

# Annual Spring Pageant Thurs.

Chowan College will select its Queen of Spring during its annual Spring Pageant to be presented tomorrow night, Thursday, February 24, at 7:30 p. m., in McDowell Columns Auditorium.

Eighteen contestants, including nine sophomores who are competing for the title of queen, will be introduced. Also to be selected will be a princess and three attendants from the freshmen and four sophomore attendants.

**Dorms Represented**  
Eight residence halls and the day students are represented according to Mrs. Janet Collins, faculty sponsor of the Women's Recreation Association which is sponsoring the pageant.

Competition includes beauty, poise, talent, personality and dormitory support. The Queen of Spring, Freshman Princess and court will reign over the Chowan College Spring Festival in April.

The sophomore contestants are: Doris Smith, Wilson; Ginger DeBerry, Roanoke Rapids; Barbara West, Wilmington, Del.; Ann-ella Pell, Chesterfield, Va.; Marla Burns, Virginia Beach, Va.; Patti Fallis, Norfolk, Va.; Sandi Rice, Virginia Beach, Va.; Beth Tilley, Durham; and Linda Thompson, Norfolk, Va.

**Freshman Contestants**  
Freshman candidates include: Debra Alley, Norfolk, Va.; Kathy French, Wilmington, Del.; Lynn Kirsch, Norfolk, Va.; Robyn Gomer, Portsmouth, Va.; Debbie Coleman, Chesapeake, Va.; Linda Harmon, Wilmington; Carole Strawderman, Harrisonburg, Va.; Carol Henderson, Hopewell, Va.; and Sheryl Whitehead, Norfolk, Va.

Admission for the pageant is 50 cents for children 12 and under, and \$1 for adults.

## Poetry Contest Is Announced

The National Poetry Press announces its spring competition "College Student's Poetry Anthology."

The closing date for the submission of manuscripts by college students is April 10. Any student attending either junior or senior college is eligible to submit his verse. There is no limitation as to form or theme. Shorter works are preferred by the Board of Judges, because of space limitations.

Each poem must be typed or printed on a separate sheet, and must bear the name and home address of the student, and the college address as well.

Manuscripts should be sent to the National Poetry Press, 3210 Selby Avenue, Los Angeles, Calif. 90034.

## Membership On Council Is Explained

If you have made a C average your first semester as a Chowan College student, and are a second semester Freshman, and desire to become a member of the Women's Council, you are eligible for nomination and to be considered by the Elections Board of each dormitory.

Elections shall be made from self-nominated students whose eligibility will be determined by the Elections Board. You must have a C average for the first semester in order to be eligible. Contact your house president for further information.

## Eubank's Art Work Selected

A work of Doug Eubank, professor of art at Chowan College, has been selected for the 34th annual N. C. Artists' Exhibition and the "1972 N. C. Artists' Traveling Show."

Eubank's work, "Elaine," an acrylic painting, is currently on display at The North Carolina Museum of Art in Raleigh, where it was one of a small group of works selected by the jury of the North Carolina Artists' exhibition for the traveling show.

Starting in February, the traveling exhibition will tour for a year with shows in 12 galleries in colleges, libraries and art centers throughout the state.

The inclusion of Eubank's work in the tour was called "a special recognition" by Mrs. Gay M. Hertzman, assistant curator of the North Carolina Museum of Art, who explained that it represents a second jurying. She continued, "The traveling exhibition is particularly appreciated by the visitors across the state who have not had an opportunity to see the full show in Raleigh. The N. C. Artists' Traveling Show is the most popular of our traveling exhibitions and has already been completely scheduled for 1972," Mrs. Hertzman added.

Eubank, a native of Lexington, Ky., is in his first year at Chowan. He is a graduate of Morehead State University in Kentucky with a B. A. and M.H.E. in art. This is the second work of Eubank selected during the present academic year for display. A silk screen painting, "Our Train Station," was part of the annual exhibition of the Miniature Painters, Sculptors and Gravers Society of Washington, D. C. which ran from November to December, 1971.

## Know Your Student



By Pat Sult

When asked about how she liked Chowan College she stated "I thought Chowan College would be a lot different than high school, but found out that it was nothing but a suitcase college. There are not many social activities for the students. Some male professors should watch how they talk in front of their female students because they could lose respect for their professors."

Her opinion of Chowan's social life and the people was: "Social life would be better if there were places to go and the school would offer activities for the students. The people are friendly and easy to get along with."

Her activities at Chowan is the Drill Team.

Upon graduation from Chowan, Cindy would like to attend either Virginia Commonwealth University or Madison College.

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## Construction Gets Underway For New Science Building



**GROUND BREAKING**—Chowan College and Murfreesboro officials join together in turning the first shovel of dirt as construction of the new science-engineering facility is officially begun. Left to right are: Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker, President; Dr. Melvin Kandle, Board of Advisors; Mayor W. W. Hill; H.

Douglas White, Board of Trustees; Ronald Jenkins, President, Murfreesboro Chamber of Commerce; M. E. Valentine, Chairman, Board of Trustees; and Don G. Matthews, General Chairman of the campaign effort.

## Ground Breaking Held Monday

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the new \$1.2 million science-engineering facility at Chowan College was held Monday, February 21 at 1:50 p.m. The public was invited. The site was the area behind McDowell Columns building.

The short program included an opening and closing number by the Chowan Concert Choir, conducted by Jefferson Ishee, director, and remarks by Chowan's president, Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker. Joining Dr. Whitaker in the groundbreaking was Don Matthews, Jr. of Hamilton, general chairman of "Mission Possible" development fund program; M.E. Valentine, Raleigh, chairman of the board of trustees; Dr. Melvin Kunkle of Portsmouth, representing the board of advisors; H. Douglas White of Rocky Mount, chairman of the executive committee of the board of trustees; Billy Hill, mayor of Murfreesboro; Ronald Jenkins, president of the Murfreesboro Chamber of Commerce; J.J. Harrington, trustee of Lewiston, and president of the Chowan College Parent's Association; W.D. Boone, architect of Charlotte; Bill Dawson, representing the contractor, of Kinston; Dr. Garth Faile, chairman of the science department; Carl Simmons, chairman of the mathematics department; and Dr. B. Franklin Lowe, Jr., dean of the college.

Additional representatives from the college were Ben Sutton, business manager; Clayton Lewis, dean of students; Bobby Cross, director of development; Mike Sternberg, president of the Student Government Association; Bob Culver, vice president, SGA; Joel Rose, secretary, SGA; Tim Brown, special assistant, SGA; and the Reverend Mack Thompson of Warrenton, president of the Chowan College Alumni Association.

The groundbreaking ceremony was held following a joint meeting of the board of trustees and board of advisors in the Antiquities Room of Whitaker Library.

The new building will replace overcrowded and under-equipped Green Hall, present center of the science program, constructed in 1956 when Chowan's enrollment was 250. Chowan recorded an enrollment of 1,533 in the fall of 1971 and officials have declared the present building "inadequate" to accommodate the present enrollment.

The chairman of the science department has also stressed the

lack of space for all functions. "The limited space means that one room must serve many purposes," Faile explained. "For example, the animal room doubles for storage and also as a classroom."

Faile said the new facility will serve the students by providing space for eleven laboratories equipped for learning in biology, mathematics, chemistry, botany, physics, microbiology and anatomy-physiology. Students will also receive the benefit of an environmental study area, eleven modern classrooms, lecture hall, library and resource area.

The three-story, 43,000 square foot facility will be located to the rear of McDowell Columns building and will join Robert Marks Hall as the second major classroom facility of the college. Based on bids, which were received recently, the cost of the facility will be approximately \$1.2 million, equipped. A "Mission Possible" development fund program is underway to raise \$1 million toward the cost of construction of the new science-engineering facility.

A survey of the site has already preceded the groundbreaking. Contractor's equipment was moved into the site area and "work will begin soon, is the promise of elated college officials."

But the initial work, that of breaking the ground with a few shiny shovels was not held until Monday of this week.

## Place Kicking Contest Slated

There will be a Place Kicking Tournament at the College Football Stadium Wednesday, March 1.

This is part of the men's intramural program. Contestants for the 3:30 p.m. event should arrive at the field prior to starting time and sign in with the Field Supervisor.

The competition consists of teeing the ball up. Kicking at the 10 yard line, middle of the field, kicking from the lift hash mark at the 15 yard line; then middle, 15 yard line; right hash mark, 15 yard line; then left hash mark, 20 yard line; etc.

Each kicker gets three chances to kick successfully at each spot.

Winner will be the participant who has the longest successful kick with the least misses.

Dean Dilday says kicking will be done from the extra point stance and not the kick-off stance.

## 'Thurber Carnival' Is Scheduled As Annual Spring Production

By MARY TOWNSEND  
The major spring drama production of the Chowan Players will be presented March 23, 24, and 25. The Drama performed will be "A Thurber Carnival," by James Thurber. It is basically a comedy which includes a large cast. Mr. Brannon, director of the play, says there is quite an interest in drama this semester, and that the chosen play will give more opportunities in this field.

There will also be a spring drama tour to area elementary schools and to high schools that have invited them to perform, on April 24 through the 28th.

On April 18, a group of students from the college will go to Roanoke Rapids to present a play in the Roanoke Rapids Art Forum. The play has not been selected as yet.

Professor Brannon says he is hoping to have two short plays which will give more opportunities to the students who are interested in drama.

He was asked about the last production of the Chowan Plays, who presented "Summer and Smoke" and stated "I was pleased with the students who were in the cast; they worked very hard. I was more pleased with the way the college received it." Mr. Brannon said it was encouraging to him as a director to see this atmosphere. He was pleased that the students who acted in the play were able to understand the characters so much that they actually became the characters.

It is generally felt that the production of "Summer and Smoke" was well received. It enthused more students to become more interested in drama and according to a few statistics, last semester in Drama Workshop 107 there were nine students. This semester there are twenty-nine. Last semester in Drama Appreciation

161 there were twelve enrolled, while the enrollment for this term has reached forty.

This is Professor Brannon's first year in the Chowan Drama Department and when asked what he thought about drama compared to English he said "in drama I get a chance to work more closely with students on individual basis. It is completely different kind of teaching." He still enjoys English, however, and along with teaching responsibilities in drama, he teaches two courses in English Literature.

Mr. Brannon has been invited to high school to lecture on drama and during the past week he was invited to Ahoskie High School to lecture.

The following students have qualified for membership in Delta Psi Omega Dramatic Fraternity, cast number 149 which is a national honor society on college dramatics:

## Students Participate In Reading Sessions for Elementary Pupils

One hundred sixty-six Chowan College students were involved in reading sessions with the kindergarden and elementary classes at the C. S. Brown Elementary School in Winton on Wednesday and Thursday, January 26 and 27. These were during the regular class periods for both students and children.

Five sections of Speech 203, "Voice and Diction" classes were represented in these lessons. Said Professor Anna Belle Crouch, "This is the basic subject in oral communication for gaining self-confidence in achieving the six universals of oral communication by listening, thinking, using optimum voice, words and diction, action, and self." These involve the students in the academic, physical, mental, social, economical, and spiritual areas. The objectives are to become aware of weaknesses, correct them, and achieve the ultimate goal of being an effective and respected speaker.

"The purposes of these reading

sessions are to let the students have learning experiences with improvement of articulation, acquiring an effective speaking voice, interesting the listeners by movements and interpretation, and being empathic with them," Miss Crouch stated.

"The children have the pleasure of hearing varied stories of worth read to them, holding objects and books which the readers present, learning words to help with vocabulary, having new experiences in conversing with the college students, and enjoying every activity throughout the reading period," she added.

Mrs. A. R. Bowe, supervisor of the Hertford County elementary schools, and Miss Crouch, professor of speech at Chowan College, coordinated the joint classes. They were assisted by the kindergarden teachers and aides at the Hertford County Kindergarden Center and the teachers and aides of the first, second, and third grades of the C. S. Brown Elementary School. This was the first of many ex-

periences to come for self-improvement in oral communication.

Every student was required to write his reactions to the field trip, to be read to his class members this week. The following is the statement by Becki Cummings:

"On January 26, 1972, when I went to Winton to read my story, "Fluffy and the Flyaway Fly" to the second graders, I must admit my first reaction to the situation was total fright. "After I arrived and was waiting my turn to read, I noticed the eager and excited expressions of the children and realized that I too, was becoming very anxious to read."

"It was quite an experience to sit in front of them and read, but it felt so good when I heard one of them laugh or had one of them ask me one of their curious, little questions."

"I totally enjoyed the entire hour and I feel everyone did remarkably well, considering this was our first attempt."

Gina Buchanan, Richard Chapman, Linda Carawan, Ted Dent, Patti Fallis, Debbie Faulkner, Louis Saunders, Howard Way, Ellen Wallace, Olivia Winslow, Wayne Ferguson, Martha Lynch, David Tatton, Bob Wrenn and Virginia Roberts.

These students are recognized for their outstanding work in drama.

## Carillon Bell System Explained

By JIM HUNTER  
Many of us go from day to day taking for granted many things that happen around us. One such thing is the Carillon bell system.

The controls for the system are located on the main floor of the Columns Building. It was installed in December of 1963.

Miss D. Emily Barnes of Newsoms, Virginia gave the Verdin carillon bell system to the College in memory of her grandfather, Jethro W. Barnes, one of the founders of the College, who served a total of twenty-seven years on the Board of Trustees.

Next time you are strolling across the campus and hear the chimes of the Carillon bell system; stop and listen and you'll agree with me that it is indeed a great tribute to any man.

## Three Students Are Added to Honor's List

Because of grade changes or computation errors three students have been added to the Honors List:

They include Dale G. Salyers with 16 hours, 32 QP, and a 2.00 average. Joseph Norfleet attempted 16 hours and gained 35 QP for a 2.19 average Virginia S. Weller took 16 hours and gained 32 QP for a 2.00 average.

All three of these students are on the 3.0 grading scale.

## 'Charlie Brown' Slated March 9

On Thursday night, March 9, 1972, at 8:00 p.m., the musical production, "You're A Good Man Charlie Brown," will be presented in McDowell Columns of Chowan College.

Tickets will be sold to students beginning today Wednesday, February 23 until March 2. The price of tickets is \$1 for students and \$2 for faculty and general public. Tickets will be sold in the cafeteria during all meals for approximately two weeks. They may also be obtained from any SGA officer. On the night of the performance, the remaining tickets will be sold at the door. However, if possible, secure your tickets earlier so that you will be assured of a seat.

This production will be performed by the original Broadway cast, and will be quite an experience for any student whether you have a dramatical interest or simply want to laugh! So, please support the SGA and don't miss "You're A Good Charlie Brown."