



Queen Yvonne receives presidential kiss after crowning (Photo by Karen Gurty)

Yvonne Elliot Crowned Queen At Gala Festival Week Climax

By JENNIFER WICKER

A carnival, a performance by the stage band and choir, and free ice cream in Squirrel Park preceded the crowning of the Spring Festival Queen on Saturday.

Yvonne Faith Elliott representing Belk Hall was chosen queen, and Jill Marshall Waring representing Mixon Hall was chosen princess.

They were crowned by Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker, president of Chowan College.

The queen was escorted by Michael Dale Hertzog, and the princess by Tommy Lee Whitehead.

Members of the queen's court were, Cheryl-Lee Denise Hendrix representing Mixon Hall and escorted by Landrick O. McClain; Felicia Rosett Jones, representing Columns and escorted by Michael Anthony Scott, and Teresa

Cristina Pessoa, representing Jenkins Hall and escorted by Mark F. Sealey.

Members of the princess's court were, Marian Leigh George, representing Parker Hall and escorted by Troy Walker Pouchot; Sherri Lynn Ward, representing Jenkins Hall and escorted by Raymond Howell Ryals, and Mae Josephine Woodard, representing Columns and escorted by Michael Darin Rose.

Gregory T. Muzi was Master of ceremonies, and music was provided by the Chowan Stage Band.

Music for the carnival was provided by the "Soundmasters", with booths ranging from the photo stand run by Columns fourth floor to a dunking tank sponsored by West Hall surrounding Squirrel Park.

A dance was held Saturday Night in Lakeside Student Center which had

been decorated with crepe paper, stars and unicorns.

Director of Counseling and Career Development, Ms. Sylvia Nicks, was pleased with the events of the entire week. "We had a good response to all the activities, and there was a minimal amount of litter. The students should be commended for that," she commented.

Enrollment Drop Seen Universal

By JENNIFER WICKER

"There aren't as many college-age students, and there won't be for the next ten years or so. I'm expecting a decline in enrollment; in fact, I will be surprised if there isn't one," stated B. Franklin Lowe Jr., dean of the college.

Lowe also pointed out that it is really too early to tell, and nothing unusual; all colleges are going to expect a drop in enrollment.

At this point, Chowan has received fewer applications, and is behind in the number of advance payments last year.

"I've checked with schools comparable to Chowan and they have also experienced a decline," reported Dean of Students, R. Clayton Lewis.

Lewis noted three major reasons for the decline. The first is the drop in the number of 18-24 year-olds; the second is Reaganomics and the uncertainty of financial aid from federal sources; the third is unemployment and "the false belief among some high school students that a college education is too expensive without some financial assistance, plus the false belief that a college education will not help a student get a job."

"I think that Chowan as a private two-year college has certain strengths which will help it maintain its enrollment, in spite of the three things I just mentioned," he added. "One is the strong academic program, members of the faculty and staff take great pride in the transferability of the academic work at Chowan."

"Another strength is the quality of our program in Graphic Communications. Our art program is outstanding, and our athletic program is known for its quality. We will continue to enroll a good number of athletes, both men and women."

"When I was a student at Wake Forest, they only had about 1200 people, so I've seen college enrollments climb, and I think it's only natural to see a decline in college enrollment figures," Lewis commented.

Students Prefer Films Which Amuse, Entertain

LOS ANGELES, CA (CPS)—More than ever before, college students today are turning to entertainment and adventure films to blot out their scholarly and economic worries, according to a recent magazine poll of over 1500 students across the country.

Escapism dominated students' choices for their favorite movie of 1981. Their favorite was "Raiders of the Lost Ark," followed by "Arthur," "The French Lieutenant's Woman," "Body Heat," and "Stripes."

"There's no doubt the market has gotten away from heavy social comment films, and become more interested in escape films," reported Randy Achee, publisher of Ampersand magazine, which conducts the annual student poll.

In contrast to the popularity of dramatic films of years past, the student population this year has shifted to lighter, more entertaining films, Achee

says. Collegians picked comedy as their favorite type of movie, followed by adventure, suspense and science fiction.

"In terms of the types of motion pictures preferred, there's a tremendous interest in comedy," Achee says. "Comedy has always been popular, but not to the degree it is this year."

He speculates the reason is that real-life problems are getting worse.

"The job market, the economy, and other factors are causing a lot of students to say, 'Gee, when I get out of school I don't even know if I'll have a job.' Students don't know whether they'll be able to have the same standard of living as their parents. It's kind of a downer, and they need something to take their minds off of it."

Students favorites may be less serious, but there are more of them than in the past. Respondents saw an average of 3.28 films a month, according to the survey, compared to 2.8 movies last year. Achee says the average has hovered between 2.5 and three for the last several years.

The college audience has also gotten a little older, Achee adds, and is less concerned with how commercial a movie may be.

"Raiders of the Lost Ark," the adventure film about an archeologist digging for a biblical source of mystic power, also garnered star Harrison Ford honors as favorite male actor among students. Jane Fonda was the favorite actress for second year in a row, nosing out Meryl Streep and Katherine Hepburn.

Agee, Parker Awarded Top '82 College Honors

Futrell Wins Recognition For Merit

By JOE GRAY

Peery Agee and Mary Parker received the Best All Around Student and Superior Citizenship Awards, respectively, at the annual Honors Assembly April 30 in Helms Center.

Agee starred in football and baseball for two years. Parker is the editor of the 1982 Chowanoka. Both are honor students.

The Merit Award was given Felix Futrell and the Order of the Silver Feather was bestowed on Yvonne Elliott, Rebecca Hinzman, John Odom, William Shelton and Frank Underwood.

Tanin Loytong was presented the International Student Scholarship Award.

In addition to the citizenship award, Parker attained the highest scholarship average among sophomores. Four freshmen, Gail Clyburn, Laura Farrenkopf, Augustas Kefalas and Jill Waring, tied for highest freshman honors.

The National Honors Institute scholarship was awarded to Blake Cromer.

The Department of Graphic Communications awards to outstanding graduates were awarded to Sarah Jarratt and Darrell Steen, printing technology; Randolph Coleman, photography, and Jennifer Wicker, news writing.

Chris Rose was named outstanding sophomore in art.

The Department of Business academic award went to John Harris. Charles E. Daniels won the Mary E. Wood Science Award. The Mary Pierce Music Scholarship went to David Staudt.

Helen Gardner won the day student scholarship award, and the Alpha Pi Epsilon scholarship award was presented to Mary Lou Drake.

Drama awards were given to Bernard Ingram for performance and Jeff Smith for technical aspects.

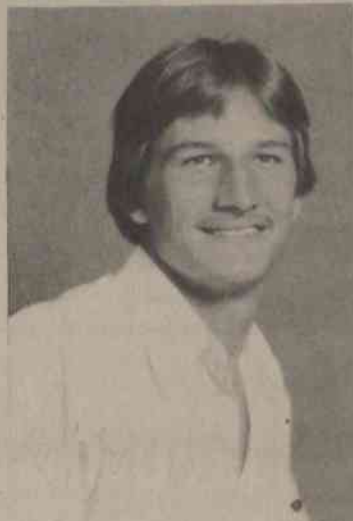
Kevin Banks and Mollie Hopkins were named outstanding male and female athlete.

The Exchange Club athletic scholarship was given to Ellis Woods and the Joseph Lee Parker Scholarship for physical fitness to Anthony Ferebee.

Seventh Floor Parker won the intramural team championship for men and Fourth Floor Columns for women.

Fourth Floor Columns received the President's Cup.

Laura L. Farrenkopf was announced as chief commencement marshal with Wanda Bishop, Gail Clyburn, Augustas Kefalas, Stanley Vaughan and Jill Waring marshals.



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Seniors Would Enlist For Education Benefits

(CPS)—Record numbers of high school seniors would enlist in the military if the Pentagon gave them financial help to get through college, a University of Michigan study concludes.

The survey estimates twice as many high school seniors would join the military than currently plan to if they got education benefits similar to those contained in the old G.I. Bill, which was amended in 1977 to exclude new enlistees.

Michigan researchers asked more than 18,000 high school seniors nationwide what they thought of exchanging three years of military service at low pay for four years of college aid, plus \$300 a month in living expenses.

Three of four students liked the idea.

Over a third of the males and a fourth of the females said they'd be likely to enlist if the program existed today.

"The responses suggest that there is a potentially large and representative cross-section of high school seniors who would be receptive to programs offering a change to earn their way through college by serving a tour in the armed forces," observes Jerald Bachman, the social psychologist who ran the survey.

Bachman sees the study results as a dramatic change in student attitudes about the military.

In 1980 his survey found a growing number of students willing to serve the military. Enlistment did subsequently increase, a phenomenon Bachman attributes to the faltering economy.

But he cautions that the picture could change as the economy improves, thus making it necessary for the Pentagon to

add new incentives to join the armed forces.

"If unemployment drops," he says, "the armed forces may quickly find themselves in the same difficult recruiting position they experienced in the late seventies. Furthermore, the numbers of young people leaving high school will decline over the next several years, and this will add to recruiting problems."

"I'm not aware of the survey," says John Andrews, education specialist for the Veterans Administration in Washington, D.C. "But there is legislation before Congress now that would create such a program. For three years of active service, the bill would entitle enlistees to 36 months of educational benefits with \$300 per month."

But the Pentagon and Reagan administration favor re-working the Veterans Educational Assistance Program (VEAP) instead, Andrews says.

VEAP allows active personnel to contribute part of their pay to an education fund, which the government will match on a two-to-one basis.

The Pentagon favors the plan because "they've been meeting their recruitment projections," Andrews explains.

He believes the government also fears a "trade-off" like the one envisioned in the Michigan study would encourage students to leave the military too soon. VEAP conversely encourages re-enlistment to keep the college funds growing.

Bachman doesn't see the movement

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Interesting People on Campus

Hassell, True 'Jack of All Trades', Splits Time Between College and Town

By JENNIFER WICKER

Jack Hassell, superintendent of buildings and grounds, is truly a "jack of all trades."

He recently became a member of the Murfreesboro Town Council, and has been a member of the Town Planning Board for 15 years, 12 of which he has been the chairman of that board. He is also involved with the Historical Properties Commission. "I have been appointed to be in charge of the maintenance area of the town council. My 20 years of experience at Chowan will help with that," Hassell explained.

In his spare time, Hassell collects coins and enjoys playing golf and racquetball. He also enjoys watching all sport whether or not he participates.

"I rarely miss a home game that Chowan plays. I've only missed one basketball game in the past three years," Hassell remarked.

Hassell is a very busy man, and it is often difficult to keep up with, or find him. For this reason, he has written to a company about supplying the maintenance department with a radio system.

"If that works out, it will be beneficial to the whole department," Hassell reported.

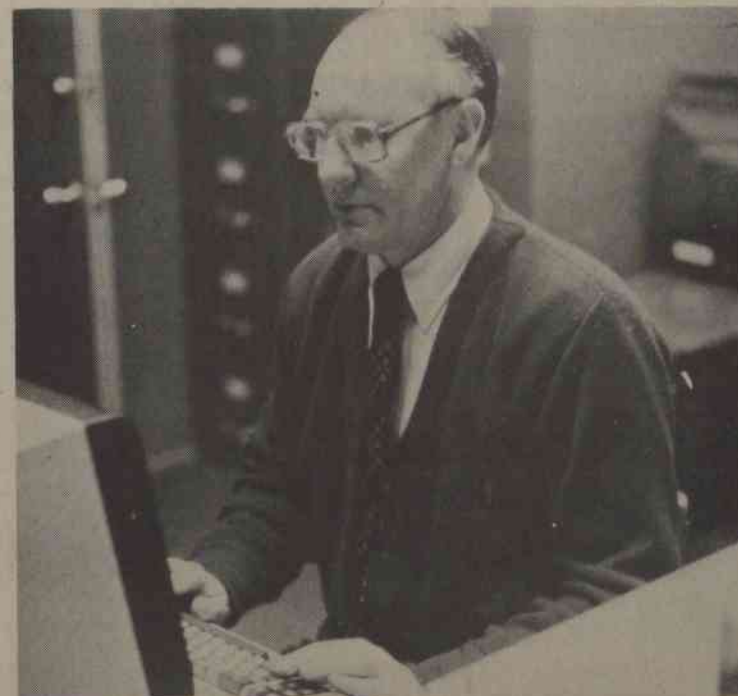
"The Town Council meets every other Tuesday, and I'm looking forward to learning a great deal," Hassell abserved enthusiastically.

"I have already learned that things look different according to which side of the desk that you're on, and that sometimes things which look simple to solve aren't what they seem," reported Hassell.

One of his biggest accomplishments at Chowan has been the installment of the energy computer, which he can use to tell the temperature of any of a number of buildings on campus, and which will help him with troubleshooting, heating and cooling problems.

His plans for the near future are dredging Lake Vann and finishing the back of Lakeside Student Center.

"The longer I stay here the more projects I have. It's really amazing, the more you do, the more you have to do," Hassell said.



Hassell gets up-to-minute temperature picture from computer (Photo by Karen Gurty)

Pre-Exam Treat On Tap Thursday

Genial Ron Thompson, maitre d' of Thomas Cafeteria, once again will provide a tasty entree for Exam Week.

As has been his custom since arriving at Chowan, Thompson will set forth a spread of doughnuts from 8 to 11 p.m. on Exam Eve, Thursday, May 6.

At 11 the menu will switch to strawberry waffles until midnight.