

Candidates Opinions...



Martha Ann Fulton

Provided the President of Student Government does not suddenly resign in a fit of despair and that those summer deadlines for a completely revamped **Student Handbook** are met, then the major function of Salem's student Vice-President is to coordinate, regulate, and officiate at **ASSEMBLIES!** Among recent issues which have arisen concerning this phase of campus activity are the following: Should assemblies be required? How successful have departmental assemblies been this year? Should finances allotted for assemblies be so distributed as to provide for several renowned speakers rather than many mediocre ones? Having served on the Assembly-Lecture Series Committee as Chief Marshal this year, I have become increasingly aware of such unanswered questions. If elected Vice-President of Student Government for next year, I would be most willing and proud to devote all possible energy and enthusiasm toward seeking and finding some more needed answers. Thank you.

Mary Leight

I would like to thank you for the honor of nominating me to run for Vice-President of SGA. SGA is now concerned with a change in the curriculum. The 4-1-4 program would be one step in changing the curriculum to give the student a more stimulating education.

Concerning the work that this office involves with the Assembly Committee, I feel that there should be a greater amount of choice given to the student as far as attendance and a choice of topics is concerned.

Work has been started in these fields and should be continued. Thank you again for the nomination.

Betsy MacBryde

In evaluating qualifications for Vice-President of Student Government it seems of primary importance that the Vice-President be able to support the President as readily as possible. To that extent she should be completely familiar with the President's duties as well as have similar qualifications, if she is to be able to support the President adequately. This does indeed seem like a huge bill to fill. Toward that end, I have had the opportunity to observe Paige and Louise in their respective capacities through Executive Board of which I am a member, through being Treasurer of Student Government.

As far as the Vice-President's duties are concerned in connection with the assembly program, I am no more qualified than any other member of the student body, in that we all attend assemblies, I do have definite ideas, the merit of which you must judge for yourself. I do not feel that an assembly you attend involuntarily contributes to your education, for unless you are really interested in the subject matter, your complete concentration is not employed. It would be naive to assume that it would not be difficult to overcome this problem; therefore, it seems that in terms of the immediate, the assemblies should be more indicative of the student interest. I do definitely feel that this should be ascertained through a questionnaire and employed immediately.



Rosamond Tompkins

I am very grateful for your giving me the opportunity to seek the office of Vice-President. Realizing the responsibilities attached to this position, I have accepted the nomination and certainly will try to fulfill these duties if elected. Having worked with the Student Service Council and the Legislative Board this year, I realize some of the problems students complain about and think that useful changes could alleviate some of these. As student chairman of the Assembly Committee, the Vice-President has an opportunity to participate in assembly planning and next year might as well be innovative in that department. This is one area of campus life I have always been interested in working with and would enjoy very much.

Another important task of the Vice-President is serving as editor of the **Student Handbook**. This is no exciting, action-packed job, to be sure, but a necessary one, and, with the rule changes of the last two years, a more pleasant one.

Finally, all I can really say is that I am very interested in serving as your Vice-President and hope that you are very interested in voting for me.

Nancy Vick

As a member of the Symposium Committee for the past year, I have worked on scheduling and planning the 1970 Symposium. In the spring of last year, I was a substitute member of the Assembly Committee and took part in planning this year's assembly programs. I have enjoyed working on these committees and would continue, if elected to the office of Vice-President, to serve you with your needs and interests as my first consideration. I feel that fewer assemblies and freedom of choice are two major changes in assembly procedure from which this student body would benefit.

TREASURER OF STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Susan Hendrick

I want to serve Salem by becoming your Student Body Treasurer. Being an officer of the Student Government Association is not an easy job, but I am willing to work for you. I have served the Student Government by being on Legislative Board and student committees for two years. Because I have served as treasurer of my student council in high school, this experience would enable me to move on to representing you and to building your communication with the Student Government Association. Let me do my part for Salem by electing me as Treasurer of the Student Government.

Rita Johnson

If I am elected Treasurer of Student Government, I will do my best to keep a strict account of Student Government finances. I will also try to work efficiently as Chairman of the Finance Committee. In addition, I will serve the students competently in my duties as a member of Legislative and Executive Boards. Because I have in previous years served as treasurer of various organizations. I feel that I could successfully fill the office of Treasurer of Student Government.

Corinne Little

Math and economics are my majors—so budgeting should be my thing. As for my experience, I have served on the Legislative Board this year as a class representative and I am also the sophomore representative to the Executive Board Finance Committee. The work of the Treasurer, besides paying bills (and I am accustomed to that too!) is to act as Chairman of the Finance Committee which draws up the Student Budget for the next school year. From my experience on Legislative Board and on the Finance Committee, I feel that I could capably assume the responsibilities that come with the office of Treasurer. As to a platform, I can only say that we all want to allot to the different student organizations enough money so that there can be a maximum amount of satisfaction obtained, but I would certainly want to do this at the least possible cost to the students.

Susan Lundeen

First of all, let me take this opportunity to thank the entire student body and the nominating committee for this nomination to run for Treasurer of the Student Government. It is a big honor and means more to me than I can ever express. According to the **Student Handbook** as Treasurer of Student Government, I would be responsible for serving on Executive and Legislative Boards, keeping an account of all finances, collecting the student budget, presenting quarterly reports to the Association, acting as chairman of Finance Board and Executive Committee of Finance Board, and serving on the **Handbook** Committee. These jobs require a great deal of time. I enjoy this type of extra-curricular activity; and therefore, I am more than willing to devote all the time that is needed to fulfill the responsibilities of the Treasurer of Student Government. As chairman of Salem's 1969 Christmas Banquet, I became acquainted with many of the problems and areas of leadership here. In this capacity I was faced with the problems of working on a very limited budget which were much the same as the problems confronting the Treasurer of Student Government. Throughout high school, I held various other offices which (along with the experience the Christmas Banquet has given me), I feel, have prepared me for a job such as this.



Mary Howard Ragland

Dear Salemites,

Although I was very honored by my nomination, I must admit the first thought that raced to my mind as I began considering my qualifications was that I wouldn't have to waste much ink on this paragraph! However, I soon realized that I should scold myself for so underrating the work with which I have been involved. Although I have had a few specific jobs, such as being a member of the Home Economics Club, and representing that organization as a delegate to the annual state convention, and as being in charge of decorating the flagpole for Founder's Day, I feel the "claim of fame" for every Salemite is working on various committees for Founder's Day, Parent's Day, the Christmas Banquet, etc. It is through the seemingly unimportant duties delegated to each of

us that we learn to plan, to communicate, to compromise, and to "get the job done." On these qualifications I would stand confidently, and with them would try to carry out the duties of Treasurer of Student Government.

Sincerely,
Mary Howard Ragland

Mary Salem

As a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Student Government, I feel that I am amply qualified and know that I am especially willing to serve the students whom I represent in this position. I have served as treasurer of my respective classes in high school and have been active in Student Legislature and Executive Councils. My experience with various phases of Student Government in the past, along with my experience here at Salem as a representative to Legislative Board, I feel, would be of great use in serving the Student Body. If I am elected as Treasurer of Student Government, I will do all that I possibly can to serve you, the students.



Gwynne Stephens

The obvious duty and responsibility of the Treasurer of SGA is to see that student funds are handled efficiently. I will keep a careful account of student resources and do the best I can in representing the interests of Salem's student body. I will also keep the students well informed as to where their funds will be appropriated and why. Last, but not least, my qualifications for this job are: experience in high school student government, my father is an accountant, I've never bounced a check, and I have the ability to add, subtract, multiply, and do long division.

PRESIDENT OF IRS

Justine Blow



- I. Qualifications:
 - A. Treasurer of IRS (1969-1970)
 - B. Genuine interest in IRS activities
 - C. Desire to fulfill the duties of IRS president
- II. Aim
 - A. To maintain and carry out with zeal the IRS traditional functions
 - B. Goal: ORIGINALITY AND CREATIVITY
(Tradition is great but can become dull if not changed in its essentials. IRS has its traditions, but I find new ideas and creativity to be the key for the success of any IRS function in the future.)
- III. Platform
 - A. Birthday Dinner
 1. No art show for decorations
 2. Need for genuine birthday party.
 - a. Balloons—everywhere!
 - b. Streamers! — Streamers everywhere!
 - c. Hats—Blowers
 - d. Dinner somewhere besides refectory or maybe no dinner at all—a surprise
 - B. Glamour Girl Contest
 1. Improvement of voting procedure so that all students will have a final voice.

- C. Christmas Tree Lighting
 1. Another surprise — a new idea
 2. Something different, exciting and full of fun.
- D. Diet and Eat
 1. With cooperation from you and Mrs. Cummings—a diet club
- E. IRS Weekend
 1. One idea among many: pig barbecue at the Yack or on a farm, accompanied by blue grass band — early Saturday afternoon hours.

The above is a glimpse of my aim to put the new into the old. I am elected as IRS president, I will strive to make this platform reality in order to make Salem 1970-1971 the best.



Beth Carter

I consider it a great honor to be nominated for this office and am appreciative of those who nominated me. I understand that this position entails quite a bit of responsibility and hard work, and although I have had no previous work with this organization, I will try to devote the necessary attention to it in order to further the good work of this organization.

Martha Ann Fulton

IRS or Innovative reform plus Respect for tradition equals Social life at Salem. A paradoxical formula? Apparently so, but socially it works! Due to the progressive thought of IRS Councils during recent years, Salem enters the seventies preserving only the best of her past. A College Birthday Dinner, the Christmas Tree Lighting, Faculty Tea, the Kitchen Party, **Glamour's** Best-Dressed contest—all serve to remind Salem of her time-honored heritage. Liberalized dress standards, new closing hours, re-evaluated drinking rules, a bigger than ever spring weekend—these serve to ensure her of an updated present and an ever improving future. I represent Salem, and Salem should represent past, present, and future. If elected president of IRS for next year, I would most willingly strive to see that she does. Thank you.

Fran Hicks

First of all, I want to thank you for nominating me for this office. The President of IRS not only represents Salem, as every student at Salem does, she must represent you in planning the type of social activities you want. She must be aware of the students' interests in order to perform her duties effectively. I think that the birthday dinner, Christmas Tree Lighting, freshman mixers, and IRS Weekend, are important and functional to life at Salem. The social aspect is an important part of campus living, adjusting, and maturing. Imagination, interest, enthusiasm, and the desire to work, are essential to this office. If elected, I promise to put forth all four.

Betsy MacBryde

In examining my qualifications for President of IRS, I found that in the field of experience they are embarrassingly meager. Never having been a member of IRS

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