



Doster's First in Office

We of the Collegiate feel that a special congratulations is in order for President Harold C. Doster on the completion of his first year in office at A.C. We also felt that this would be an excellent time to talk with President Doster about that first year. Everyone knows that this past year has been one of transition; however, few people know just how much transition has been going on. In just one hour, Dr. Doster described more innovations than most of us were aware of. In this article, we would like to reveal some of the projects that have been taking place since January 1st of 1978.

At his inauguration last October, the President spoke of

seven major goals for his administration. Basically, these goals were to 1) add deferred giving to the college, 2) to increase current giving to the college, 3) to better faculty salaries relative to other private colleges, 4) to provide for the future capital needs of A.C., 5) to maintain the quality of education at A.C., 6) to facilitate leadership and learning, and 7) to continue A.C.'s role as a leader among church related colleges of liberal arts and sciences. Discussing each of these goals separately, we discovered what has been keeping Dr. Doster so busy.

Deferred Giving

Attorney Bobby Jones has

been appointed head of the estate planning and deferred giving division of the Development Council under the direction of Mr. David Cleveland. The Development Council meets monthly with Mr. Jones and 13 other division leaders to discuss plans for alumni giving, parent giving, and giving from businesses, industry, churches, etc. So far, 5 or 6 small gifts have been received in the form of endowed scholarships for students.

Current Giving

Current giving is now at \$140,000 annually. The Development Council, also in charge of current giving, hopes to increase this figure to \$200,000

annually. Operational giving, used directly for the educational program, is already \$300,000 ahead. There is a rising interest in the building of a swimming pool towards which three sizable gifts have been collected. In addition, 30 acres of land adjacent to the campus have been purchased to be used for athletics.

Faculty Salaries

President Doster reports that faculty salaries at A.C. have moved up one position in the ranking of private colleges. A.C.'s salaries are presently above the average, and the spring budget plans further increases while staying with President Carter's guidelines.

Capital Needs

Five million dollars is the estimated requirement to cover

the costs of land purchases, building construction, equipment, and remodeling during the next decade. We have already mentioned the swimming pool plans and the purchase of land. Also, the remodeling of Hardy Library is scheduled for completion sometime around March 1st, and is planned for the Belk Administration Building. This will create new offices, classrooms, seminar rooms, a new home for the educational media center and more. Another capital investment is the purchase of the new IBM System 34 Computer to aid registration, business functions, development office and alumni office functions.

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Part of the 90+ A.C. group attending the French-Swiss Ski College in Boone, N.C., Jan.

1-5. Dr. Charles Sproles and Barbara Smith of the P.E. Department coordinated the

group. Part of their families also joined the group.

News Briefs

Here and There

After leaving Iran for perhaps the last time, the Shah and his entourage stopped in Egypt for a week's rest before heading for the U.S. While crowds in Iran rejoiced, pro-shah soldiers fired into crowds in several sections of Tehran killing a number of persons.

President Jimmy Carter has invited former President Richard M. Nixon to attend a White House dinner honoring Chinese Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-ping. According to White House sources, the invitation was sent to Nixon because he took the first step toward normalizing US-China relations during his presidency.

Council of Presidents will meet Monday, Jan. 22, at 5:30 p.m. A buffet dinner will be served and a special speaker will discuss goals setting and group motivation. All presidents of ACC campus organizations are invited to attend.

Over the Christmas break, SGA President Don Berry, missing since the first part of November, contacted his sister in Rocky Mount. According to sources, he is in New York and holding down a job. Personal and school pressures were the reasons given for his departure.

SPiRiT NIGHT will be held Monday, Jan. 29th, at the ACC-Pembroke basketball games. A jazz band will perform and awards will be given to the most spirited group - so plan now to show special support for the Bulldogs!

There will be a very important meeting of the entire Collegiate Staff, on Tues., Jan. 23, at 6:00, in the Collegiate office. Please make plans to attend.

The Collegiate will hold an Open house for any Faculty member interested in viewing the new Compugraphic machines, Jan. 23, between 7 and 8:00 p.m. Any student that might be interested is welcome to come between 8 and 9:00 p.m.

More Aid For Higher Income Students

Even though the spring semester has only just begun, students are already finding themselves concerned with the financial aspects of the upcoming semester, and many have already begun to fill out the forms necessary for getting aid for the coming year.

Financial Aid Director Susan Nisbet and the Financial Aid Office are excited about the prospects for aid in the coming year. Recently, several law changes have been made which now make more aid available for higher income families. This comes out of a realization that middle income families need money to go to school as well as the lower income families. Just last November, President Carter signed the Middle Income Student Assistance Act. The act allows for families with income levels of up to even \$26,000 in many cases to be eligible for Basic Educational Opportunity Grants (BEOG). Also, the income ceiling which had previously been placed on student loan programs has now been removed, allowing more families to be eligible for low-interest, long-term loans.

Basic Educational Opportunity Grants are awarded each year on the basis of family income level. Students can be awarded the BEOG which can total as much as the entire costs for the school year, but this is determined by the student's need. Students who have been residents of the State of North Carolina are also eligible for a grant from the state. This grant totalled \$400 this year and may be more next year. Every North Carolina student can receive this grant.

Grants do not have to be

repaid; however, loans do. There are two major programs from which students can receive loan to help them meet college expenses. The loans are interest-free until nine months after the student graduates or no longer is enrolled at a school on at least a half-time basis. The repayment period can be for as long as ten years and the simple interest rate is 7%. Mrs. Nisbet can tell the student where he or she should write to apply for the loan.

Not only are there grants and loans, but students may find themselves eligible for academic scholarships as well. To apply for a scholarship, the student must fill out the Financial Need Analysis form, which can be picked up at the Financial Aid Office, then they must contact their advisor to fill out the proper application forms.

Although the money exists, it only exists in limited quantities. All students should take the time to fill out the forms to see what they could receive; after all, what have they got to lose? Mrs. Nisbet reminds students that these forms need to be filled out as soon as possible, the earlier the forms are received, the more money that is available at the time.

The Financial Aid Office is here to help the students, and the people there are more than willing to answer any questions which students may have. In fact, Mrs. Nisbet is planning to hold workshops for the students who would like to receive help in this area. All students are encouraged to look in the Green Slate for announcements concerning the time and place for these workshops.