



Faculty member Ron Thurston gives acceptance speech after winning Cluster award.

WSSU Hosts Cluster Meeting

WSSU along with area businesses hosted the annual spring Business Cluster Industry Meeting on March 24, in room 228 of the Hall-Patterson Communications Building. Representatives from over 49 businesses were present for an afternoon of meetings and speeches.

Mrs. Hellena Tidwell from the Office of Developmental Affairs at WSSU and Mr. Jack Hibbits of Word Power Inc. were the chairpersons.

"The cluster was designed to bring corporate personnel closer to students and the university," says Mr. Hibbits. "Business people can learn what students have to offer and vice versa." "The cluster should equip students for positions at various companies in the area. This is done by having students host the representatives at the Business Cluster Meeting."

Mrs. Tidwell gave a special report on the many ways the Business Cluster works. She stated in her speech that the cluster

brought 35 more students to the Co-operative Education program, which was a considerable increase compared to two years ago. She also pointed out that the cluster helped the placement office organize Career Day with 100 businesses participating.

Integon Corp., a cluster member, donated excess cafeteria equipment to the university, when Kennedy Dining Hall closed down. Cluster also helped the university develop career awareness seminars and generate support from cluster members. One cluster member who generates a great deal of support is R.J. Reynolds Inc., which donated 1 million dollars to the university during the enhancement campaign.

The Business Industry Cluster meets every semester, with positive progress reports on projects with the university. The spring meeting was commenced by an Awards Banquet that night.

Annual Business-Industry Cluster Winner Named

In the awards banquet held in the Kenneth R. Williams Auditorium, the Business Cluster Industry winners were announced.

Awards were given to the outstanding student and outstanding faculty member. The fall semester winners were junior Eddie Sauls and Maurice Johnson, current head of the library.

This semester's winners are senior Billy Miller from Winston-Salem, and Mr. Ron Thurston, who formerly worked for IBM Corp. but currently is a Computer Science instructor at WSSU. Student runner-ups

were junior Teresa Brown and junior Charles Smoot. The two faculty runner-ups were Mrs. Melba Daniels, secretary of the Natural Science Dept. and Dr. Shah of the Political Science Dept.

The criteria used for selection of the students and faculty winners are as follows: Students must have a positive attitude, a positive campus and community image, and possess a character of dependability and credibility. For the faculty member winner they must have a positive relation with students, and a positive attitude about the university.

Out-of-staters Visit Campus

Three different groups of high school students have visited Winston-Salem State University's campus during the past month.

These prospective Winston-Salem State University students were brought in by the Recruitment Staff of the university in an effort to attract more out of state students to our school.

Approximately 90 students were brought in to our campus for a tour. One group was from Roxbury, Massachusetts, a second group from Rockville, Maryland, and a third group of Upward Bound students from Virginia.

Brief programs were held for the students after which they toured the campus. Greetings were extended to the students by Dr. Haywood Wilson and Dr. Arnold Lockett along with Roger Sims from the Recruitment Staff. Other Recruitment and Admissions staff members as well as student volunteers participated in making the recruitment program a success. The recruiters elaborated on the concern with students living on campus since the perspective students were predominantly black.

The students that were a part of the recruitment effort seemed to be very impressed with the programs offered at the university. Their concerns seemed to focus around Army ROTC, housing, activities at school, transportation, financial aid, co-op programs, and jobs after graduation.

Several of the students indicated they would apply for admissions to our university, based on their visit here. The students' areas of interests were computer science, nursing, music and business majors. Students such as Adrian Peaks and Terry Wilson, enjoyed the tour, liked the school and will fill out applications. "The people and the campus seemed to be nice," said Ms. Peaks.

According to Ms. Deborah Chaney, no other groups of students are scheduled to visit the university at present. The Recruitment Staff would like to thank the people that helped out with the program. If any members of the faculty and staff or students have any ideas or suggestions on student recruitment, please come by or call:

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Scholarships For Journalists

Scholarships of up to \$1,500 each await students who are selected for Ralph McGill Scholarships, Jack Tarver, chairman of the scholarship fund has announced. Tarver said May 1st is the deadline for aspiring young southern newsmen and newswomen to submit applications for the scholarships.

Students are eligible who have completed at least two years of college and who have demonstrated a long-time interest in the news and editorial phase of newsprinting.

Tarver said scholarships are limited to those young men and women whose roots lie in the south. Applicants must also convince the awards committee that they firmly intend to pursue a career in daily or weekly newsprinting. Tarver said the awards committee wants to give scholarships to those who are likely to become leaders in the newspaper field.

Successful applicants will be requested to maintain a "B" average in order to keep the scholarship.

A letter of not more than 500 words telling why the applicant wants a scholarship, together with a photograph of an appli-

cant, must accompany each application. Applicants also must have a letter or recommendation from a college authority.

Application blanks may be obtained from: The Ralph McGill Scholarship Fund; Box 4689; Atlanta, Ga. 30302.

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With the absence of Right in me, there is absence of God.

With the absence of God in me, there is absence of Love.

With the absence of Love in me, there is absence of You.

With the absence of You in me, there is absence of Me.

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