

Fall brings large staff turnover, 8 new teachers arrive on campus

by Josie Hudley

Don't be surprised if when you go to your classes or the Administration Building you see some strange faces occupying different positions. Just smile and welcome eight new teachers and twelve new staff members to the Bennett Family!

Bennett has undergone many changes—some well received, some not—and there are many new faces on campus. We must not forget the old relationships with those persons that have departed, but treasure them and start anew by surrounding our new family members with that Bennett "love and closeness" we are so known for. So here's a little introduction to these mysterious bodies.

In the Home Economics Department, Ms. Gwendolyn Y. Griffin will be an instructor replacing Dr. Gwendolyn O'Neal. Griffin graduated from South Carolina State and received her master's from the University of Tennessee.

Replacing Dr. Morris Peterkin as the Director of the Education Division is Dr. John T. McDonald, a graduate of Allen University who received his doctorate from New York University.

An addition to the Business Economics Department is Mrs. Vereda J. King. Mrs. King, Johnson C. Smith University graduate, received her master's at North Carolina Central University.

Mrs. Frances Schwartwald will be a part-time instructor in Special Education. She received her B.A. from Clarin State College and did graduate study at Central Connecticut State. Also teaching part-time, but in another capacity will be Ms. Jennifer H. Mitchell, the new dance instructor. Mitchell completed her undergraduate and graduate work at Sam Houston State University and has replaced Ms. Joella Hendricks.

Ms. Mary Jo Lentz, the new volleyball coach, a part-time replacement for Ms. Germaine McCauley, got her B.S. from UNC-G and has done further research there.

The organist and music coordinator will be Mr. Alfred T. Carter. Carter received his bachelor's at the University of Alabama and master's at Schiller College in France. Mr. Carter will replace Dr. Richard Anderson.

Mr. Elliott C. Moffitt will head the Speech and Drama department. Moffitt received his B.A. from A&T State University and M.A. from New York University. Moffitt is replacing Ms. Denise Troutman.

The five new dorm directors are: Ms. Geraldine Johnson, Player Hall; Ms. Robin D. Berryhill, Merner Hall; Ms. Bobbie Ann Smith, Reynolds Hall; Ms. Terri L. Donnell, Cone Hall and Mrs. Diane Alston, acting director for Pfeiffer Hall.

The new assistant in the Business Office is Linda Mason. Mr. David King will be the new accountant in this department.

The Secretary for the Alumnae Affairs—Publications is Ms. Betty L. McNeill; Ms. Linda Wharton is the Placement Office assistant.

Ms. Swanda McCormick is now supervisor of the Home Management House. Working in the Children's House as a teacher's aide is Ms. Ana H. Graves.

Dr. Preston Clark will be the campus' new physician.

So, ladies, let's take it upon ourselves to envelope the new family members with warmth that will sustain them throughout this year.



Photo by Bernetta Hamilton

Mrs. Rosa Henryhand, acting chief of security, awaits calls in her office.

New Drama instructor has variety of stage experience

by Terri Wade

Mr. Elliot Moffitt brings a great deal of professional theatrical experience to his new position as Drama instructor.

His acting career has involved tours in Connecticut and New Jersey and roles in New York City and Louisville. Among his credits are parts in productions of "Abby," "The Gambler" and "Amazing Grace."

Despite these travels, Moffitt has spent much time in North Carolina. Born in Chicago, he moved as a boy to Siler City and later attended UNC-CH and A&T State University where he is currently working toward a doctorate. His avocations include playing sports, reading novels and writing screen plays. He is engaged to be married.

Excited about his new work, Moffitt expresses great optimism

about the Bennett student body: "I have been very impressed with the level of intelligence of the students in general." He foresees a rewarding year for the Bennett College Players.

The schedule for dramatic presentations is not final as yet, but the director anticipates "doing one really major drama or a big musical." Auditions for one-act productions start in late October, and the first performance will likely occur in late November and run for a full week.

Moffitt predicts that "by the



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PARENTS' WEEKEND

October 5-7

- Annual Parents' Association meeting and forum
- Faculty mini-conferences
- Faculty/Staff Follies
- Residence Halls Open House
- Founders' Banquet-Dance
- Founders' Convocation

Invite your parents to attend. Allow them to be part of your Bennett experience.



Henryhand maintains united security effort needed

by Felicia Gatson

Mrs. Rosa Henryhand, Acting Chief of Security, asks for a united effort between her force and students to make Bennett a safer place to live.

"Everyone needs to chip in and help security," she urges. "We all have to work together."

Henryhand, the only woman security guard on campus, has worked at Bennett for five years. She sees herself as an interim chief and awaits the appointment

of a permanent head, emphasizing that she is not a candidate for the position.

The security officer maintains that she has an excellent professional relationship with the other guards. They share the same duties—patrolling the parking lots and the dormitories where they make sure that doors are locked or unlocked according to the time of day.

A law enforcement course at GTI qualified Henryhand for her

position. She came to Bennett because the idea of working at an all-women's college was appealing and challenging.

Students may have noticed that Henryhand doesn't carry a gun. She feels that there is no need for a gun during the day beat which she patrols.

Henryhand maintains that this will be a good year: "I think all of us will work together from the freshmen to the seniors to make a better Bennett College."



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Mr. Elliot Moffitt, drama instructor, eagerly begins his new duties.

**BANNER STAFF MEETING
TUES., SEPT. 18**