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## Christian Focus Week Is Scheduled To Begin March 12; Speakers Listed

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"Reach Out" is the theme for a week of personal evaluation, self-expression, and learning. A team of seven persons will be on campus March 12-17 to lead in these activities during Christian Focus Week.

The team members are Dr. Art Driscoll, Dr. Mahan Siler, Mrs. Miriam Pritchard, Dr. Tom Turner, Mr. Alan Compton, Dr. Gordon Kingsley, and Dr. Timothy Pennell.

Dr. Driscoll is serving as coordinator for the week. He is a consultant to the Student Works Ministries in Nashville, Tennessee. R. Siler, pastor of the Ravensworth Baptist Church in Annadale, Virginia, is concerned with involving the church in social action.

Mrs. Miriam Pritchard, a

housewife and mother, was formerly associated with the Department of Student Work of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. A professor of physics at Wake Forest University, Dr. Turner is a popular speaker with college groups.

Mr. Compton is under appointment by the Foreign Mission Board as a missionary to Latin America. His specialty is in radio-television ministry.

A professor of surgery at Bowman Gray School of Medicine, Wake Forest University, Dr. Pennell is an advocate of a greater role for laymen in church affairs. Dr. Kingsley is Professor of English and Director of Special Programs at William Jewell College.

Christian Focus Week has been planned by a committee of students who worked with Chaplain Taylor and Dr. Driscoll. Student co-chairmen of the week are Hugh Clark, sophomore and Barry Bradbarry, freshman.

Chaplain Taylor has defined the week by saying, "It is a time to focus the mind and heart upon the issues of common concern to the whole campus community in the pilgrimage towards maturity in faith."

In working for this goal, seminars and group discussions have been planned on the basis of student interest. Topics include "The Christian and the Drug Scene," "On Finding Yourself," "Where Do We See Jesus?," and "Christianity and Human Sexuality."

A "Marturion" will be held Thursday night, March 16, in the Askew Student Union. "Marturion" is a Greek word meaning "to testify" or "to bear witness." In modern vernacular it means a "happening" or a "sharing." Persons are invited to come and share something which is deeply meaningful to them and their outlook on life. This may be a song, poem, skit, story, or whatever.

### COFFEE HOUSE

Come to meet the team members at the open coffee house Monday, March 13 at 8:00 p.m. in the Askew Student Union. Cheap food, entertainment, and dialogue with team members will be offered in an informal atmosphere. Students are urged to bring any type of entertainment for the night.

## Jackson Named Editor

The Publications Committee of Chowan College met in a special called meeting Monday afternoon in McSweeney Hall, and voted to name Richard Jackson as editor of SMOKE SIGNALS. Jackson will fill the unexpired term of Miss Teresa Shoulders, who withdrew from the college last week. Miss Shoulders headed the student newspaper staff since entering Chowan last August.

Jackson is a freshman, and a native of Portsmouth, Va. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis L. Jackson, and prior to his appointment on Monday served as Sports Editor of the bi-weekly publication. He is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and serves as Program Chairman of the Spanish Club. A pre-journalism student here, Jackson plans to transfer to Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond after graduation, and pursue the baccalaureate degree in journalism.

Herman Gatewood, Chairman of the Publications Committee and faculty advisor to SMOKE SIGNALS, stated "we are particularly pleased to have Richard Jackson serve as editor of our student publication."

## Dr. Whitaker Wins State Jaycee Award

Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker, a native of Cleveland County, and president of Chowan College, was named "Boss of the Year" by the North Carolina Jaycees February 26 at the Hilton Inn in Raleigh. Dr. Whitaker is the son of Mrs. Oveda E. Whitaker of Route 3, Shelby, and the late Mr. F. A. Whitaker.

Earl Dilday, president of the Murfreesboro Jaycees stated that Dr. Whitaker was selected from 26 nominees sponsored by participating clubs of the 235 Jaycee clubs in the state. Several Murfreesboro Jaycees were present for the presentation.

The "Boss of the Year" has five characteristics. First, the boss has to be an employer of a Jaycee in good standing. Scope and activity of Boss's work, exceptional achievement or accomplishment in a chosen field, contributions to the local chapter and contributions to the community are other factors.

"Dr. Whitaker more than met these qualifications," Dilday explained. As president of Chowan College, he has nine Jaycees in his employment. Dr. Whitaker, president of the Murfreesboro Rotary Club, in 1971 served as president of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association and was 1971 Eastern North Carolina Christmas Seal Chairman.

"Since becoming president of Chowan College in 1957, the college has had phenomenal growth," said Dilday. Today it has an enrollment of 1,533 students and is currently involved in a one million dollar campaign to secure funds for a critically needed science-engineering facility.



TIPTOEING THROUGH



THE TULIPS . . .



TALENT PERFORMANCE—Patti Fallis, Chowan's 1972 Queen of Spring, is pictured as she presented her talent performance. Patti gave a skit of "Tiptoeing Through The Tulips."



THE QUEEN AND HER COURT—The 1972 Chowan College Spring Festival Court posed for the photographer at the conclusion of the pageant February 24. Left to right are: Sheryl Whitehead,

Carol Strawderman, Carol Henderson, Princess Debbie Alley, Queen of Spring Patti Fallis, Doris Smith, Sandi Rice, Linda Thompson and Marla Burns.

## Transfer Requirements Given; Obtaining AA Degree Stressed

By D. H. NICHOLSON, REGISTRAR

This article represents the first in a series of articles concerned with the Chowan College student and his successful preparation for eventual transfer to a senior college or university.

One of the primary concerns of the Chowan College prospective transfer student relates to his maintenance of good academic standing in his first two years here before transferring to a senior institution. It is the maintenance of good academic standing which determines also whether or not the student continues in residence as a full-time student here or at another institution of higher education.

According to Chowan College policies recommended by the faculty and approved the Board of Trustees, a regular student (on the 3.0 system if he matriculated anytime prior to June, 1971) must earn a minimum of 9 semester hours and 9 quality points each and every semester in regular,

full-time attendance in order to be considered in good standing. For the student who matriculated in June, 1971 and thereafter, his grade average will be computed on the 4.0 system. This would mean that this latter student would have to earn a minimum of 9 semester hours and 18 quality points for each and every semester in regular, full-time attendance in order to be in good academic standing and, therefore, eligible to continue in enrollment. In both instances if a student did not earn the necessary semester minimums cited above, he would be placed on academic probation for the ensuing semester in attendance.

If at the end of the second semester he did not earn either a minimum of 18 hours and 18 quality points (on the 3.0 grading system) or 18 hours and 36 quality points (on the 4.0 grading system), the student would be academically suspended from Chowan College and be required

to attend a summer session in order to make up his deficiencies. Generally, except with "specific approval" from the Dean of the College, the student with academic deficiencies would not be allowed to transfer back academic credit earned at another college or university.

For those interested, Chowan College has a summer session divided into two terms. Under this arrangement it is quite possible for a student (whether he has academic deficiencies or not) to take a semester of work (a maximum of 14 semester hours of work, which breaks down to maximum of 7 semester hours for each of the two terms) in a complete summer session. The 1972 summer session begins with the first term starting on June 5 and moves along with the second term starting July 12. If the reader needs more information about this very valuable summer session, he should contact the Office of the Dean of the College

for an application and bulletin.

In getting back to our discussion of the concept of good standing, it should be emphasized that 'good standing' at one institution may not be the case at all at another institution. In this respect the student himself must make it his business to understand what is to remain in good standing if he is to remain in good academic standing with his college or university. It also goes almost without statement that how well a student maintains his academic standing here at Chowan College will be one of the most important determiners of his admissibility to a senior college or university of his choice.

Perhaps, the best way to conclude this first article on transfer is to emphasize what has been stated in an earlier article: the student must set himself a reasonable goal if he is to be able to transfer to a senior institution. One of the most reasonable goals would be the associates degree. If he gets that degree, he is putting himself in a very good position for consideration by the senior institutions and their admissions committees.

In the next issue of the Smoke Signals, and continuing this series designed to help the prospective transfer student realize his best advantages here at Chowan College, we will want to look at the transcript and see how an admissions officer of a senior institution will look at it to determine the student's admissibility.

### JUDGES FOR SPRING PAGEANT ARE LISTED

Serving as judges for the Chowan College 1972 Spring Pageant were the following:

J. P. Harris, Professor, Science Dept., Chairman; Mrs. Roger Holloman, President Murfreesboro Federated Woman's Club; Mrs. Garth O. Faile, History Professor; Miss Marlene Miller, President, Women's Council; Ray Ross, President, Men's Council; Mayor Billy Hill; and Colonel James C. Pennington, Vice-President, Rotary Club.



ENTERTAINMENT—Pam and Andy Carroll provided entertainment during intermission at the Spring Festival

Pageant. The popular singers were well-received by the crowded audience.