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Racial slurs spark sit-in

Students gathered on Tillman steps to protest recent vandalism. (TJ photo by Randy Greene)

By MARK WOOD
TJ news editor

The defacing of an Association of Ebonites and Omega Psi Phi banner in Thomson last week brought hostilities to a head as a large group of black students assembled on the steps of Tillman Hall.

More than 100 students voiced their concerns about the minority situation at Winthrop and specifically asked for an apology from the administration regarding the banner incident.

One student carried a sign which read "Alpha Phi Alpha will not be pacified. The Racism Must Be Investigated."

Several students posed questions to both Jeff Mann, vice president for student life, and Mike Smith, vice president for academics. Both administrators voiced their shock and regret that the incident occurred.

"I was appalled and sickened by it. But I don't think I was surprised because I think we live in a racist society," Smith said.

The banner incident was not the only thing that outraged minority students last week. Some pledges from Alpha Kappa Alpha, a black sorority, were harassed by members of a white fraternity. Also, a white student was reportedly seen hurling a

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Election run-off planned

By B.W. GODFREY
TJ staff writer

Presidential candidates Donna Chapa and Nigel Vidale are two contenders for the run-off election to be held Wednesday, said Elections Board Chairperson Chris Hanlon.

After the Elections Board concluded counting ballots last Wednesday, several offices lacked the 50-percent-plus-one margin necessary to determine a clear winner. Voting polls opened and closed on time in Dinkins and the cafeteria and the ballots were counted by 10:45.

A run-off for attorney general between Richard Golden and Craig Wilkinson is planned.

A run-off for junior class vice-president between Adam Sherrill and Steve Johnson is planned.

A run-off for junior class vice-president between Margaret Howell and Janet Blair is planned.

Becky Cameron was voted Dinkins Student Union president.

Gregory Toney was elected public defender.

Margaret Howell was elected public prosecutor.

Kim Bradley has been elected senior class president.

John Gibson has been voted senior class vice president.

Robert Lee has been elected sophomore class president.

Tom Robertson has been voted sophomore class vice president.

NAACP chapter formed

By ALLAN C. JENKINS, JR.
TJ contributing editor

More than 125 students, faculty, staff members and administrators met in Dinkins Auditorium, Wednesday, Feb. 26 to revive the Winthrop College chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Five officers were elected at the meeting.

The assembly was addressed by L. Zimmerman, Kitt, adviser for the Youth and College Division of the NAACP in South Carolina, Horace Jones, chairman of the Rock Hill chapter of the NAACP, and Sheila Millian, the first black graduate of Winthrop, who currently serves on the board of trustees at Winthrop, and who has been long active in the NAACP.

"The NAACP is for everyone—Hispanic, colored, black, Jewish, any poor person whose rights must be defended and advanced," Kitt said. "The NAACP needs your membership; you need the NAACP because it stands by you day in and day out."

Kitt recommended more membership drives for the chapter, and observance of Jubilee Day (Jan. 1, the anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation), March

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Second candidate forum planned

By B.W. GODFREY

An open forum featuring presidential runoff candidates Donna Chapa and Nigel Vidale is scheduled for 9 p.m. tonight in Dinkins Auditorium. The forum will be run the same way as the one preceding the election, said Elections Board Chairperson Chris Hanlon. Both Chapa and Vidale have been invited to debate campaign issues and discuss their positions as well as field questions from the audience.

Although other offices are being contested in the runoff election, unlike the previous election, this debate will feature only the presidential candidates.

Despite the delay the candidates’ debate quickly heated up, especially during the question and answer period. “First of all, I’m a foreign student and they don’t care if I’m a student government president,” said Vidale during his opening remarks. “The SGA after being elected don’t come out to meet the student one-to-one. Me I hope to be that one to one student,” he said.

Speaking about the presidency said Vidale, “He doesn’t need to be a yes man but he needs to maintain respect.”

Chapa began her remarks by indicating the audience to stand up and then sit down. “You have just made decision; this week you will make a very important and personal decision,” Chapa said.

Chapa advocated closer ties between the SGA and the student body suggesting the creation of a public information officer. Chapa was also critical of The Johnsonian, saying, “We have things go on here all the time but no one knows what’s going on.”

On dealing with the board of trustees, Chapa said, “You have to conduct yourself in a mature fashion or you have to stand up for yourself.”

When the floor was opened to questions all the candidates were asked to expand on their comments made in The Johnsonian interview regarding minority recruitment here at Winthrop.

“Is it a statewide problem,” said Chapa. “They are not interested in minorities. They are just going to a few high schools. They should go to all the high schools. We are not going out to look for good minority students,” she said.

“Something is being done but not enough,” said Vidale. “Barbara Fortune in admissions puts out a newsletter to target an area. This newsletter is aimed directly at minority students,” he said.

The forum continued until approximately 10:55, by which time all the candidates had spoken and debated.

Money, tests hurt minorities

(CPS)- There are fewer low-income students in the nation’s community colleges, and a combination of economics and admission policies may be the culprit, educators say.

And while a new study finds that eight percent of the nation’s community colleges have partially closed their open admissions doors, it says their admissions tests aren’t the reason minorities that enrollment has dropped five percent during the last two years.

The survey also found more community colleges plan to adopt admissions tests in the near future.

However, none of the minorities at Victoria are Hispanic students. We are 55 percent minorities, but only 10 percent of those are black,” said a student advisory council composed of students who represent different groups.

“We meet and go over questions that they bring in from their groups,” she said.

“I want the students at Winthrop to have access to me. I’m coming in at an open mind and I want to discuss the way the students want to exchange ideas,” she said.

Nevertheless, the new study by the National Council on Black Affairs (NCBA) and the American College Testing Program (ACT) found only eight percent of the schools surveyed have ever denied admission to someone because of low entrance test scores.

The test’s impact is “not negligible in keeping low-income students out of community colleges are the cuts in state and the new emphasis on borrowing aid,” said Arnold Mitchem, director of the National Council of Educational Opportunity Associations.

Piper named president

(CPS) - The Johnstown Community College continues to improve as I perform at the level of expectations, the new student body president said.

According to Piper, she doesn’t intend to seek public office.

“I’m coming to stay as long as I perform at the level of success expected by the board of trustees. I’m really looking forward to coming to Winthrop.”

Racism condemned

The Student Government Association strongly condemns all actions of racial slurs occurring on our campus.

RESOLUTION

The Board of Trustees of Winthrop College condemns acts of vandalism, with or without racial overtones, committed on campus. Such immature acts are deplorable and totally unacceptable. There is no place at Winthrop College for such inconsiderate, abusive conduct. Where such vandalism can be identified, they will be held accountable to the Judicial Council.

The Board expects everyone to join us in trying to make Winthrop College a place where human understanding can flourish and petty prejudice cannot and will not survive.

This Statement of Standing Policy is Done and Resolved this 25th Day of February, 1986.

Certified by: F. Merritt Wilkerson
Secretary to the Board
Artwork to be sponsored

By JILLIAN COFFIN
TJ staff writer

Winthrop’s Department of Art is sponsoring two art exhibitions featuring artists Karen Davies and Dooley. The exhibitions will be held at the Harbert Gallery of the Sallie Jackson Smith Fine Arts Center, from 7-9 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 15. The exhibitions will be open to the public and attended by students, faculty, and staff.

Davies and Dooley are a husband-and-wife art team. They have received MFA degrees from the University of South Carolina and have been teaching at Winthrop University for the past five years. They are known for their unique approach to art and their commitment to teaching.

Davies’ work is characterized by its use of color and form, and her use of mixed media, including paint, paper, and fabric. Her work often explores themes of identity and culture. Dooley’s work is known for its use of geometric shapes and abstract forms. He creates his work using a variety of materials, including wood, metal, and glass.

The exhibitions will feature a variety of works by Davies and Dooley, including paintings, sculptures, and installations. The works will be on display in the intimate gallery of the Sallie Jackson Smith Fine Arts Center.

The exhibitions are open to the public and are free of charge. The gallery is located on the second floor of the Sallie Jackson Smith Fine Arts Center. For more information, please contact the Department of Art at 803-323-2000.

Theme highlighted during halftime

By CHRIS P. ROWELL
TJ staff writer

The 1986 Winthrop homecoming celebration, revolving around the theme “Carolinas Eagle Style,” was highlighted by the presentation of awards during a halftime extravaganza at the Winthrop-Coastal Carolina men’s basketball game, Saturday, Feb. 15.

According to Mary McLaughlin, homecoming chairperson for the Eagles, 31 campus organizations sponsored candidates for the homecoming court. A total of 16 campus organizations entered in at least three or more of the homecoming events.

Included in these events were the display, banner, promotion, skit, and 4-wheel race contests. A spirit competition was held at the pep rally in Dinkins Student Center, but did not contribute points toward the overall homecoming winners.

“The spirit award did not count this year, but hopefully will next year,” said McLaughlin.

The homecoming court winners were Rhonda Patterson, representing Sigma Sigma Sigma; Nikki Bolman, representing Alpha Delta Pi; and Rachelle Janison, representing Delta Sigma Theta and Alpha Phi Alpha; and Deborah Baker, representing Pi Kappa Alpha.

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Jackman to appear at WC

By TOM STEARNS
TJ staff writer

Comedian, juggler and improvisationalist Edward Jackman will appear Monday, March 3 in Tillman Auditorium.

Jackman, who was voted Campus Comedy Entertainer of the Year for 1985, is the only person to ever win two International Jugglers Championships in a row.

Becky Cameron, who helped bring Jackman to Winthrop, said, “I saw his videotape when I went to the regional conference for college entertainers in Charleston. I enjoyed his performance and decided to try to bring him to Winthrop.”

Jackman’s one-man show is entitled, “Comedy, Danger and Other Dangerous Stuff.” He has appeared on such television programs as PM Magazine, John Davidson, and Merv Griffin.

“I thought this would be an interesting show for Winthrop,” Cameron said. “Not many people can juggle and carry on a comedy routine with a bicycle balanced on their nose.”

The show is free with WCID, “teasers” to try to get people to $2 for guests.

Brabham to visit Nicaragua

By MARK WOOD
TJ staff writer

The Rev. Bishop Brabham of the Wesley Foundation was traveling to Nicaragua on aetails about our mission next week. “We’re going to take with us a Sleeping Bag, Thermostatic, and school supplies, and other delegates in Miami for one “Brabham will be leaving Rock Hill March 8 and will return to the States to attend a seminar on Nicaragua and return to the States to attend a seminar on Nicaragua’s future.”

“The Springs traveling show tours museums, galleries and colleges in the Carolinas throughout the year. The Springs show is open to all artists and there is no entry fee. Entry forms can be picked up at the art department.

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Racial harmony needed

By LISA BUES
TJ editor

The '90's may be revered. At least, a new era of racial tension may occur if anti-minority incidents continue. The Jehovah's Witnesses contends that if such events are not resolved quickly and peacefully, the situation could snowball into something very frightening.

Letters should be submitted to Box 6800 or brought to TJ office in Good Building. Letters must be received by 5 p.m. Tuesday to appear in the following week's issue.

Letters to the editor —

Dear Editor,

As I left breakfast on the morning of Feb. 21, I suddenly felt hatred and outrage as I saw vulgar racial slurs on the NAACP banner. My initial reaction was that I wanted to kill every white person that I saw. But as I began to face reality, I said to myself, "I don't despise whites as a race. So why take that kind of attitude?" This was the work of several provincial individuals who are ignorant enough to be prejudiced.

But why are people prejudiced? In my personal vocabulary, the definition of prejudice is ignorance. We are all children of God, so why must we view society in terms of skin color? When we die and go to our eternal life, there will be no Heaven or Hell with the signs, "Whites only" or "Coloreds only."

But unfortunately, not everyone views life in the same manner. Hatred exists in many ignorant individuals who judge their fellow man on the basis of the color of his skin. In 1963, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. revealed a dream that he had to this nation. Within this dream, he said, "my four little children will one day live in a nation where they would not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character." But sadly enough, some 23 years later, Dr. King's dream is far from reality.

Harassment at Winthrop, the racial slurs on the signs are the only sort of racism that occurs. Whether anyone realizes it or not, racism occurs here every day. It happens within the classroom, within the student legislature, within the athletic department, and even within the administration. For example, how many black teachers and faculty members are employed by Winthrop? How many blacks occupy positions within the athletic department? Why was Winthrop forced by the state judicial system to appoint its first black trustee member? But yet, compare this to the number of black cuspiders at Winthrop. Those are the implicit racisms that are often overlooked.

If there is one blessing in disguise with the racial slurs on the sign, it awakened those students who have been asleep on the issue of racism at Winthrop. Blacks as well as whites should be aware of this and work towards improving race relations. So come on; let's cut out the racial BS and get real.

Sincerely,
Irvin M. Goodwin

Dear Editor,

It is with great sorrow and embarrassment that we learned of the defacing of posters and banners with racial slurs that took place last week. Such conduct is offensive to all of us, black and white, and is vigorously opposed by the College's administration. Winthrop's other administrators join regret that the incident happened on campus. We will do everything possible to see that it does not happen again.

Sincerely,
Michael Smith
Academic Vice President
and Dean of the Faculty

Jeff Mann
Vice President of Student Life and Dean of Students

Dear Editor,

I'm writing in reference to a recent incident which occurred last week here at Winthrop initiating initial tension amongst its students.

On Feb. 21, a certain individual defaced a banner and poster advertising events sponsored by different black organizations in honor of Black History Month. Not only did this show poor taste and ignorance on the part of perpetrators, it also angered every black student on this campus to the fullest extent.

It's sort of sad to find that racial-bignotry still exists, especially on this college campus. My thought was that we were all here to better ourselves as young adults; with this comes the learning of respect and equal treatment of one another. Obviously, some...you have not yet acquired the knowledge to do so; you have even failed to learn the meaning of a simple word—nigger. Maybe your parents taught you that it means someone black, but let me tell you something. I looked it up several times and it was only to be found once. So what is a nigger? A nigger is a very ignorant person-like the person/persons who defaced those banners. You know who you are, and now you know what you are!

You can call us apes, you can tell us to go to Africa, whatever you desire. But this is a free country, in case you've forgotten, and we're going to be here for as long as it takes; like it or not. If you have a problem with that, either you can try your best to live with it, or you can go to Africa!

Very upset,
John E. Dewberry

Dear Editor,

Taking pride in one's culture is what we have learned all our lives. When insults upon one's culture are made, how do you expect them to react? Black Americans have experienced so many cultural insults, that they always fall back on the principles of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s non-violence approach.

I would like to extend my apologies to any student who may have been hurt by the defacing of the "Black History Month Event's" sign, as well as the NAACP sign. I am making this apology just to remove some of the tension that has resulted.

However, the defacing did help us as a culture realize that we have become too secure in this world. We need to re-establish the brotherly love, the unity and the religion that existed before. I am not saying let's bring the 60's back, but I am saying let's bring the unity back.

All cultures represented in this institution need to unite and work together as one culture. We must live on this Earth together regardless of our culture. Why can't we try to live together! What's stopping us?!!!

Iris Boyd
NAACP
Re-establishment Coordinator

Irvin M. Goodwin
TJ editor

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Fight the racists

By ALLAN C. JENKINS
TJ contributing editor

Racism reared its ugly head at Winthrop College during the past two weeks, and gave out a roar that was heard across the state.

For the second time in as many months, unfavorable media attention was focused on this college, this time for a series of frightening and reprehensible racist acts perpetrated, for the most part, by unknown persons.

Winthrop again is the object of shame.

The most recent incidents:

On Wednesday, Feb. 19, members of a white fraternity harassed an Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority pledge line until members of Omega Psi Phi fraternity intervened and ended the confrontation.

On Thursday, Feb. 20, unknown vandals defaced, with the word “nigger” used quite freely, a banner advertising an event celebrating Black History Month.

Over the following weekend, flyers put up by the Vidale for President campaign were either similarly defaced or torn down.

Additionally, in the past weeks, foreign students have been harassed, and posters announcing events for international students have been defaced or torn down.

Several times this year, notices have been posted (after being approved by college employees) by persons seeking “white roommates.”

Further, allegations have been lodged, with some justification, that the administration drags its heels investigating attacks by whites against minority students. Some of the protesters felt that The Johnsonian has been biased against thorough reporting minority student events.

Such a poisonous atmosphere theoretically shouldn’t exist at an institution of higher learning, especially one where students claim to achieve their best.

Sick and tired of what is already an intolerable situation, over 150 students - black, white, international, American, “Greek” and independent - staged a nonviolent sit-in on the steps of Tillman last Monday to protest racism and pressure the administration to take steps to prevent future incidents.

It was an excellent protest, which unified to a high degree the minority/international community here, but the administration can no stop racism than one sandbag can stop a flood.

The end of racist acts on this campus will come when all students opposed to racism band together to fight tooth and nail against racism in all its forms.

Until that day, none of us will be able to avoid bigotry.

All of us must be involved in the struggle, but there can be no innocent bystanders: either one hates racism and is determined to root it out, or one condones, if only through inaction, prejudice.

That means you cannot merely say: “I am opposed to racism, but don’t have the inclination to fight it,” and expect anyone committed to the destruction of racism to really believe you. You must be committed yourself, or share the blame for racist acts on this campus.

Regarding the incidents occurring over the past two weeks, concerned students should resolve to do all in their power to seek out and make known the identities of those responsible for the outrages.

The college, campus organizations, and concerned students should establish and contribute to a reward fund, with the reward given to those who can identify the perpetrators of these and future racist acts.

The administration should publicly announce that persons who commit racist acts on this campus will be vigorously prosecuted, and expelled from this institution if found guilty.

Student leaders should go on record as being irrevocably opposed to such acts, and that persons committing them are not welcome on this campus.

The fight against racism at Winthrop must be actively waged on all fronts, for there is no excuse for it to exist. Everyone associated with Winthrop should be soldiers in the war, for the contemptible racists that exist here are a danger to us all.

Notes In Passing – The Academic Council recently passed a recommendation that the current attendance policy be repealed, and replaced with one that will require professors to set their own policies...

...the recommendation soon goes to the Faculty Conference and, if passed there, will become the rule-if you're opposed, let your profs know now...it's Pres Piper, according to last week's board of trustees announcement...at least Phil won’t be back.

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NAACP chapter

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Kitt told the meeting that the civil rights movement had made great progress, but that the struggle isn’t over.

“If you want to see how the struggle was, pick up a paper and read about South Africa—but the struggle here is not over,” Kitt said. “You can change the system, you can alter the system, because now you are a part of it.”

“Doesn’t ask what the NAACP can do for you. The NAACP has done for you already—today you can eat in any restaurant, stay in any hotel, go to any college,” Kitt continued. “You need to do for the NAACP—if you don’t get involved now, 10 years down the road, the progress will stop.”

“You may be driving a nice car today, and eating in nice places,” Kitt said, “but make sure you know, make sure you remember how you got there.”

Concerning recent racist acts at Winthrop, McMillan said that such actions are quite common despite progress in the civil rights movement.

“I was surprised to realize that so many people were surprised at the incidents,” McMillan said. “If you read the NAACP publications, you’ll find that this sort of thing happens all the time.”

On the same subject, Kitt told the meeting to be aware of such incidents.

“Let us not feel that nothing can happen to us, because it can,” Kitt said. “If you don’t believe that these things are happening today, you are blind; you are deaf.”

When questioned about lack of publicity concerning the NAACP in recent years, Kitt accused the media of conspiring to downplay the efforts of the NAACP.

“The media doesn’t want you to get involved—they know you think you’ve got it made. They don’t want you to know that we’re still raising hell,” Kitt said.

After Kitt spoke, Jones pledged the support of the Rock Hill chapter for the Winthrop chapter, and invited new members to participate in a march in Spartanburg on Saturday.

McMillan read a unanimous resolution passed by the board of trustees formally condemning all acts of vandalism, whether racially inspired or not.

Winthrop College Interim President Mark Newberry told the meeting that racial problems still exist at Winthrop, but that the administration is pledged to do everything in its power to punish racist acts.

After the speakers, Chairman John Howard began the business part of the meeting. Iris Boyd, director of the membership drive, reported 183 new members as of 9 p.m. and a treasury balance of $566.

Balloting for officers took place after the meml sip report, with the following officers elected:

Iris Boyd, president; Judy Atson, vice president; Twan Barber, second vice president and membership drive chairman; Willette Burgess, secretary; and Jametta Chandler, treasurer.

Mollie Bethes, of the financial aid office, is the chair’s adviser.

“New members are welcomed. Prospective members should contact Twan Barber,” said Richard Davis. “Annual dues are $3.”

Racial slurs

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rock through a black student's window the weekend after the banner was defaced.

David Wilkins, a junior and member of Omega Psi Phi fraternity, said that some friends of his had come to visit Winthrop and that he had told them what a great school it is, but after the banner incident he said that he called them back and told them "not to come.

Public Safety is handling the investigation of the defaced banner, but as of yet no one has been charged, and the slurs are thought to be the work of a small minority, probably no more than two people.
Are we a Duke blueprint
By MICHAEL SITTS
TJ sports writer

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Steve Moore suspended

By MICHAEL SITTS
TJ sports writer

Last week, Winthrop College completed a payroll payments schedule that included a payment of $5,000 to Steve Moore. He was put on administrative leave without pay and arrested following an investigation by Chief Robert Williams of the Winthrop College Police. According to Tony Nolan, director of Public Information.

Moore was charged with several counts of forgery and was immediately released on bond. The full extent of charges was not verified by Nolan, who said that "had not been determined by the state..." because the investigation was ongoing. Nolan said that it was an investigation by the FBI and that Moore was "facing serious charges." For a student to pick up a check, they must fill out a card verifying that they had the student ID card, and can prove that the employee has been paid. Nolan said that the procedure was "fairly sound," and that no panic changes would be made. However, paychecks are now being handled with the co-operation of the FBI.

Apathy: Cuts like a knife

By ERIC FEARN
TJ staff writer

The cloud of apathy is so thick it could be cut with a knife. It hangs over Winthrop College and athletics with a frightening foreboding nature. The clearest example of this apathy is the scene every Friday afternoon after classes have ended.

Cars loaded down with luggage, head toward the gates surrounding our college at frightening speeds. At the gates the congestion is so great that cars sometimes get crammed together, resembling closely two large people trying to get through a small doorway.

After the carnage is complete and huge numbers of students have made their escape, a person can look out the window and see that there really are places for cars to be parked here at Winthrop. To look across the parking areas in front of Richardson and Wofford one is reminded of a factory parking lot occupied only with cars owned by third shift workers.

This predicament is a somewhat puzzling nature. So many adolescents can hardly wait to attend college and feel the fruits of freedom.

We, as young people, can't wait to get off to college, yet many Winthrop students stay here all week and attend classes only to return home for the weekend. This leads to the hypothesis that most Winthrop students spend more time at home than they do here at their college. Can this really be true?

What is the solution to this dilemma? Winthrop needs to try to change the image of another is fatalistic, to try to change the Winthrop into a blue and white. I think both the football team, just like Duke growth and identity of the school would be more appropriate to our only showcased sport -- department would be to our basketball coach from Duke to try to change Winthrop into a blue and white. I think both the football team, just like Duke growth and identity of the student body that is white.

Of course, there aren't many who care about copying the blueprints for the Duke sports program down here at Winthrop. No offense to Duke, but it is the finest institution of higher learning in this great nation of ours, not to mention being currently ranked first in the nation in men's basketball.

It certainly is a prime example of academics and athletics going hand in hand. However, we're talking about Winthrop College -- an institution with its own history, its own traditions, its own styles. This is a college making huge strides, not only in athletics, incidentally, but also in academics and community involvement. To continue the current policy of conservatism from the athletic department would be defeatist; to try to change the perception and identity of the school into a poor mirror image of another is fatalistic.

It isn't really apathy among the student body that is relevant here (though that remains a problem), it is more of a matter of ignorance. All of the circumstances mentioned in the opening lines were picked fresh and very ripe. It is necessary to prove - not yet, but I'll say that I don't want to come back in the fall to see the basketball team and cheerleaders decked out in blue and white. I think both their uniforms look real sharp. But, by then, it would be too late. So, the time for finding out this information is now, and it is the students who have to do the digging.

After all, who are the programs for? I know that Vacendak is the "boss" of the athletic department, but he WORKS for the athletes, also. It is not for the likes of him to tell players that if they don't like it here, then to "hop on a bus and get out of here." That is inappropriate behavior for ANY administrator. So let's hope we see a change of attitude in the athletic department, okay?

Have a nice spring break!
Winthrop’s tennis swings into action

By JILL ZEIGLER
TJ sports writer

This season’s tennis schedule is keeping Winthrop on the move.

The competition lineup is a tough one, and although no conference matches have been played yet, the Eagles have had their share of nationally ranked teams. Feb. 17, the men went up against the College of Charleston.

The match resulted in a defeat for Winthrop. Individuals were Junior Zach Bogue and Senior Rajendra Maharaj.

Maharaj shut out the team’s number one, nationally ranked player with a score of 8-4, 6-4. Bogue was out in front of his opponent with a score of 6-7, 11-9, 4-2 default. The default was due to the Charleston player’s use of profane language toward the coach. Comments Bogue, “Here’s to my first match against Charleston—and I pity the fool who cusses out my coach!”

The next match for the Eagles was against nationally ranked Furman University. Although the team was defeated, the men held up well against the NCAA powerhouse. Once again, Bogue and Maharaj made a good showing. Both men played a tough match in singles, going three sets against Furman. Bogue came through the match with a score of 6-3, 6-4, 6-3, and Maharaj went the three sets with 7-5, 7-6, 7-4 as his scores.

“The men gave it all they had,” said Head Coach Cid Carvalho. He feels that there was only a little difference between Winthrop and Furman; both teams were tough, Furman was just a little tougher. Comments Carvalho, “Considering that Furman is a big NCAA powerhouse, I think we held up and played good against them.”

So far, the men’s tennis team has played only nationally ranked teams, and conference matches are coming up for both the men and women. This year is full of nothing but heavy competition for Winthrop. “Our schedule is tough this year,” says Carvalho, “but it’s supposed to be that way.”
"Phone Friend" expansion underway

By TOM STEARNS
TJ staff writer

The Winthrop College School of Education hosted a conference of South Carolina College representatives Feb. 24-25 to plan expansion of the "Phone Friend" project.

"Phone Friend", an afterschool phone line for latchkey kids, has been in operation at Winthrop since March 1984. The program is funded by Winthrop College and McDonald's.

In all, representatives of 15 South Carolina schools met to discuss setting up "Phone Friend" hotlines in other parts of the state, and to examine the possibilities of creating a statewide "Phone Friend" network.

Dr. Sue Smith, of the School of Education and director of the York County "Phone Friend" program, was pleased with the results of the conference.

"We provided the other schools with materials necessary to begin and operate a "Phone Friend" program," she said, including information on training students to handle the phone lines. All in all, most of the schools seemed to feel the project was not too huge to be handled," Smith said.

The present "Phone Friend" hotline run by Winthrop College handles calls from Rock Hill, Fort Mill, and Indianland.

"Our program handles the York County area," Smith said.

"Basically the area kids can call us locally. Eventually we would like to see "Phone Friend" hotlines set up in the other South Carolina counties as well." The first "Phone Friend" program was set up at Penn State in 1982. The Winthrop program began in March of 1984, and answers an average of 20 calls a day.

"Most of our callers are eight and nine years old," Smith said. "This is about the time parents first begin leaving them alone at home after school. Third and fourth grade is when parents start to let them take care of themselves a little bit more, and many of them are scared or nervous at being alone for the first time."

"Most of our callers, about 85 percent, are just bored or lonely," she continued. "They have nothing to do, so they call the hotline and we talk to them, tell stories, jokes and basically just give them someone to talk to. It leaves the kids feeling better and the students who work the phones feeling good."

Occasionally, however, there are problems that just talking will not sort out.

"There are times when more is needed than just having a different person to talk to each day," Smith said. "The child needs someone who can be there all the time. When we come across a case like that we report it to the school district office so that they can take steps to help the child further. So far this year we've had to make five referrals. Fortunately, we've not had many serious cases arise."

The phone lines are monitored by students in the SED 583 class.

Smith said, "Students in the class are trained to listen to children with problems. As a lab project, they work on the phone lines. Students monitor calls from 2:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. each day, the time of day most latchkey children are home alone."

"I feel like we're becoming a more utilized program as time goes on," Smith said. "As the number of working parents and single parent homes increase, so do the number of latch-key children. A 1982 poll showed that 22 percent of the children in York County are latch-key children. We're taking in nearly double the number of calls we were this time last year. I feel we are providing a useful and valuable service to the York community, and I hope one day it can be expanded to a statewide network," Smith said.

(March 4th at 9:00 PM.)

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Letters

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Cartoonist

Dear editor,

I am concerned about the criticism the cartoonist has been receiving for the past two semesters. I, personally, feel the cartoonist does a good job. He provides us with humor, insight, and he voices feelings we have inside but are never voiced. He addresses topics we all can relate to such as no mail but air mail.

I do not understand where the criticism is coming from. Why do we stand in judgement of Mr. Jones' work? Can the ones who have so much to say draw? If so, why didn't you apply for the cartoonist job? Why do you not write Mr. Jones and give him some suggestions for cartoons? I feel sure he would appreciate the suggestions. You might even be surprised to see that he might even draw them.

Mr. Jones has a talent that many people wished God would have given them. So let's try to give Mr. Jones constructive criticism or suggestions instead of standing in judgement of his cartoons.

Mr. Jones gives a lot to us so we can have a nice Monday. So let's not try to upset him by continuously putting down his work. Because we should try to remember that he gives his time by drawing and meeting deadlines each week. I do not believe he has cartoons just lying around his room. He has to take time and think of them and then draw them. That's time!

There are still students here, Mr. Jones, who find your cartoons the highlight of The Johnsonian. I feel sure he would appreciate the suggestions. You might even be surprised to see that he might even draw them.

Iris Boyd
Senior
Psychology major

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Campbell comes to call

By G.W. GODFREY
TJ staff writer

Gubernatorial candidate Carroll Campbell outlined his plans for South Carolina's future to faculty and students last Friday afternoon.

"My simple effort for this state is to do one thing and that's to make South Carolina competitive," he said before about 50 students and a few faculty members in Dinkins Auditorium.

Campbell advocated increasing the economic base of the state as a way of improving the quality of life in South Carolina by making the state more desirable to new and relocating industries.

"The state of South Carolina has enjoyed a modest growth," he said, while the states next to us have enjoyed tremendous growth.

"There is no reason for that their people aren't better, their work ethic is no stronger, their environment is no better, their natural resources are no better, their geographic location is no better; what is wrong is the fact that South Carolina is not competitive," he said.

Throughout the afternoon he hammered away at his central themes; make the state tax load competitive, recruit new businesses, avoid legislation that would discourage economic growth and make the state work more efficiently with the revenues it already has.

Campbell also called for an increase in the technological base and in increase in technological education.

"We had a period of time during the last few years where we had a brain drain over the state of South Carolina," he said.

"You really don't have a technology component in this state."

"Yet we don't really have a base to create a research triangle in South Carolina," he said.

The candidate was interviewed after his speech.

Q: Do you propose to level off or reduce the tax burden? Is that essentially correct?
A: I propose to make us competitive in tax load.
Q: Well, if you make us competitive in tax load and Washington begins to reduce funding that their sending to the states, where are you going to find the funds for all the things you need to do like putting technology in your group of Ts and building all the facilities for all these industries?
A: I'm looking to broaden the economic base and to gain the revenue increase through the broadening of the economic base rather than to continue to raise money out of the same people. You're going to have to have a process of budgeting in this state that causes a review of existing programs to tell whether they are antiquated, ought to be done away with or consolidated.
You need to be doing more in pragmatic budgeting.
Q: What is your position on the nuclear waste compact, to try and building all the facilities for what is needed though more money out of the same people.
A: I support it. I think that what is needed though more than death penalties or anything else is a certainty of punishment, in crime, period.

The deterrent factor of the death penalty is sometimes lost on the fact that it takes eight, nine years.

Campbell's speech was sponsored by the Young Republicans by arrangement with Campbell's campaign.
Budget cuts cause protest

(CFS) In an unusually harsh flurry of words, college lobbyists last week greeted President Reagan's proposal to push some one million students out of federal aid programs with a bit of guerrilla theater, a public resolve to beat back the cuts and a strange argument on the street with a top Education Department official.

On a Washington sidewalk, the two sides in the budget battle called each other names, accusing each other of being elitist and selfish.

The heat was generated by the president's Feb. 5 proposal to slash the federal student aid budget by $1.7 billion for the 1986-87 fiscal year, which starts next Oct. 1.

The administration wants to cut Guaranteed Student Loan (GSL) funding by nearly one-third, make it harder for middle-income students to get Pell Grants and merge the College Work-Study Program with the Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant Program.

Under the plan—which Congress will debate during the next five months—students also would have to start paying interest on their GSLs while they're still in college.

Higher education leaders as the high priest of education wasted no time calling a news who must make regular conference outside Education sacrifices to the gods. The real Department headquarters to world escapes him. He has yet to propose any real solutions to real education problems. He engages in elitist preaching instead of problem-solving.

Bennett was prepared for the broadside attacks.

Upon hearing of the plan for the theatrical protest outside his office, Bennett reportedly joked to an aide that "maybe we ought to make sure someone (from the department) is on the roof with a fire hose in case it's not raining." Bennett then phoned the same line to Robert Atwell of the American Council on Education (ACE), one of the lobbyists planning to criticize the budget proposal.

But Atwell and the others felt they had to stage the conference.

"We got the pants beat off us (in Congress) in 1981 and '82, and we've been trying to keep the same thing from happening every since," says one official of a public college association.

The official, who requested anonymity "because I'm speaking only for myself," noted "we stand to get killed by Gramm-Rudman (the budget-balancing bill). We stand to get killed by the new Higher Education Act, and we stand to get killed by this budget proposal. We figure the only way we're going to survive this congressional session at all is to fight as hard as we can."

Dance Theater presents annual spring concert

By JILLIAN COFFIN
TJ staff writer

Winthrop Dance Theater is in dance holding their annual Spring "This program will be one of the highlights of the year. None of the pieces are very long and you won't want to miss them."

The concert is a dance theater. Each year the concert is different, put together by forest and reflects the choreographer's style.

"Most of the pieces are, I think this group has a very high energy level, I think this will come across. They are the most technically capable group we've had," Dugan said.

The concert consists of a variety of pieces, including jazz, ballet, modern dance, comedy, and Americana. Americana is a modern dance influenced by folk tales oiled each other names, accusing each other of being elitist and selfish.


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