

Services to pay tribute to Jeannette Snead Daniel

Open House, recital, President's Reception, Spring Concert among activities

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Distinguished musician with outstanding background to present recital following Open House

spouses will gather for a reception in Ward Parlor and then be guests at a luncheon in the President's Dining Room of Thomas Cafeteria.

The family will be conducted on a special tour of the campus by college officials and the historic district of Murfreesboro following lunch.

All members of the Chowan College community and the general public are invited to join the family for the commemoration service at 3:00 p.m., in Daniel Hall's lobby, which has been completely redecorated with new wall coverings, carpets and furniture. An open house will be held at the conclusion of the service.

Mrs. Ella Ann Holding, a renowned pianist and the first artist-in-residence of Campbell University, will be presented in concert in the recital hall at 4:00 p.m.

A featured performer on the Albany Records' recording of chamber works of North Carolina composer laureate Hunter Johnson, Mrs. Holding has performed as a soloist at the Spoleto Festival and with the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra.

Dr. and Mrs. Jerry F. Jackson will host the Daniel family members and friends of the college at a reception and dinner at the Ella Cobb Camp President's Home at 6:30 p.m.

The day's formal activities will conclude with the annual Spring Concert of Chowan's band and choir at 8:00 p.m. in Turner Auditorium of McDowell Columns.

Daniel Hall was named in honor of Jeannette Snead Daniel, the daughter of the founder of Fork Union Military Academy. She was a native of Fulvanna County, Virginia.

When Jeannette Snead was a member of the faculty in 1885-86, she met Walter Eugene Daniel who frequently visited his sister, Lillian, a student at Chowan.

As the visits increased, Professor Snead spent much time with the young lawyer from nearby Weldon, NC, who would become a senator in later years. The day soon came when he asked the young professor for her "hand in marriage."

In order to have time to consider the proposal, Miss Snead informed Mr. Daniel that she would give her answer during her new faculty music recital.

She told him that she would be wearing a white flower when she appeared on stage for her recital if she had decided to decline his proposal.

Young Walter Daniel, who was always called "Mr. Daniel" by Jeannette, was the happiest man in the auditorium when his bride-to-be appeared on stage carrying a beautiful, long-stem red rose.

The Daniels had eight children. One of these children, Narcissa Bruce Daniel, married V. Carney Hargroves of Germantown, Pa., and the couple had three children: Emily, Narcissa, and Jeannette.

Another of the eight children was Louis Daniel, of New Bern, who has served as a member of the Chowan Board of Trustees.

Dr. Donald S. Daniel, of Richmond, a third child, served on the college's Board of Advisors as did his son, Dr. Donald S. Daniel, Jr.

Professor gave answer to marriage proposal with a red rose during her recital

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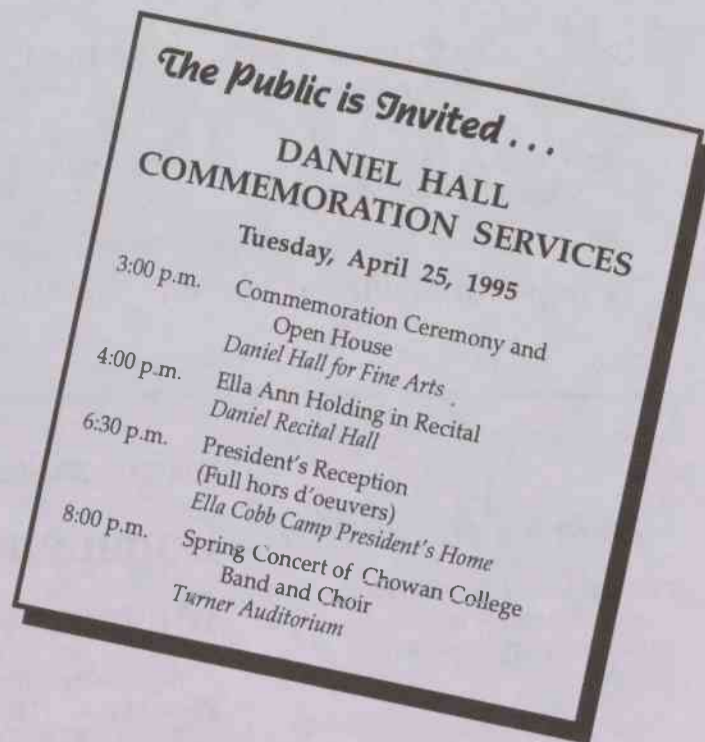
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Ella Ann Holding, renowned pianist, to present recital

The guest recital of Mrs. Ella Ann Holding will highlight the commemoration of Daniel Hall on Tuesday, April 25.

Mrs. Holding will perform in Daniel Hall following the commemoration ceremonies and open house.

The general public is cordially invited to attend the commemoration and open house beginning at 3:00 p.m. as well as Mrs. Holding's recital at 4:00 p.m.

Dr. James Chamblee, chairman of the Department of Fine Arts and head of its Division of Music, said, "we are very grateful that Mrs. Holding accepted an invitation to be a part of Daniel Hall's commemoration service."



ELLA ANN HOLDING
... to present recital following Commemoration Ceremony

"It is not very often," he continued, "that we have an opportunity to hear a recital by such a renowned and accomplished musician as Mrs. Ella Ann Holding."

A graduate of Salem College and Yale University School of Music, Mrs. Holding also studied as a summer scholarship student at Juilliard School of Music and was a Fulbright Scholar at the Royal Academy of Music in London.

She has performed as soloist with the North Carolina Symphony and currently serves as a member of the symphony's Board of Trustees. She has also been heard in a number of recent recitals in Virginia and the Carolinas as artist alumnae of Salem College's School of Music series.

Mrs. Holding appeared at the 1993 Spoleto Festival in Charleston and received a standing ovation for her performance. The Charleston Post and Courier cited the "several bows in recognition and appreciation of a special talent in one of the best concerts of the season."

A current resident of Smithfield, Mrs. Holding was a featured performer on Albany Records' recording of the chamber works of composer laureate Hunter Johnson. She also performs in chamber recitals with two members of the North Carolina Symphony.

In November, the talented pianist was invited to perform as guest soloist with the South Carolina Philharmonic Orchestra. Earlier this year Mrs. Holding presented concerts at Saint Catherine's School in Richmond, VA, and at the Trinity Cathedral in Columbia, SC.

Mrs. Holding was recently named the first Artist-in-Residence in Music at Campbell University.