

# Dean Bennett Resigns, Accepts Post At Western Carolina

## Recitals Feature Music Students Hooker, Jevons Perform Tonight

Tonight at 8 p.m. in the Brevard College Campus Center Building Auditorium, a formal recital will be presented by the College Music Department. Featured artists will include Donna Hooker, soprano, Dean Jevons, baritone, and the Brevard College Wind Ensemble, directed by Miss Joan Moser and Mr. Larry Whatley, of the music faculty.

Another formal recital, featuring Judy Barnes, organist, and the College Woodwin Ensemble, will be presented Sunday at 4 p.m. in the Brevard Methodist Church sanctuary. The Ensemble will be directed by Miss Moser.

The Asheville Symphony Society will present a "Mozart Music Festival" May 14-17. Several Brevard College students are members of the Asheville Symphony: David Alford, flute, Mike Harris, tympani, and Steve Foland, percussion. Miss Joan Moser, of the Music Department

faculty, plays bassoon for the orchestra.

Mr. Nelson F. Adams, of the Brevard College faculty, will direct the Brevard Civic Chorus in the performance of the CREATION by Franz Joseph Haydn on May 24. The program will be held in the Brevard Methodist Church at 7:30 p.m.

The graduation activities at Brevard College will include a Commencement Concert to be held at 8 p.m. on May 30, in the Campus Center Building. Participants will be the Brevard College Glee Club, directed by Mr. Harvey H. Miller, and the Brevard College Wind Ensemble, directed by Miss Moser and Mr. Whatley.

The College Woodwin Ensemble performed at Opportunity House in Hendersonville last Sunday. They were directed by Miss Moser. Opportunity House might be called a recreation center for elderly retired people.

Dr. John B. Bennett has resigned from his post as Dean of Brevard College to accept an appointment as Professor of Philosophy at Western Carolina College beginning with the September, 1964, term.

In announcing Dean Bennett's resignation, President Emmett K. McLarty said, "Because of his total commitment to the goal of excellence in all phases of the college program, Dean Bennett has had a pervasive influence in the development of Brevard's present stature.

"Specifically responsible for all educational affairs and activities of the college, he has guided the Academic Standards Committee in redesigning the curriculum with emphasis upon university parallel courses. The result has been economies in the instructional budget and greater efficiency in the programs of individual instructors.

"Supported by the Board of Trustees and the Administration, Dean Bennett has raised the standards of admission with the result that there has been a marked increase of students who return for the second year of study and for graduation.

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institutions, are increasingly in demand by these colleges and universities as a result of the high standards for graduation established by Dean Bennett."

Dean Bennett was instructor in Bible at Brevard College from 1936 to 1939. He resumed graduate study at Duke University in the fall of 1939 and earned his doctorate there. After considerable varied experience in

teaching, Dr. Bennett returned to Brevard College in 1957 as dean.

"Brevard College stands on the threshold of great opportunity for service," Dean Bennett says. "It is with great personal regret that our family leaves this town and college we have loved so deeply and for so long a time. But the opportunity for developing courses in philosophy and religion at Western Carolina College is one for which my training and experience have prepared me specifically. At the same time the academic affairs at Brevard College are in excellent condition for a smooth transition to be made with a new dean with a vigorous approach to the tasks which Brevard College offers so well to fulfill."

Mrs. Bennett will continue with the College for a year in order that the language department may not experience a double change, Dr. Roberta Reigel having elected to retire from her position in French. Mrs. Bennett's continuing here will make it possible, too, for Jack and Mary Martha, who are still in secondary school, to experience a smooth transfer to a new setting.

## Students Choose S. G. A. Officers

The results of the run-off election between David Drum and Geary Crist for S.G.A. President have not been announced (as the Clarion goes to press), but the Student Government Association Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Social Chairman were elected May 4.

James Hall has been elected Vice-President. He is from Burnsville, N. C., where he graduated from Cane River High School in 1962. While in high school, James was in the Beta Club and Pep Club, and served as a Junior Marshal. He was recently tapped into Phi Theta Kappa at Brevard, and was elected to serve as president of that organization next year.

Secretary-Treasurer of the S.G.A. is Deedra Dickinson. She is from Winter Park, Florida, and is majoring in political science. She was tapped into Phi Theta Kappa at Brevard.

Some of the offices she held and activities she participated in during high school were: National Honor Society, secretary of sophomore class, treasurer of junior class, and president of Tri-Hi-Y, an organization affiliated with the Y.M.C.A.

Donna Jean Nichols, Social Chairman, is from Lenoir, North Carolina, where she graduated from Gamewell High School.

She has served as freshman class Secretary-Treasurer this year. Donna held a number of class offices during her four years of high school. She was Secretary-Treasurer of her freshman class, of the Student Council, and the Future Teachers of America.



JAMES HALL

## Sunrise Service To Be Held May 17

"God's Unfinished Story" is the topic chosen for the Mountain Sun-Rise Service to be held May 17, in the outdoor chapel at Camp Greenville.

This worship service will be presented by Dr. Emmett McLarty, president of the college.

The college bus will be leaving for the camp at 4:15 a.m. for the convenience of those wishing to attend the service.

Camp Greenville is located in the Cedar Mountain section. The chapel itself affords a stupendous view of the surrounding area and is particularly inspiring during the spring season.



DEEDRA DICKINSON



DONNA NICHOLS

## Drama Class To Present "The Imaginary Invalid"

Two performances of Moliere's hilarious satire, THE IMAGINARY INVALID, will be presented May 15 and 16, at 8:15 P.M. in the college auditorium. The all-student cast, directed by Alan Wallace, includes Donna Hooker, Johnny Goforth, Caroline Lobban, James Warren, Melba Partin, Dean Jevons, Robert Clontz, Lawrence Davis, Becky Roy, Vincent Dennen, Thomas Hamilton, and Vaughn Leslie.

The production, professionally mounted, directed, acted in the manner and costumes of the period (Louis XIV), offers one of the most entertaining and popular of Moliere's plays. THE IMAGINARY INVALID is a satire on the hypocrisy and pseudoscience of the medical profession of Moliere's time.

The tragic irony of this comedy is that the central character Argan is a hypochondriac but at the time Moliere wrote the play and performed this part, he was himself dangerously ill. During the fourth showing he was seized by convulsions on stage, but insisted on completing the performance. He died several hours later.

Most of Moliere's plays are a mixture of farce and social satire, for he sought to entertain while provoking "thoughtful laughter." He gave satirical and comic pictures of what he saw and heard, and he described with censure and ridicule the results

produced by bad and foolish actions. He loved pleasant raillery and the fun of good satire and irony, and his wish to ridicule was always governed by charitable intention, and by a desire not to wound when chastisement was not deserved.

The main line of the plot is the familiar theme of an unsuitable marriage: Argan's determination to marry his daughter to a doctor, so that he can enjoy free and continual medical consultations with his son-in-law. Argan — Moliere makes it quite clear — is not suffering from anything but stupidity.

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## Brevardians Go To Young Harris

A variety show will be presented by approximately twelve Brevard College students to the student body of Young Harris, May 11, at 7:30 P.M.

This evening performance will be in return for the program presented by Young Harris to Brevard during the first semester. The trip was arranged by Dean S. David Frazier of Young Harris and the Social Committee under the direction of Mr. Ray Fisher.