

Parade, band festival, alumni visits highlight '83 Homecoming Day

Chowan College offered its alumni and the public a Fall Festival of Marching Bands, football game and halftime pageant featuring the crowning of the queen and princess during Homecoming Saturday, October 8. The Braves defeated Ferrum 27-3 in the 2 p.m. Coastal Conference football game.

Twelve area high school bands performed during the 9 a.m. marching bands festival in the stadium. Bands competed in two divisions. The sponsor is the Division of Music within the Fine Arts Department.

Class A bands of 60 or less members included Ahoskie, Murfreesboro, Gates County, Northern Nash, Northampton East and Manteo. Class AA bands of 60 or more members were Richlands, John A. Holmes, Apex, Perquimans, Williamston and Tarboro.

Band of the Day

Festival director, Bob Brown, said Perquimans was selected as Band of the Day and performed at halftime. This band received \$500 donated by the Belk Tyler Stores of eastern North Carolina. The winner of the other division, Northern Nash, presented the pre-game show.

The homecoming court, selected by vote of the student body, included four sophomores: Julie Ward, Thomasville; Lori Gardner, Raleigh; Lisa Jones, Chesapeake, Va.; and Tammy Taylor, Bishopville, Md., named queen.

Freshmen candidates for princess were Tracy Demby, Chesapeake, Va.; Kim Rackley, Chester, Va.; Maria Allsbrook, Roanoke Rapids; and Laura Churchill, Raleigh, selected princess.



Miss Tammy Taylor, Homecoming Queen for 1983, is escorted by President Bruce E. Whitaker following the halftime ceremonies of the Chowan-Ferrum football game.

Feasibility group hosts open meeting

The Chowan Feasibility Study Committee hosted an open meeting in Marks Hall Auditorium on Dec. 1 to provide an opportunity for faculty, staff, students, alumni, friends of the college, and the general public to express opinions concerning the future of Chowan.

Dr. B. Franklin Lowe, Jr., Dean of the College and chairman of the Feasibility Study Committee, said the committee welcomed the suggestions and comments from all interested persons.

Dr. Lowe said the purpose of the meeting "was to gather advice, opinions and information from the various individuals and groups that may be interested in making input on the possibility of the college moving from a two-year to a four-year institution."

Lowe said the committee is charged with making a report to the trustees and advisors in February, 1984.

Lowe said the Board of Trustees, at its Sept. 12 meeting, approved a recommendation of its Executive Committee to authorize a feasibility study. He added, "The Board of Trustees has not authorized a move to four-year status, nor has it made any commitment to such. It has simply authorized a feasibility study."

Lowe said the Feasibility Study Committee, with representation from the trustees, advisors, faculty and staff, alumni and student body, was appointed by J. Guy Revelle, Jr., trustee chairman.

He said the purpose of the committee "is to conduct a study related to the future of Chowan College and report its findings to the Board of Trustees."

Alumni Receptions

Alumni activities included receptions at 10:30 a.m. on the brick plaza by McDowell Columns and at the new Graphic Communications Center after the game. The alumni luncheon was held in the President's Dining Room.

The homecoming week schedule, planned by the Student Government Association, began Thursday with a 6:30 p.m. car parade. A mock funeral was conducted at a bonfire on campus by Dr. Earl Parker, professor in the Department of Religion and Philosophy. A pep rally led by Chowan's cheerleaders followed.

On the afternoon before Homecoming Day, "Anything Goes" was held in the afternoon in Squirrel Park. A pizza party was scheduled from 8-11 p.m. in Lakeside Center with music provided by Bruce Dowdy of K-94.



College nurse retires

Mrs. Sarah Wright, who served as college nurse since the fall of 1969, recently retired. At a reception in her honor sponsored by the secretaries and held in McDowell Columns, she was presented a silver bowl by Business Manager Ben Sutton. The secretaries gave Mrs. Wright a silver platter. She was praised by administrators and secretaries for her outstanding service, devotion and loyalty to the college and her genuine interest in the welfare of students.

James Mims appointed to Board of Advisors

James Edwin Mims of Raleigh has been appointed to the Chowan College Board of Advisors, according to President Bruce E. Whitaker.

A Greensboro native, Mims is senior vice president and eastern area executive for NCNB in Raleigh. He began his service with NCNB in 1967, after serving seven years as assistant general credit manager with Agrico Chemical Co., Division of Continental Oil Company, Memphis, Tenn.

Mims is a graduate of Guilford College with a B.A. in economics. He has taken additional courses at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and Memphis State University.

Mims is active in civic affairs as a Board member of Wake County United Way, Downtown Business Association, N.C. Agribusiness Council, and The Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce. He is chairman of the Triangle Foreign Trade Zone Task Force and Private Sector Housing Committee.

Mims has served on the Board of Salvation Army, Junior Achievement, and Museum of History

Associates. His service has included assistant treasurer of the Occaneechee Council of the Boy Scouts of America, treasurer of The Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, and vice president of the Eden Chamber of Commerce.

Mims is married to the former Kathryn Wall of Greensboro. They have two children, Jim and Laura. He is a United States Marine Corps Reserve veteran.

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