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Board rejects libel complaint

By MARK WOOD
TJ managing editor

The board of student publications unanimously voted to dismiss a complaint concerning libel last Tuesday.

Brad Godfrey, former Johnsonian staff writer, registered a formal complaint with the board after the publication of Editor Lisa Buie's editorial entitled "SGA control unethical" in the March 24 edition.

"I don't intend to take any legal action," Godfrey said. "I don't intend to take any kind of legal action against the board, the school, or the paper," Godfrey said.

Godfrey claimed that Buie's editorial implied that his recent campaign for editor of The Johnsonian was unethical. In his letter of grievance, which was circulated to all members of the board, Godfrey stated that "accusations were made... which are false and injurious, constituting libel."

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William Fisher, associate professor of communications, pointed out during the meeting that in order to have libel three things must be present: identification, publication, and defamation.

"To say it (the editorial) is libelous is drawing a great, great, great conclusion," Fisher said. "In order to have libel you've got to have three things present... and I don't see them," Fisher continued.

"I think the article is not aimed at you at all... The editorial is aimed at Brett Smith... and it's simply fair comment and criticism," Fisher said. "It can go to great, great lengths and still be considered fair comment and criticism. That's a part of the price we pay for the First Amendment," Fisher said.

Godfrey contended in the meeting that his recent campaign for the position of editor-in-chief of The Johnsonian was libeled by Buie's editorial because he claimed in it he was linked with unethical practices on the part of the student government.

"If Ms. Buie had included a sentence that said something to the effect that this editorial is not meant to infer or imply that the candidate himself was involved in the SGA in taking over the paper for that purpose, etc," Godfrey said.

As stated by Fisher in the meeting, identification is one of three things needed in order to constitute libel. Buie's editorial did not refer to Godfrey by name but instead mentioned the fact that SGA officials, including Brett Smith, had written letters of endorsement for a candidate. This excerpt from Buie's editorial reads as follows: "...Smith and several SGA members wrote letters to the board of publications endorsing a candidate for the position of editor-in-chief."

Godfrey said that he understood that Buie was not addressing him in the editorial, but as a result of the editorial, he and his campaign for editor were injured.

"I understand from the first that she was speaking to people other than myself," Godfrey said. "She was criticizing people other than myself. My point is that in the process myself I have been injured," he said.

"In the process I think my campaign for editor-in-chief got injured. And because my campaign and myself are one and the same I got injured. I guess that's my point," Godfrey said.

Fisher pointed out that libel is legal and is to be expected by those who allow themselves to get involved in public issues.

The problem is that if you feel you have been unjustly (Continued on page 5)

Six to sing with Berry

By KATHY SNEAD
TJ news editor

Six of the Winthrop Singers are scheduled to perform with Ken Berry at an Industrial Trade show in West Palm Beach.

Ken Berry is a television and singing personality whose best known performances include Sam in "Maberry R.F.D." and he was once the spokesman for the Kiny Shoe Co. app.

According to Dr. Robert Edgerton, director of the Winthrop Singers and the Winthrop Chorale, the singers were selected by Edgerton at the request of Lonnis McGlohon, the show's music director.

Edgerton went on to say the show would be a half hour long with several professional performers including Berry and a full orchestra.

"(It's) very exciting in that students will have a chance to rub shoulders with professional entertainers on a national level. It's a wonderful experience," Edgerton said.

Andre Ashley will be one of the students performing at the show. "It's going to be a great experience working with Ken Berry," Ashley said. He also commented it would be great to "see how it's done" on a professional level.

Edgerton said, "The exposure would be good for the school in that the performance will get the name of Winthrop front of Charlotte. McGlohon also organizes the production for conventions and books professional the production from Winthrop talent for them.

Edgerton said McGlohon needed back-up singers for the Berry performance concerning the show will be at the Hilton N.A.P.A and its history of service hotel at West Palm Beach, Fla. April 28.

Symphonic Choir performs

By KAREN PARKER
TJ staff writer

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The choir has performed for 37 years and in 30 states, as well as in Canada. Organized in Utah in 1949, the choir has an average of 75 to 85 permanent singers.

After intermission, they performed various secular pieces. These included "The Rhythm of Life." "Memory" from the Broadway play "Cats" and "From Sea to Shining Sea." The audience called them back for two encores, one of which was "Dem Bones."

The Salt Lake City Symphonic Choir visited Winthrop last week as part of the Fine Arts Series.

They gave a rendition of such sacred pieces as the "Hallelujah Chorus" by Beethoven and "Te Deum Laudamus" by Bizet. They performed the repertoire they gave before the Red Rock amphitheatre in Colorado.
Newsbriefs

Sigma Nu

The brothers of the Sigma Nu fraternity would like to congratulate their new officers for the year 1986-87. Commander Jay Murphy, Lieutenant Commander Mark Aycock, Recorder Jeff Witters, Treasurer John Southerland, Bust Chairman Ken Barney, Pledge Marshall Arthur Kaplan, Chaplain Leonard Tant.

Political Science

There will be a meeting of the Political Science Club today at 5 p.m. in Room 206-B Tillman. Elections will be held. All members should attend.

Microwave short course

Dunnins will sponsor a microwave short course April 15 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 221 Dunnins. The short course will be sponsored by Duke Power. A meal will be prepared for those attending.

Congratulations

Alpha Kappa Psi would like to congratulate Robin Robertson on being awarded the scholarship key and certificate. She received this award at the Yellow Rose formal. Robertson is a junior from Pageland and is majoring in management.

Alpha Phi Alpha

Action For Food. Winthrop Students Concerned About Hunger, congratulates Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and the Ladies of Black and Gold for winning the letter contest for the Child Immunization Act. The group had 100 percent participation.

Winthrop Singers

The School of Music will hold auditions for the Winthrop Singers. Auditions are open to all students. A solo voice is not necessary. Auditions will be held until the end of the semester. Interested students may call Dr. Bob Edgerton or the School of Music at 2255 for more information.

New members

The Beta Phi chapter of Alpha Kappa Psi would like to welcome its new members for spring semester. They are Reenie Alexander, Allison Boggs, Debbie Buchanan, Kenny Clarke, Angie Davis, Joel Manning, Sandre Simon, Bonnie Stratford, Donna Weaver, and Mary Ann Williams. Congratulations.

Waste deposits to be discussed

By KATHY SNEAD
TJ news editor

"Chemical Waste Deposits: power production." The Critical and Environmental Management of the 1980's, is the biggest problem of the '80s, topic of a lecture by Dr. Paul Sanderfer said.

Sanderfer went on to say that South Carolina has "a massive engineering and analysis interest in waste deposit. We Division of Environmental Research and Technology Inc. of Concord, Mass.

Sanderfer said the lecture will discuss "the size and complexity of our country's waste deposit problem. The speech will also tact Sanderfer at 393-3113.

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Schedule revision planned

By TOM STEARNS
TJ staff writer

Winthrop College is offering pre-registered students a special two-week schedule revision period this month. The revisions will be handled April 17-30 from 8:30 to 5 p.m. in 102 Tillman.

Winthrop Registrar Karen Jones explained, "We're trying this revision session to attempt to alleviate the long lines that usually occur at Add/Drop at the beginning of each semester. Hopefully some of the students will make changes now instead of waiting until fall."

Jones cautioned that no new registration will be permitted during this time. "This is simply come first served basis, will be to allow pre-registered students August 28 from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. to clear up any problems in their schedules so that there will not be such a crowd in the fall."

Jones also pointed out that classes can be dropped anytime without having to attend the schedule revision period runs Add/Drop, simply by going to through exam week, students the registration office. Classes should know by then how they can be added with a permission have done in class and if they'll need any major schedule alterations," she said.

"Hopefully," Jones said, "if students will take advantage of these special opportunities, there will not be such a crowd at Add/Drop as there has been in the past. In the meantime, we are looking for new ways to increase the efficiency of the registration system."

First measles case reported

By DR. SUZANNE HAEFLE
Special to TJ

Even though our first measles case is not yet confirmed by blood testing, and this will not be completed for two weeks; therefore, we must assume that this is a true case of Rubella or "red measles" on campus.

The usual symptoms of measles are high fever, persistent dry cough, and pink eyes with purty discharge. After these symptoms are present for three to four days, a rash usually begins about the face and neck and then spreads over the next few days to the trunk and onto the feet. Then this rash gradually fades. The incubation period for measles is 10-14 days.

There are several complications that can occur from measles. These include ear infections, pneumonia, and encephalitis (inflammation of the brain) 1:1,000. The older the individual, the higher the rate of complications.

A case of measles can also be "modified." This usually occurs in a person who has previously been immunized but is still susceptible. It is thought that five percent of those who are "up to date" on their measles immunization are still susceptible. Modified measles may present with low grade or no fever, may or may not have a cough, may or may not have pink eyes with purty discharge, and a rash which is usually present may be sparse. Also, the incubation period may be prolonged from 14-20 days instead of the usual 10-14 days.

Those people that are susceptible to measles are those who have never been immunized for any reason (religious or otherwise), those immunized before they were a year of age, and as mentioned above, those who are immunized and "up to date" still have a five percent susceptibility rate.

Since there has been a probable case of measles on our campus, it is essential for those students and staff, especially those at high risk as mentioned above, to be alerted to either the usual symptoms or the modified symptoms of measles. Those students who are either unimmunized for any reason should report to the Crawford Health Center on a daily basis during the following dates: April 14-23. They should contact Lyn Neil in person and state whether or not they have had any of the above mentioned symptoms of the measles. Please report any possible cases as soon as possible so that we can keep the number of cases confined.

If any student has previously checked on their immunization status earlier this year and were said to be "up to date", there is no need to re-check on those records. If someone is unsure of their immunization status, please call the Crawford Health Center and request to speak to one of the staff nurses. We appreciate your help in trying to deal with this problem.

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Communication is essential to understanding. Some students, faculty, and staff members have expressed that they cannot effectively get stories or ideas to The Johnsonian staff because they are unfamiliar with policy. Since we are interested in obtaining valuable information regarding upcoming events from these groups, the policy is as follows:

The deadline for advertisements, letters to the editor, and newsbriefs is 5 p.m. Tuesday in order to appear in the following week's issue. Deadlines for news stories are Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5 p.m. Simply because a story comes in on Thursday does not mean that it will necessarily appear in the next issue. This is because our contract with the Yorkville Enquirer requires that all but three pages must be completed for printing by Tuesday evening. Stories which do not involve a time element may be held until sufficient space is available at the discretion of the editors. Since we are interested in obtaining valuable information, the deadline for news stories is extended to 5 p.m. Tuesday in order to appear in the following week's issue.

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Letters to the editor

Discouraged

Dear Editor,

In the past couple of semesters I have become very discouraged with the way that The Johnsonian has been operated. It seems that the editor is determined to stir up controversy, or even create some, just for the purpose of gaining attention. Whatever happened to the newspaper which was for the students' use and not the use of the editor? I Dear Editor, I am tired of watching you attempt to slander and abuse "Appalled" and all other related everyone who does not have the editorials. I would like to write same viewpoint that you do. The about this so-called racial newspaper is for the students to hostility that has set all the become informed about college black students on fire? I am a normal everyday student who Johnsonian, not Lisa Buie's usually has little to say about soapbox.

Earlier this year some I have never really been ticked student leaders on campus ap-off like I am now. Lately, pealed to the board of student everyday I turn around it publications to make a change in seems like the blacks or the the leadership of our newspaper. NAACP members are crying The board chose to ignore the about something new. Some new pleasures of the students and reap-type of racial discrimination. point the existing editor. But. The way I feel is that the alas, the students get the final blacks are getting all worked up word.

Yes, The Johnsonian's budget thrup's students, and even white comes before senate soon. A big students, at that, may not have budget of over $20,000--just even done. I believe the black waiting to be cut. Is it true that students drew a conclusion too the paper had over $5,000 left quickly. They said there were no over last year? If so, then I think witnesses to the defacing. Well, them to say what they say.

Sincerely,
Michael Scott Pullon

"Ticked off"

definite statement to the editor.

That money could be used to establish another newspaper with the students in mind. A little competition might just be what The Johnsonian needs.

Ask your constituents, senators; you may just be surprised by what they say.

Sincerely,
John Strickland

TJ letter policy

TJ welcomes letters to the editor on any topic related to Winthrop College. All letters to the editor must be signed by the author. The author's name will not be omitted unless we feel retribution will result. Letters will be limited to 200 words. Letters should be typed, if possible, double spaced, on a 55-inch space line.

Letters should be submitted to Box 6500 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.
Board rejects

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criticized that you open yourself up to that criticism when you get involved in the political process," Fisher said.

After about 20 minutes of discussion, Dr. Tom Morgan, professor of history and board chairman, entertained a motion to deal with the complaint. A vote was taken and the board of student publications unanimously disregarded the complaint. "I feel that we provided ample opportunity for hearing the complaint," Morgan said, "and the board responded by stating that the complaint needed no further consideration as a question of libel. We encourage the student to recognize his right to challenge opinions presented in the paper with his own opinions in letters," Morgan said.

"I only hope that my staff will see from this example how important it is to be familiar with libel laws," Buie said. "If you know you're accurate, you won't have to worry about losing a libel suit," Buie said.

Housing policy unfair

By ALLAN C. JENKINS
TJ contributing editor

Married and international students who believe in the college catalog’s assertion that they will receive priority when applying for Breazeale/Roddey apartments have realized that fair comment is not libelous, they have no right to challenge opinions presented in the paper with his own opinions in letters," Morgan said. "I only hope that my staff will see from this example how important it is to be familiar with libel laws," Buie said. "If you know you’re accurate, you won’t have to worry about losing a libel suit," Buie said.

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Residence Life needs to be aware that for the international and married students—those not for single Americans—having or not having an apartment can make a difference between staying at Winthrop or leaving. It isn’t too late for the folks at Residence Life to reverse the published policy. But will they?
And so ends another year

By L.A. DEDES
TJ sports editor

Well, this is it. After this week Michael Sitts will be taking over as sports editor. I'll be moving on to bigger (not necessarily better) things. But it's been fun! I've enjoyed talking to the athletes and attending various sports events. I may not have done this job justice (and I think I did—quite modesty aside) but my successor will do even better.

On to other things...

The new cheerleaders for 1986-87 have been announced. They are Angie Anderson, Rosa field fences. Collins, Meg Hammond, Jodee Wells, what else can I say? I'd like to say thanks to my sports staff, Mark, Mike, Eric, and Jill Karl Lyles, Gary Prado and Ted. Andrie Grier.

Most of all I want to thank players who call the hand on which you, the reader. You don't do real wear a glove? It's none of this would be possible. 'K' has scored 35 runs, driven in 23 runs, and been successful on 26 or 29 stolen base attempts.

In which state was the first baseball game, as we know it played? The first game of baseball was played at Elysian Field in Hoboken, New Jersey, on June 19, 1846. The game was between the Knickerbockers and the New York Nine. The Knickerbockers lost the game. The game lasted four innings. Have the New York Mets always played in Shea Stadium? No, they had to use a polo field at one point.

Which American League baseball stadium has the deepest outfield fences? Comiskey Park, home of the Chicago White Sox, has the deepest out.

Winfthrop leads Big South in team batting

Through the first 28 games of the season, Winthrop is the top team in the Big South Conference in team batting. Horace Turbeville's club is batting .358. Armstrong State and Coastal Carolina are second and third respectively. Both teams are within four percentage points of the Eagles at the plate.

Dodig leads Big South in hitting

Junior rightfielder Jeff Dodig continues to pace the conference in hitting. He is hitting .432 through the first 28 games. He has 30 hits in 83 trips to the plate. Included in his hits are seven doubles, two triples, and three home runs. He has scored 35 runs, driven in 23 runs, and been successful on 26 or 29 stolen base attempts.

Winthrop and Campbell tied for first in the East

Winthrop and Campbell are currently deadlocked for first place in the East Division of the Big South Conference. Campbell, which swept a three-game series from Winthrop this past week, has a division mark of 41. Winthrop is 6-3 in the division. The two clubs play another three-game series in Rock Hill on April 11 and 12. The outcome of the series will go a long way in determining the winner in the East Division of the conference.

C.C. team takes on bridge

By ERIC FEARN
TJ sports writer

Friday, April 5, members of the Winthrop cross country team traveled to Charleston to participate in the Cooper River Bridge run.

Our stay was an enjoyable one. The race was more for enjoyment than for serious competition. Yet, for this time of year, the times were fairly decent. Accompanied by Head Coach Dr. Edward Guettler, associate professor of mathematics here at Winthrop, and Assistant Coach Dr. David Rankin, associate professor of English and drama, we settled down for our night of rest before the race in the illustrious, architecturally masterpieces, is known far and wide as the Ecoso-Travel Motor Inn. We ate at the Sandbar restaurant near Folly Beach.

The author of this article, being somewhat superstitious, called the "ribbt hand" (I feel like I'm writing an Academy Award speech!) scorecard, what does "K" stand for? "K" is the symbol that means a strikeout. Golden 35:13 over the 6.2 mile course, and he finished 3rd in his age group and 46 overall. Jim Koterba finished in 36:45 and was eighth in his age group and 66 overall. The author of this article ran a time of 37:34 and was eighth in his age group and 118 overall. Dorothy Case ran a time of 47:10, a personal record by more than two minutes, and was eighth in her age group. All of the aforementioned people received hand-made ceramic trophies in the awards ceremony. The times were better than expected at this juncture. Some members of the team will now be preparing for the Come-See-Me road race the weekend of the 11th and a road race coming up in Charlotte the weekend of the 18th.

Eagle Update

BASEBALL

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Winfthrop leads Big South in team fielding

Winthrop is the best fielding club in the Big South Conference after 28 games. The Eagles have a fielding percentage of .969. They have committed only 35 errors in 854 chances in the field.

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Fashion class does windows
By JILLIAN COFFIN
TJ staff writer

Winthrop’s fashion promotion class recently did window displays for stores in downtown Chester.
Ben Fanselow, instructor for the class, said, “We did the windows by invitation. The students did a good job and were well received.”

The promotions class instructs students how to do proper displays. During the course, students are given assignments to try and come up with effective and successful visual displays.

“At the end of the semester we located local store owners and do their displays as an outside project to get a taste of the field,” said Fanselow.

Susan Moore, participating student, said, “We worked in groups of four; each had a store to do. We talked to the owners of the store and redid their windows.”

The class did a variety of stores including office supplies, hardware and clothing.

“Properly done displays are important to merchandisers for catching the buyers’ eyes,” Fanselow said.

Fanselow has done display work for Macy’s, Gimbell’s and Belk. He also owns his own display company called Fanselow Enterprises which does store planning and displays.

“I try to inspire creativity. I instruct the students to try to bring other facets that will bring about special effects,” Fanselow said.

Swimming competition to be held
By PATTI BOARD
TJ staff writer

If you are a Winthrop student and are interested in competitive swimming, a special event will be held April 8 from 2-6 p.m. at Winthrop’s swimming pool in Peabody Gym.

This year’s Swimming Intramurals Senior Invitational will consist of sprint and relay events for both men and women. The sprint events consist of 50-yard individual butterfly, 50-yard individual freestyle, and the 100-yard individual.

The relay events to be held are the 200-yard medley relay and the 100-yard freestyle relay.

The events will be based on a point system in which first place receives nine points, second place receives seven points, third place receives five points, and sixth place receives one point. All events will be timed.

Free T-shirts will be awarded to the men’s and women’s individual champions and runners-up and to the men’s and women’s relay champions and runners-up.

The event is sponsored by the swimming club, the physical education department, and the intramural office. Interested students may sign up at the intramurals office at 202 Peabody Gym. Deadline for entries is Wednesday, April 16 at noon.

Participation will be open to the public. For more information contact the intramurals office at 323-2140.

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