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Ford, Chisholm to speak at Elon in spring semester

By Todd Taylor Special to the Pendulum

"With Spring Semester comes Spring programming," says David Atkins, director of student activities. This year the programming committees have joined forces to bring Elon students the best in varieties of programs, concerts, and performances.

On Feb. 25, Former President Gerald Ford will deliver a speech entitled "The Future of the Republican Party and Campaign Spending" at 8 p.m. in the Alumni Gym. Ford has been spending a lot of time touring the country speaking to full houses on his party and how today's candidates are spending fortunes on their political campaigns. The lecture is being sponsored by the Liberal Arts Forum and the S.G.A.

The month of February is rounded out by

a performance of The Chuck Davis and The African-American Dance Ensemble on Feb. 27, at 8 p.m. Davis, a native of North Carolina, directs his own dance company as well as the African-American Dance Ensemble in Durham and portrays his message "Peace, love, and respect for everybody." The event is being sponsored by the Liberal Arts Forum and the Student Union Board.

On March 19, the S.G.A., B.C.S., and the Liberal Arts Forum will present Shirley Chisolm in "Women and Politics" at 8 p.m. Chisolm served seven terms as congresswoman and was the only Black and only woman to serve on the House Rules Committee. In 1972, she also ran for the Democratic nomination for the President of the United States, being the first black woman to seek the highest office in the nation.



Shirley Chisholm

Gerald Ford

Elon investments conform to Sullivan Principles

By Jane Kidwell Editor

In October, the Elon College Board of Trustees decided to withdraw the college's investments from companies doing business in South Africa which do not subscribe to the Sullivan Principles of equal employment opportunity. At the time there were three such companies: Air Products and Chemicals, GTE and Square D.

But according to John Mitchell, vice president for administrative services, Air Products and Chemicals has since been sold and the directory "Foreign Investment in South Africa and Namibia" recently listed GTE and Square D as new subscribers to the Sullivan Principles. That means that Elon's current holdings only include firms which, if they do business in South Africa, have agreed to the Sullivan Principles. Therefore, in keeping with the Board's decision, the college will not have to divest any of its holdings.

When asked for an opinion about the outcome of the issue of whether Elon would or would not divest, Dr. Bruce Waller, professor of philosophy, said, "I thought we got more positive publicity than we deserved. We didn't do nearly enough.

Waller went on to say, "I'm not sure how contrived it (the decision) was. If the Board in fact knew that they were only dealing with two investments, and that those might not be a problem anyway (because they might agree to the Sullivan Principles), then claiming to take a stand against apartheid would've been hypocritical." He also said, "I'm not sure they knew."

"I think the entire faculty was disappointed. They asked for total divestment and letters to the companies explaining the reason for the divestment, but they (the Board members) were not willing to do that," said Waller. "If they had been willing to write and immediately divest it would've been something," he added.

"I don't think Elon ought to be credited with some super-moral move on this because we haven't made one," Waller said.

S. Africa symposium to examine apartheid

On Sunday, Feb. 16, a South African symposium will begin at Elon College. The symposium will be similar to the one that was held on Central America last fall and will represent speakers from all areas of the South African government.

The symposium will open with a play by Walter Norfleet and Thomas McDonald. It will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Whitley Auditorium on Sunday. On Feb. 17 at 2 p.m., South African Consulate Sommerset Morkel will speak on "South Africa's future: The Government's view." At 4 p.m. that afternoon, William Jacobson will speak on "America's Role in South Africa's future." Jacobson represents the U.S. State Department.

At 4 p.m. on Feb. 18, Chaboku Motlalepula will contribute to the symposium with a presentation of "The Death and Rebirth of South Africa." The symposium will close at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 18 with an address by Vilakazi on the "Opinions for South Africa's future."

This symposium is being held to educate people about the situation in South Africa.

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