

Candidates Set Forth Their Platform

the country. I began one of my own last summer. I have studied art appreciation for six years. At home, I am surrounded by fifteen hundred records ranging from Beethoven to five versions of "Hair." My sister's involvement in ballet and music has given me a great deal of interest in these areas. I am interested in every type of literature, from Plato to "Avant-Garde." As Chairman I will work hard to provide us all with a new experience.

Mary Howard Ragland

Dear Salemites,
Establishing and expressing aspirations for the April Arts Committee is a difficult job because the Committee is new to Salem this year. We have not as yet seen the results of the Committee's work; therefore it is hard to know at this point where it would be best to cut or add. However, because I believe the purpose of the Committee, which is to present a week in the spring that is devoted to the arts, is unique and fascinating, I would, if elected chairman, closely observe the performances and exhibits made available this year. For the following year, I would try to do all that I could to guide and help the Committee to eliminate or replace whatever shortcomings there might be, and to expand to their fullest extent the best events.

Sincerely,
Mary Howard Ragland



Marily Saacke

April Arts is a new dimension here at Salem this year and I think a lot can be done with it. But in order for it to be a success, it is necessary to elect someone with a lot of spirit, enthusiasm and creative ideas. Most important, the person must be really willing to work.

I feel I am qualified for this office as I've had much experience in this area. I was co-chairman of Founder's Day and did much work on this year's Christmas Banquet, including being chairman of the Faculty Children's Party.

April Arts is a chance for new expression in music, art, activity, and thought. It is an opportunity to bring outside talent to the Salem campus as well as emphasizing the talent hidden here. I hope you'll give me the opportunity to make April Arts what you want it to be.

PRESIDENT OF PIERRETES

Mary Davis

I cannot enumerate my capabilities or past experiences in two hundred words, so I will move on to my plans for the Pierrette Players. (Paul Newman has already been contacted for the first semester production of *Hair*. Promises! Promises!) I do hope to involve the student body in the activities of the Pierrette Players. The productions need to become more relevant to the student community. My platform is quality first.



Carol Hewitt

Every Salemite is a Pierrette, and I want her to feel proud of this and to be able to look up to the leadership that the Pierrette Players provide. When I came to Salem as

a freshman the first upperclassmen that I really got to know and admire were members of the Pierrette Council. Through those girls I became involved in Pierrettes and since then have found this involvement a very rewarding part of my life at Salem. My qualifications are these: I have been active in Pierrettes since the fall of my freshman year; I am a member of the dramatics honor society and am now serving on the Pierrettes' Council; I am minoring in drama. I regard the theatre as one of the most important media of our culture—both as a source of pleasure and as a critical statement; it is in this spotlight that I want the Pierrette Players to serve Salem and the community in which we live.

Carrie Hughes



Qualifications: member of the cast for the last three productions; Pierrot Award 1969; chairman of props last production
Platform: enthusiasm
Goals: greater opportunity, participation, and experience for students



Dail Mahood

Student interest and activity in Pierrettes is good, but it should be better. Effort should be directed toward producing more plays to involve more students. In addition to their usual productions, the Pierrettes could perform a one-act play at local elementary schools and children's wards of hospitals. Such activity would be excellent publicity and would allow Pierrettes to express themselves in a different dramatic form, children's theater.

Effort could be directed toward establishing intercollegiate activity, such as drama clinics, with nearby colleges. From this the student would receive constructive and diverse criticism of his performance. Each school would also benefit through discussions of technical problems of costuming, lighting, etc.

Dramatics has always been my primary extra-curricular activity. In high school I was President of Junior Dramatics and Vice-President of the National Thespian Society. I received the Best Thespian Award for my performance in the senior play. At Salem I have served on the Pierrette Council for two years: Wardrobe Mistress last year and Secretary and Stage Manager this year. I am a member of **Alpha Psi Omega** and a Hall President. I believe my past experience with dramatics, acting and leadership, qualify me for President of Pierrettes.

FITS CHAIRMAN

Leone Castles



My nomination for FITS Chairman makes me characterize this office as having the chairman be someone who will act as a leader and a friend to the Class of 1974 as well as to organize and to present a fun and a useful week of Freshman Introduction To Salem. I

would like to try to put more emphasis on meeting the upperclassmen during FITS Week. FITS should be a week of preparing them for the fun of Founder's Day, being certain that they are really feeling a part of the "great Salem community."

My experience in high school would help me to carry out the job as FITS Chairman since I worked in many extra-curricular activities that called for me to organize and to create.

Also, I would be willing to become the friend of the Class of 1974. This is an important part in this job. For some freshmen it will be important to know that one person is truly concerned with their class and concerned about them individually.

Cathy Gazes



Having accepted this nomination for FITS Chairman, I have also had to accept the responsibilities that this office demands. Salem is growing academically and culturally each year with the introduction of new freshmen on its campus. Because of this, one of the goals of the FITS program is that every incoming freshman becomes a working part of the student body and its activities. If this is accomplished Salem, as a whole, can take a stand in maintaining and improving the standards of this college. As a student at Ashley Hall in Charleston, South Carolina, I had the opportunity of taking part and holding various offices in clubs and other extra-curricular activities on and off campus. Of the offices I held, being President of the Current Affairs Club was the most beneficial. The knowledge I gained of different types of people and of the world I live in helped me in my work in the Dramatic Club, Cerberus staff (literary magazine), Glee Club, French Club, and Latin Club. FITS Chairman has an important job to do! I sincerely believe that all five freshmen running for this office have the qualifications necessary to carry out the FITS program successfully. Since only one of us can hold this position, the decision is yours—it is up to the new FITS Chairman to see that the statement:

"The joy of comradeship is here, Thy spirit makes us one." from our **Alma Mater** is fulfilled.



Susan Gravely

If I am elected as FITS Chairman for next fall, I would like to make it as meaningful and fun for each freshman as it was for me. Being a bit homesick and insecure during my first days at Salem, I found that FITS brought out the real feeling of closeness that I now have with many upperclassmen as well as my own classmates.

Working with my classmates during Founders' Day and representing them as President of the Freshman Class, I realize the importance of organization and unified participation for FITS to be successful. I would love to be able to take this job as a challenge and thus work to make each sophomore feel involved in making FITS a fun and exciting time for the new freshmen.



Holly Materne

I am extremely interested in the office of FITS Chairman for the coming year, because I feel that the Freshman Introduction To Salem would be incomplete without some type of student indoctrination. FITS is very important part of a freshman's introduction to our college, because it enables her to meet not only the upperclassmen, but also other members of her own class. It is my desire, as FITS Chairman, for the end result of the FITS week and the Founders' Day program to be a strong unity and closeness among all Salem College students.

I believe that I am properly qualified for this office because at St. Catherine's I was President of the St. Catherine's League, an organization uniting students of all ages toward the goals of friendship, service, and spirit. Also this past fall I was in charge of our class's participation in the athletic competition of Founders' Day and am therefore acquainted with some of the responsibilities involved in organizing the Founders' Day program.

I don't have any new ideas for FITS at the present, but I am aware of the contrasting opinions regarding FITS. I feel sure that we, as the upcoming sophomore class, will make FITS a meaningful experience for the freshmen, but the whole success depends upon a strong student involvement in FITS and Founders' Day.

Mary Murrill



I came to Salem with hopes of becoming totally involved in the school's activities and functions. The freshmen have made the beginning of these hopes a reality—first, by electing me chairman of Founder's Day and second, by electing me vice-president of the class. I can only hope that I have fulfilled their expectations of the leadership and organization qualities sought in me. As chairman of Founder's Day, I worked very closely with Becky Lucas, the present FITS Chairman, and learned the many responsibilities which her office holds in preparing for Founder's Day, as well as FITS. As vice-president of the class, I have served on Judicial Board and have taken a strong interest in the workings of Legislative Board. Although my duties as vice-president do not include serving as a Legislative Board representative, I hoped that my delving into its workings would give me a balanced and overall understanding of the school's government and how it is managed. As Founder's Day Chairman and vice-president, I have attempted to serve as a communication link between the freshmen and upperclassmen, and if elected to the office of FITS Chairman, I desire to work to understand the general opinions of all classes on the severity or laxness of FITS regulations from year to year to obtain a happy medium which generally agrees with the overall attitude of the student body. I realize the many differing opinions concerning this, and if elected, will stand open to any suggestions pertaining to FITS or to the planning of Founder's Day. Unification of the school as a whole is very important to me, and even if elected, I could only succeed in my office through your suggestions and support. Thank you!

CHAIRMAN OF SSC

Rita Johnson

Although I have had no experience in connection with the Student Service Council, I will serve the students of Salem as well as myself as if I am elected chairman. I think the Student Service Council is a worthy organization that renders many valuable services which many students are not aware of. If I am elected chairman, I will try to see that the Council expands these services. Thank you for your consideration.

Susan Lundeen

First of all, let me take this opportunity to thank the entire student body and nominating committee for this nomination to run for Chairman of the Student Service Council. It is a big honor and more to me than I can ever express. According to the *Student Handbook*, the most important role of the SSC is that it be a communication link between Salem students and the Administration and faculty, as well as other colleges and the local community.

The SSC is also responsible for the Book Exchange, Unicef Fund, Help Fund, Student Government Information File, and the Volunteer Bureau. These jobs require a great deal of time. I enjoy this type of extra-curricular activity; and therefore, I am willing to devote all the time needed to fulfill the responsibilities of Chairman of the Student Service Council. As chairman of Salem's 1969 Christmas Banquet, became acquainted with many of the problems and areas of leadership here. Throughout high school I held various other offices which (along with the experience of the Christmas Banquet has given me) I feel, have prepared me for a job such as this.

Sandy McGlenn

I feel that the main purpose of the Student Service Council is to provide special services for the benefit of every student at Salem. As Chairman of this Council, I would try to increase communication between Salem and other institutions. This would enable Salem to have a better knowledge of how to solve some of its problems and how to bring about significant and valuable changes. It might be useful to provide more services in conjunction with Wake Forest. The Book Exchange could probably be more profitable for all of us if done in this manner.

I must admit that I have had no previous experience in an office of this kind. My only qualification is that I promise to work hard, with persistence and responsibility, so that all of us at Salem may benefit.

Ginger Neill



I am honored to be nominated for the office of Chairman of Student Service Council, and I want to thank those who nominated me. From my work on the Council this year, I understand the basic responsibilities of the Council. I believe there are a lot of things that the Student Service Council can do to contribute to Salem, and I would like to see some new projects carried out. If elected, I would enjoy working on Legislative Board, and I would do my best to keep SSC an efficient council.

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