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Mrs. Marvin Visits UN In New York

Mrs. Helen Marvin, faculty member at Gaston College, attended the Faculty Advisors Institute held at United Nations Headquarters in April. The meeting is sponsored by the Council on International Relations and United Nations Affairs (CIRUNA), which is the college affiliate of United Nations Association of the United States of America, (UNA-USA). Mrs. Marvin is the faculty advisor to the Gaston College branch of CIRUNA.

The participants, during this Institute, had the opportunity to explore the Middle East Crisis in some detail through informal briefings led by diplomats of countries both directly and indirectly involved.

Mrs. Marvin was invited by Arthur J. Goldberg, chairman of the board of the UNA-USA. In his letter of invitation to Mrs. Marvin, Goldberg stated that, "because of the promising new developments in strengthening responsible student participation in international affairs, a portion of the Institute will also be devoted to the discussion of the relationship of the faculty advisor to international affairs programming on the college campuses in general, and the CIRUNA chapter in particular."

The United Nations Mission to the UN had previously sponsored the Institute prior to the sponsorship of the UNA-USA.

The faculty members invited to the meetings, which were held in the UN building, had the opportunity to meet and talk with permanent representatives to the UN from the Middle East, France, and also His Excellency Charles W. Yost, representative of the U.S. to the UN.

Civinettes Nominate Officers

The Gaston College chapter of the Civinette Club, recently met and nominated officers for the 1969-70 school year. The new officers are: Johnnie Gail Bowers-President; Cindy Lee Ramsey-Vice President; Cynthia Mull-Secretary; Kathy Lamkin-Treasurer; Robbie Homesley-Chaplain; and Karen Dellinger-Parliamentarian.

On April 23, the Civitan International District West honored all the presidents and president-elects of each club in its district at a luncheon in the Masonic Temple. Mr. Richard Nelson, the guest speaker, showed slides and spoke about lithium mining in North Carolina. Patsy Ratchford, the president of Civinettes, and Cindy Ramsey, Vice President elect, represented the Gaston College Civinettes at the Luncheon.

Johnnie Gail Bowers received a scholarship from the National Secretary Association during the luncheon of the Spindlette Chapter of the NSA. Johnnie is majoring in Secretarial Science.



STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Residents of the Big Valley

BOTTOM ROW: (L. To R.) Karen Dellinger, Lynn Price, and Joan McMillian.

MIDDLE ROW: (L. To R.) Miles Weathers, Beirut Wall, and Gary Hudson.

TOP ROW: (L. To R.) Mr. Russell Keck, Lynn Holcomb, and Mr. David Hunsucker.



GASTON COLLEGE SENATORS

GASTON'S MOD SQUAD

BOTTOM ROW: (L. To R.) Anita Sullivan, Margaret Schneider, Karen Dellinger, Pam Ray and Ben Sutton.

TOP ROW: (L. To R.) Danny Fisher, Lynn Price, John Truesdale, Robert Hovis, and John Eaker.



HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE

BOTTOM ROW: (L. To R.) Jackie Winkfield, Miles Weathers, Kelly Childers, and Mary Ann Nichols.

TOP ROW: (L. To R.) Barry Farmer, Kenneth Adams, and Alfred Cloud. (L. Oliver J. Davis, advisor, is not pictured.)

GC Students Attend Model UN Meeting

Eight Students from Gaston College attended the Model United Nations in New York city from April 9th - April 13th. These students are members of the Gaston College branch of CIRUNA, The Council on International Relations and United Nations Affairs.

CIRUNA sponsors campus organizations throughout the country and conducts Model United Nations meetings such as the one held in New York.

The delegation from Gaston College to the model U.N. represented Costa Rica in the General Assembly. Each member of this delegation had the opportunity to express themselves and to act and to vote as a Costa Rican. The Gaston College delegation studied for some time prior to the meeting of the model U.N. about Costa Rica in order to learn the economy, history, and religious practices of the Costa Ricans.

The delegates participated in such activities in the Model U.N. as passing amendments to the present charter of the U.N.; defining aggression; the question of the admission of Red China to the U.N.; and various other floor fights which resulted from issues being presented by other countries which were also represented by student delegations from the U.S.

Allen Grooms, Gaston College student and public relations manager of CIRUNA, stated that the delegates to the National Model United Nations were trying to attain practical, first hand knowledge of international relations while gaining a deeper insight in the workings of the United Nations.

In order for the delegates to feel a closer contact with the actual U.N. organization, each delegation met with a representative from the permanent U.N. Mission in New York City. The Ambassador to the U.N. of Costa Rica and his staff briefed the Gaston delegation on their country's views on topics ranging from Southern Rhodesia, Biafra, and the Middle East to birth control and agricultural reform.

"The most common problem encountered by these young people in regard to taking the role of representing another nation is to 'stop thinking America,'" Grooms stated. He added, "the students, for the period of the convention most portray the desires, hopes and ambitions of the people they represent."

Mrs. Helen Marvin, advisor to the Gaston CIRUNA, was unable to attend the meeting in New York, and Mr. Everette Warren, economics professor at Gaston attended the meetings with the delegation from GC.

Those students attending were Joe Anthony, Earl McClain, John Coleman, Dean McGinnis, Allen Grooms, Jerry Franklin, Bill Cottingham, and Don Harrelson.