

Awards Day recognizes students and professors

Chowan College students received awards for citizenship, service, and academic and athletic achievement during Awards Day on May 7 in the Helms Center.

The 1991 Chowan annual, CHOWANOKA, was dedicated to Warren Sexton, chairman of the department of social science, who has been professor at Chowan since 1959.

Dr. Jerry F. Jackson, president of the college, presented the awards assisted by Dr. B. Franklin Lowe, Jr. vice president for academic affairs. Awards included an engraved plaque or certificate and many also included scholarships for the following year of study.

Gary Wade Robinson, a sophomore from Aurora, N.C., was named the Best All-Around Student and was also named Most Outstanding Resident Assistant (Male).

Richard Dwayne Gibson, sophomore from Greensboro, N.C., received the Superior Citizenship Award as voted on by the faculty and staff and presented to exemplary students. He also was presented the Alpha Mu Gamma Foreign Language Award (Spanish) and was named to the Order of the Silver Feather, an honorary service order of outstanding students (five named each year) at Chowan.

Other students named to the Order of the Silver Feather are Andrea Kaye Hines, Hillsborough, N.C.; Jill Overton, Ahoskie, N.C.; Charlotte Sophia Pitt, Nassau, Bahamas; and Reginald Taylor, Prince George, Va.

Reginald Taylor also received the Superior Citizenship Award. Andrea Hines also received the award for Most Outstanding Female Resident Assistant.

The Merit Award was presented to Susan Joyner Harmon, Aulander, N.C.; Amy Melissa Underwood, Franklin, Va. received the Highest Scholastic Average (Sophomore) Award. She also was presented the Marylou Jones Armstrong Business Award. Jason Chad Drake, Ahoskie, N.C. and Stephen Craig White, Eure, N.C. received the Highest Scholastic Freshman Awards.

Maria Jose Puente, a student from Pichincha, Ecuador, captured the International Student Award.

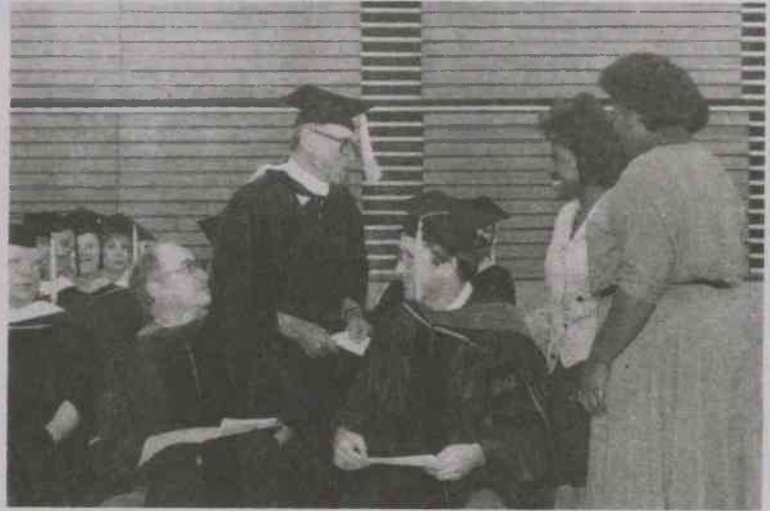
The Mary Pierce Music Award was presented to Noriko Otani, from Hamada, Japan, and Natalie Candice Taylor, from Eure, N.C. The Fine Arts Department also presented music awards to Kyoko Kikuno, Japan, for Outstanding Student in the Stage Band and to Susan Jacobs, Va. Beach, Va. who was named Outstanding Chorus Member.

The Mathematics Award went to Chak Yan Tong from Hong Kong, and the Alpha Mu Gamma Foreign Language Award for French.

Donald P. Nash, of Aberden, MS, was awarded the Bernice Kelly Harris Creative Writing Scholarship. Alicia Juanita Dean, from Freeport, Bahamas, was named outstanding Freshman in English.

Stephen Craig White, Eure, N.C. received the Raymond Memorial Science Scholarship. David Tyrone Perry, from Rich Square, N.C., received the Exchange Club Athletic Award and Scholarship presented by the Murfreesboro Exchange Club.

The Krueger School of Graphic Communications presented awards to Most Outstanding Graduate in Photography which went to Queen Esther



Professor Warren G. Sexton was surprised by the dedication of the 1991 Chowanoka on Awards Day.

Williams of Greenville, N.C.; and most Outstanding Graduate in Printing Technology to Gordon Adams Barnes, Jr., Fuquay Varina, N.C.

Robert Allen Deacon, from Conway, N.C., was awarded the Joseph Lee Parker award for Physical Fitness. Fonda Dione Lyons, Raleigh, N.C., was named Most Outstanding Athlete (Female); Frederick O'Neal Vinson, Murfreesboro, N.C., was named Most Outstanding Athlete (Male).

Commencement Marshalls, selected from the freshmen having the highest academic averages, were named. They were Jason Chad Drake, Ahoskie, N.C.; Stephen Craig White, Eure, N.C.; Melissa Dawn Lewellen, Belhaven, N.C.; Christina Elizabeth Perkinson, Suffolk, Va; Shannon Leigh Sullivan, Burlington, N.C.; Rumonda Tyre Smith, Greenbelt, MD; Joyce Lynn White, Murfreesboro, N.C.; Yoko Yoshioka, Atlanta, Ga.

First StudiAct Acteens Scholarship is awarded

Rhonda Kaye Whitaker, a senior at Bear Grass High School, has been awarded the first North Carolina Acteens StudiAct Scholarship to be granted by Chowan College.

Whitaker was recommended for the scholarship by Linda Todd, Acteens Consultant, Woman's Missionary Union of North Carolina. The scholarship is based upon the quality of the recipient's study and service while

progressing toward the level of Queen Regent in service in Acteens. The award amounts to \$1,800 to be credited to Whitaker's study at Chowan over a period of four years.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whitaker, of Williamston, she is a member of Siloam Baptist Church and served on the North Carolina Acteens Advisory Board, 1990-91.

Whitaker is also the recipient of an Academic Honors Scholarship, one of the most prestigious scholarships offered by the college. To be considered for this scholarship, a student must rank in the upper ten percent of the graduating class, have a high school average of 3.2 or better, and a high SAT score. These awards are renewable annually for up to four years of study if the student maintains a required academic average while at Chowan.

Whitaker was one of many scholarship recipients honored at a Scholarship Luncheon held in the President's Dining Room this spring.

On Campus in Brief

Russian artist, Violeta Jatniece, visited Chowan recently and demonstrated her skills in ceramics for art students. She is one of several visiting Soviet artists traveling in the United States. Chowan was one of just four stops on her tour.

The Russ Morgan Orchestra performed in the Helms Center on March 5 as part of the Roanoke-Chowan Community Concert series.

The Red Cross Bloodmobile was sponsored by student development staff in Lakeside Student Center on March 6. Eighty-eight students and faculty/staff members gave blood in support of the troops in the Persian Gulf.

Religious Emphasis Week was held on campus the week of March 24 sponsored by the department of student development. Prayer services, dramatic presentations and other activities were scheduled throughout the week.

A concert of clarinet music took place in Daniel Recital Hall on March 6 featuring Carl H. C. Anderson, professor of clarinet at Jacksonville State University in Alabama.

A series of four discussions about prejudice and discrimination took place in Marks Hall during March and April. Noted lecturers visited the campus and discussed topics relating to discrimination. Community members in similar fields then responded to each of the lectures. Delivering the lectures were Dr. Mary Boyles of Pembroke State University; Dr. Kristin Herzog, an independent scholar and writer for Durham; Dr. Gay Wilentz, assistant professor of English at East Carolina University; Dr. Marie Farr, acting chair of the department of communication at ECU.

A Good Friday/Easter Service of worship was held on March 29 in Turner Auditorium and featured readings and music by the stage band and chorus.

The Chowan Band and Chorus presented their annual Spring Concert in Turner Auditorium on April 20, entertaining students and community members with selections including Mozart, Bach, and Hamlisch.

The Chowan Players presented the black comedy, "Luv", written by Murray Schisgal in Daniel Recital hall on April 25. The play was directed by Gail Leahy, drama consultant who has directed productions locally and in Virginia.

Campus Update

Changes around campus this summer will include the completion of the space on first floor of Camp Hall. The academic Support Program will be located permanently on first floor Camp Hall. Laboratories will be established in this area for English, writing and math.

The Snack Bar will be moving to Lakeside Student Center this summer to give students a more centralized place to meet on campus. The bookstore will soon be located in Columns on the old pool area. The Upward Bound Program will be moving to the Snack Bar area.

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