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Bobby Ray Wins Art Plaque; Others, Certificates



Left to right: Mrs. T. J. Currin of Woman's Club, Mrs. Tom Jones, Art Supervisor, John Cheatham, Bobby Ray, Dickie Watkins.

Roman Banquet in Roman Style Closes Latin Week Here

Latin Week was ushered in with an assembly program April 18, and climaxed with the Annual Roman Banquet April 26 in Credle Cafeteria.

At the banquet Bobby Ray and Beth Lanier were crowned emperor and empress by Dr. W. J. House.

Julia Ruth Carrington, was mistress of ceremonies. J.C.L. colors, purple and gold, were used in the souvenir booklet and floral decorations. The program theme of Love honored Venus, the goddess of love. A life-size picture-statue of her stood opposite the entrance to the banquet hall.

Highlighting the program was a dramatization by Latin I students of part of Vergil's "Aeneid". Roy Dean was Aeneas, and Mary Elizabeth Currin was Dido. Bill Hicks was narrator.

Dancers were Kay Burwell, Sylvia Clark, Linda Currin, Lea Lea Hall, Brenda Gup-ton, Nancy Hogan, Jennie O'Brien, Anne Stovall, Barbara Rogers, Nancy Griffin, with Frances Larkins at the piano. Bonnie Lou Currin sang in Latin "A Pretty Girl Is Like a Melody."

Other song features in Latin were presented by a male quartet, composed of Ray, Saddler, Tarry, and Johnson, and by the entire group present.

A Fashion Show was presented by members of Latin II class, displaying costumes for various occasions in ancient Rome. This show was narrated by Betty Lou Rawls.

Concert Date May 23

A concert by the three musical organizations on the campus is scheduled for Friday evening, May 23 at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Benton will present members of the high school chorus and of the band, both of which he directs, and Miss Peggy Waldo will present her grammar-grade chorus.

A group from the OHS chorus participated in the District Music contest in Durham in March.

Nine Tapped As Marshals

The nine Juniors with the highest scholastic averages became marshals in assembly April 4. Those tapped were John Webb, chief, Callie Frazier, Marsha Ray, May White, Vernard King, Betty Jane Yancey, Betty Lou Smith, Christine Hicks, and Joe Wheeler.

Julianna Yancey, retiring chief, opened the program with brief introductory remarks, after which the retiring marshals tapped their successors, with the strains of Alma Mater in the background.

Old marshals are Julianna Yancey, Martha Taylor, Dorothy Williford, Joyce Hicks, Linda Knott, Anne White, Jo Anna Watkins, Lindy Baker, and Derwood Robinson.

John Webb, chief marshal, has been a member of the Latin Club, Debating Club, French Club, held several class offices, was World Peace essay winner, and is currently in the Beta Club.

The F. H. A., Chorus, and Bible Club have comprised the major portion of Betty Jane Yancey's extra activities.

Joe Wheeler is in the Chorus, Debating Club, Beta Club, track team, and was formerly in the Latin Club.

Marsha Ray has served as vice-president of the Student Council, vice-president of the North Carolina Junior Classical League, and is a member of the French, Beta and Debating Clubs.

Vernard King participates in Boys' Intramurals, and is a member of the Beta and Bus Drivers' Clubs.

The Latin Club, G.A.A., Chorus, girls' basketball team and the Student Council have been Betty Lou Smith's major interests in high school.

Christine Hicks is a member of the Student Council, Chorus, Bible Club, and F. H. A., and has won several awards for her 4-H work.

Callie Frazier has been a member of the Latin Club and basketball team, and is now Class Historian, treasurer of the French Club, and secretary of Student Council.

May White is active in chorus, band, French Club, Debating Club, Beta Club, and writes a column for the Oxford Public Ledger.

Art Exhibit Held Here

The annual art exhibit of Oxford High School was held April 1-4. Also on display was the state traveling exhibit.

Bobby Ray was presented a bronze plaque for the best entry in the local art exhibit. John Cheatham and Dickie Watkins won certificates. The exhibit was sponsored by the Intermediate Woman's Club of which Mrs. T. J. Currin is president.

Art work showing various techniques used throughout the year was exhibited by the seventh and eighth grades and the high school art class.

The sixth grades of Oxford High were represented in the art exhibit sponsored by the Woman's Club.

Three From O.H.S. Chosen to Attend Jr. Science Symposium

Nancy Lawson, May White, and Arch Crawford from Oxford High, and Shelia Read and Jimmy Bostic from John Nichols High School have been selected by Oxford Rotary Club to attend a Junior Science Symposium May 7-8, and 9 in the Research Triangle consisting of Duke University, N. C. State College, and the University of North Carolina.

Cooperating with these three institutions are Rotary Clubs throughout North Carolina and the Office of Ordinance Research, U. S. Army. The Oxford students, together with others selected from high schools over the state, will visit each of the three host institutions for lectures and demonstrations by outstanding professors.

Dr. Edward Teller, of the University of California and "father" of the A-bomb, will be the featured speaker on Thursday evening. The Friday evening session will consist of a stage demonstration and lecture provided by the Southern Bell Telephone Company on "What Research Has Produced for the Telephone Industry."

Students attending the symposium will be given certificates in recognition of their participation.

Seniors Present Marcheta Apr. 25

In an old Spanish garden lived "Marcheta," the girl who loved not wisely but too well, and for whom a man left the material world and went into the church, waiting for the time to come when he would die and rejoin the girl for whose death he felt responsible.

This is only a small part of the plot of "Marcheta", the beautiful three-act romantic play given by the Senior class on the evening of April 25 in the high school auditorium.

The play was written by Arthur Jearue, popular author of the celebrated "Mignonne", who has a reputation for plays of high-literary merit and romantic interest.

The cast chosen by Director Lorena Averett was as follows:

Acts one and three—

Delores Montez, last of an old family—Carolyn Stephenson; Ross Hamilton, the man she loves—William Watkins; Carlos Cortez, the man she is going to marry—Russell Barlowe; Isabella, an old Mexican servant—Gwen Hester; Pedro, Isabella's husband—Zack Mitchell; Mrs. Robert Southmore, an Eastern socialite—Nancy Hix; Sensa Jose Florez, a California pioneer—Anne White; Mrs. Sheridan McLean, an art collector—Madge Daniel; Father Ramon, a gentle old Padre—Dan Averett; Act Two (Fifty Years Earlier)

Marcheta Montez, Delores' great-aunt—Jo Anna Watkins; Don Montez, her unscrupulous father—Derwood Robinson; Isabella, fifty years younger—Linda Knott; Pedro, as a youth of eighteen—Neil Yeargin; Senora Florez, Marcheta's duenna—Martha Taylor; Don Phillippe Cortez, Carlos' grandfather—Russell Barlowe; Juan Montez, Marcheta's brother, Larry White; Lola, Juan's young wife, Julianna Yancey; Ramon Donovan, Marcheta's sweetheart, Dan Averett.

OHS Finals June 1-3

Commencement at OHS is scheduled for June 1-3.

The Rev. Thomas T. Traynham, pastor of the local Presbyterian church, will preach the sermon Sunday evening, June 1, at the Oxford Baptist Church.

Monday evening Class Night will be held in the auditorium, at which time honors will be announced.

Tuesday evening Seniors will receive their diplomas and Bibles, after Nile F. Hunt, Coordinator of Teacher Education, Raleigh, has addressed the graduates.

Annual Staff to Publishers

Thirteen members of the "Oxonian" staff went to Winston-Salem March 31 to the Hunter Publishing Co., which publishes the "Oxonian."

The group toured the plant and saw the "37" processes required in compiling an annual. They learned that the "Oxonian" is now being readied for publication and saw the finished cover for the 1958 edition.

Those making the trip were Martha Taylor, Neil Yeargin, Nancy Hix, Carolyn Stephenson, Dan Averett, Jo Anna Watkins, William Watkins, Martha Parham, John Webb, Joyce Hicks, Beth Lanier, and Charles Stovall.

Miss Williams, staff adviser, and Mrs. S. J. Watkins accompanied the group.