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From Ghana to Salem -

Janet's Story

I had mixed feelings when I set off from Africa to the United States; or to be precise from Ghana to Winston-Salem, North Carolina - to become a Salemite. I was partly sad because of leaving my mother, sisters, brothers and some friends at home, but at the same time happy; because this opportunity was to bring me nearer to my life objective and academic goal - to be a college graduate.

After a brief stop over in London, I was welcomed into the Salem Family. Everything was new to me. Different people, different food, different weather and a different form of education, but everyone seemed to have a common goal - to attain the highest level of education possible at one of the most highly placed colleges in the U.S. "Hush!", I just said to myself, "I better go back to Ghana and re-consider my decision to enter college." However, other

members of the Salem Family were always around to make me happy. Their saying was that "Just give yourself some time, for it takes time to adjust to new conditions."

Based on the student enrollment, the College campus was bigger than I expected. Neat and well mowed grass with brightly painted buildings indicating what goes on within these walls. The square impressed me most. Briskly, students were found moving about, sometimes jogging around the square and there was little idling among students on campus.

Confused, though I was, I had a reception unequalled throughout my school years. Everybody was helpful, but I was dreadfully confused by all the decisions I had to make, and that increased my homesickness.

It takes time to be yourself even among people of the same

traditions and background. I got settled and started picking up the Salem way of life and some slangs in an unbelievable time. College success depends basically on planning, they say.

Life is you and you are life. Books and experience make a graduate, but understanding is the key to success. Despite differences in accent and hearing people when they talk I got underway. What I see now and what people do for me are things I never expected to happen in my life. This is really America. We are a family now. At the moment I feel at home being a Salemite.

I know there is more ahead than what had elapsed. Being able to stay up to this time makes me happy and increases my courage, and also increases my hope that each and every student will be able to make Salem a happy home.

Janet Owusu

Salem's Fulbright Scholar

"It is an invaluable educational opportunity. Aside from this, all expenses are paid--tuition, travel and a maintenance allowance.

I urge more Salem students to apply for this award," says Arie Tubb, recipient of the 1980-81 Fulbright-Hays Scholarship for study in Germany.

Miss Tubb is a senior at Salem and will receive the B.M. degree in organ performance

in May. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack W. Tubb of Waynesville.

The Fulbright-Hays Scholarship will allow Miss Tubb to travel and to study intensely German interpretation of Baroque literature, historic organs, and the Lutheran Church. Miss Tubb will have a chance to become more fluent in the German language.

The Fulbright

Program began in 1946 when educational funds which had become backed up after World War II became available because of a bill which was introduced by Senator J. William Fulbright.

The winner of the scholarship is chosen on a basis of professional and academic excellence as well as personal qualifications.

Miss Tubb, a student of John Mueller, is

organist at St. John Lutheran Church in Winston-Salem and has

also received the Theodore Presser Scholarship and the Winnie Warlick Simpson Theory Award during her four years of study at Salem.

Miss Tubb is a Dean's list student and is chairman of April Arts.

Alison Buice

Democratic Conventions

On May 13th and 14th the Salem Democrats attended the North Carolina Federation of College Democrats Convention and the Young Democrats of North Carolina Convention in Greensboro.

These conventions are held once every year in order to pass resolutions for lobbying purposes in North Carolina and to elect the statewide officers.

The college convention was held on Friday evening and Amy Monroe of Salem was elected president of the College Federation,

which is comprised of all the College Democrat Clubs throughout the state.

She sits on the Young Democrats Executive Committee and also sits on the North Carolina Democratic Executive Council as the college representative for the state.

The Young Democrats convention was held on Saturday. A banquet was held on Saturday night where Senator David Pryor of Arkansas was the featured speaker.

Attending the banquet

were Governor Jim Hunt, Senator Robert Morgan, Congressman Richardson Preyer, Attorney General Rufus Edmisten, Superintendent of Public Education Craig Phillips, Insurance Commissioner John Ingram, and various other state officials.

The Salem Democrats urge you to vote in the primary on May 6. If you wish to register to vote in your home county, you will need to return to your home county.

For those interested in working on

campaigns contact, Mary Morrow, 309 South, 748-0981. The college coordinators for the various campaigns are as follows: Mary Morrow, Carter-Mondale campaign; Lynn Kerly, Jim Hunt campaign; and Susan Robinson, Carl Stewart campaign.

The Salem Democrats will also be working in local campaigns. If you would like to become involved please contact the previous people.

The Triumph of Tunisia

Twelve Salem "delegates" have just returned from New York where they participated in the National Model United Nations (NMUN). This was Salem's fourth year at NMUN. For the past three years Salem has represented the socialist countries of East Germany, Hungary, and the USSR. As a change of pace this year, Salem decided to represent the African nation of Tunisia, a small but not unimportant nation in the

U.N. Kathy Marakas, Elizabeth Toney, Ellen Culler, Donna Savoco, Jane Williamson, and Beverley Williams all sat on various General Assembly committees. The Economic and Social Committees were occupied by Marion Pope, Margaret Adams, Maggie Whitesides, and Babbi Guiles. Tunisia's permanent represen-

tative on security council was Katherine Knapp. In addition, Kathy Marakas was

Foreign Minister -- the head delegate and rover was Mary Foster.

The NMUN is a unique educational experience. It is organized and operated by students. Competition is stiff due to the

variety of schools represented from all over the country. At the

end of each NMUN special recognition is awarded to outstanding

delegations. This year, Salem was honored to receive a certificate of merit (or 2nd. place),

this place being shared by four other schools. This award represents a

personal achievement for those who par-

ticipated as well as national recognition for Salem College. It is the hope of the 1980 NMUN delegation that Salem continues its role as a leading school in the simulation.