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Would have been the best ever

## Storm spoils Homecoming

By PAULINE ROBINSON

Susan Jeanne Sturtevant, 1968 Homecoming Queen was crowned by the reigning Miss North Carolina, Anita Johnson, during halftime at the Chowan-Lees McRea game on Oct. 19. Freshman princess, Patricia Lynn Clifton, was presented flowers by Miss North Carolina.

Escorted by Scott Charnock, Susan, a sophomore, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Taylor of Dayton, Ohio. A graduate of the Wiesbaden High School in Germany, she is a Chowan cheerleader and secretary of student affairs.

Patricia, a freshman, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Clifton from the Blackstone, Va. She was escorted by Bill Brinson.

Other members of the Homecoming Court included both sophomores and freshmen trying for the titles of queen and princess.

Dianne Elizabeth Barnes, escorted by Frank Davenport, is a freshman from Stony Creek, Va. She is on the annual staff at Chowan. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scott Barnes.

Tana Jeanne Lee from Alexandria, Va. is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice D. Lee. Her escort was Michael Foley.

Windy Carol Stevens' home town is Shavertown, Pa. and her father is B. K. Stevens. Emmitt Totty escorted Wendy.

A sophomore from Durham, N. C., Teresa Gayle Batten is secretary of Alpha Pi Epsilon and a representative on the Women's Council and secretary. She was a freshman attendant in the Spring Festival Court last year. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Batten and her escort was Howard Glover.

A freshman and "Chowanian" staff member, Peggy Jo Cross, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cross of Ashland, Va. She was escorted by Kenneth Ryals.

Linda Marie Pridden's home is in Chesapeake Va. and her parents are Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Gibbs. A sophomore, she is editor of the annual, "Chowanoka," and social co-chairman of the sophomore class. Ron Adelman escorted Linda.

Joan Carolyn Cox is a sophomore from Norfolk, Va., where her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William W. Cox Jr. reside. She was escorted by Howard Bounds. Her activities at Chowan include: dormitory council, vice-president of the Student Government Association, co-captain of the Bravettes, W.R.A. representative, "Smoke Signal" reporter, Student Nurses Association, Cafeteria Committee, Student Orientation Committee, and properties chairman of "Showboat".

Miss Anita Johnson, the 1969 Miss North Carolina placed the crown on the Homecoming Queen.

## Representative of junior colleges visits Chowan

By TOMMY GARNER

Professor William A. Robbins from State University, Albany, N. Y., visited North Carolina and the campus of Chowan College last week. During his one day stay here he met with Dean Lewis, Dr. Lowe and Mr. Collins to discuss several topics concerning the junior colleges in America today.

Among some of the things discussed were the Orientation program and the value of it to incoming freshmen and transfer students, admissions policies, social rules and regulations and the need for more trained counselors. Chowan at the present has only one and that is Mr. Collins.

Professor Robbins' primary concern was the need for adequate counseling of students in helping them prepare to transfer to a four year institution, in helping them on personal matters, grade problems and how to overcome them and the giving of advice on matters of importance to any student.

Miss Johnson was escorted by Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker, president of Chowan College. Miss Johnson is from New Bern, N. C. and a student at East Carolina University.

Because of the rain none of the half-time festivities could take place. The Homecoming parade was also unable to take place;

therefore none of the floats were judged.

The annual semi-formal homecoming dance Saturday night, planned by the SGA, was supplied by music from the Chiffons and Collegiates.

Friday night's concert featuring Paul Anka and his orchestra, sponsored by the SGA, was en-

thusiastically received by the student body. The popartist played a dual role singing new and old favorites and filling the spot as a comedian.

Following the concert a bonfire, given by the freshman class and cheerleaders, was started but the weather conditions cut it short.



## Isn't it nice to be the president

The weather was dismal, and the rain came down, but Dr. Whitaker had a pleasant duty as he kissed Chowan's Homecoming Queen Susan Sturtevant while her escort, Scott Charnock, looked on. Is that a glint of envy in Scott's eye?



## Overtime, but not with overtime pay!

True, there was no overtime pay for faculty wives and Women's Club members who spent long hours decorating the Queen's Court float for a "washed out" Homecoming Parade, but there was no complaining. In fact the ladies enjoyed their extra-curricular activities. In this after-hours shot, Dr. Pierce and Mrs. Frank Lowe are busily engaged in their work.



## 'Didn't want him to catch pneumonia!'

Mrs. Alva: "Ma" Bowling was concerned with the health of the mule during the rainy season which came to mar Homecoming. It is rumored that "Ma" said, "They told me he would catch pneumonia if he got wet." Afraid they were "pulling your leg," Mrs. Bowling. Helping "Ma" with her nursing duties is an unidentified student.

## Susan has taken in stride many unusual opportunities

By Francine Sawyer

Naturally blonde and beautiful, Susan Jeanne Sturtevant of Dayton, Ohio, has been selected to reign as Chowan's 1968-69 Homecoming Queen.

Susan has an interesting and varied background. Her sophomore, junior and senior years were spent in Wiesbaden, Germany, where she graduated from General H. H. Arnold High School. While attending the American school, Susan was taught by a few German teachers and shared classrooms with German students.

Being non-German did nothing to hinder her in any way. She was active and involved with extra activities which included: Prom Court attendant; treasurer of Student Government; recognition in drama performances, "Best All-Around" title, and "Student of the Month" honor.

Easter vacation Susan took in Rome was her favorite city of all the many places she has traveled.

The vintage expression, "while in Rome do as the Romans do", was difficult for Susan. She was a member of a private audience while in Vatican City to see the

Pope. As he walked out onto the large altar, the audience began to hoot, clap, stomp and whistle. This is acceptable in Rome. It surprised and shocked Susan and the other American students. Apart from organized journey, Susan has traveled with friends to Mallorca, a small island off the coast of Spain.

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Winter sports were taken up in St. Moritz, Switzerland, Keimseik, Austria, and Garnish, Germany. The ability to ski proved a profitable and great way to have hearty fun with friends.

Traveling the interior of Europe on the Autobahn (express highway, having no speed limit), was the mode of transportation. The only trouble said Susan,

was, "the streets were sometimes narrow in small villages and were often made of cobblestones". Most of the Europeans had small foreign cars such as the Volkswagen. Susan recalled that a period of three years lapsed before she saw an American-made car.

The only depressing moment for Susan was seeing the Berlin Wall, and realizing how the wall separates relatives and loved ones.

The purpose of the above is not to enumerate a travel log, but to relate the many opportunities a girl so young has had.

Recalling the first days on campus here at Chowan, Susan remembered people, "coming up to me and asking me if I spoke English". "It was my clothes and shoes that made people wonder", said Susan. "They were all German style and design."

Susan's success story does not end here. She has been a busy cheerleader, and Secretary of Student Affairs here on campus.

"Miss Cheerleader, U.S.A.", has an added attraction this year; Susan Sturtevant as a contestant. The finals will be held in Cypress Gardens, Fla.

With beauty and intelligence, travel and recognition, how could anyone remain as unassuming as Susan. When asked "do you like Chowan and why," Susan answered, "I love Chowan, it is small and so very friendly." Chowan is proud to have Susan as her Homecoming Queen, 1968-69.

## Chowan student, E. M. Fearrington, dies October 7



Edwin Mebane Fearrington Jr., a freshman here at Chowan College died Oct. 7, after six days of illness. He was the son of Mebane Fearrington Sr. of Mebane and Mrs. Margaret Taylor of Pittsboro, N.C.

Edwin graduated from Eastern Alamance High School in 1968. He was a business administration major here at Chowan.

Funeral services were conducted Oct. 9 at 2:30 at the Mebane United Methodist Church. Dr. William Stanley Potter conducted the service with burial at Mr. Pleasant United Methodist Church Cemetery.



A sad day and messy too—especially for Homecoming