

Alumni directors meet on campus

The Alumni Board of Directors recently met on campus to conduct business and to enjoy a picnic supper. Among those attending were: from left, Mrs. Elaine Myers ('60), Ahoskie;

Mrs. Betty Dough ('51), Greenville; Mrs. Ruby Udvarnoki ('29), Murfreesboro; Mrs. Lou Evans Mason ('36), Harrellsville; and Mrs. Gwen Phelps ('42), Plymouth.

Baptists celebrating birthday of Rice

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP)—Southern Baptists are celebrating the 200th anniversary of the birth of Luther Rice without an appreciation for one of his greatest visions, says the executive

director-treasurer of the Southern Baptist Convention Education Commission.

Arthur L. Walker Jr. was in Washington recently to attend the Luther Rice Consultation on World Missions. While not criticizing the program, he noted it was ironic no emphasis was given to Rice's beliefs in college education.

"Just as Luther Rice's contemporaries failed to understand and appreciate his vision concerning the importance of college education, so do Southern Baptists today," Walker said.

According to Evelyn Wingo Thompson's biography on Rice, "he saw, as no other Baptist of his day was equipped to see, that Baptist churches were springing up all over the western states and that without trained leadership their foundations were on shifting sands."

Rice invisioned a national Baptist educational institution where future Baptist leaders could be trained and founded Columbian College in Washington, D.C. in 1821. Walker noted Rice received some of his greatest criticism because he spent so much time in promoting the school and education. Eventually the school he founded and gave so much of his life to was sold to the Roman Catholics and is today George Washington University.

Rice's beliefs and efforts were not completely in vain. His influence was instrumental in the founding of the early Southern Baptist institutions including Furman University in South Carolina, Georgetown College in Kentucky, the University of Richmond in Virginia and Mercer University in Georgia.

Despite his efforts, however, the importance of college education in training those interested in church-related and mission vocations is still overlooked.

"It is a tragedy that in 200 years Baptists have not learned the lesson Luther Rice tried to teach us. You cannot effectively witness to the world until you have properly educated your messengers," Walker said



Eight coeds have been initiated into the Chowan College Alpha Pi Chapter, Alpha Pi Epsilon, national honorary secretarial society. From left, front row: Debra Langston, Murfreesboro, N.C.; Marilyn Brown, Wilmington, N.C.; Renee Fleetwood, Murfreesboro, N.C.; Polly Boone, Gates, N.C.; Second Row: Tammy Taylor, Bishopville, Md.; Wendy DeMayo, Murfreesboro, N.C.; and Angela Pike, Murfreesboro, N.C.; and Angela Pike, Murfreesboro, N.C. To be eligible for membership

in Alpha Pi Epsilon, a student must possess the qualities of accuracy, dependability, and initiative; be recommended by the Department of Business faculty; and earn a three point-plus average in business and in liberal arts, according to Thomas Ruffin, Department of Business chairman. Chowan business professor, Pat Edwards, national Alpha Pi Epsilon president, serves as the Alpha Pi Chapter sponsor.

Grad with Franchise Enterprises

Mrs. Donna Davidson Leonard has been appointed secretary to Fred Tharington, senior vice president of development and construction for Franchise Enterprises.

While a secretarial science student at Chowan, Mrs. Leonard received a national honor, the Florence Manning Secretarial Science Award, sponsored by the National Alpha Pi Epsilon, honorary secretarial society.

At Chowan, she served as Student Government Association representative, Woman's Council secretary and vice president and president of Chowan's Alpha Pi Epsilon chapter, honorary secretarial society. She was inducted into Phi Theta Kappa, a national scholastic honorary society, and was named to "Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges." She graduated magna cum laude from Chowan.

Crusco featured in national publication

Robert Dean Crusco, Class of 1973, was featured in the August, 1983, edition of Screen Printing magazine, along with his screen and offset printing operation in New Castle, Delaware.

The eight page article described Crusco's somewhat unique operation of providing services in two major types of printing. Crusco began his business, Graphics Unlimited, with a small offset duplicator, and added additional printing equipment very rapidly.

Recognizing a market for screen printed products, Crusco installed necessary equipment for textile printing and began soliciting orders for T-shirts and other products. The business now produces a large volume of screen work, and has reached the point that a computer is necessary to handle the mailing lists and account billing. Crusco indicated in his interview for the magazine feature that he was "spending about one-fourth" of his time at the computer, but, he added, "it's sure paying off."

IN MEMORIAM

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