



Whitaker Honors Planned

By JENNIFER WICKER

President Bruce E. Whitaker will be honored for his 25 years of continuous service to Chowan College at a convocation on February 22.

Whitaker is one of the few college presidents in the country to have served at the same institution for this long. For the ceremony, the faculty will be in caps and gowns.

The Reverend J. Felix Arnold, Chairman of the Chowan College Board of Trustees, will preside at the convocation, and will present a gift of appreciation to President Whitaker.

Dr. Cecil Ray, Executive Secretary Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina will give the invocation, and T. Robert Mullinax will give the principal address, he is the executive secretary of the Council on Christian Higher Education of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Showing their appreciation and greetings for President Whitaker will be: Mr. Bill Shelton, on behalf of the Chowan College Student Body; Mr. Dudley Neal, on behalf of the alumni; Mrs. Daisy Lou Mixon on behalf of the faculty; Dean B. Franklin Lowe Jr., on behalf of the administration.

Dr. Herman Melvin Kunkle, Chairman, Board of Advisors; Mrs. James T. Chestnutt, President of the Council on Christian Higher Education, and Dr. Frank Campbell, president of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, will also speak at the convocation.

The Chowan College Choir and Stage Band are scheduled to perform. The benediction will be given by Dr. Ben C. Fisher of Murfreesboro.

A number of presidents of other academic institutions will be attending, and be involved in the procession.



A jumble of logs from trees felled to provide open space and some piles of dirt where stumps have been pulled show the site of the new Graphics Communication Center on the Union Street edge of the campus. (Photo by Karen Gurty)

Thirty-three Chowan Students Tapped for Juco "Who's Who"

By LINDA CHERRY

"Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges," is an annual directory honoring outstanding students since 1934. Phil Royce, director of college relations, has released the 1982 edition.

33 Chowan College students were selected as being some of the country's

most outstanding campus leaders.

Campus committees and editors of the directory nominated these students for their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extra-curricular activities and future potential.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,300 institu-

tions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934.

Among the 33 Chowan students are 14 from North Carolina: Winfred Basnight, Jr. of Moyock; Jonsthor Thomas Batchelor, Murfreesboro; Carol Lynn Creech, Raleigh; Felix Anthony Futrell, Woodland; Jerri Lynn Hawkins, Murfreesboro; Simuel Ward Hodges, Murfreesboro; Mollie Lou Hopkins, Pinetown; Denise Louise Larsen, New Bern; Vance Allen Marsh, Hope Mills; John Thomas Odom, Wilmington; Mary Dwight Parker, Murfreesboro; Micheal Brown Pruden, Woodland; Julia Rebecca Riddick, Gates; Virginia Estelle Taylor, Corapeake;

Twelve students are from Virginia: Dean Perry Agee, Jr., Louisa;

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G.C. Center Construction To Start Soon

By LYNETTE FARRELL

The construction of a new Graphic Communications Center is planned to begin as soon as the weather breaks, according to Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds Jack Hassell.

Because of crowding, the college is in definite need of a new building. McSweeney Hall, the present Graphic Communications building, according to Herman Gatewood, chairman of Graphic Communications Department, lacks the space needed to do the job adequately. Some machinery is in storage now because there is not enough room in McSweeney to use it.

Also, the roof of the building is in poor condition and has leaked for years, he said.

Hassell said that because of the way it is constructed, it would not be practical to renovate the old building and have the space needed.

The new building, which will be called the Graphic Communications Center, will be located behind Carrie Savage Camp Hall on Union Street. It will be 200 feet long and 70 feet wide. The entire construction will hold a basement 135 ft. x 50 ft., a press room 95 ft. x 37 ft., an offset room 64 ft. x 31 ft., and a composing room 52 ft. x 31 ft.

Also the facility will contain 10 offices, a newsroom, two classrooms, a studio, production darkroom, and other photography areas. A student lounge with individual lockers for students to put their coats and books will be a needed and convenient accommodation.

"We've been hoping for a new building for years. It's hard to believe we'll finally get a new building designed for our purpose and adequate for our equipment," said Gatewood.

"The present photographic darkroom was supposed to be a storage room," Gatewood added. Now modern and adequate facilities will soon be available in all parts of the department as well.

According to Hassell, the total cost of the Graphic Communications Center will be approximately half a million dollars. Six thousand square feet were added to the original plans because it was needed, and the first estimated price rose.

One half the cost of construction will be raised by the Chowan Graphic Arts Foundation, stated Gatewood. The

foundation consists of newspaper executives in North Carolina which will contribute donations through state newspapers.

The other half of the cost of construction will come from donations by other sources.

Construction of the shell of the building will be contracted, said Hassell. Finishing of office areas, carpeting and landscaping will be done by Chowan's maintenance department, thus saving money.

Kodak is planning to help with floor plans for darkroom, preparatory offset and printing technology facilities.

The Graphic Arts Technology Foundation in Pittsburgh, Pa. will provide floor plans for placement of machinery in the composing room, press room and newsroom.

Replacing the "inflexible" McSweeney Hall with the new Graphic Communications Center will be the best addition to the school since Lakeside Student Center, concluded Hassell.

The building is scheduled to be complete in December.

Columns, Belk Tied for Cup

By WANDA BISHOP

A tie exists between Belk and McDowell Columns for the President's Cup going into the Spring semester.

Columns leads in only one area: Attendance at College Sponsored Events; Belk holds no firsts. Both held steadily near the top in all units enabling them to stay ahead.

Day students Organization holds its usual first in Academics and Prorations. College Street ranks first in Participation in Intramural Sports. First in Programming is held by Jenkins.

The cumulative rankings at this time show Belk and Columns tied for first with 31.5 points. Parker holds third with 30.0 points. College Street is fourth with 27.0 points. Jenkins holds fifth with 25.5. Day students are sixth with 22.5. West holds a close seventh with 22.0 points. East stands at eighth with 19.0. Mixon holds ninth place with 16.0 points.

College Lobbyists Fear Worst From New Student Aid Budget

WASHINGTON D.C. (CPS) — It will be "devastating."

At least that's what Gerald Roschwald, a leasing college lobbyist in Washington, D.C., thinks the student aid section of the administration's still-secret 1983 federal budget proposal will be.

The sense of foreboding is widespread here as rumors fly of what President Reagan will recommend for higher education when he presents his budget proposals next week.

Though no one outside the administration knows exactly what the education budget will be, the outlines presented in David Stockman's December budget suggestions and then in budget "compromises" leaked to the press have most college lobbyists here busily predicting doom for all federal student aid programs.

In Stockman's proposals, two of the three campus-based student aid programs — Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOGs) and National Direct Student Loans (NDSLs) — would be eliminated entirely.

The third campus-based program —

College Work-Study — would suffer a \$150 million cut from the 1982 appropriations.

The State Student Incentive Grants program would also be ended under the Stockman proposals.

(Congress last year agreed to cancel Social Security benefits to students not enrolled in college by May 1, 1982.)

The two most popular aid programs — Guaranteed Student Loans (GSLs) and Pell grants — would also be changed, with appropriations cut by more than half.

Administration budget chief Stockman also wants to end interest subsidies for GSLs, raise the loan origination fee from five to ten percent, and drop grad students from the program. All other students would repay their loans at current market rates two years after leaving school.

In all, Stockman proposed a \$8 billion Department of Education budget, compared to the \$8.4 billion Secretary Terrel Bell wanted.

Under Congress' continuing budget resolutions, the Education Department 1982 budget is \$12.9 billion.

Immediately after Stockman released his proposals, Bell asked education lobbyists to help him to persuade the president to request more money in the administration's final 1983 budget proposal to Congress, which is due February 8.

Reagan reportedly agreed to increase funding in some areas. Sources estimate the White House will agree to a 20-30 percent slash in Pell Grant Funding, versus the 56 percent in the Stockman proposal.

The White House also reportedly

agreed to save NDSLs and SEOGs in some form.

The truth won't be known until the administration delivers the proposals to Congress, but the rumors are enough to inspire forecasts of doom among college lobbyists.

The budget, even after the reported White House compromises, would clearly be a disaster for American higher education," the American Council on Education asserted in a recent letter requesting lobbying help from college presidents.

The National Coalition of Independent College and University Students called the budget proposals an "attack on the future of American higher education."

Reagan, says Roschwald, who is lobbyist for the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges, is playing a "brilliant game" of politics by threatening such low funding that any increases gained in the Congress will "seem like a great conquest, when in fact they are still enormous defeats."

He likens it to the thugs threatening to destroy a home and rape the occupants, but who "only steal your television, so you get off easy."

Even without the next round of aid cuts, colleges are still trying to cope with the cuts Congress has already approved. Dallas Martin of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators is most concerned about the end of student Social Security benefits.

Ending the program "will only serve to enlarge the pool of students eligible for other programs, a pot that's being reduced as well."

Honor Roll for Fall 1981 Rises 25% Over '80

By WANDA BISHOP

The Honor Roll for the Fall semester has picked up 25.7 percent over last year 1978, and 1979 after the slump in 1980.

The role contains a total of 171 students this semester compared to the 136 of last year. Figures for the previous two years were 174 and 177.

The President's List, however is the lowest it has been in five years with only six students. It is a definite drop from the 11 students of 1980 and the high of 14 in 1979.

The Dean's List has picked up to the historical average with 53 students. That is more than 100 increase over the 26 students of 1980.

The Honors List remains steady with 112 students. This compares with 99 of '80, 102 of '79, 113 of '78 and 99 of '77.

To make the Honor Roll, a student must have a certain grade point average. The President's List requires a 4.0 average, which is straight A's. To make the Dean's List, a 3.50 to a 3.99 average must be attained. The Honor's List carries a 3.0 to a 3.49 average. No grade below a C will be accepted and an unsatisfactory in assembly bars a student from making the list.

The following students made the Honor Roll for the Fall semester of 1980:

President's List

Clyburn, Gail L.; Farrenkopf, Laura L.; Harris, John M.; Kefalas, Augustos; Sakis, Rebecca V.; Waring, Jill M.

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Interesting People on Campus

Shy Child Who Hated School Found His Motivation in Piano

By BRIAN CLEMENTS

Music seemed to be the right career for Hugh Middleton who could hum on pitch before he could talk.

Dr. Middleton has been a professor at Chowan for the past six years. "I came here because I felt this environment would be meaningful and I was in-

terested in this part of the country," he explained. He is a native of Mississippi.

Middleton said as a child he wanted to be a Baptist preacher. He recalled with a small smile, "I remember baptizing stuffed animals in the bathtub, and preaching in my bathrobe."

Always very serious, Middleton said that he was a shy child and frequently sick. "I didn't enjoy school and loathed having to go."

He decided to go into music in his last year of middle school. As a high school student he attended Interlochen Music Camp in Michigan, an internationally acclaimed gathering of musicians on the high school and college level.

"Interlochen was an eye-opening experience for me because I was in the midst of many great musicians of my age," Middleton emphasized. "It gave me great insight to where I stood in the world of music."

Middleton's parents each had some musical experience. His mother had seven years of piano. His father would go with him when he played in various competitions around the country.

"While not understanding many of my technical aspects, he had a great sense about my playing which allowed him to offer criticism," Middleton said.

He believes that music is becoming more important in today's educational system.

"I fear for its life because it seems when a program is cut, the arts are the first to go," he said as he leaned back in his chair, a tense look on his face.

Middleton closed his eyes and said, "We see directions from time to time but really don't know where they are going. Society and trends in music seem to come together but don't last long. This is representative of our contemporary society."

While many seek relaxation through music, Middleton says he enjoys the Dallas Cowboys, because they are a symbol to him of achievement on the highest level in their field.



Middleton at Keyboard



HASSELL

Hassell Takes Council Seat

Jack Hassell, superintendent of buildings and grounds, is now a member of the Murfreesboro Town Council.

Hassell, who has been chairman of the Murfreesboro Planning Board for the past few years, was unanimously appointed by the council on January 21 to fill the unexpired term of Councilman Stanley Dixon.