

## Letter To The Student Body

When we leave Winston-Salem State University, we need to be well-rounded individuals. By using a few of your chosen electives to see what the Social Science Department has to offer, you will be surprised at how some of these courses can help us as individuals to understand the political, economic, and social systems of the world we are about to enter.

The courses that I would like to emphasize are Foreign Economic Policies, Public Administration, and Politics of South Africa. All these courses definitely have some significance to each of us as individuals living in this complex and changing society. Below is a brief description of the courses mentioned.

### Brief Description of Courses:

I. Foreign Economic Policies - helps us to understand the political and economic policies that govern and affect our country's relations with those of other countries.

II. Public Administration - teaches us how we as individuals can lead or be led by those in authority.

III. Politics of South Africa - helps us to understand the plight of the blacks in South Africa and those who oppress them. It allows us as individuals to learn what the apartheid system is and how the system affects the blacks of South Africa.

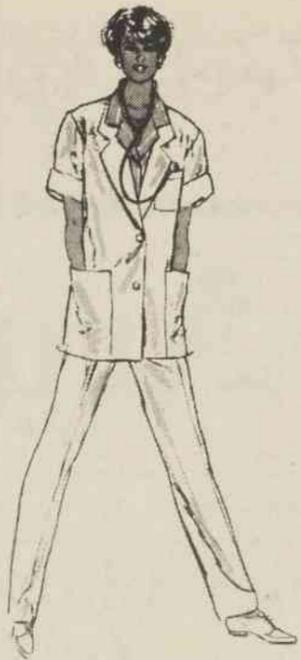
Initially, I decided to take a Social Science course because I was interested, but later I took three more courses under the Social Science Department because I was stimulated and because I cared. Make Political science courses a part of your career outlook.

Therefore, Social Science courses are not just for those who major in Social Science; these courses are also for those of us who dare to take the first step towards understanding, learning, and being a part of the system which affects each and everyone of our lives everyday. Try a Social Science course, it's a smart move!

Gwendolyn Shaw



Happy Easter  
From The News  
Argus Staff



The WSSU Association of Nursing Students received an award for the largest membership increase in '86-'87 at the North Carolina Association of Nursing Students (NCANS) state convention. The annual convention was held at the Four Seasons Convention Center, Greensboro February 5-7, 1987. WSSU students attending the convention included LaTanya Alexander, Marlene Borden, Anita Beasley, Pamela Brown, Joann Jacobs, Karen Lordeman-Rowdy, and James O'Connell.

The WSSU ANS has twenty active members. The membership drive is an ongoing pursuit with special efforts directed toward freshmen and sophomore students who select nursing as their major. An interest reception was held in the FL Atkins (Nursing and Allied Health) building in the fall 1986, and plans are to repeat this activity in March 1987.

The WSSU ANS meets monthly in the student lounge of the FL Atkins building. The members participate in community projects, i.e. the Blood Mobile, and fund raising activities. Representatives participated in state convention planning sessions, presenting results to the local group. Officers of the WSSU ANS are: President, Karen Lordeman-Rowdy; V. President, Hartensia Davis; Treasurer, Marlene Borden; Secretary, Carol Brannon.

The 35th annual National ANS convention will be held at the Hyatt Regency, Illinois Center in Chicago April 1-5, 1987. Four members of the WSSU ANS plan to attend. The advisor for this organization is Yvonne Spencer, MSEd, MSN, RN.

## Bichson Stevenson: Scholar and Army ROTC Cadet

By Carol L. Drewery

A senior, accounting major, Bichson Stevenson was recently honored in Minorities and Women in Business for her academic achievements and her Army ROTC involvement.

"Women Who Make A Difference" the article in which Stevenson was featured praises her as one of the top accounting majors and Army ROTC cadets in the country. The article also spoke of her academic leadership and military leadership qualities.

Stevenson has received three Military Academic Excellence Awards, the distinguished Military Student Award and the Reserve Officers' Award.

Stevenson contends that none of her academic or military achievements have altered her line of thinking. Instead, she says the article has motivated her to be successful in all her endeavors.

Stevenson's future career plans definitely include a military life as she will become a part of the Military Intelligence Commission team. "If the Army cannot offer me what I am looking for I will seek a career in the accounting field."

Stevenson's family has become her source of encouragement. According to Stevenson, "Everyone needs something positive to back them up in this world and for me it's my family."

Stevenson has devoted much of her time to her studies and her military training, but says, "This summer, it's time to relax a bit and give some time back to myself."

"For me education is the key to all of the finer things in life whether they are the material goals or spiritual goals we seek," commented Stevenson on the philosophy that keeps her going.

Bichson Stevenson is definitely one of WSSU's finest who will make a difference in our future world.

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## Sharpe Wins Speech Communication Program's First Speech Contest

By Sheila Rucker

Imagine standing before a large group of students, faculty members and two distinguished judges. You are there as a participant in the first speech contest conducted by the Speech Communication Program at WSSU.

Six students, Robert Banks, Carter Cue, Terri Hankerson, Sandra Leake, Deborah Sharpe, and Lee Smith, Jr. recently experienced this situation.

Their speeches' topics ranged from Affirmative Action to "How To Make English A Universal Language."

Professor William T. Burke, of the English Departmental, was the host and Dr. Fred A. Eady was the coordinator of the contest. Mrs. Wilma Lassiter and Mrs. Cora L. Massey, both formerly with WSSU English Department were the judges.

The contestants' speeches were judged on a point system from 1-5 on content, organization, delivery, voice, documentation, originality and persuasiveness.

Sharpe, a senior Mass Communications/English major, from Tarboro, N.C. won the contest. She received a plaque.

Other winners included: 2nd place, Terri Hankerson; 3rd place, Sandra Leake. These contestants also received plaques.

Receiving Honorable Mentions were: Carter Cue, 3rd place; Robert Banks, 2nd place; Lee Smith, 1st place.

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