in the admissions office of Baylor University Medical Center. He was named to the 21st and 22nd editions of Who's Who in the South and Southwest and was named to Outstanding Young Men in America in 1985.

He is married with two children and resides in Murfreesboro.

Faculty Focus

Dr. David Gowler, professor of religion and philosophy, has been selected to write a book for the Paulist Press entitled *What Are They Saying About the Parables of Jesus?* He is also writing a chapter on "The Development of Socio-Rhetorical Criticism" for the book *New Boundaries in Old Territory: Forms and Social Rhetoric in Mark* to be published by Fortress Press.

Dr. Ken Craig, professor of religion and philosophy, has been asked to read a paper, "Asking for Rhetoric: Rhetorical Questions in Deuteronomical History" at the November meeting of Southern Baptist Literature (SBL). He has also been invited to write an article on Jonah for the *Mercer Commentary on the Bible* and invited to write an article for the *Biblical Illustrator* entitled "Lions in the Ancient Near East". Dr. Craig has also had several book reviews published recently.

Dr. Ken Wolfskill, chairman of the department of language and literature and Dr. John Davis, professor of English, have been selected to read papers at the meeting of the Popular Culture Association of the South. Dr. Wolfskill will read "A Dreadful Eye: Why Travis McGee Never Got to Television," and Dr. Davis will read "L-Shaped Moves with a Knight Named Paladin: Atypical Archetypes in 'Have Gun Will Travel'."

Dr. Carl Garrott, professor of foreign language, is to have an article published in *Cuadernos de Artes y Ciencias* in October, 1991 entitled "Le roman surrealiste: le roman mexicain qui oriente vers 'Tematica espiritual'".

Professor of English Robert Mulder has an article appearing in *Christian Single* October issue entitled "What Your Job Can and Cannot Do For You".

The Northeast Technical Education Center in Williamston, N.C. has requested the Chowan science faculty to provide four workshops for area teachers in physical science, biology, chemistry, and physics. These workshops will be held throughout the year at the education center in October, November, December and April. Over 100 area teachers are expected to participate on each date.