

Nursing Program Receives Board Approval

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Winston-Salem State University is constantly seeking ways to improve the quality of instruction for its students, particularly when it comes to specialized education. These pursuits are not only designed to meet accreditation standards, but to enable WSSU graduates to be better prepared as they depart to serve.

The University of North Carolina Board of Governors has given formal approval for WSSU's nursing program. Now the work begins, as the nursing faculty sets strategies to attain desired goals set forth during the next two years.

The pursuit of quality instruction in WSSU's nursing program is what makes the difference. Program administrators, staff, and faculty are all committed to the



WSSU nursing students acquiring practical experience in the Skills lab.

training of men and women interested in nursing and health related professions. "It takes a dedicated faculty to work with students," said Dr. Sylvia Flack, Interim Director, Division of Nursing and Allied Health. "In our case, this effort is enhanced by the faculty-student ratio that allows for direct and quick intervention in the student's learning process." Faculty dedication has begun to yield dividends. In July, 1990, the board exam passing rate was 80%.

Dr. Sylvia Flack earned an Ed.D from Virginia Tech, M.S.N. from Medical College in Georgia, and a B.S.N. from Winston-Salem State University.

Asked why she came to WSSU, Dr. Flack responded "I believe that WSSU,

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Winston-Salem State University is committed to providing an excellent, educational experience for its multicultural clientele. The university's administration is quite aware, though, that an excellent educational experience can't be possible without adequate resources. The capital campaign that's currently in motion is designed to make possible the acquisition of human and material resources to greatly improve the overall quality of academic programs at WSSU.

Launched on March 6, 1990, the university centennial campaign set a goal of \$25 million. The campaign has thus far amassed \$15 million toward the set goal.

The campaign is directed by Ketchum, Inc., Fund-Raising Counsel, with head-

Centennial Campaign Hits \$15 Million

quarters in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. It is directed by William Stout whose administrative office is within the Office of Development and University Relations at Winston-Salem State University.

Esther Turman, Special Assistant to the Vice Chancellor for Development and University Relations, is quite pleased with the progress of the centennial campaign. "I think everything has gone quite well, and all the comments from the university and community reflect a positive attitude," she said. Turman believes that the university, under the leadership of Chancellor Cleon Thompson, Jr., will be ready to move into the 21st century.

Of the amount raised thus far, \$1.5 million has been pledged by the WSSU family. The family includes the Board of Trustees, Board of Visitors, WSSU Foundation, faculty and staff. Faculty and staff have pledged nearly \$300,000; alumni have pledged \$2 million; direct solicitation has brought in \$500,000; and the phon-a-thon has received pledges totaling \$600,000. \$900,000 is left to complete alumni pledge.

Area corporations have made generous contributions toward the centennial campaign. R. J. Reynolds contributed \$4 million, Sarah Lee contributed \$2.5 million, and Wachovia Bank has contributed \$1 million. Campaign emphasis in 1991 will be on national corporations and foundations.

The following foundations have made the following contributions: Kate B.

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Chancellor Urges Austerity Measures

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To many people at Winston-Salem State University, 1991 is bound to be a year with a difference. The year will witness significant developments from the administration, faculty, staff, and students.

1991 will also be a year of challenges. It's already begun to show these signs. The

crux of these challenges lies in the cuts that have been made in budgets of colleges and universities within the University of

North Carolina system as a result of the budget crisis facing the state. If there were ever a time for creative budgeting, this is it.

Chancellor Cleon Thompson, Jr. is aware that the university will face tough times during the next several months. He is, nonetheless, optimistic. "The best decisions are made during times of austerity," he said recently while addressing a faculty/staff assembly. "There's no money."

Thompson told faculty and staff members to be mindful of who they are, what they are, and what they are about. He praised those who went beyond the call of duty to achieve results, and urged others to emulate their example. He noted that this is a time when everyone at the university needs to double his or her efforts, adding, "Every aspect of the university is

undergoing some form of transition, ranging from administration, academic programs, faculty, and staff."

The Chancellor noted that there are

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Chancellor Cleon F. Thompson

understandable disagreements among those carrying out the mission of the university. These disagreements, he said, are a part of the normal process.

Those reorganized during the Chancellor's address included individuals who had written funded grant proposals during the past year, those who had published articles and books, and those who represented the university at conferences, workshops, and seminars.

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