## On the Campus

Accepts position as vice president for university relations at Samford University

## Dr. Jackson resigns as President of College

Dr. Jerry F. Jackson has submitted his resignation as President of Chowan College after a six-year term to become Vice President for University Relations at Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama.

Jackson announced his resignation, effective in mid-summer, at the spring meeting of the Board of Trustees held in April at the North Carolina Baptist Assembly at Fort Caswell.

"After many months of consideration, I have reached the decision that it is time for me to turn the reins over to a new leader," Jackson told the Board of Trustees. "When I came to Chowan I said I wanted to build on what others had accomplished. I trust I have done that."

As Chowan's 20th president, Jackson guided the college's return to four-year status and to become fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools as a senior institution. During Jackson's tenure, a major improvement has been noted in the academic level of students and the qualifications of the faculty have been significantly strengthened.

Jackson praised the trustees for their "excellent support" and said that "being President of Chowan College has been a rewarding experience and one that I will always cherish."

Samford University, founded in 1841, is the 87th oldest of the nation's more than 3,500 colleges and universities. With an endowment of \$124 million, the university ranks in the top 4% of all colleges and universities in the nation.

Currently serving 4,300 students, Samford offers majors in 89



DR. JERRY F. JACKSON Chowan's 20th President

academic fields with nine colleges and schools. The campus, which features a new School of Divinity building, a new facility for the School of Law as well as an ultra-modern fine arts center, is located six miles south of downtown Birmingham.

A native of Clinton, Jackson served on the faculty and staff of Campbell University for more than 15 years. He was also vice president for advancement at Wingate College.

Prior to becoming president of Chowan, Jackson was vice president for development at the Southern Baptist Convention's Foreign Mission Board in Richmond, VA.

A graduate of Mars Hill College, he was awarded both the bachelor's and master's degrees by Southern Illinois University and received his doctorate in education from the University of South Carolina.

Jackson said "the people of Murfreesboro and the Roanoke-Chowan area have been most supportive" while he was Chowan's president. "Carolyn and I have developed some lasting friendships we will always cherish," he concluded.

He is married to Dr. Carolyn L. Jackson, who is an educational consultant at the Northeast Technical Assistance Center in Williamston. The couple has two children, Jerry West Jackson of Los Angeles, and Jami Diehm, a teacher in the Southampton (VA) School System.

Mrs. Elaine Myers, chair of the Chowan College Board of Trustees, has named a presidential search committee which has begun work to seek a successor to Dr. Jackson and become the 21st president of the institution.

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## Students receive honors, trophies, plaques on Awards Day

Trophies, plaques, medals, scholarships and framed certificates, some with monetary awards, were presented to Chowan College students during the annual Awards Day program to recognize their citizenship, service, academic and athletic achievements during the 1994-95 academic year.

Held each spring semester, the program is a highlight of the year when tribute is also paid to those students who have been inducted into honor societies and those chosen for "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges."

Prior to the presentation of the awards, Dr. Scott H. Colcough, chairman of the Department of Health and Physical Education, delivered the traditional address. Jennifer Leigh Hill, president, recognized the members of the Student Government Association.

Dr. Jerry F. Jackson, president of the college, presented the awards with the assistance of Dr. B. Franklin Lowe, Jr., vice president for academic affairs.

Anita Ann Gaskins of New Bern and a printing production major, was named the Best All Around Student, an award presented to the student who has "achieved academically, excelled in extra-curricular activities, exhibited leadership ability and sought to attain the ideals for which the college stands."

Ronald Earl Barringer of Washington, NC, received the Superior Citizenship Awarded as voted on by faculty and staff and presented to exemplary students. The award was given in

recognition of his "time, effort and energy for the benefit of the student body."

Barringer and Charles Andrew Paul of Murfreesboro, each received the Outstanding Student in Band Award. Paul was also the recipient of the Mary Pearce Music Scholarship.

Inducted into the Order of the Silver Feather, which recognizes students for their contributions to the college and community, were Ronald Earl Barringer; Thomas Brede of Germany; Frances Hope Eason of Sunbury; John Roy Ellis and Angela White Noe, both of Murfreesboro.

Richard Gray of Douglasville, GA, received the Joseph Lee Parker Scholarship for Physical Fitness.

Recognized as outstanding athletes were Mandy Alinda McCain of Hamilton, AL, who was named Most Outstanding Female Athlete, and Mark Patrick Murphy of Glen St. Mary, FL, who received the men's trophy.

The Merit Award, given to the student who is "judged to have achieved in spite of obstacles which might have deterred or even defeated a less determined and devoted individual" was presented to Terry H. Robbins of Rich Square.

Kelly U. Holland of Suffolk, VA, was the recipient of the Outstanding Teacher Education Award, while Ann-Christine Zetterlund of Sweden, was awarded the International Scholarship Award and the Social Science Award.

Clyde Thomas Councill, Jr., received the 1994-95 Acheson Harden Mathematics Award

Christina Melinda Clark of Manassas, VA, was recognized as the most outstanding student in the college chorus.

In the visual arts, Kristen Anne McCormick of Franklin, VA, was selected by the faculty as being the most outstanding. Judith F. Ivey of Elizabeth City, received a plaque to recognize her achievement in printing production and imaging technology.

In the area of English, Laura Beth Allgood of Danville, VA, was selected as the most outstanding freshman, and Shannon Dell Mandeville of Loganville, GA, received recognition as the most outstanding English major.

The Raymond Memorial Science Scholarship went to Bonnie Palmer Jordan of Newport News, VA, and Valerie Lynn Hernandez of Tampa, FL, was the recipient of the Mary E. Wood Science Award.

In the Department of Business, Angela White Noe of Murfreesboro, became the 1995 winner of the Marylou Jones Armstrong Business Award. Also, she shared the Business Honor Society Award with Kimberly A. VanRoekel of Portsmouth, VA.

Engraved plaques and monetary awards were presented to the persons evaluated as the most outstanding resident assistants. Claiming honors for the women was Melissa Elizabeth Finnerty of Monroe, while Robert Anthony Czlonka of Newport News, VA, received the honor for the men.

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