

SOS

Student Orientation Staff greet new students

Ten students have responded to Chowan College's SOS call. At Chowan, SOS stands for Student Orientation Staff, sponsored by the director of counseling and career development, Linda Tripp. "SOS members are recommended by faculty, staff, administration, and other students for their positions," Tripp explained.

As freshmen, they are interviewed, invited to participate, and trained in group sessions by Mrs. Tripp. They attend the Camp Cale Leadership Retreat in late spring with the campus leaders for the following year.

During the summer, these rising sophomores assist the college with the

three orientation sessions for freshmen. "Throughout orientation, the leaders are easily spotted by their Chowan College T-shirts that conveniently display their names. During each of the sessions the leaders are expected to work with groups of students, help give placement tests, and set up refreshments for students and parents.

"They also serve the new students by answering questions about academics and campus life with an experienced student point of view. Orientation leaders are responsible for the dormitory where they stay with parents and students during the sessions," Tripp noted.

The Student Orientation Staff also formed a student panel for parents. "The student was very successful this summer and gave positive student viewpoints on various questions about life at Chowan and possible needs of the student," Tripp declared.

She continued, "Orientation brings a closer look at Chowan for the new students. These student leaders are generally the first friends and first impression new comers receive. Orientation is a lot of hard work but the reward of new friendships and the pride of helping others feel at home with Chowan makes all the work worthwhile."



Chowan College SOS—The Student Orientation Staff that helps incoming students become familiar with the college includes, from left, front row: Tracy Whitley, Conway; Bill Garvey, Virginia Beach, Va.; Richard Perry, Henderson; Tanya

Shearin, Cary. Back row: Cecil Davis, Cary; Tammi Threatt, Carrollton, Va.; Laura Ryals, Siler City; Tara Williams, Conway; Angie Felton, Suffolk, Va.; and Martin Clemons, Raleigh.

Chowan adds seven new members to its family

Chowan College has staffed seven new Professors for the 1987-88 school year. They are: Miss Tracy Hartert, Mr. John Virkler, Mrs. Susan Fecho, Dr. Dorothy Hill, Mr. Rene Osborne, Mr. Jody Taylor, and Mr. Tyrone Johnson.

Susan Fecho, a Bristol, Tenn. native, is Chowan's new art professor. She is a graduate of East Carolina University where she is a candidate for the Master's of Fine Arts. Mrs. Fecho has studied a summer at Goldsmith, a Division of the University of London, England.

As a volunteer visiting artist, she taught at four schools, three national and one international. She served as a volunteer missionary as well.

The athletic department welcomes three newcomers to its staff. They are: Jody Taylor, wrestling; Rene Osborne, lady's basketball and softball; and Tyrone Johnson, assistant football coach and Resident Director of Parker Dorm.

Jody Taylor, a native of Greenville, S.C., having a degree in secondary education was named head wrestling coach of the Chowan College Braves. Taylor has had a long and successful career in wrestling going back to a State Championship at Wade Hampton High School. Mr. Taylor was named a high school All-American as a senior. On a athletic scholarship at Clemson University, he qualified for the 1980 Olympic Finals. He returned to Wade Hampton to coach for one year. Taylor then decided to enroll at the University of South Carolina to work on his

Master's Degree when the position at Chowan became open.

Rene Osborne was Chowan's assistant football and men's basketball coach last year. Replacing Belinda McKeel, Osborne has been named the head coach of both the Lady Brave's basketball and softball teams.

Tyrone Johnson, a Vicksburg, Mississippi native, has been named to fill the position that was opened due to Osborne's promotion. Johnson is a graduate of East Carolina where he had been working as a graduate assistant while obtaining his master's degree. During his senior year at high school, Johnson was named the defensive MVP of the Pirate football program.

Tracy Amanda Hartert, A Chowan College graduate, has returned to her alma mater to teach in the Graphic Communications Department.

After graduating in printing from Chowan, she transferred to Arkansas State University where she received her bachelor's degree in printing management this May.

At Chowan, she was a member of Phi Theta Kappa, Rotaract and the annual staff. At ASU, she was president of the Graphic Arts Club, named to Who's Who and Outstanding Student in Printing. While at both Chowan and ASU, she served as a typesetter in the work-study program. She is a Chesapeake, Va. native.

John Virkler has begun his service as professor of economics and government at Chowan.

A Richmond, Va. native, Virkler is a graduate of the University of Richmond and holds three master's degrees. He has the Master of Divinity (theology) from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and two master's from Auburn University (economics and political science). He has completed course work for the Ph.D in international relations from the University of Virginia.

Virkler, a captain in the U.S. Army Reserve, has taught at four colleges: Auburn, Central (p.c.) Wesleyan College, Piedmont Virginia Community College in Charlottesville, Va. and Bridgewater (Va.) College. He also served as pastor of Mount Olive Baptist Church, Bedford, Va., from 1974-79.

In the English Department, Dr. Dorothy Combs Hill, has accepted a position as professor of English.

Dr. Hill, a Huntsville, Ala. native, is a graduate of Carson-Newman College. She received her masters from Bread Loaf School of English in Middlebury, Vt. and a Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

She has held faculty and staff positions with state and private colleges. She taught English at UNC-CH where she also served as administrative secretary in the school of Medicine.

Dr. Hill served as Carson-Newman's public relations director for two years and came to Chowan after serving as visiting lecturer at UNC-CH while working on her Ph.D.

Campus activities are plentiful

By T. A. Dunavan

All incoming freshmen suffer from the occasional Dorm Blues. I know, when I came to Chowan from California and there was a major culture shock. It is hard to make the adjustment and acquire new friends, but it gets easier. There is, surprisingly, quite a bit to do around the Chowan community. Your college handbook has a list of all the towns in the neighborhood and what you can find in them if anything. I would suggest that you look in it, and get away on the weekend or a weeknight after studies of course.

There are some activities on campus that can be quite fun. You will just have

to judge for yourself what you would like to take part in. It may seem like a lot of the activities on campus are organized by the Baptist Student Union (BSU). If religiously oriented activities aren't your thing, go out and make your own activities. I have sat by the lake many times fishing with my friends or studying and have had quite a lot of fun. This is college now we can't go out and party every night or day because there is studying to be done!

Another suggestion is that if you have a car go for a drive. I have found it very relaxing just to get away from the dorm for a little while. Go to the smaller towns around, the people are friendly and you will have a good time just finding new places.

If you don't agree to the above suggestions, the Student Government Association (SGA) welcomes you to their meetings, and that is a good way to get out of your dorm and active in the development of your own future. There is no need for you to stay in your dorm room when there are some fun things that you could be doing.

Other organizations that may be of interest to you are: Chowan Players (the drama club) the outing club, the newspaper staff, the yearbook staff, DPMA, Rotaract, dorm council, intramural sports (dorm teams), and the science club just to name a few. If these do not suit your need, look on page 25 of the student handbook and you may find something to satisfy your interest.

Radio Free Chowan

By Warren Breniman

Finally the surrounding area has done something for the enjoyment of the students of Chowan College and the community. This gracious gift comes in the form of a radio show on WQDK 99.3 FM in Ahoskie. The radio show will be broadcast from 8:00 until midnight on Wednesday evenings.

Bill Garvey, the S.G.A. president, will be hosting this show and is primarily responsible for bring this new musical atmosphere to life. Bill is extremely excited about the show. His goal is for every student at Chowan to listen for at least 15 minutes on Wednes-

day evenings. People can listen in while they are studying or out having a good time. The format for the show is primarily rock and roll and progressive music. There will also be occasional guest spots as well as comedy and picks of the week.

Requests and dedications will be taken over the phone at the station. Everyone is invited to call. The number there is 332-3101. Additional requests, dedications, comments, and replies can be sent into college box number 758.

So, when you have a radio near you on Wednesday evenings, just turn on, tune in, and kick back while you listen to Wild Bill on Radio Free Chowan, WQDK-99.3 FM

SADD rally

9 am. to 1 pm.
Oct. 9th
Lakeside Center
Assembly cuts will be given for the 10:00 assembly.

Sadd fights back; Rally held at Lakeside Center

SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving) will be having a students against drunk driving rally on Friday, October 9th from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm. in Lakeside Student Center. There will be displays, booths, films, videos, and FREE handouts on alcohol, drugs, mental health, and much more.

Representatives from the Highway Patrol, Rescue Squads, Health Department, and the Mental Health Agency will be present.

At 10:00 am in Turner Auditorium, Columns Building, Keynote speakers will be Eddie Rankins from the Think Smart Program, an inmate from Gates

County Correctional Facility; and Terry Johnson, the SBI agent with the highest drug arrest record in North Carolina.

Local High School SADD chapters will be present and Chowan students, faculty, and staff are URGED to attend any or all of this event.

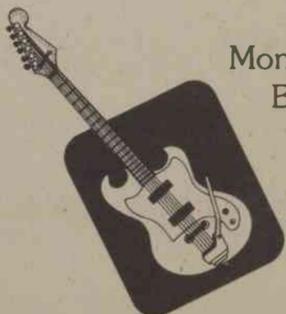


Chowan College President Bruce E. Whitaker, fourth from left, and Dean of the College Frank Lowe, right, during a faculty-staff workshop welcomed new members, from left: Miss Tracy Hartert, graphic communications; John Virkler, economics and government; Mrs. Susan Fecho, art; Dr. Whitaker; Dr. Dorothy Hill, English; Rene Osborne, health and physical education; Dr. Lowe.

Electric Guitar Lessons

by The Beam's lead guitarist,
Chowan music graduate
Jon Royce

Monday's (day and evening)
Beginner to Advanced
See Phil Royce



Rotaract launches fundraiser for PolioPlus

By Members of Rotaract

Rotarians all over the world have pledged to promote and assist polio immunization of all children worldwide by no later than the year 2005, Rotary's 100th anniversary.

The Rotary Foundation will provide all the polio vaccines necessary for up to five consecutive years for any approved immunization program of a national or regional health agency; Rotary will assist in the storage and

distribution of the vaccines and will make available to any country, upon invitation, a team of experts to help plan and implement national days of immunization against polio.

Rotary's campaign will also reinforce the battle against five other major vaccine-preventable diseases which kill and cripple: measles, diphtheria, tuberculosis, tetanus, and pertussis.

Rotarians of the world have launched a fund-raising goal of \$120,000,000 to

finance PolioPlus. As Participants in Polio Plus, members of Rotaract hope to raise \$1.00 for each full-time student and full-time employee of Chowan College.

Residential students are encouraged to give their contributions to their Residence Directors. Day students are asked to make their contributions to Mrs. Batchelor or Dean Lewis. Members of the faculty and staff may give their contributions to Mrs. Outlaw in the Office of the Dean of Students or to Dean Lewis.

Advisor / Advisee Day Oct. 5 th.