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Founders Day Observed

Fayetteville State University held its 115th Annual Founders Day Program on Sunday, April 4 at 2:30 p.m. in the J.W. Seabrook Auditorium on the campus. The speaker for the program was Mr. Asa T. Spaulding, vice president for administration, Durham Life Broadcasting, Inc.

A native of Durham, Mr. Spaulding holds undergraduate degrees from Morehouse College (1956) and North Carolina Central University (1965). He is also a graduate of the Executive Program at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

The father of two children, Spaulding is involved in many facets of community life and public service. He currently serves on the University of North Carolina Board of Governors. He is a member of the Durham Planning and Zoning Commission, Chairman of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce Leadership Development Committee, to name a few.

In observing Founders Day, we commemorated the spirit of the seven Black men who founded what is now FSU. Andrew Chesnut, Thomas Lomax, George Granger, Sr., Matthew Leary, Jr., Robert Simmons, Nelson Carter, and David Bryant were men of vision who saw the need to educate Black children of that day. With \$136 they purchased two lots in 1867 on Gillespie Street where the Gillespie Street Library now stands. General O.O. Howard of the Freedman's Bureau, erected a building on the site,



L-R, Dr. Charles A. Lyons, Jr., Mr. Asa T. Spaulding, Founder's Day Speaker, Mr. Felton Capel, Chairman - FSU Board of Trustees.

and thus it became known as the Howard School. According to early history, this new Howard School had a great deal of influence on the establishment of graded schools for the White children of Fayetteville.

The entire Fayetteville community can be proud of the long and interesting history of FSU. No longer an exclusive teacher training institution, FSU now prepares students to enter all areas of the job market. What started 115 years ago in a building on Gillespie Street has now grown into a full fledged regional University, providing educational opportunities to all the people of Southeastern North Carolina.

Student Election Results

The student body of Fayetteville State University has selected the persons they want to represent them for the upcoming academic year.

The newly elected Student Government Association officials were sworn into their new office on April 22, at 2:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Rudolph Jones Student Center.

Jerry R. Beatty, President-Elect, is a senior Physical Education, Health and Recreation major from Charlotte, N.C. Jerry is currently active in many activities at FSU. He is a member of the PEM Club, N.C. Athletic Official Association, Student Center Advisory Board, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. After graduation, Jerry plans to attend Tuskegee Institute to study Physical Therapy. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hall and is the oldest of five children.

Tommy Eugene Bumpers, Vice President-Elect, is a junior Political Science major from Roxboro, N.C. The son of Mrs. Minnie W. Bumpers, Tommy is the youngest of five children. Bumpers is President of the Junior Class, President of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, a member of the FSU Gospel Choir, and a member of the Arnold Air Society. He plans to enter Wake Forest University's Law School after graduation to pursue a career in Corporate Law.

Herbert McMillan, Business Manager-Elect is a sophomore majoring in Business Administration. A member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and the Queens. The New York native has been on the Dean's list three out of his five semesters at FSU. McMillan is a member of Phi Beta Lambda Business Society and is on the National Dean's List (qualification 3.5 GPA). He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie R. McMillan and is one of five children. After graduation, Herbert plans to attend graduate school at Columbia University to study Business Administration.

Lydia Day, Miss FSU-Elect, is a senior Physical Education major from Long Island, New York. A transfer student from the City College of New York, Ms. Day is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso T. Day of Fayetteville. Lydia is Vice President of the PEM Club, member of the Student Council for Exceptional Children (SCEC), Cheerleader. She also served as a dance instructor for the PAGE-SM Program. After graduation, Lydia plans to attend graduate school to

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Dr. Seagers To Be Commencement Speaker

Fayetteville State University will hold its 115th Commencement Program on Sunday May 9 at 2:30 p.m. at the Cumberland County Memorial Auditorium. Approximately 450 seniors are expected to graduate.

Dr. Margaret Seagers, Director of External Relations, U.S. Department of Education; Executive Director, The President's White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Washington, D.C., will be the speaker.

The annual Alumni Convocation will be held on Saturday, May 8 at 12 noon in the J.W. Seabrook Auditorium. Mr. William Oats, Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, N.C. State Department of Transportation will be the convocation speaker. Mr. Oats is a 1969 graduate of FSU.

**THE VOICE STAFF
CONGRATULATES
THE CLASS OF
1982**

Awards Program

By Carlton Bell

Dr. Carl R. Lee, professor of philosophy and religion at UNC-Wilmington, was the guest speaker at Fayetteville State University's 25th Annual Honors and Awards Day Program on April 13. Dr. Lee, a 1972 graduate of FSU, addressed the 2 p.m. assembly in the J.W. Seabrook Auditorium on the campus.

The Rocky Mount native received the B.S. degree in history and political science from Fayetteville State University and M.Div. from Southeastern Theological Seminary in 1976. He earned the D.Min. in 1979 at Howard University.

In addition to his current position at UNC-W, Dr. Lee is pastor of the First Cosmopolitan Baptist Church in Wilmington.

The awards and honors certificates ranged from fraternal organizations to the students with the highest grade point average and quite a number of students were honored. Perhaps the most popular awards were those which included case - up to \$400.

Several members of *The Voice* staff were honored. They were Jackie Stewart, Editor-in-Chief, Willie Smith, Managing Editor, Ron McLean, Michael Moore and Treenetta Tubwell, reporters.

Following the presentations, Dr. Charles Lyons, Chancellor, congratulated all recipients and stated the importance of recognizing "trained intelligence and honest achievement" in students. He also offered special congratulations to Terence Dawson who was recently elected the National Vice-President of the Delta Kappa Mu Honor Society.

Dr. Lyons went on to announce



Dr. Carl Lee

plans for Masters Programs in Special Education and Business Administration in the Fall of 1982 and 1983 respectively.

Dr. Lyons voiced the displeasure he felt at the small number of students in attendance, especially freshman students, and stated that next year it could be required that all freshmen attend the awards ceremony.

The Chancellor concluded by urging everyone present to, as soon as possible, write three letters to a congressman and both senators, asking that student aid be maintained at the present level for next year. Dr. Lyons also announced the possible implementation of an endowment program (self-supporting) to give scholarships and aid to students.

After the program ended, door prizes were awarded to students who entered the contest upon entering the auditorium. These prizes included dinners and cash ranging from \$10 to \$25.