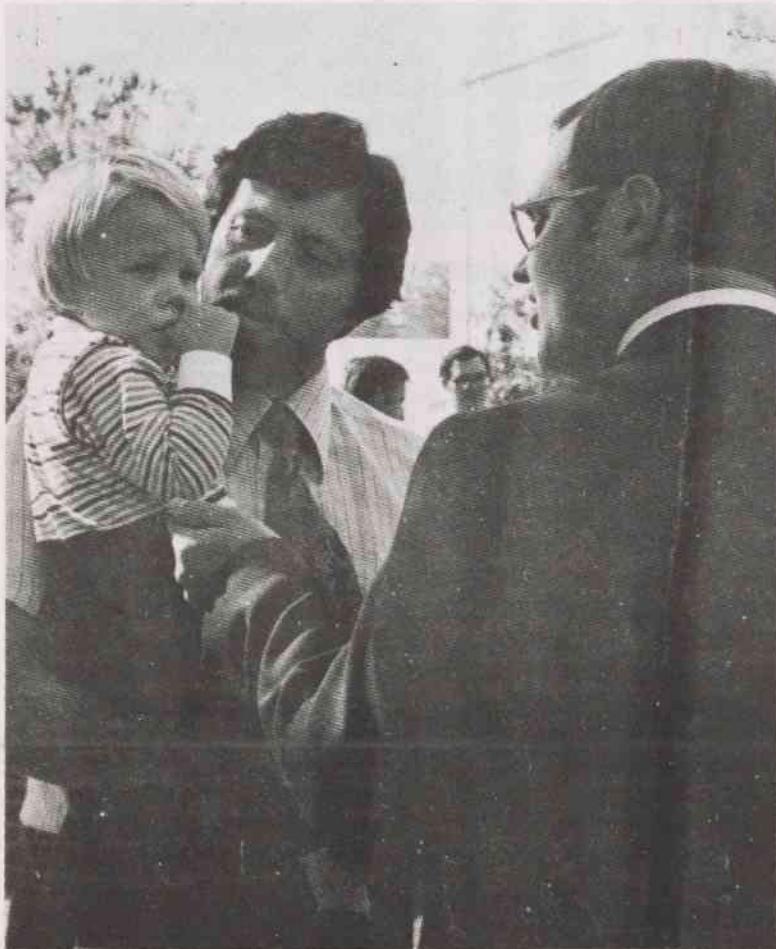


Alumni Enjoy Returning For Homecoming

Among alumni returning for Homecoming in November was Jerry Jones of Virginia Beach, Class of 1962, seen holding his young son, Justin, while visiting with Charles Watson, associate director of development.



LEFT PHOTO—During a get-together for alumni at the special weekend were Mrs. Alma Freeman White of Colerain, who graduated from Chowan in 1917, who extends a warm greeting to alumnus Jerry Jones, Class of 1962, and his family, from left, Jean (Mrs. Jones), son Justin, and daughter Jennifer.

Editor's note: We are proud to share this letter from a Chowan College alumnus, Class of 1972, William H. Parker, now of Gardena, California.

Dear Sir:

I have received, with interest, The Chowanian, for several years now. I graduated from Chowan in the spring of 1972. I have read with special interest the "Alumni News" and "Alumni Happenings" columns. I believe the early progress and success achieved by Chowan graduates, as indicated by your publication, signify the value of education, as evidenced at Chowan.

From a personal viewpoint, I appreciated the faculty and staff's courtesy and attention while I was a student at Chowan. I found the courses offered challenge and substance, if the student but tried. I noticed, however, that most of the alumni articles referenced graduates settling in the southeast (N.C., S.C., Virginia, especially). I thought that I would give you some information on a graduate who settled outside the southeast.

I arrived at Chowan for the summer term of 1970. I attended classes for 2 summer sessions, a year of normally scheduled classes, and another summer term. I then transferred from the Pre-Engineering curriculum at Chowan to the Electrical Engineering cur-

riculum at N.C. State. I transferred credits back to Chowan from NCSU, and graduated from Chowan in 1972, then from State in 1973. My best memories of Chowan were generated by Phyllis Dewar, George Hazelton, Professor Pruette, and Mr. Collins. All of the former helped me in studies or in work to support myself and my wife, and Mr. Collins treated me with respect and courtesy when I applied for a student loan. I also remember Dr. Whitaker with fondness. Chowan is assuredly blessed to have such a dedicated, hard driving individual at the helm".

After graduation from NCSU, I moved to Gardena, California, just outside Los Angeles. I found engineering work at Genisco Technology Corporation, in Compton California. My original job in August of 1973 was design engineer for electromagnetic interference power line filters. Since that time, I have been promoted to manager of the electromagnetic interference engineering services group. I have remained active in professional societies. I am a consulting member of the SAE (Society of Automotive Engineers), involved in a project with the AE-4 subcommittee to revise present military electromagnetic interference ("EMI") test methods. I am vice-chairman for 1979-80 for the Los Angeles chapter of the Elec-

tromagnetic Compatibility Society of the IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers), I am a member of the national Administrative Committee for the EMC Society of The IEEE. I was elected to that three-year term in 1978. I have presented one technical paper on EMI filters (Washington, D.C., 1976), and will present part of a tutorial session in San Diego in October of this year.

While attending NCSU, I passed my "EIT" (Engineer-in-Training) exam, and after 2 years of engineering experience in California, I took and passed the California State "P.E." (Professional Engineer) exam. I am now a registered professional engineer in California.

My wife, daughter, and I are presently residing in Gardena, California, about 10 miles due east of the beaches. My mother and two of my brothers reside in Enfield, North Carolina. My mother is Virginia Neill Parker at 122 Railroad Street in Enfield.

I apologize for giving you such a long letter to read, but I wanted to let you know what has happened to one "out-of-stater" who attended Chowan. As for the Chowanian, please keep sending it. May God continue to bless you and all the other faculty and staff at Chowan.

Sincere regards,
William H. Parker