

## CAMPUS NEWS

# Chowan celebrates homecoming

Homecoming at Chowan on October 13 was an memorable day of events on campus. The day started, as it usually does, with a breakfast in the president's dining room for the members of the Chowanian Society.

The Chowanian Society is made up of over 300 graduates from Chowan College who have celebrated their fortieth class reunion at the college. About fifty members gathered at homecoming this year to reunite over a breakfast of grits and country ham with redeye gravy in the president's dining room.

The annual meeting of the Chowan Alumni Association was held homecoming morning with class reunions for the classes of 1955/56, 1960/61, 1965/66, 1970/71, 1975/76, 1980/81, and 1985/86. President Jackson

presented the 1990 Distinguished Alumni Award to Elton Claxton Parker, a retired businessman with Nationwide Insurance from Raleigh.

A picnic for alumni held on the lawn next to Daniel Hall was a success when the bad weather, expected from hurricane Lili, did not arrive.

The Chowan Braves hosted Potomac State in the homecoming football game, defeating them 61-0. A post-game reception was held in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Jackson, and an Alumni All Campus Dance was held that evening in Lakeside Student Center.

The class of 1965 hosted their silver anniversary reunion the night before homecoming. Members of the class joined with members of the Chowan faculty from 1965 for a reunion dinner on campus.



Homecoming Queen Gwen Baldwin, sophomore from Holly Springs, N.C., is escorted onto the field by Kevin Kennedy. Homecoming Princess, Kathy Balmededa, freshman, Va. Beach, is escorted by Phillip Smoak, freshman, Roseboro, N.C.



Pat Eskridge, sophomore from Virginia Beach, presented to President Jackson a petition against drinking and driving which was signed by 408 Chowan College students. Eskridge is the president of the Chowan chapter of Boosting Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students (BACCHUS).

## Students attend conference

Chowan College students participated in an alcohol and drug seminar on October 29 - 30 in Raleigh. The featured speaker at the conference was Louise Bias, mother of the former basketball star, Len Bias, who died from an overdose of cocaine.

"She really made us aware of things we did not know," states Andrea

Hines, sophomore, from Hillsborough. "At one seminar, we heard students from a lot of different colleges tell how they handle alcohol and drug problems on their campuses. We picked up some great ideas to use here at Chowan."

A big issue facing college campuses today is how to handle drinking by students in dormitories. This issue, as well as information on current drug usage, was discussed at the conference.

Chowan students participating in the conference were: Todd Hughes, from Mechanicsville, Va.; Liz McCarthy, Clinton, Conn.; Charlotte Pitt, Nassau, Bahamas; and Gary Robinson, from Aurora, N.C.

Faculty advisors, Jackie Ashley, director of student health, Linda Tripp, director of counseling, and Mary Jo Byrd, associate dean of student development, accompanied the students on the trip.

## On campus in brief

Green Hall Art Gallery opened the season with a faculty art show featuring "Recent Work" of the art faculty in the department of fine arts September 7 - 28. The drawings of David Cherry, entitled "Prints and Drawings" were on display October 3 - 31 in the gallery. Local artist, Dave Bruner, exhibited his acrylic paintings during November.

Patricia Turlington, painter and brick sculptor, presented the first two in the series of Forum-Lyceum programs at Chowan this fall. On September 17, she spoke on "The Art of Brick Sculpture," and on October 16 she returned, in response to popular demand, to present "Feminist Odyssey of a Southern Lady".

"Almost Anything Goes" was the theme for the kick-off to Chowan's intramural games on September 6. Students participated in 'wacky games' on the campus green sponsored by the department of student development.

The Repertory Theater of America players presented "Same Time Next Year" in Turner Auditorium on October 7.

The department of fine arts opened its concert season with a concert by Mark Ford, percussionist, and Jeffery Jarvis, tuba player. On September 25. Elliot Frank, classical guitarist, presented a program of solo guitar works on November 12. George Lucktenberg, renowned harpsichordist, performed in Daniel Recital Hall on November 19.

Anthony and Joseph Paratore, duo pianists, appeared at Chowan in Turner Auditorium as part of the Roanoke-Chowan Community Concert Series October 21.

Dr. Malcolm O. Tolbert, interim pastor, First Baptist Church, Raleigh, and professor emeritus, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, conducted the preview of the January Bible Study at Chowan on November 1.

Campus Evangelism Week — October 29 - November — featured the Covenant Players, a ministry in drama for four evenings during the week. Students, faculty members participated in the dramatic presentations in Daniel Recital Hall.

The Red Cross Bloodmobile was on campus on October 26 with good response from students, faculty and community members.

The twelfth annual Horizons in Business seminar for visiting students from high schools in surrounding communities was held on November 2. Students attended workshops on topics such as "Choosing a Career" and "Job Opportunities in the 1990's"

Chowan's Community Health Fair on November 9 also brought in community members for health screenings and information on wellness.

The Chowan Players' fall theatrical production of Neil Simon's comedy, "Barefoot in the Park" was a big hit. The production ran from November 7 through November 10 in Turner Auditorium.

Dr. Mauvice Brett, a local educator and community leader spoke to the Chowan Afro-American Club on November 13. Her topic was "Blacks in the Workplace" and she encouraged students, "don't go around with a chip on your shoulder because you are black. We are all the same inside!"

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