

Attractive Rooms Win Prizes

By Carole Williams

The most attractive room contest has been going on for years. This year it took place Feb. 12, 1987. Members of the Housing Committee and Resident Staff served as judges, with two representatives from each residence hall. The criteria for the judging was:

- Neatness
- Use of Space
- Creativity/Originality
- Color Coordination

There were 10 winners who were awarded a \$10.00 meal at either Fred's Pizza or the College Inn. They also received a certificate signed by President Bruce E. Whitaker and Dean Lewis. Below is a list of the winners in the competition:

Jenkins Hall	Terry Ambrose Cheryl Graham	West Hall	Stanley Artis
Belk Hall	Tammy Threatt Tracy Whitley	Parker Hall	Lee Wood Tyrance Leamon
Mixon Hall	James Davis	Simons Hall	David Beamon Sidney Ruff

Your Library Can Help You!

By Sarah Davis

...Short of cash? ...Don't want a loan to repay? ...Want money to keep for yourself? ...Well, want money to spend yourself? ...Where to find it? ...

Musing over the above thoughts, you begin thinking there must be some place to find some extra money. You try to remember if anyone owes you any. "Ha" you think, "I never have enough for me, much less something to loan."

BUT—wait a minute. What about the government? Many students who work part-time are entitled to income tax refunds. During the year they have—whether intentionally or not—been making loans, and it is time to collect.

How do you collect?

File.

BUT—in order to file, you must have the necessary forms. What if you don't have them or know how to file?

As always, your trusty library can help you. Whitaker Library has numerous federal and state tax forms and instructions that are yours just for the asking. You may request them at the Circulation Desk.

Remember that the sooner you file, the sooner your loan will be repaid.

Semi-Annual Trustee Meeting Held

Chowan College trustees elected Robert B. Spivey of Windsor as chairman and honored outgoing trustee chairman, the Rev. J. Felix Arnold of Enfield, during their semi-annual meeting earlier this month.

E. L. Hollowell of Edenton and Vernon E. White were elected chairman and vice chairman respectively of the Executive Committee. J. Guy Revelle, Jr., of Murfreesboro, presided in the absence of Dr. H. M. Kunkle of Portsmouth, Va., chairman of the Board of Advisors, who met jointly with the trustees.

Arnold, who has served as a member of the Board of Trustees for 2 years including ten as chairman, was presented a plaque extolling his service to the college by Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker. Resolutions of appreciation to him were read by Dr. R. Hargus Taylor, chaplain.

Praised for Service

He was cited for his contribution of "praiseworthy service to the cause of Christian higher education at Chowan College." The resolutions noted that "his studied consideration of issues before us, his wise counsel within the course of our deliberations, and his gift for enlisting others in the support of this institution and her mission of higher education have been characteristics of the attention he has given to the role of trustee and advisor."

Whitaker emphasized the importance of the "financial support and encouragement" given by North Carolina Baptists and the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. He said the college is scheduled to receive more than \$900,000 under the budget of the Baptist State Convention in 1987, subject to the Convention meeting its budget.

Dr. Whitaker reported that as of January, 1987, the college had effectively completed paying in full the outstanding indebtedness on the physical plant.

Campaign Report

In other financial matters, Director of Development Bobby Cross reported that Chowan has received more than \$2 million in pledges and gifts to pass the

half-way mark in its campaign to raise \$4 million. The campaign will fund additional student aid scholarships, endowment for teaching and administration, program development, and the renovation of facilities.

Robert B. Spivey, who is campaign chairman, thanked advisor Mrs. Robert (Tessie Camp) Marks of Boykins, Va., who is the honorary chairman, and the other members of the campaign committee for their leadership. Spivey said the campaign workers had made "remarkable progress" and would continue their efforts until the goal was reached. Cross said that some \$86,000 has been received toward the \$125,000 Annual Giving Fund goal.

After hearing a report from Business Manager Ben Sutton, the trustees approved a \$250 increase in tuition, room and board and fees, for the 1988-89 year.

Report on Self-Study

Dean of the College B. Franklin Lowe, Jr., reported on the progress of the institutional self-study which each accredited college must undergo every ten years leading to the reaffirmation of its accreditation.

Lowe said Chowan's accreditation was last reaffirmed in 1978. He said the self-study is on schedule with all committee meetings, research and deliberations virtually completed. He said the next step is completing the first draft of the report. He explained the reaffirmation committee of the Southern Association of Colleges and Universities will visit the campus in a year leading toward the reaffirmation of the college's accreditation in December, 1988.

Lowe reported that 26 of the 56 full-time faculty have served Chowan for 20 or more years. Eight staff members are in the same category for a total of 34 faculty and staff members who have served from 20 to 32 years.

South Pacific "How it got to Broadway"

When director Joshua Logan suggested the idea of doing a musical based on James Michener's collection of short stories, "Tales of the South Pacific," to producer Leland Hayward, Hayward immediately saw its possibilities. Logan was particularly interested in the story called, "Fo' Dolla", which dealt with a South Seas native, Bloody Mary, whose sixteen-year-old daughter, Liat, has a brief but intense affair with Joe Cable, an American naval officer.

Logan discussed the idea with composer Richard Rodgers, who read the entire collection of stories then asked his lyricist partner, Oscar Hammerstein 2nd, to read the book. Rodgers then told Logan that they were both interested in working on the project. When Rodgers and Hammerstein began discussing the plot for the musical they realized that the story called "Our Heroine" seemed a better choice for the main plot and one that could run parallel to the love story of Liat and Joe. It dealt with a romance between a middle-aged French planter, Emile de Becque, and Nellie Forbush, a young American nurse from Little Rock, Arkansas.

The venture became a joint production between Rodgers and Hammerstein, Leland Hayward and Joshua Logan. Casting the starring roles was comparatively simple. Ezio Pinza, the famed Metropolitan Opera Basso, was anxious to appear in the part of Emile De Becque. Mary Martin agreed to play the young, pretty nurse from Arkansas.

When Rodgers first began working on the score he was afraid he would have to write "South Seas music" with lots of steel guitars and a xylophone or perhaps a marimba. However, he was delighted to learn from James Michener that in the particular area of the South Pacific in which his "Tales" were set, there was no instrumental music of any kind. This was welcome news and he realized that he could what is known as a "Legitimate" orchestra and give each character the sort of music that seemed right for their personality and situation.

SOUTH PACIFIC enjoyed a comparatively smooth sail to Broadway via out of town tryouts in New Haven and Boston.

The night was April 7, 1949, at the Majestic Theatre. The next morning there were not only rave notices in the papers but also ticket lines around the block.

SOUTH PACIFIC was awarded a Pulitzer Prize for drama and for the first time the committee included a composer (Richard Rodgers) in the drama prize. The show ran for almost five years on Broadway and for a while was second only to OKLAHOMA! as the longest-running musical.

The Chowan Players production of SOUTH PACIFIC features veteran Scot Tanner in the role of Emile de Becque. Mr. Tanner, a sophomore from Richmond, VA, has played several roles during his tenure at Chowan College. He was delightful as Pseudolus in the musical A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM. He portrayed the dying Ben Gant in LOOK HOMEWARD, ANGEL and the prosecuting attorney Gilmer in TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD. He held the title role in the players production of LIL' ABNER.

Nellie Forbush in this production is portrayed by Jennifer Mekovsky. Miss Mekovsky made her Chowan Players debut last fall when she appeared as the young girl, Scout, in TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD. She is a freshman from Raleigh majoring in art.

The comic Luther Billis is being played by veteran performer Greg Granger. Mr. Granger is a sophomore from Williamsburg, VA, majoring in Business Administration. He has appeared on the Chowan stage as Pappy Yokum in LIL' ABNER, as the sheriff in TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD, as Hugh Barton in LOOK HOMEWARD, ANGEL and in A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM.

Lt. Joe Cable is played by Tim Johnson. Mr. Johnson is a freshman from Waynesville, NC, majoring in Art. Connie Harris from Cary, NC, is portraying the island girl, Liat. Miss Harris is a freshman majoring in journalism. She is a member of the college stage band and touring choir. The role of Bloody Mary is played by Tanya Skelton. Miss Skelton is a freshman from Wilson, NC, majoring in business administration.

The Chowan Players production of SOUTH PACIFIC will be performed on the Chowan campus April 8-11, 1987. A matinee performance is scheduled for April 8 at 1 pm. Evening performances at 8 pm are scheduled for April 9-11. Chowan Students will be admitted free, if they obtain an advance ticket with the presentation of their I.D. cards.

They continued "his interest in providing for the education of youth among us has been typified and symbolized by his establishment of the J. Guy Revelle, Sr., and Pearla Futrell Revelle Scholarship — an endowed award which is presented, annually, by the Scholarship Committee of the College."

Whitaker Presented Plaque

Spivey presented a plaque to Dr. Whitaker expressing appreciation from the trustees for his being recognized as one of the top 18 college presidents in the nation in a study funded by the Exxon Education Foundation.

Trustees who have completed their four-year terms of service received certificates of appreciation. They include: Mrs. Kate Allen, Weldon; the Rev. J. Felix Arnold, Enfield; L.M. Brinkley, Ahoakie; Bob F. Hill, Sr., Murfreesboro; Mrs. Libby Maddrey, Eden; Mrs. Ethel K. Smith, Benson; Thomas Sneeden, Wilmington; Jennings B. Teal, Tarboro; and M. E. Valentine, Sr., Raleigh.

Welcomed were new trustees: James L. Briley, Henderson; Mrs. Frances Farthing, Durham; J. E. Ferebee, Camden; Senator J. J. Harrington, Lewiston/Woodville; Mike H. Johnson, Hamilton; Thomas M. McCrary, Raleigh; Mrs. J. Grady Bridgers, Jackson; Mrs. Etta Stokes, Winston-Salem; and the Rev. Bennie E. Pledger, New Bern.

New Advisors Join Board

J. Guy Revelle, Jr., recognized the new advisors: Ronald H. Grove of Raleigh; J. D. Chamberlain, Mooresville; and W. F. Wardwell, Tarboro. In addition, all of the outgoing trustees and Randy V. Britton, Delhi, La., were elected to the Board of Advisors.

Chairman Spivey called attention to important spring semester events including Spring Break, March 6-16; Religious Emphasis Week, March 16-20; Math/Science Day, March 20; Spring Festival, April 25; and Commencement Exercises, May 17.

"South Pacific" Tickets

"There Is Nothin' Like A Dame" will be ringing through Turner Auditorium April 8-11 when the Chowan Players present the memorable Rodgers & Hammerstein musical, *South Pacific*. Familiar show tunes also include "Some Enchanted Evening", "A Cockeyed Optimist", and "Younger Than Springtime." The navy nurse Nellie, played by Jennifer Mekovsky, falls in love with the French planter Emile de Becque, played by Scot Tanner. Other prominent roles will be filled by Tim Johnson, Greg Granger, and Tanya Skelton.

The artistic direction is under Mrs. Sandra Boyce with Dr. James Chamblee conducting the music. Rehearsals have been in progress since mid February.

Chowan College students may obtain a free ticket with presentation of a valid I.D. card in Daniel Hall Room 206 on Monday-Friday between 9-12 and 2-5. Student Tickets at the door will be \$3.00. Plan ahead to see this romantic musical by getting your advance FREE TICKET.

A Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor;

March 18, 1987

The current generation of young people has often been accused of being the "me" generation. They want what they want when they want it, no matter what the consequences are for someone else. They do not want anyone telling them what they can or cannot do. They are selfish, inconsiderate and egotistic.

If there is any validity to these charges we should not be too surprised at the young people when adults show the same kind of self-centered disregard for others.

At a recent meeting the Chowan faculty voted down a recommendation to limit smoking to areas where non-smokers would not be forced to breathe tobacco fumes. The Surgeon General of the U.S.A. says that such fumes cause five thousand deaths annually in non-smokers. Over the average life span that is 350,000 unnecessary deaths.

The main concern of meeting was the freedom of people to smoke rather than the rights of non-smokers. The prevailing attitude was to ridicule and laugh at the concern for the non-smokers.

If educators are not concerned about matters of health, when smoking costs society eighty billion dollars annually in medical cost, fires and lost wages, what can we expect of the public? If adults are unconcerned about the comfort and well being of others what can we expect of the next generation?

If anyone had watched a friend or relative die of cancer, as I have, I believe that he/she would think that limiting smoking to specific areas would be justified if it might prevent even one death from cancer.

Concerned,
John W. Gosnell

— Thank You —

The Social Science Club expresses its sincerest appreciation to those members of the faculty, staff and student body who purchased doughnuts on Friday, March 20th. The proceeds from this fund raising effort will go to charity.

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