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JANE TRIPLETT CARSWELL

A physician eminent in family practice who is conspicuous also in diagnosing and treating some of the larger ills of the community suggests an integral model of healing that would have commended itself to St. Luke as much as to Hippocrates. Jane Carswell is that kind of healer.

A native of Raeford and a 1954 Phi Beta Kappa graduate of ours with an A.B. in Chemistry, she took her M.D. at the Medical College of Virginia. After internship and residency in Richmond she worked for a time in the coal country of Harlan County, Kentucky, and in 1961 began to practice family medicine in Lenoir. Her excellence as a physician there has not gone unnoticed: last December she was named Family Doctor of the Year (the only woman to be so honored) by the American Academy of Family Physicians, the nation's second largest group of medical specialists.

As a family physician she deals with a variety of needs, and her impact on her community and region clearly derives from a sensitive awareness of this variety. Particularly in point is her concern for the plight of battered women, for whom she was instrumental in setting up a home in Caldwell County; she later served on the North Carolina Task Force on Battered Women. She has also given of herself in work for the Caldwell County Home for Troubled Youths, the Koinonia Retirement Apartments of the elderly, a development association for low-cost housing units, and the Caldwell County Hospice.

The twin thrusts of her career are summed up by her having been both chairperson of the Human Relations Committee in Lenoir and president of the Caldwell County Medical Society. Such a combination of professional excellence and human caring is fitly recognized by the conferring of this Distinguished Alumna Award.

RICHARD HAMPION JENREITE

It seldom happens that the same person is pre-eminent at both building and preserving — two of the constitutive activities of any civilization. With Richard H. Jenrette, however, this is the case.

He came to Chapel Hill from his boyhood home in Raleigh. Here he edited The Daily Tar Heel, was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and the Golden Fleece, and took a degree in Journalism in 1951. Following military service in Korea he earned a Master's Degree in Business Administration from Harvard. In 1959 he and two friends began the brokerage firm of Donaldson, Lufkin, and Jenrette, which within twenty-five years had become one of the dozen largest such houses in the United States. Its novel and imaginative approaches to stock-brokering aroused widespread notice, and by 1984 when the firm merged with the Equitable Life Assurance Company, Jenrette, as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, was recognized as a master at his craft.

The complementary craft, that of preserving what is of value from the past, is more than a hobby for him. This is most dramatically evident in major restoration projects for early nineteenth century houses he has bought in Manhattan, Charleston, and Barrytown, New York — the latter being the country house of a Carolina alumnus of the class of 1818. No less valuable is his service to this venerable University, as a member of the Board of Visitors, as a Director of the Business Foundation, and as an active and generous benefactor of the Chi Psi fraternity. Late this spring (some months after he had been chosen to receive this Award) he was elected to the Board of Trustees — a choice which, fitting in view of his eminence and his dedication alike, we are able to salute today with this richly-deserved Distinguished Alumnus Award.

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Most heads of major colleges and universities started as academic persons, but relatively few seem to have begun as musicologists. Bryce Jordan, trained as a musicologist here took the Ph.D. in 1956; after earning bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of Texas, is an exception. After teaching at the Universities of Maryland, Kentucky, and Texas he was lured into full-time administration at the latter, first at the main campus at Austin, where he was Vice-President for Student Affairs, and then at the University of Texas at Dallas, where he became President in 1971. In his decade as head of that institution it grew from forty students to over seven thousand: rapid growth even by Texas standards. In 1981 he became Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs for the entire University of Texas system.

Two years ago he was chosen as president of one of the nation's major public institutions, Pennsylvania State University. In his short time there he has attracted much favorable attention for his conspicuous success in implementing a court order to expand the representation of blacks among students and faculty members. This success has been marked by an aggressive approach to both recruitment (in pursuit of which he has mounted the pulpit in a predominantly black church in North Philadelphia) and retention, partly through a reinvigorated black cultural center.

One can scarcely help supposing that such smoothness of performance results from his professional awareness of how great music resolves problems of size and tension through proportion and harmony. We are glad to embellish the broad themes of his achievement with the grace note of this Distinguished Alumnus Award.

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LINDSAY CARTER WARREN, JR.

Lindsay Warren belongs to that select band among our alumni who have been instrumental in commemorating our past, improving our present situation, and planning for an always better future. A member of the class of 1946, with subsequent degrees from here in both Commerce and Law, he has from his base as a lawyer in Goldsboro been a figure of unusual substance throughout North Carolina.

During the 1960s he was a State Senator for four terms, serving as Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee in 1969. In that same period he was also Chairman of the North Carolina Courts Commission and Vice-Chairman of the State Board of Higher Education; and he served on the Advisory Budget Commission. He is a past president of the North Carolina Bar Association.

If through his efforts the ship of this state has run more smoothly than might otherwise have been the case, so also and especially has the great enterprise of commemorating the quatercentenary of the first European settlements in this land. In 1982 the then Governor asked Lindsay Warren, a notable history buff, to chair the committee which planned that extensive celebration; we have all been gratefully aware of the success of that effort.

Finally, but certainly not least in our order of priority, he has been a most devoted alumnus, serving as President of the Law Alumni Association and in a variety of capacities for the General Alumni Association, most notably as its President in 1974-75. The judgment, integrity, tireless loyalty, and effectiveness with which he has carried out his varied and weighty responsibilities are qualities we honor with this Distinguished Alumnus Award.