

SPRING SUPERLATIVES SURVEY

Results of the first Spring Superlatives Survey*:

"How Stella Got Her Groove Back," Best Book Read

Dean Mary Scarlett, Best Administrator

IHOP, Best Place For A Late Night Meal

Dean Mary Scarlette, Best Staff Person

Dr. L. Brogdon-Wyatt, Most Fashionable Professor

Millicent Brown, and S. Charmaine McKissick-Melton, (tied) Favorite Professor

Amanda Pecchioni, SGA President, Student Who Has Done The Most For Bennett This Academic Year

Dean Mary Scarlett, Faculty Who Has Done The Most For Bennett

Jori Johnson, Sr., Most Dramatic

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Gateway to the future

Approximately 115 phenomenal graduating seniors will soon pass through these gates to participate in graduation activities. Baccalaureate is scheduled for May 17, and Commencement is May 18.

Students practice international policy

By Brandy Jones

Banner Reporter

In keeping with Bennett's tradition of "producing phenomenal women leaders," 18 Belles traveled to Raleigh to serve in a program as mock United Nations delegates from various foreign countries.

The program, Model UN — a simulated United Nations — took place at St. Augustine College from April 17-20. It featured student delegates from seven historically black colleges and universities in North Carolina.

The real UN is made up of a group of representatives from each independent country throughout the world. UN representatives serve as conflict mediators

between feuding countries.

"The [Model UN] program has been in existence since I first started teaching at Bennett many years ago and has been on the campus ever since then," said Dr. Anthony Oyewole the coordinator for the political science program.

Model UN was created so that high school and college students can research current issues happening throughout the world. The program also serves as a training ground for the students to solve problems through compromise and discussion instead of using physical confrontations.

Before participating in the program, each student was assigned a foreign country. This year

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Starks to wear 97-98 Miss Bennett crown

By Shamilah Harris

Banner Reporter and Staff

Takiyah Starks will wear the crown of Miss Bennett College for 1997-98.

The announcement was made at the annual President's Ball when??

Takiyah Starks, 20, is a junior biology pre-med major from Chicago.

Starks is a member of various organizations including Belles of Harmony Choir, NAACP, Reader's Theater Company, Rotract Club, Bennett softball, and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

As Miss Bennett, Starks said her intentions will be to promote sisterhood through various activities and to carry on the legacy of Miss Bennett College. She said she would like to see sisterly chat programs that will express true feelings towards your Bennett sisters, an activity on working

together as a collective unit, and maybe a ACES program on school spirit and sisterhood.

Starks said that she is a firm believer in God.

"I want everyone to remember me as the Miss Bennett who gave her all for her campus and students"

-- Takiyah Starks

"A true leader is able to admit her mistakes, a true leader knows even when the chips are down and things are going wrong she is able to walk proud and stand tall with God on her side," Starks said.

She said that she feels that most or if not

all things exist because of Him. With His guidance she feels that her leadership qualities will prevail.

She plans to attend medical school at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where she will pursue a medical degree and a doctoral degree.

The new Miss Bennett said that her long-term goal is to return to her community in Chicago and become a neurosurgeon and set-up a free clinic within low socio-economic status communities providing the health care needed.

"I want everyone to remember me as the Miss Bennett who gave her all for her campus and students," Starks said.

She also wants to be remembered as just one part of the process of leading the phenomenal women of Bennett on their way to excellence.

Say 'good-bye' to your favorite senior in the Banner

By Paquita Herring

Banner Editor

Graduation is approaching and it may be time for your best friend or big sister to graduate.

For the last time this year, you can tell your favorite senior how much you appreciate her and how much you will miss her by placing a "Senior Good-Bye" in Banner Classifieds.

Good-Byes that are 25 words or less are free to students and \$2 for non-Bennett students and faculty. The deadline for submission is Friday, May 2. The "Good-Byes" will be published in the May 9 issue.

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