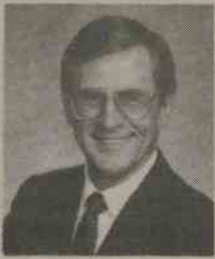


# New trustees and visitors named to boards



Balentine



Mason



McElheney



Suiter



Whitehead

**Dr. George L. Balentine**, of Raleigh, has been elected by the Baptist State Convention of N.C. to serve as a trustee. He is the pastor at Hayes Barton Baptist Church in Raleigh.

Originally from Arkansas, Dr. Balentine received the B.A. from Ouachita Baptist College; the B.D. and Ph.D. from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He pastored at churches in Arkansas, Florida, and Georgia, including the historic First Baptist Church in Augusta.

Dr. Balentine was instrumental in the founding of Palm Beach Atlantic College, West Palm Beach, Florida where he served as chairman of the religion department and later as academic dean.

He was president of Shorter College in Rome, Ga. from June, 1982 until October, 1986 prior to resigning to accept the pastorate of Hayes Barton Baptist Church.

Married to Mary Sue McDonald Balentine, they have one daughter, Mary Elizabeth Mercier of Jacksonville, Florida.

**James W. Mason**, an agribusinessman from Harrellsville, has also been elected by the Baptist State Convention of N. C. to serve as a trustee.

Mason is the owner of Mason Farms and a member of Harrellsville Baptist Church where he serves as vice chairman of the deacon board. He is the

chairman of the Hertford County Soil Conservation Board of Supervisors and vice chairman of Centura Bank Branch Board.

He serves as the director of Hertford County Farm Bureau and is the current director of the N.C. Peanut Growers Association. The director of the Hertford County Library, he also serves as treasurer on the board of directors of Ridgecroft School.

Mason is a graduate of Wake Forest University with the B.B.A. degree. He also completed two years of education at Campbell University. Married to Jeannie Mason, they have two children, Ashley Blair, a student at Wake Forest University and Jeffrey Kirk, a senior at Ridgecroft school.

**Cheryl McElheney**, of Roanoke Rapids, has been elected by the Baptist State Convention of N.C. to serve as a trustee.

McElheney, an alumna of Chowan, is a long-time supporter of the college having been active on the Chowan alumni advisory board.

She is executive secretary-treasurer of Halifax Linen Service, Inc. in Roanoke Rapids where her husband Charles Preston McElheney, Jr. is owner and president. Active in civic affairs, she is the past president of Roanoke Rapids school PTA's and served as vice president of the City Council PTA. She is a member of the North Carolina

Association of Textile Services, Southeastern Textile Rental Association and Roanoke Rapids Chamber of Commerce.

McElheney received the associate of arts degree from Chowan and also completed education at Radford College in Virginia. An active member of Rosemary Baptist Church in Roanoke Rapids, she has been a member of the chancel choir there for 11 years and also plays in the adult handbell choir.

The McElheney's have three children, Dawn Porch, of Roanoke Rapids, who received the B.S. (Dean's List) from N.C. Wesleyan; Shawn, a Dean's List freshman at UNC Wilmington; and Charles Preston, III, a senior at Roanoke Rapids High School.

**O. S. "Buck" Suiter, Jr.** has been named to the Chowan College Board of Visitors. Suiter, who has served previous terms on this board beginning in 1979, most recently co-chaired the successful Day for Chowan in the Roanoke-Chowan area which garnered over \$112,000 in support for the college.

Suiter is executive vice president of Centura Bank in Ahoskie. He is a town councilman and Mayor Pro Tem for the town of Ahoskie; chairman of the Hertford County Industrial Families Pollution Control Financing Authority; and a member of St. Thomas Episcopal Church Vestry.

A graduate of Weldon High School, he received the A.B. degree in business administration from Duke University and is a graduate of LSU Banking School of the South. He is married to Betty Suiter and they have two children, Virginia Pierce, who resides in Wilmington and Overton Stokes Suiter, who resides in Greenville.

**Dr. Millard Eley Whitehead, Jr.**, of Murfreesboro, has been appointed to the Chowan College Board of Visitors.

Dr. Whitehead has twenty-five years of experience in the field of education as a classroom teacher in Hertford County Schools, principal of Murfreesboro Middle School, and principal of Ahoskie Graded School. Since 1986 he has been employed as a classroom teacher with the Bertie County School System.

He is a graduate of Murfreesboro High School and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with the A.B. degree. He received the M.A.Ed. and Ed.S. degrees from East Carolina University; and the Ed.D. from Nova University.

Dr. Whitehead is a member of the Murfreesboro Rotary Club (past President); the Murfreesboro Baptist Church where he currently serves as deacon; and a member of the board of directors of the Murfreesboro Historical Association.

## White named honorary Trustee



White named honorary Trustee of Chowan College, according to Dr. Jerry F. Jackson.

White was elected to the honorary position by the trustees at the recent joint meeting of the college's boards of trustees and visitors for his dedicated service and support of Chowan College

**Vernon A. White**, North Carolina Senator (1969-84), from Winterville, has been named an Honorary Trustee of Chowan College, according to Dr. Jerry F. Jackson.

since 1969.

White has held numerous advisory positions on Chowan's board of trustees and board of advisors, including serving on the committee to raise funds for the math-science facility, Camp Hall. The Louise Ange White Scholarship is an endowed scholarship established by White in honor of his wife.

An alumnus of Wake Forest University, White has been active in Pitt County serving as charter member and former chairman of the board of trustees of Pitt Community College.

## J. Felix Arnold Scholarship established at Chowan



Chowan College.

Rev. Arnold served as pastor of Enfield Baptist Church for over 28 years before his retirement in 1975. He also served as pastor of Boykins, Va. Baptist Church and assistant pastor of First Baptist Church of McComb, Miss. His ministry also included serving as director of youth activities at the First Baptist Church of Winston-Salem.

"We are deeply grateful to the wonderful family of Rev. J. Felix Arnold for establishing the Arnold Scholarship at Chowan," said Dr. Jerry Jackson, president of the college. "This endowed scholarship will serve as a reminder of Rev. Arnold's wise counsel and gift for enlisting others in the support of this institution and its mission in higher education. It seems fitting that such service and devotion to the cause of Christian higher education be

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honored and recognized through this scholarship for students to attend Chowan."

Arnold has served Chowan College as a member of the Board of Trustees for 23 years, ten of those as chairman of the board. He has served two terms (eight years) on the General Board of the Baptist State Convention of N. C. and 12 years on the Council of Christian Higher Education. He is the former moderator of the North Roanoke Baptist Assoc. and past president of the Enfield Lions Club.

A graduate of Mississippi College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., Arnold is originally from Shannon, Miss. He also completed special studies at Union Theological Seminary in New York City. During World War II, he was a chaplain for two years in the U.S. Navy. He is married to Frances Marks Arnold, from Boykins, Va. The Arnolds' five children are Felice A. Parent, Louann A. Clarke, Robert Marks Arnold, John F. Arnold, Jr., and Claude C. Arnold. The J. Felix Arnold Scholarship Fund will provide funds to any high school students ranked in the top one-third of their class and selected by the scholarship committee of Chowan College.



BB & T Bank recently presented a gift of digital typesetting equipment to the Krueger School of Graphic Communications. Randy Marshburn, in-plant printing manager of BB & T, is seen with Peter Squire, director of printing technology development and Dean Gilbert, chairman of the department of graphic communications at Chowan. The school has also received a gift of two Davidson sheefed duplicators from Hardees, Inc.