



Receives Rotary scholarship

Daniel Keith McGinniss, left, a 1987 graduate of King George High School and a sophomore, is shown receiving the Murfreesboro Rotary Club scholarship from William Lawrence, president of the local club. McGinniss, president of the Chowan Rotaract Club for 1988-89, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Irvin McGinniss, Route 3, King George, and is a history major at Chowan. Rotaract, an affiliate of Rotary International, is for young men and women between the ages of 18 and 28. Dean of Students Clayton Lewis serves as advisor to the campus Rotaract club.

Forty-one works of art exhibited by professors

Forty-one works by four professors were represented in the Chowan Faculty Art Exhibition in the Art Gallery of Green Hall during September.

"I believe the show reflected the versatility of the art faculty to their approach toward art in general," noted Doug Eubank, art professor who contributed 22 works. Of these, 13 were stoneware, eight color pencil, and one pencil.

Eubank said the variety of art also included seven oil paintings and three watercolors by David Parker, who heads the Division of Art; two photographs and five other works including monoprints and cast paper by Susan Fecho; and two large acrylics by Stanley Mitchell.

Eubank said he believes it is "very important for an art professor to produce as well as teach. It is also important to exhibit."

He said art students benefit from studying under professors who represent a variety of media and approaches. "That way, studying art never becomes stale. You don't hear the same thing in each class. Collectively, the student is exposed to a broad approach to art." He said this helps the student avoid tunnel vision of seeing art in only one direction or approach.

Commented one visitor to the art show, "The gallery was flooded in colors. I found the great variety of art to be very interesting and exciting."

Alumnus named Region's Teacher of the Year

Chowan graduate, Charles W. Freeman, Class of 1967, was selected Region I Teacher of the Year in the spring of 1988.

Freeman earlier had been chosen as Hertford County's Teacher of the Year after serving for a number of years as marketing coordinator for the Murfreesboro High School Marketing Program, DECA.

Freeman is on a year's leave of absence from Hertford County High School in Ahoskie, a consolidation of Murfreesboro and Ahoskie High Schools.

He is temporarily serving as Region I Teacher Recruiter until July 1, 1989, when he will return to his 12-month Marketing Education position. Freeman commented he was happy to serve the state, region and Hertford County in the area of teacher recruiting.

Freeman accepted the position after discussions with George Norris, superintendent, Hertford County Board of Education, with an "understanding of the importance of the program for Hertford County and Region I."

VanBaars joins staff of Development office

Sven Layne VanBaars, who has experience in institutional advancement at East Carolina University, is Chowan College's new associate director of development.

The Portsmouth, Va., native and New Bern resident is a graduate of Craven Community College and holds the B.A. in political science and Masters of Public Administration from East Carolina University. At ECU, VanBaars served as a graduate assistant in the Division Of Institutional Advancement for over two years and Office of Cooperative Education for over one year.

VanBaars served as chairperson of the University Media Board at East Carolina. He is a member of Pi Sigma Alpha (political science honor society) and the American Society for Public Administration. He was a scholarship recipient to the CASE III District Conference attended by college and university development professionals.

VanBaars has experience in alumni work including phonathons, working with student volunteers, and planning and conducting leadership meetings. He has also been involved in fund raising, volunteer management, special event planning and donor relations. VanBaars is proficient with personal and main frame computer programs.

According to Director of Development E. Vincent Tilson, VanBaars' responsibilities as associate director of development will include: organizing and promoting the college Alumni Loyalty Fund and Parents' Annual Fund; organizing and promoting alumni activities through the Alumni Association; maintaining alumni records, disseminating alumni news, and working to establish class chairmen, alumni chapters and alumni programs, special events and on or off campus alumni activities.

Working to promote the capital support program of the college and other support programs of the Development office; and maintaining office hours according to the general policies of the college with the exception of traveling as necessary to effect the work of the office.

President Bruce E. Whitaker joined Tilson in noting that VanBaars is well qualified for the position of associate director of development.

They said his educational background and work experience in development have helped to prepare him to make an important contribution to the alumni and development programs.

Series opens with address by Dr. Greene

Religion professor Dr. Michael Dwaine Greene opened the 1988-89 Faculty Forum/Lyceum series in September with address entitled "The Formation of the New Testament Canon."

Greene, chairman of the Department of Religion and Philosophy since 1986, is a graduate of Campbell University (B.S.), Wake Forest University (M.A.), and the University of Virginia (Ph.D. in New Testament and Early Christianity).

He has served as a graduate assistant at the University of Virginia and instructor at Appalachian State University. He is a member of the Society of Biblical Literature, National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion, North Carolina Association of Baptist Professors of Religion, North Carolina Religious Studies Association, and Phi Kappa Phi.

A native of Boone, Greene is a member of Murfreesboro Baptist Church.



MRS. ESTHER WHITAKER

Mrs. Whitaker announces retirement

Mrs. Esther Adams Whitaker, who, like her husband, Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker, came to Chowan in 1957, will retire at the end of the 1988-89 academic year.

The announcement of Mrs. Whitaker's retirement follows that of President Whitaker, who told the trustees and advisors at the semi-annual meeting in September that he would complete his service as president on June 30, 1989.

Mrs. Whitaker reports she has a number of interests she is ready to pursue, including gardening, knitting and sewing, refinishing old furniture, and spending time with her grandchildren.

A staff member said she has played an important role as the wife of the president for 32 years. He said she has served as the official college hostess entertaining many different educational and church groups and individuals in her home.

He said she has made a "superb" president's wife and has also made her separate mark as Professor of Religion, to whom the students could easily relate.

Mrs. Whitaker is a native of Cleveland County and a graduate of Newton High School. She graduated from Appalachian State Teacher's College with a B.S. in Elementary Education, Carver School of Missions and Social Work with an MRE, and George Peabody College with an M.A.

She began her career as a teacher of grades 3-5 at Startown School in Newton and has held the positions of BSU director, Birmingham Baptist Hospitals; a third grade teacher in Louisville, Kentucky City Schools, and Nashville, Tennessee City Schools; and instructor, Cumberland University in Lebanon, Tennessee.

Mrs. Whitaker, like her husband, will be sorely missed when she finally reaches her retirement day, stated the official. "We are proud of her accomplishments and the fact she has always represented the college so well, just as her husband has," he added.

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