

There's nothing to do at Chowan!

Are Chowan students lazy, unimaginative, or just don't care? During the entire school year for 68-69 one of the favorite sayings of Chowan students was "there's just isn't anything to do around here."

In a great sense this was very, very true. But it was the fault of the Chowan student themselves.

Last year in the spring semester the SGA sponsored the building of some barbecue pits in some property that the college had just acquired behind the baseball field. Students were asked to come over on a couple of Saturday afternoons and help build them. About 20 people showed up and about half of those stayed to work.

A picnic was served, a couple of parties given, and those who participated had a real good time. The others had nothing to do. There simply were not enough people willing to go along with the group so now the barbecue pits are grown over with weeds. Chowan students simply have nothing they can do.

Last Saturday afternoon a "Field Day" was held at the Chowan gymnasium. The swimming pool was open as well as the gym, the football field and the tennis courts.

The clubs on campus were asked to have representatives at respective tables to give information about their

clubs to interested students. These students could then join these clubs which would give an excellent form of recreation.

About one-third of the clubs had representatives present. Not more than two dozen students participated in the sporting events and less than a dozen even pretended to be interested in looking at the displays put out by the clubs or in talking to the representatives.

A great many students however, were sitting in the dorms complaining that there is nothing to do at Chowan College.

The SGA and BSU do put on a great number of social events each year at the college. These events are planned and brought about by just a small following of people who really have a good time at college.

This kind of activity, informally working together, is what it's all about after all, isn't it?

Well, I'm going to be with that "in crowd" every chance I get this semester because I do like to have a good time. As for the rest of you people sitting around the campus, I guess there really isn't too much to do at Chowan College.

Larry N. Matthews

He was an inspiration to each of us

The sad news reached many of us this summer of the tragic death of Andy Ward. Once again we were reminded that even the imperishable perish. This is indeed ironic. Any typified life, yet he was so quickly taken away.

Andy was a fine Christian man, and he was unashamed of it. It was in the field of sports where his many great qualities were shown. His spiritual life was a blessing to those who competed with him or to teams that opposed him on the football team.

His leadership qualities were recognized when the team elected him as co-captain. Athletics and his faith

gave Andy one specific character; he was a winner.

He was elected as president of the freshman class and Men's Council, giving both organizations respect. And yet, at the beginning of our youth, we have lost one of our best friends and leader.

His spirit will live forever in hearts of those who knew him.

Andy Ward was always a winner. His life inspired us. May our memory of him live on to inspire others who will enter Chowan. His presence among us is missing but well accounted for.

—KDW, a Classmate

Vietnam veteran is freshman; does photography for college relations

By TOMMY GARNER

Thomas A. Daniel, a freshman here at Chowan, has recently completed his three-year Army obligation.

A 1966 graduate of Enloe High School in Raleigh, N.C. Thomas joined the Army at the close of the summer months. He underwent basic training at Ft. Bragg, N.C. From boot camp he was sent to Ft. Huachuca, Ariz. where he attended A.I.T. (Advanced Individual Training). After graduation Thomas joined the 46th Charlie Co. as a radio operator.

Charlie Co. departed for Long Bien, Vietnam in May, 1967. Arriving the same month, Thomas was involved in many operations in the Long Bien and Mekong Delta area.

In April 1968 Thomas came home for a 30 day leave after having extended for an additional six months of duty in the war zone.

Upon his return to duty with Charlie Co. in Vietnam Thomas was made staff photographer. It was his duty to take pictures of his unit in action against the enemy for the Army Public Information Office.

Bangkok, Thailand was the last place visited by Thomas before coming back to the United States. He was discharged, July 4, 1969.

Medals awarded to him were: The Vietnam Service Ribbon, Vietnam Campaign Ribbon, Good Conduct Bar, National Defense Ribbon, and the Presidential Unit Citation. He is now under consideration for the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service rendered under hostile fire.

Thomas is the assistant dorm advisor

for Mixon and also works for the college as a photographer. He plans to major in liberal arts and to continue his study at V.C.U. upon graduation from Chowan.

David A. Rich is resident at Mixon

David A. Rich of Virginia Beach is head resident of Mixon Hall, men's dormitory at Chowan.

A native of Asheville, Rich is a graduate of Bangor (Me.) High School and attended Virginia Wesleyan College in Virginia Beach. He will continue to pursue his studies at Chowan.

Rich spent four years in the U.S. Air Force. He is married and has no children.

Freshmen welcomed at WRA orientation

WRA met for their annual freshmen orientation program Aug. 28. Jeannie Gay, president, welcomed the freshmen and returning students.

The WRA executive board was introduced and chairmen of the various activity groups explained the function of their organization.

Dianne Williams encouraged participation in intramurals. Bonnie Clary represented the cheerleaders, Kathy Gurganus, the majorettes, and Sara Burney, the Bravettes.

Graham is college security officer

William Neil Graham of Newport News, Va., is serving in the newly created position of campus security officer at Chowan College. Graham began his duties May 1.

A graduate of Warwick High School, Graham attended Chowan two years and has done additional work at Christopher Newport College and George Washington University.

His experience includes service in the U. S. Marines and U. S. Army Special Forces. For the past four years he has been a member of the Newport News Police Department and has also served as an agent with Smith Detective Agency.

At Chowan, Graham was a member of the Debate Club. He has completed the Newport News Police Academy and attended courses conducted by the F. B. I. and the Virginia State Police.

His duties at Chowan will include being in charge of parking of all special activities on campus; supervision and enforcement of student automobile regulations; building inspector and supervisor of all custodians; providing emergency "ambulance" service when the Rescue Squad is not available or needed; in charge of service by a night watchman.

Linda E. Tripp becomes full-time biology prof

Mrs. Linda Elliott Tripp, who has taught part-time at Chowan College for one year, is now a full-time professor of biology.

A graduate of Campbell College (A.A.) UNC at Chapel Hill (B.S.) and East Carolina University (M.A.), Mrs. Tripp taught three years at Moore County School in Carthage. Married, she has one child. She is a native of Perquimans.

A time for the Pub

By PAULINE ROBINSON

For every school there is a semester, and a time for every purpose on campus:

A time for the Pub, and a time for chapel; a time to study, and a time to be tested on what is studied;

A time to frolic, and a time to rest; a time to join in, and a time to go home;

A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to refrain, and a time to dance;

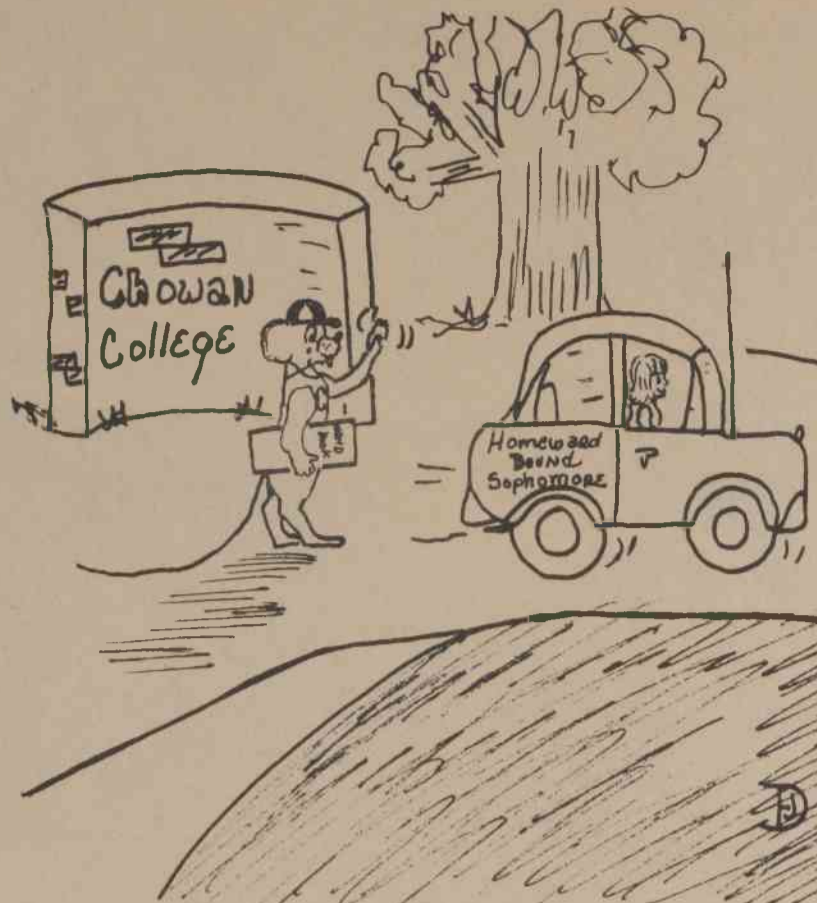
A time to play games, and a time to write letters; a time to shout, and a time to sleep;

A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to date, and a time to break up;

A time to waste, and a time to read; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace. A time for all things.

—Parody on Ecclesiastes 3:1-8



Literary Musings

By PROF. ROBERT MULDER

For the past three years it has been my pleasure to write this column for our student newspaper. I appreciate having the opportunity, at the request of our editor, to continue these literary discussions.

Never before have I been as enthusiastic about our "Smoke Signals" as I am this year. Being edited by one of my charming freshman disciples (now a sophomore), our student newspaper has unusual potentiality this year.

Miss Pauline Robinson, who chairs the editorial staff, needs the cooperation of the entire student body, faculty and staff if her dream to produce the very best paper we've ever had is to become a reality.

It is also our desire that your letters to the editor, news articles and reports, guest columns, and perhaps other efforts will assist the total effort of our staff and the Graphic Arts Department in bringing to our student body an informative, accurate, and readable picture of Chowan College, 1969-70.

Some changes noted

The passing of three months should be expected to bring about a few changes on our campus. Freshmen who left in mid-May returned in late August to find a new seven-story men's dormitory under construction, quite a few new faces among faculty (with many of the same old ones), and one new literary creation of note.

I refer to the new "Student Handbook," a massive work of rules and regulations designed to assist instructively all Chowanians while they are with us.

It would be difficult to measure the hours of labor required to produce such a complete arrangement of "do's and don'ts" for the student. Our deans must have spent the greater part of the summer composing this one.

Having now grown to 123 pages, this very thorough literary effort is designed with the student in mind. We hope that the massiveness and type of material will not be too discouraging to our students.

If this be so, a lot of good paper has been wasted.

And what's literary?

Sometime during the summer I saw a re-run of "God's Little Acre." Having seen the movie and having read the novel, this viewing did not especially thrill me; however, I have begun to notice a revival of interest in Erskine Caldwell, particularly on the paperback racks.

The Fawcett World Library has contributed at least three Gold Medal books to the Caldwell reader. They are "Place Called Estherville," a powerful novel of lust, violence, and forbidden love in a small Southern town; "Journeyman," the ribald, lusty bestselling novel of a lecherous rogue preacher (much inferior to "Elmer Gantry" by Lewis); and "Deep South," little more than a rambling autobiography, highly sensitive and especially critical of Bob Jones University.

Most readers have formed opinions of certain writers, usually based on one representative work. Such is the case of Grace Metalious and Philip Roth. Caldwell, though, seems to have right much going for him.

He is the author of more than two dozen books and a number of short stories. Although he has been the target for more censorship than any other American author, Caldwell's "Tobacco Road," "God's Little Acre" and "All Night Long" are three of the most outstanding novels of realistic fiction to come out of the South.

Erskine Caldwell's particular style since he published his first novel. Following the publishing of "God's Little Acre," he summarized his feeling on censorship when he said: "After sixteen years of being mildly harassed by the censors, I am sometimes sorry that I ever wrote or heard about "God's Little Acre."

He probably doesn't mean the since Caldwell is one of the richest writers in the business. And for this fact he could thank the critics well as his publishers.



Enjoying evening meal 'on the green'

James Dewar serving as freshman class advisor

Dean Clayton Lewis announced this summer that James B. Dewar Jr., a professor of the science department, will continue serving as faculty sponsor of the freshman class of 1969-70.

In this capacity, Professor Dewar serves on the freshman orientation program and visits dormitory lounges for the purpose of answering questions about the duties of class officers and projects.

Election of class officers is held following midterm exams.

Dewar was born on March 24, 1940 in Harnette County, N. C. and graduated from Lafayette High School in 1958. He received an A. B. degree in biology from East Carolina College in 1962 and his

M. A. in biology from the same institution in 1968.

During the summer of 1968, he attended a National Science Foundation Institute at Colorado State University, and this summer he has been doing additional graduate study at Oregon State University in the area of marine biology.

The Chowan professor taught at Dreyer Mason High School in Henry County, Va. from 1962 to 1965, and during the summers of 1964, 1965 and 1966, he was associated with the Virginia Division of Parks at Fairy Stone State Park in Stuart, Va. as a naturalist.

He joined the faculty at Chowan in 1967.

Dilday to direct intramurals

The time has come to begin another year of intramural games and activities at Chowan College. Efforts are being made to improve the program.

Earl Dilday, dean of men, is serving as the director of intramurals replacing Cliff Collins, who is devoting all his energies to guidance, counseling and housing.

Assisting Dilday is Howard Greene, sophomore, from Victoria, Va. Howard is intramural field supervisor and will supervise field activities, help in scheduling and mak-

ing notices and supervise officials.

Men's residence halls have been divided into 24 units with each unit naming a unit manager. Unit managers will serve as the "communication link" between the intramural office and its unit.

The success of the overall intramural program depends upon the job each unit manager performs and the performance by the men in each unit.

Flag football is the first sport of the year, and play will begin Sept. 16. Football

rosters were due in the intramural office Sept. 9.

Rosters for table tennis are due by 3 p.m. Sept. 17 with play slated to begin Sept. 22.

Track rosters are due Sept. 24 with the track meet slated to be held around Sept. 30. More information concerning the latter two activities will be forthcoming.

All unit managers and men participants are encouraged to read the bulletin boards daily and to read "Smoke Signals" weekly for intramural information of coming events and results of the previous week's activities.



Pam Keys entertains for "Coffee House"

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