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## Dr. Leon Martel to speak Founder's Day

Dr. Leon C. Martel will be the speaker for Founder's Day to be held February 26.

Dr. Martel is a political scientist and a futurist, specializing in the forecasting of economic, political, social and resource issues. He is the author of *Lend-Lease, Loans and the Coming of the Cold War*, and co-author (with Herman Kahn and William Brown) of *The Next 200 Years*.

His current book, in process, is *Preparing for the Future*, a guide to the opportunities to be found and the dangers to be avoided in the decades immediately ahead. Dr. Martel is also a captain in the United States Naval Reserve with extensive professional experience in the fields of political and military intelligence.

Dr. Martel is a former

member of the professional staff of Hudson Institute, the prestigious East Coast "think tank," and served as its Executive Vice President from 1977 through 1980. While at Hudson he was project leader for studies for the Executive Office of the President of the United States and the offices of the Vice President and the Secretary of Defense. He also coordinated

the work of the Institute's "Prospects for Mankind" study and contributed regularly to its Corporate Environment Program.

Prior to coming to Hudson, Dr. Martel was a tenured member of the faculty of Hofstra University where he taught courses and seminars in international relations, Soviet politics, and American foreign and defense policies. Earlier, while on active military duty, he was in charge of the Russian and East European desk in the Navy's European Intelligence Center and later served as an intelligence research analyst in the National Security Agency. In 1973, upon the

release of the P.O.W.s from North Vietnam, Dr. Martel was temporarily recalled to active duty to serve as operations coordinator for their intelligence debriefing at St. Albans Navy Hospital.

Dr. Martel holds a B.A. from Dartmouth College, and an M.A., Ph.D., and Certificate from the Russian Institute from Columbia University. He has written numerous articles for scholarly journals and popular periodicals and is a frequent guest speaker for business, professional, and college audiences.

The topic of Dr. Martel's speech for Founder's Day is "Today's Woman -- Tomorrow's World".

## Madren, Bailey win Mathematics competition

The dawn of January 23 found a veil of cold and ice spread across the Raleigh area. While most of Meredith slept, a contingent of 16 valiant souls crept from beneath their blankets, slipped and slid the treacherous route to Joyner Hall, and there tested their analytical skills and acumen against the treacherous shoals of the first annual freshman-sophomore mathematics competition.

Three hours later, all emerged victorious. Problems that had appeared insoluble yielded after minutes of careful probing. One more

time the human intellect had triumphed. Days later, the graders of the contest announced that sophomore Beth Madren and freshman Cheryl Bailey had captured high honors by taking first and second places respectively. Sophomore Kim Causey and freshman Lori Lewis were awarded honorable mention awards for their efforts.

Contest winner Beth Madren intends to complete a double major in mathematics and music. Runner-up Cheryl Bailey hopes to eventually gain certification as a physical therapist. Kim Causey is well on her way

toward a B.S. in mathematics and intends to learn enough accounting along the way to pass the C.P.A. exams. Lori Lewis is still not certain of which academic direction she will pursue.

For both the winners and the other 12 competitors, the contest provided an opportunity to improve their problem solving skills outside the restrictions of the classroom.

Contest organizers, Professors Kraines and Taylor, pronounced the event an unqualified success.

### MARCH CONVOCATION:

## Mullins to speak on nuclear power

by Lisa Sorrels

How much do you know about nuclear power and nuclear energy? At the March Convocation on March 1, at 10 a.m. in Jones Auditorium, the

Meredith Community has the opportunity to learn about the uses of nuclear power. Jay T. Mullins, the director of the Shearon Harris Visitors' Center of the Carolina Power and Light Company, will discuss nuclear energy and then entertain questions from the audience.

## A Review of Black Emphasis Week

by Chrissy Murphrey

From February 8-12, Black Emphasis Week was held at Meredith College. Centering around the theme of "Positive Images for us," the week was begun with a convocation by Waltie Rasulala, the Public Affairs Manager and hostess of the WRAL television program "Aware." The Dance Troupe from Saint Augustine's College added to the week with an inspiring performance in Carswell Concert Hall. Later in the week, there was a special worship service with a sermon on "Who am I" delivered by the Rev. Cynthia Hale, the chaplain at the Federal Correctional Center. On Friday, Black Emphasis Week was brought to a close by Black poetry readings in the Alumnae House by students, faculty, and staff.

The co-chairpersons of Black Emphasis Week were Black Voices In Unity members Jennifer McNair and Cynthia Washington. Cynthia Washington had the following to comment on Black Emphasis Week:

"Black Emphasis Week is a nourishing time for me. It is a time for me to meditate on my heritage, it is a time to give thanks to those brave black men and women who have paved a clearer path for me to follow, and it is a time for me to re-evaluate the direction in which my own life is headed in regards to my contributions to the Black race.

I feel especially privileged to have been co-chairperson of Black Emphasis Week; planning and hosting the programs not only allowed me the

opportunity to challenge my own limits but to learn the value of team work and cooperation as well. Organizing the programs was

hasseling at times but it was all worth it. Participation was good; I've heard a lot of positive feedback, and I thoroughly enjoyed it."

## Sophomore class Christmas food and clothing drive

by Sheri Wayne

The Sophomore class held a Christmas food and clothing drive for an area family that the class adopted during the 1980-1981 school year. To encourage participation, the

Sophomore halls competed against each other to see which one could collect the most goods. A point system was devised for the scoring of this competition. Each article of clothing was worth two points; cans and accessories were worth one point a piece.

Third Brewer won the competition with a total of 1,120 points. Coming in close second was Second Vann with 823 points. The goods were presented to the family before the Christmas holidays.

The Sophomore class would like to thank Aimee Eddy and Amy Avery for their hard work in organizing this successful project. The family still needs wood. Anyone wishing to donate money or wood should contact Elaine Jolly or Sheri Wayne.

Mullins received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of North Carolina and majored in Business Administration. Last year he was President of the Cary Toastmasters Club and was also Toastmaster of the Year. As director of the Shearon Harris Visitors' Center, he supervises a staff of four which serves as a speakers' bureau within North Carolina. They hosted 25,000 visitors at the Center in 1981 and spoke with 600 groups either at the Center or at other locations in the state.

The Shearon Harris Nuclear Plant has been under construction in southern Wake County for the last four years and is the largest construction project in the state. The first unit is scheduled to be on-line in 1985 and capable of providing electricity for a community of 400,000 people.

Wake County's population is approximately 300,000. The second unit should be on-line in 1989.

Mullins will address the positive and negative effects of nuclear energy in his presentation. A question and answer session will follow. Now is the time to decide how you feel about nuclear power: Nukes or No Nukes.

See March 1st issue of

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for Information on

Election Candidates.

