

A Man, A Friend, A Blessing

Dr. Douglas Covington - New Administration Chief

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Sometimes it takes years to find someone who will dedicate their mind, heart and soul to their profession. We dream of someone who will care about our needs and work hard to help us fulfill those needs. We even ask ourselves, "When will we feel ourselves moving in a positive direction, toward a better tomorrow and with the determination and self-esteem that we need to acquire set goals?" We pause... A dream comes a reality and the Rams become winners in more ways than one. With one touch of optimism, the Rams are blessed with someone who cares about them, loves them and does his best to improve conditions for them. This man, Dr. Covington, takes on a new responsibility and accepts the challenge of installing the idea of a sound education, pride and unity in the minds of all the Rams.

Dr. Covington may be new to many Rams, but he is no stranger to Winston-Salem. He attended Kimberley Park Elementary School in Winston, but while he was in the fourth grade his family moved to Ohio. He completed elementary and high school in a small town called, Wellington, Ohio. After graduating from Central State, he received an academic scholarship to Ohio State. He then received his masters in psychology and served as an intern in psychology at Dayton public school. After working for 6 years, he received a fellowship to complete his doctorate in Educational Administration and Special Education in Ohio.

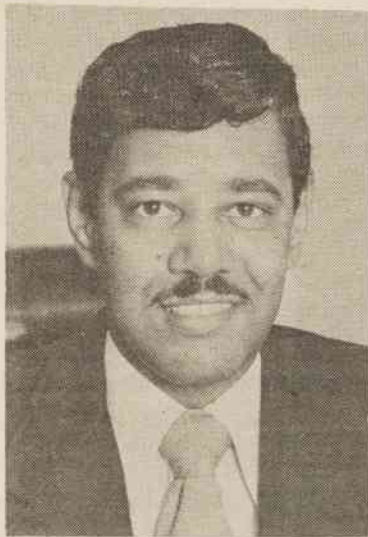
He met his wife, Beatrice while attending college at Central State and now has two sons, Tony, 17, and Jeff, 14.

When Dr. Covington was first notified that he had been named Chancellor, he says that he was extremely happy. "It meant a great deal to me because I have always liked the community and have had the highest regard for the University," he said.

Since the short time that Dr. Covington has been at WSSU, he feels that the school is definitely moving in a positive direction. He has made various changes so far and feels that these changes will benefit the students in many ways. "So far, I have re-organized some departments with an effort to strengthen programs in areas including, recruitment, placement, enrichment services, fund raising and public relations. I have also begun a self-study program for re-accreditation for the Southern association of colleges and schools. I have employed some new personnel who will add quality to the program," he said.

Aside from these plans, Dr. Covington also plans to meet with the SGA, members of the faculty, and the administration on a regular basis to hear their ideas and share some of his ideas with them.

Dr. Covington feels that the job of chancellor is very important and involves many things. "My job involves being familiar with a number of constituent groups in



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YMTF at WSSU

Members of the National Alliance of Business's Youth Motivation Task Force conducted seminars and workshops at Winston-Salem State University, October 20 and 21.

The University's Career Planning and Placement Center hosted the two-day conference. Mrs. Doris Jones, director of the center, explained that the purpose of the YMTF program was to share information with students on a first-hand basis to stimulate their career interests and to assist them in their efforts to enter the economic mainstream.

Bill Hunter, assistant director of employment relations for General Motors, Detroit, Michigan, chairman of the task force. Other YMTF representatives were: Benjamin Johnson, senior staff assistant, General Motors; Gwendolyn Andrews, director of nursing science, N.C. Baptist Hospital; Lewis E. Barnes, Jr., B. F. Goodrich Company; Robert Fuller, Duke Power Company; Shanlon Hudson, Booke and Company; Rita Roberts, State Department of Administration; Benjamin H. Pecking, Engineer, Bethlehem Steel; Sandra Thomas, In-Service Educator; Milton Wade, personnel supervisor, Monsanto; and Gregory Drake, branch manager trainee, First Union National Bank.

Mr. Johnson was the keynote speaker at the conference assembly which will be held at 10:00 A.M. in the Kenneth R. Williams Auditorium. He stressed the importance of self-confidence in the aggressive pursuit of career goals. Area senior high school students were invited to participate in the conference. A special workshop, entitled "Where Do We Go From Here" was conducted for them by Mr. Hunter at 11:00 A.M. in the Hauser Student Union Ballroom.

planning and development of the University, including students, faculty, staff, alumni and trustees. I must also serve as a spokesman for the University and work closely with the board of trustees in institutional governments," he said.

As far as a philosophy of life goes, the Chancellor feels that his, "Philosophy of Education," adequately expresses his views concerning the welfare of students and their dire need to succeed in life. "Schools exist for students. I feel that everything in an educational institution, whether in the area of curriculum, fiscal planning or construction of new buildings, unless these activities are in the

best interest of the students, then it's irrelevant. I believe that all students have the potential for making positive and constructive contributions to society and it is the challenge of educators to do everything possible to stimulate development of that potential."

As far as hobbies are concerned, he says that he likes to draw pictures and hopes that he will be able to take lessons in art. He also enjoys listening to records. His favorite sport is basketball and plans to attend some of the women's as well as the men's basketball games.

Chancellor Covington says that he is very pleased with the dents, faculty and administration. As far as school

spirit goes, he is by far, a believer and booster in the spirit and unity of the Ram family. "I feel that the Rams are symbolic and represent Winston-Salem State University's family and symbolize the unity and spirit of our school."

With this last remark, Rams should realize that they have truly been blessed. They have a man who is willing to push forward in a positive direction, a friend who is willing to make Rams feel important and secure, but most of all a chancellor who cares, shares and devotes time, energy, and effort to the greatest family on the earth - The mighty Rams! Who could ask for anything more?

Faculty and Staff Announced

Dr. Lafayette Parker, director of academic affairs at Winston-Salem State University, has released the roster of new and returning faculty members for the fall semester.

Those joining the faculty are Linda Adams, assistant professor of English; Edward Allen, instructor of nursing; Stephen Alston, instructor of history; Thomas Baucom, assistant professor of geography; Edward Day, assistant professor of English; Michael Edwards, instructor of health and physical education; Jacqueline Grogan, instructor of education; Elsa Hampton, instructor of Spanish; Armedia Houston, associate professor of education; Dolan Hubbard, Susan Hunt, and Lucy Parker, instructors of English; Clara Pinkney, instructor of business; Margaret Poston, instructor of mathematics; Allareddy Reddy, visiting assistant professor of business; James Simpson, instructor of music; and Kim H. Tan, assistant professor of project strengthen.

New part-time faculty members are Donny Angley, Anna Barbee, Pauline Davis, Elizabeth Mackintosh, Claudia Mikulaninec, and Mary Rackley, instructors of nursing; and Emmanuel Osei-Antwi, visiting assistant professor of health and physical education.

Returning faculty members are Lacy Hall, professor of psychology; Faustina Holman, associate professor of music; Wilfred Mears, assistant professor of music; and Leo Oliver, associate professor of biology.

Joining the library staff are Sheila Bailey, reclassification project assistant; Charles McIntre, reclassification project coordinator; and Shirley Robinson, periodicals librarian.

Dr. Haywood Wilson, Jr., has announced the addition of new personnel in the division of student affairs. Joining the staff are Doris Jones, director of career counseling and placement and cooperative education; James D. Ballard, university chaplain; Emily Harper, director of admissions; and Gwendolyn Hill and James Williams, III, university recruiters.

In the division of development affairs, Walter Jones has been named director of planning and Sadek S. Youssef is director of grants management.

Departmental Close-up

English and Foreign Languages

The department of English and Foreign Languages has six new additions on their instructional staff. They are Lucy Parker, Dolan Hubbard, Elsa Hampton, E.R. Day, and Susan Hunt.

Ms. Lucy Parker comes to the department from a brief teaching career in the North Carolina Public School System. Ms. Parker received her BA and MA degrees from Duke University. She feels very strongly about the English department's emphasis on writing fundamental skills, and the Writing Center. Ms. Parker is a member of the National Council for Teachers of English, and also reviews college students for the Law School Admissions Test.

Mr. Dolan Hubbard is also a new member of the English staff. He received his BA degree from Catawba College, 1971, and his MA from the University of Denver, 1974. He previously taught in the Frederick county Public School system for two and one half years. He also returned

to his undergraduate college to become admissions counselor, Minority Counselor and Foreign Student Credentials Evaluator for a period of one and one half years. Mr. Hubbard says that, "I missed teaching, and that's primarily the reason I came back to it. I enjoy my work and students, whom are very receptive to new ideas."

Ms. Linda Adams is a native of Miami, Florida, where she obtained her BA degree from Stetson University. She received the MA degree from Duke University, and is currently working towards her PHD at Duke. Prior to coming to WSSU, Ms. Adams taught at Florida Memorial College in Miami, and Durham College, Durham, N.C. She is a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, and enjoys teaching and her job very much.

Mrs. Susan Hunt is from Mt. Airy, N.C., and is an alumnus of Winston-Salem State University. She received her M. ED. from

North Carolina A&T State University. Before coming to WSSU, Mrs. Hunt was an instructor of English at Forsyth Tech for two years. She states that "I'm very impressed about the progress the school has made since I was here. I enjoy my students and I'm very pleased about the department's writing program."

Mrs. Elsa Hampton is the new instructor of Spanish. Her native home is in Havana, Cuba, where she received her M. ED at the University of Havana. She also studied at the National Conservatory of Music in Havana. Her further studies include such schools as UNC-Chapel Hill, Appalachian State, Salem College, and the American Institute for Foreign Trade in Phoenix, Arizona. Prior to coming to WSSU, Mrs. Hampton taught in Cuban elementary and Junior High Schools. Upon coming to the states she did private tutoring, taught classes

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