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## Gaines Gets 600th Victory



COACH GAINES

Most of us started 1978 by going to parties, setting off fire crackers, or some other lively activity, but the man who really began his new year with a bang was Coach Clarence "Bighouse" Gaines. On December 31, 1977 in the Whitaker Gymnasium Coach Gaines won his 600th career victory. This victory came during the WSSU Christmas Classic when the Rams defeated Fayetteville State University 97-79. With this victory under his belt Coach Gaines started 1978 with the honor of being the winningest active basketball coach.

Long before the WSSU vs Fayetteville game was over the fans knew that this game would surely mark Gaines' 600th win. Personnel from the Physical Education Department circulated papers that listed the years of Gaines' association with the university and the basketball record for those years. Two little

girls walked around the gym with a large sign that read "Coach Bighouse Gaines brings in the New Year with his 600th Victory." A large table was set up at the end of the gym floor and several large cakes were placed on it.

Once the buzzer rang the festivities began. After a large round of applause by the fans, presentations were made to Coach Gaines by Dr. H. Douglas Covington, WSSU Chancellor, Mr. Bill Hayes, head football coach, Carlos Terry, captain of the Ram basketball team, Mrs. V.B. Conley, director of the cheerleaders and Capers Galton, captain of the Cheerleaders. When the presentations were over the fans were invited to celebrate the victory by having a slice of cake.

Coach Gaines, as might be imagined has quite an impressive record here at WSSU. He began coaching here in 1947 and has not

had a single losing season. Gaines has had eight teams to be CIAA Tournament Champions and one team in 1967 to win the NCAA Championship. His first CIAA tournament win came in 1953 and the others followed in 1957, 1960, 1961, 1963, 1966, 1970, and 1977 respectively.

Since his 600th victory Gaines has received recognition from many organizations. He was honored on January 21, 1978 at the North Carolina Central game by the Winston-Salem Board of County Commissioners. On January 27, 1978 a television program was done on Gaines and his career at WSSU.

Coach "Bighouse" Gaines has been a tremendous asset to the Athletic Department here at WSSU. Both the students and faculty are privileged to be associated with such an outstanding man.

Cheryl Brandon

### Plans Set

## Parents' Day/Honors Day

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Matthew G. Carter, chairman, New Jersey Civil Rights Commission and director of community at Hoffman LaRoche, Inc., Nutley, New Jersey, will deliver the address at Winston-Salem State University's Honors Day Program on Sunday, March 5.

The Honors Day Program is held each year to pay tribute to all full-time students who have made high achievement in various academic fields during the school year. Students, in each of the four classes, are honored for having the highest average(s) in each major. Recognition is given to those students with a cumulative average of 3.3 (B plus) or better.

This year's program, a part of the University's Annual Parent's Day Conference, will be held at 3:00 P.M. in the Kenneth R. Williams Auditorium. A

reception, sponsored by the Faculty Wives, will follow immediately in the lobby. The Parent's Day Conference schedule includes the Convocation at 11:00 A.M., with Reverend James D. Ballard, university chaplain, as the principle speaker; several art exhibits and a multi-media presentation available throughout the day; and a concert, "Gospel Expo," featuring local and state-wide choirs. The concert, sponsored by the graduate and undergraduate chapters of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, will be held at 7:00 P.M. in the Kenneth R. Williams Auditorium.

Registration for the Parent's Day Conference begins at 8:00 A.M. in the Hauser Student Union. The programs are open free to the public.

For a complete listing of activities call the office of Public Information at 761-2118.

## Aldermen At WSSU

Larry Little is the new alderman of Winston-Salem, N.C. He is 27 years old and the youngest alderman ever to be elected by the city. He is a Junior here at WSSU majoring in Political Science and minoring in Public Administration.

Alderman Little, a long time community activist, served as the National Coordinator of the Joann Little Defense Committee. In the past he was known as a protest leader, and is still vocal on protest issues. He feels now, however that his primary role is to work effectively with other elected officers to change policies that effect our lives.

In the first six weeks of his four year term, he has been concerned with enforcing decent housing code standards in the city. Alderman Little and his fellow officials are in the process of condemning substandard housing in the community, and are doing it in a much more aggressive manner. He is also unhappy about the 50 miles of dirt streets in Winston-Salem. Little proposed to discontinue oiling and tarring the streets in Winston-Salem. He feels that they should be paved instead.

As far as the Police Department is concerned, Alderman Little favors decentralization. He feels that the Winston-Salem city police should work in the neighborhoods where they live. This is one way

they can develop a better relationship within the community. He also feels "Team Policing" is a step in the right direction.

Alderman Little spoke on the minority employment for the city of Winston-Salem and said, "The city has not made any substantial progress in increasing the number of minorities employed by the city government." Little's

future plans include attending law school upon graduating from Winston-Salem State University.

In closing, Alderman Little has this to say to the student body, "Politics is a growing field, and Black students should show more interest in it, because one day, it will control their destiny one way or the other."

Deborah Gibbs

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