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FLOYD CROWNED QUEEN

Two days out of the week, Donna Floyd begins her day at 4:30 a.m. so she can be at work at 6:45.

Four nights a week, she helps teach Emergency Medical Technician classes.

Doesn't sound like the life of a beauty queen, eh?

Twenty-one-year-old Donna Floyd is both a nurse and the new 1977 Miss Gaston College.

On chilly Feb. 25 during a dance in the student center, Donna was crowned the new college queen, much to her own surprise.

"I was in a daze," she said. "I was really happy -- I really was. I just looked up at Mike and said, 'Me?'"

Mike Terres of Shelby was Miss Floyd's escort.

Donna said she was "scared and excited" the day of the pageant. "I'd worked all week getting posters made and put up until I was really ready for the pageant," she said.

She said she didn't feel that she had a chance of winning because she didn't know many

people outside the nursing program.

"I have met more people and made more new friends through the pageant," Donna said. "Many people I don't even know come up to me to offer their congratulations."

Miss Floyd, a native of Lawndale, N. C., is studying for an associate degree in nursing. She is also a licensed practical nurse at Cleveland Memorial Hospital in Shelby.

She was working as a secretary at Cleveland Memorial when she became interested in nursing after coming in contact with the nurses and patients.

After encouragement from the other nurses, Donna decided to take up her own career in nursing.

She received her practical nursing degree from Cleveland Technical Institute and then enrolled in the Gaston College nursing program.

Miss Floyd hopes to continue her nursing education at the University of North Carolina at

Chapel Hill where she will work toward a bachelor of science degree.

She is currently secretary of the Gaston College chapter of the Student Nurses Association. Some of her hobbies include piano and organ, needlecraft and cooking. "I like to try to cook a lot of different things, and I don't always know how they will turn out," she said. "I like to experiment."

Other contestants in the pageant were Freddy Jones, first runnerup; Melissa Murdock, second runnerup; Jackie McAbee, Marcia Watson, Sarah Chastain, Ben Scott, Cecilia Clemmer, Becky Burgin, Rhonda King, and Cathy Jenkins.

As each of the contestants were introduced at the pageant, the two emcees, Mark Roberts and Dean Wood, read information about each contestant including their name, age, residence, escort, hobbies and zodiac sign.



Gaston's Queen, Donna Floyd

Pam Lazenby



Advisor Dr. Lewandowski and AEYC Club Members Enjoying Their Luncheon

Showboat Auditions

Interested in getting started in the theater? Here's your chance.

Auditions for the April production of the musical "Showboat" will be held March 24 and 25 at the Myers Center. Tryouts will be held from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9:30 p.m. on both days.

Never acted or not even interested in acting? Never mind, according to Berge Beam, producer of the show. You don't have to be experienced although it is helpful. People also are needed for stage crew members.

Director of the show will be

Chris McKinney, former artist in-residence at Gaston, who will become a full-time instructor during the spring quarter. Beam is chairman of the English department.

The Oscar Hammerstein-Jerome Kern musical will be performed at 8 p.m. June 3, 10, 11 and at 2:30 p.m. June 12.

About 40 people are needed for the cast and another 25 for the production work.

Here are the main characters needed for the cast:

Gaylord Ravenal--This is the lead romantic part. Ravenal is a gambler and must be played

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Interclub Council News

To keep students informed about the various activities of clubs on campus each issue the Gaslight will print Inter-club council (ICC) news.

The ICC is a standing committee of the SGA and is made up of the active clubs on campus. The meetings are held every other week on Tuesday.

The representatives are composed of the president or a appointed club member.

The chairperson is Bill Calhoun; Vice-chairperson - Barbara Glass; Jerry Messer - Secretary.

Those club representatives that have attended the regular meetings since February 22nd are: Barbara Glass - AEYC, Keith Queen, James Gettings - SME, Leesa Ihlyte - outing club, Wanda Gallaway - Black Student Union, Anzie Blankenship, Linda Gann - SNA and Sophomore nursing class, Charles Killian - IETC, Judy Day, Ed Patterson - Industrial Engineering club, Marta Davis, Bill Calhoun - Gamma Beta Phi, Terry Messer - Christian Fellowship club and Gaslight, Jerry Messer - SGA, and sponsor - Dr. Dean Jones.

The activities of each club were as follows: The AEYC club on February 24th held a luncheon celebrating their 1st anniversary to the NC-AEYC, an award was presented to President Barbara Glass, by Lucy Peters who is currently

pres. of the NC-AEYC. Gaston College now has one of the top two AEYC Chapters in North Carolina.

The Gamma Beta Phi Society received a citation for its activities on campus supporting the Administrative Council during registration. In addition the GBP participated in the Centennial Celebration on March 12th at Lineberger Park. induction of new members will

be held on March 20.

Barbara Glass brought up the point that club sponsors be notified that their clubs are liable for impeachment proceedings if a representative is not sent to the ICC.

In addition to these activities the ICC began revising its by-laws and after these changes, the new by-laws were approved by a majority vote.

Terry Messer

Student Government Corner

The SGA sponsored dance and pageant was a great success. We congratulate Donna Floyd, Miss Gaston College, 1977. We feel the dance and pageant was a great success. There was more school spirit shown during this time than we have seen in a while. A big "thank you" for those responsible for the dance and the pageant. Also a special thanks for all the beautiful girls and handsome guys who ran for the title of Mr. Gaston College.

You may have seen some change in registration this quarter. In hopes to make registration a little easier, members of the student government were asked to help work in different positions during registration. This was a successful adventure and we hope to be helping in all registrations from now on. Regular registration will be held in the Myers Center in April and there will be no more registration in the L.R.C. says John Morris, registrar.

Elections for new officers of the S.G.A. will be held the last week in April. We encourage any student who will be attending Gaston for the next year and carrying 8 or more hours each quarter to give some thought to running for president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. More info about those offices are in the student handbook for anyone interested. Each new officer will receive a \$300.00 scholarship.

Plans for spring week, being held in May, are coming along very well. If you have any good ideas let us know...

See you around campus

Butch Boyd, Treasurer, SGA