New directors lead by example

Karen M. Heck

The desire to be a positive role model connects the five new residence directors debuting at Bennett this year.

The energetic group includes Mary C. Deer, Reynolds; Carla Jones, Cone; Landas Lucretia Leak, Jones; Carol B. Moore, Pfeiffer; and Patricia G. Williams,

Deer, 42, is a stern-looking graduate from A&T. She holds two degrees in community psychology and mental health.

Being a residence director is not new to Deer. "I have been a director at Hampton Institute in a freshman residence hall," said Deer. The one-time Big Sister, Girl Scout and Brownie leader would like to "get the young ladies to care for the dorm as a home," she said. Deer also wants to move the soda machine to the first floor as well as get a better laundry room. "These are my goals. I can only try to accomplish them," she stated.

"There are no problems major or minor," Deer said. "Except," she quickly added, "with red ants in some of the girls' rooms."

"I am glad to be here. My colleagues are helpful," she said cheerfully. Deer continued, "The cafeteria food is delicious to me. They are very well-planned meals and very tasty."

Jones is a young psychology graduate from A&T, who is now doing advanced work in guidance and counseling at her alma mater.

Jones would like to portray herself as a role model. "My aim is to do things that will inspire others to become active," she said.

"My theme for this year is maturity and growth," observes Jones. "This is a junior dorm. The girls are in transition." Jones wants to treat the girls as if they are older.

Before coming to Bennett, Jones worked for "Run-away Care" in Winston-Salem. The ages of the run-aways ranged from 13 to 18. The program was in a residential setting, which prepared her for this job. "But the problems were

different," she said.

"Everyone is friendly. I do feel at home here," she concluded.

1981 Bennett graduate Leak is anxious to enforce good study habits among freshmen. "The girls should be interested in more books and less men," she said. "If you can go to the '2 a.m. to 6 a.m.' (dancing at the Trevi Fountain, a local nightclub), you can stay up and study from (two a.m. to six a.m.," Leak said.

Leak wants the residence hall members to know "if you break curfew, you will get punished." Although there are upperclassmen in the hall, she will lock the door at 11:00 p.m. "This is a freshmen dorm," she said. Leak will not leave the door open because of a

Aside from her strict tone, she does plan some dormitory fun. "Hopefully each month we will have some sort of activity," she said. "This is their hall. I want them to have pride in it," said

Greensboro native Moore received her bachelor's and master's degrees from A&T, "I never came to Bennett. Not because of any silly rivalry. I was busy with campus and school work," said Moore.

Moore, 28, is fulfilling a lifetime ambition. She comes from a strict background. "I am the youngest of five girls. I went wild at A&T," she said. "I had no goals. Nothing past the next party," confessed

Luckily she enrolled in a discipline program. "You either went to class or failed," she said. "Selfdiscipline is the key," she stresses.

"I don't try to be a mother," she maintains, although her pet name is "Mamacita" (Spanish for little mother). "I want to be their helper and friend."

A native of Marion, Williams is a 1972 Bennett graduate. In her undergraduate years, she considered herself a "rebellious Belle." But the performance of some "now" Belles is appalling to her.

"I am not a close-minded person. I do have definite ideas about child rearing," said Williams. "Not to call the students children, but they do need some guidance."

The tall, tinted-haired 30 year old will not condone violations of the rules. "I will not let anyone in after curfew. But is there a curfew?" she asked.

Williams will not help anyone break the rules. She adds, "respect is the key. Especially in this type of environment."



Among the new residence directors are (left to right): Carla Jones, Patricia Williams, Mary C. Deer and Landas Lucretia Leak. These women are attempting to make dormitories "homier" in order to foster campus unity and solid study habits.

Dear Claire:

Student can't cope with professor

Dear Claire.

No matter how hard I try, I can't seem to get along with one of my teachers. She has something against me. No matter what I do she finds fault in it. I need her course and she's the only one teaching it. What should I do?

Frustrated

Dear Frustrated,

Believe it or not, over half of your Bennett sisters have the same problem. Unfortunately, there is not a great deal that can be done about this problem. Do as I did once. Imagine that the instructor is your idol or someone that you admire very much. While trying to please yourself in front of her, you are pleasing her. Try it. Good luck!

Dear Claire,

I am a sophomore and I've gone with the same guy for four years. During my freshman year, we had a lot of problems because he said he was lonely and couldn't deal with my going to school out-ofstate. We almost broke up several times. This summer, though, we had a wonderful relationship. Yesterday, he wrote me a letter saying that it was over between us because he couldn't stand being alone so much. I'm very hurt because I love him a lot. I don't mind going to school at home—it's cheaper. Do you think I should?

Heartbroken

Dear Heartbroken,

My first reaction to your letter was one of anger. Who does this guy think he is putting you through all these changes? You have enough to worry about here at Bennett. I sympathize with you, but I really don't think you should go to school at home. You have

gone with this guy for four years. I should think by now that your relationship is so strong that it can withstand any pressures. Maybe there is another motive behind his letter. Depend on patience and faith and look deeper into the situation.

Dear Claire,

I'm a guy from A&T and I'd like to know why the girls at Bennett seem to be so hard to talk to.

Whenever a guy approaches a Belle, she acts like she can't talk. Do all Belles act like this? Is it that Bennett women are afraid of men? I know it isn't the way they're approached because lots of guys get rejected when they begin a conversation very politely. Just what's the Problem?

Curious Aggie

Dear Curious Aggie,

You are being much too general

in your observation of my Bennett sisters. I am sure that every lady has not been approached by an Aggie. There is nothing wrong with the ladies here, and we are definitely not afraid of men. If we were, how do you account for so many of your A&T brothers having Bennett girlfriends? There is no written law which says that we must speak to every guy that approaches us. Many of my Bennett sisters came here to escape

the hounding and harassment of having to deal with men. Most of us already have boyfriends and don't feel like being bothered. Try your luck at UNC-G or even on your own territory.

All letters for Claire should be neatly written and sent to: Claire, Box 396. Claire cannot give personal replies, but she tries to answer all your letters in this column.

Style: accessorize to economize

Instead of rushing out and spending a fortune on new fall and winter clothes this year, why not accessorize?

Money-wise students know that adding accessories is the best way to update and polish a wardrobe. Especially this year with all the irresistible fall finales.

To touch up your present wardrobe, start from top to bottom. Add a colorful beret to add a dash to a shirt and trousers. A scarf tied creatively around the neck can give romantic appeal. If the scarf is long enough, it can also double as a belt.

Shawls are also good buys. With a little boy-scout knowhow, they can be twisted and wrapped into various lookscarefully tied and belted for day or loosely layered for evening. A good size shawl to work with a 55"-60" square.

Try a wider belt that wraps around the waist. The extra width of this type of belt will make the waist appear smaller. While you're shopping for belts, check out the metallics in various shapes and textures.

Before you put on your shoes, make sure you keep your legs warm with a pair of textured socks or stockings. They're inexpensive and usually last a whole season, if taken care of. After leggings, shoes are always a good accessory. Nothing can change the look of an outfit faster than a different style shoe. This season you can choose from a comfortable walking shoe to a metallic pump, but make sure they fit properly to get the most wear from

Last on the list is fragrance, a luxurious extra that is sometimes forgotten. Try a warm and spicy one that combines with the autumn months.

An accessory should com-

pliment your present wardrobe. Shop carefully, avoiding impulsive buying, and you should be able to stretch your dollar and wardrobe successfully.

Deadlines made for monthly calendar

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I've made the Dean's list for four semesters." Parker is a junior from Graham.

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The inclusion of organizational or departmental activities on the official college monthly calendar serves to make the campus and community more aware of institutional activity. To acquire clearance for activities and the use of facilities, dates must be cleared through the Office of Information and Publications. Deadlines for submitting data are:

DEADLINE MONTH October 16 November November 20 December December 18 January January 15 February February 19 March March 19 April April 16 May

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