

Student Development supports academic program

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without walls"**

The major focus of the Student Development staff for the 1994-95 academic year was emphasizing moral values for daily living. The primary role of the Office of Student Development is to support and undergird the intellectual virtues that are stressed by our outstanding faculty. We see ourselves as educators in a classroom without walls—perhaps a resident hall room or lobby, a sofa in the Braves Den, or a conversation in a swing on the campus green. Students have approximately one hundred and fifty hours outside the classroom per week. Properly balancing and budgeting those hours is quite a challenge!

Residence Life

Residence life was a very positive part of the Chowan College atmosphere. This year's residence hall staff was one of the best ever, with programming at an all time high. Some of these events included Super Bowl parties, AIDS Awareness Seminars, Weight Training, Physical Abuse seminars, State Fair trips, beach trips, movies and many other programs, both fun and educational. The percentage of returning students is the highest in years. With an outstanding Residence Hall staff expected, the outlook for the 1995-96 academic year is very exciting.

Kevin Stroud continues in his very competent role as Director. Loueen Leonard is Area Coordinator for the women's campus, and we welcome Todd Sellers as Area Coordinator for men's campus. Becky Mann continues her good work in the Housing Office.

Wellness Center

Mrs. Gloria Pinto, RN, served in the Wellness Center until the end of the fall semester. On January 1, 1995, the college and Roanoke-Chowan Medical Practice entered into a contract for health care services and medical supplies including: (1) a registered nurse on duty Monday through Friday from 10:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., while the college is in academic session; (2) a physician, physician assistant, or family nurse practitioner on duty Monday,

Highlights of the Year

Student Orientation to College Life
Residence Hall Workshops
Wild Video Dance Party on
the Campus Green
President's Reception for
new students
International Student Orientation
CSU Open House
Fall Convocation
Founders Day Convocation
SGA-sponsored Dances and
Concerts
Resident Hall Programs
Senior Class Dinner
Alcohol Awareness Week
Campus Blood Drive each Semester
Campus Clubs and Organizations
CSU Mission Trip
School Spirit Week
Homecoming and Parents Weekend
Spiritual Emphasis Week
Student Talent Show
Pumpkin Decorating Contest
Miss Turkey Pageant
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Black History Emphasis Month
valentine's Day Activities by Clubs
and Organizations
Movies, Bands, Magicians,
Comedians
Intramural Programs
Christian Concerts
Holy Week Emphasis
Spring Festival Activities
Student "RIOT Night"
Monopoly Tournament
SGA Elections

Wednesday, and Friday from 12:00 noon until 1:30 p.m., while the college is in academic session; and, (3) on-call medical services provided for acute care when the Wellness Center is not open. Yvonne Warren, RN, came on board to direct the Wellness Center for R.C.M.P. Dr. Mike Alston continues to serve as our physician.

Braves Den Student Center

Under the direction of A. M. Tyson, the Braves Den was open from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight Monday through Saturday and from 1:00 p.m., until 12:00 midnight on Sunday (approximately 95 hours per week). In addition to A. M., there were three staff members and 30 student workers.

The Braves Den Student Center was open throughout the year as a recreational outlet for the students and guests that desired video games, pool, ping-pong, board games, cards television and pleasure reading. The magazine continues to grow, thanks to a benefactor. Roller skating was very attractive to off campus guests this past year. Various church groups, schools and local youth organizations used the student center.

Student Activities

Student activities sponsored numerous activities in the student center and around the Chowan campus.

- 1) Fun Flicks
- 2) Bands
- 3) DJ dances (including the Christmas and Spring semi-formal, held at Beechwood Country Club)
- 4) Pumpkin decorating contest
- 5) Monopoly tournament
- 6) President's Game tournament
- 7) Student's "lock in"

On June 1, Melissa Hadley assumed the position as Director of Student Activities. E. Lee Stephens will serve as the Student Government Association President for 1995-96.

Special Programs

A. M. Tyson served again as Director of

Special Programs. The number and quality of summer camps and conferences were at an all-time high.

Campus Police and Security

In August 1994, we became a commissioned Campus Police Department with Chief Ricky Morris and five other officers. In May 1995, the Board of Trustees approved designation as the Chowan College Campus Police. The student security staff increased from 10 to 20 workers, who serve as ticket writers and information booth staff. Campus crime dropped significantly; vandalism dropped from 19 cases in 1993-94 to 7 cases in 1994-95, and larceny dropped from 28 cases in 1993-94 to 22 cases in 1994-95. In addition, several major thefts were solved.

Campus Ministry

Under the direction of the Rev. Tim Wilson, Campus Ministry reached a higher number of students this past year than in recent history, with a total of 70-75 members in the Christian Student Union and 15-20 members in the Voices of Inspiration. There were a number of occasions when both groups had an opportunity to actively participate in local church worship as well as to work with area youth and children.

A new endeavor was the first R.I.O.T. Nite for junior and senior high school students which attracted over 500 youths to an all night lock-in. A pledge of \$1,200 to summer missions was met by the C.S.U. while also supporting area projects. The college has five students involved in full-time summer missions across the nation. The spring break missions trip had eight students traveling to Albany, Georgia, for work in restoration of flood damaged homes. A number of students now are on state level committees which is a first for the organization.

Counseling and Career Development

The Counseling Office and Career Center, under the direction of Linda Tripp, continued to help students solve problems. Many referrals were made to counseling centers and agencies. Chowan has a Student Assistance Intervention Program with New Outlook Counseling Services of Southampton Memorial Hospital in Franklin, VA.

Summer testing, pre-registration and parent information sessions were held as well as the fall and spring semester check-in for new and continuing students.

Placement folders for seniors were set up (at the seniors' request) in the Career Center with policies determined for the use of the placement service. It was well received by those graduates using it, mainly those from the Department of Education. Alcohol Awareness programs were held as needed and the Alcohol/Drug Handbook was revised. A Student Alcoholics Anonymous (A.A.) chapter was put in place with notices placed in the weekly Campus Calendar for students to contact the student in charge. Revisions for the Career Center were researched, drawn up, and are under consideration at this time.

A Senior Seminar (College 401) course is under consideration and in the hands of the departmental chairpersons.

Summary

Mr. Bruce Moore served as the Vice President for Student Development through June 1995 and Mrs. Joyce Garrison continues to serve as the Administrative Assistant. During the period of transition to a new President, Linda Tripp will be acting as Vice President. It is quite difficult to be a member of the Student Development team for 11 years and then be asked to be the "coach" of the team. However, we will continue on our path — to serve the needs of the individual student.

Report on Business affairs

Financial condition improving

By MIKE ALLEN, Vice President for Business Affairs

Fiscal operations of the college continued to improve during the past academic year. We are pleased to report that the fiscal restraint of the faculty and staff contributed to a positive ending for the 1994-95 school year. Actual operating revenue and transfers were approximately \$12.225 million. With expenditures under that, the operating fund ended the year with an increase of \$3,537.

Renovations were completed in Daniel Hall using funds provided by the Daniel family. The college purchased a portion of the Murfreesboro high school property from the Murfreesboro Historical Association and leased the classroom building to house the local Head Start program. Under that agreement over \$100,000 in renovations have been made to the building. These buildings will eventually provide for expansion of college programs.

812 students, 94.7% of the total student body, received some form of financial assistance. 557 students received assistance based on financial need. Total financial assistance to our students totaled \$6,167,617. More than 350 students were served by the Deferred Payment Plan which allows qualified families to pay tuition and fees in regular monthly payments.

The endowment fund had a market value of \$9,250,995 as of May 31, 1995, compared to \$8,348,260 in 1994. The general endowment was valued at \$2,944,371, the designated endowment at \$2,228,976 and the endowed scholarship fund at \$3,664,311.

Today's fiscal environment will continue to challenge higher education in general and private institutions in particular. The emphasis will continue to be on careful management and innovative planning.