Officials encourage requirements

by STEPHANIE STEWART
TJ staff writer

If students had taken advantage of the cultural events on their own, they would not have become a mandatory requirement, said Jeff Man, vice president for student development.

Man said that the cultural events requirement is a good idea on the whole "because it exposes students to various cultural areas.

President Martha Piper is "delighted" about the cultural event requirement. She said, "it gives students a smorgasboard of events to see that they may not otherwise experience.

Students affected by the requirement have mixed opinions. Bridgett Scaife, sophomore, said "cultural events are good to have, but they need to have more events scheduled on the weekends instead of mostly through the week."

Stephanie Dryton, freshman, said "we need more cultural events that are student oriented rather than geared toward community interest."

Pamela Woods, junior, said "the cultural events requirement is good in that you get exposed to different programs that you would not otherwise see living in a small town, but it's bad when your attendance to these events determines whether or not you graduate on time."

Since the cultural event requirement was first started in 1984, attendance has definitely risen. Statistics show that attendance to cultural events has been as follows: fall '84-1,764, spring '85-2,151, fall '85-3,584, spring '86-3,699, and as of Oct. 16 of this fall semester attendance has already reached 3,560.

Ms. Piper said that the Winthrop program has two purposes: development of each student as an educated person, and the preparation of students for professional careers and the cultural events help to accomplish these goals.

Michael Smith, academic vice president and dean of faculty, thinks that the cultural events requirement is important and very beneficial in three ways: it encourages students to attend events that they would not otherwise, it makes Winthrop College a broad educational experience for all and enables the college to bring in more of a variety of speakers and series.

From discussions with students Smith said he has heard some hesitation and concern about the requirement, but has also heard from students who enjoyed the events and recognized their benefits. He said the cultural events benefit most students because they are from small towns and expose them to significant cultural awareness that they otherwise would not get.

"The program has been successful, but we want to improve it in the future," Smith said. "The one mission of college is to provide a cultural and intellectual broadening experience for all and that can't be accomplished just in a class."

The cultural events committee, consisting of five faculty members, two students, and two non-voting members of the administration decides what events will be included on the cultural events calendar. Committee chairman is Lorraine Gorrell, associate professor of music.

Ms. Gorrell said, "I think the requirement is a good idea and I see the cultural events as a time for taking out for you and improving the quality of life." There is more to education than just acquiring facts."

The cultural event requirement was instituted to develop and broaden the cultural horizons of the Winthrop College student body. The events are chosen from areas related to the arts such as plays, concerts, lectures of "universal appeal," films, art shows, and dance as stated in the cultural events committee report.

Ms. Piper said that "college is more than students, ballgames, and parties; it's also a time of cultural development and maturity."

Former Winthrop President Phil Lader instituted the cultural event requirement in 1984. It will affect the graduating class of 1988 and those thereafter.

SGA revises rules

by MARK WOOD
TJ managing editor

Senate passed 14 bills which would change the student government constitution if approved in a referendum.

Among the biggest changes proposed in the bills was the abolition of the position of attorney general. Bill 10-86-87 proposes that the office of attorney general no longer exist and that judicial board members be appointed by the SGA president. Currently, the attorney general recommends appointees to the SGA president and once appointments have been made, the attorney general chooses the chief justice.

"Presently the judicial board is just hanging," said Donna Chapa, SGA president. "I appoint 12 Judicial Board members under the advice of the attorney general, and the attorney general chooses the chief justice among these members," she said.

"There has not been one case, nor has the board met," Ms. Chapa said. "The responsibilities are very limited. To be able to justifying paying an attorney general $800 a year would be very hard for me."

Although senate is attempting to abolish the position, current Attorney General Richard Gorrell will serve the duration of his term. Ms. Chapa said that the changes being proposed were not meant to imply that Golden was not doing a good job. "Richard Golden as the present attorney general is in agreement with these changes also," said Ms. Chapa. "It's no reflection on Richard Golden's job. It's been like this for the last five years."

Another important bill was 17-86-87, which forbids any senator to serve in any other elected position of SGA. "Somehow down the road we feel it could mean a conflict of interest," Ms. Chapa said. "We want to get more people involved."

All 14 bills passed first reading by a clear majority and were sent to the rules and regulations committee.

If all bills make it through committee and pass second reading, the constitution changes will be presented to the student body for a vote Nov. 12. Of the students who vote, three-fourths must vote in favor of the referendum for it to pass.

In other business, Day Senators John Gibson and Erik Whaley were expelled because they exceeded the maximum number of absences in senate. Such a measure requires a two-thirds majority vote. Senate voted to expel Gibson and Whaley by a clear majority. Two temporary appointments will be made until elections are held in November.

SYNTAX ERRORS - These students represent quite a few who have to spend time working on programs in the computer room. Winthrop offers classes in several computer languages, from Basic to Lotus 1-2-3. (Photo by Francois Delamarre)
News Briefs

WINNER -- The Pi Kappa Alpha Pledge Class would like to congratulate Scott Ross for winning last week's raffle.

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL -- The York County Alliance for Peace will hold a candlelight vigil to promote peace and justice in Nicaragua. The vigil will begin 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29, in Cherry Park. For more information call 327-5640.

SIGMA NU -- The brothers of Sigma Nu wish to congratulate their pledge Jimmy Blevins on his winning a $300 cash prize for Best Accountant from the Gastonia chapter of the National Association of Accountants. Congratulations also to "Brother of the Week," Jeff Switzer, and to Todd Adams for winning a VCR in our raffle last week.

Mock election

Campbell wins

by LISA BUÍE
TJ executive editor

If Winthrop students had their way, Republicans would hold the state, and a Democrat would go to Washington.

U.S. Rep. Carroll Campbell, the Republican gubernatorial candidate, won 60.5 percent of the vote, with Lt. Gov. Mike Daniel, the Democratic candidate, receiving only 39.5 percent in a mock election sponsored by the Winthrop Republicans and Young Democrats Thursday.

In the race for lieutenant governor, Republican U.S. Rep. Tommy Hartnett was the victor with 58.8 percent of the vote while state Sen. Nick Theordore, the Democratic candidate, collected 41.2 percent.

Incumbent U.S. Sen. Ernest F. Hollings, a Democrat, received 61.6 percent of the vote, and Republican candidate Henry McMaster, a former U.S. attorney, received 38.4 percent.

A total of 293 students participated.

"I think the election was a good thing Winthrop College did. It's good when students get involved in state politics," said James Dedes, political science club president. "I was very pleased with the turnout," Winthrop Republicans chapter President Ann Mary Carley said.

"I was happy with the outcome because I hope Carroll Campbell will be our next governor. I also hope that Lader supporters will support Campbell," she added.

Adult day care provides fun

by TINA EZELL
TJ staff writer

The house at 412 Park Ave. is small, unpretentious and rather homely looking. But something draws people to it like a magnet. Perhaps it is the sign in the neatly-groomed front yard: The Park Avenue Day Center, Inc.

What?

This center is a new idea in York County. It is unique in that it is the only adult day care center in this part of the state.

Ann Barton, founder and director of the center, said she got the idea of an adult day care center when her mother got involved in one in Columbus. Mrs. Barton said she wondered why York County didn't have something like that and she immediately started working toward a local center.

The main goals of the center, according to the official pamphlet, are "to assist the adult toward achieving or maintaining the maximum level of independence, to stimulate and support physical and mental functioning, and to provide respite to other care givers."

Mrs. Barton, who is also the program nurse, has each person or his family fill out application and medical forms before she interviews the prospective patient. A trial day is set aside and if all goes well, that person will be admitted to the center.

Transportation and fee payments are adjusted according to each person's needs.

The day usually starts around 8 a.m. when the first patient arrives. Everyone engages in group discussion until exercise time, when Mrs. Barton directs "recliner aerobics" which are designed especially for the person who is not as mobile as he used to be.

After exercises, the patients have lunch and an hour rest period. A game period follows from 3 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m. is a craft period. The craft time normally includes some type of reality orientation for those who require it, which is meant to give the patient a better understanding of the world around him. The reality can be a day, a date, the writing of one's name, or even color association.

Although students favored Republicans, Broach said that the results don't mirror statewide preferences.

"The state is much more diverse in composition. In reality, the races are very close, especially the races for governor and lieutenant governor," he said.

At 3 p.m. a snack is served and the center settles down to a quiet full. Most of the patients start to go home around 4 p.m., and the break between three and four is a welcome one.

Between activities patients are free to do whatever they want. One woman plays the organ and leads a singing session. Another woman crochets Christmas ornaments. A man and the student assistant play dominos. On Thursday mornings a volunteer gives a Bible study. Twice a week the van takes the patients to a local beauty salon for haircuts and styling, and once a month the families get together for a question-and-answer session.

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New position created in student development

by GLENDA VINSON
'TJ' staff writer

Jill Mitchell just can't get enough of Winthrop College.

Ms. Mitchell, a former undergraduate and graduate student, has been named assistant director for student development.

"I thought that I could be really effective because of the fact that I had been here as an undergraduate and graduate student. As a graduate student, I had a chance to work with a lot of different faculty and staff and get another view of life at Winthrop," she said.

Ms. Mitchell’s duties are many. She manages the emergency student loan fund, is responsible for minority student activities, co-sponsors lectures that organizations and groups would like to bring in, and is responsible for conducting ongoing needs assessments among minority students.

Community watch helps to protect student belongings

by TINA GAUTHIER
'TJ' staff writer

An on-campus community crime watch is being formed in an effort to prevent tampering with cars and bikes and other acts of vandalism.

Winthrop has had a campus watch group for the past two years, but interest has waned.

In the crime watch program, two student volunteers are positioned in a building with a two-way radio; they are the "eyes" for public safety, and they are never in any danger.

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Conventions stress leadership

by KAREN PARKER
'TJ' staff writer

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Cultural events cause crowds

Beginning with the class of 1988, former Winthrop President Phil Lader began a program that required all students to attend a given number of cultural events in order to graduate.

At first there was only one class, the freshmen, pouring into those events to fulfill the requirement. Now three classes are required to attend, and by next year the entire school will have to have three events for every 15 class hours taken.

As it stands, students must meet this requirement in order to graduate. That means that each student attending Winthrop must accumulate up to 24 cultural events, in addition to credit hours, to graduate.

Granted, if the entire college is required to attend these events, attendance naturally is going to increase. But what kind of attendance will it be? Will Brynes auditorium be filled with a group of truly enthusiastic students who are wanting to be "culturally enriched," or with bored students who need to graduate? Probably the latter.

A committee exists to determine what will be considered cultural events. Events such as plays, orchestra concerts and recitals are usually "cultural," while events such as the recent visit by cartoonist Doug Marlette are submitted to the board for consideration as they are scheduled.

When the requirement was first imposed on freshmen in 1984, only one class had to attend these events. Now there are three, soon to be four, and this only means that more disgruntled students will be attending events that they might not otherwise attend.

Perhaps a compromise such as requiring only sophomores to attend events would be reasonable. That is a good year because freshmen are adjusting to college life, and upperclassmen's courses are difficult and demand more attention.

Students are not told what majors to pursue, nor are they told which electives they may take. The administration makes no attempts to dictate extracurricular activities to students so there should be no need to force attendance at cultural events.

Igor, flip the switch

by VAN NORTON
TJ staff writer

Igor, flip the main switch.
"Yesss, Master." Ah, that's better. The lighting in my dungeon is not the best for writing, but it has so much ... atmosphere.

This is my favorite time of year. I mean Halloween, of course. The networks run all those delightful horror movies with those evil men trying to drive stakes through the hearts of all those vampires. Truly horrible. Now that Jason chap, he has the right idea. Hack people right up to the end, and then, just when you think he is finally dead for good, he shows up in another movie to hack yet again. I truly worry that the writers will run out of ways to bring him back.

The elections are coming up. That's why we get an extended weekend that the administration insists upon calling a fall break. We could really use a good showing of college-age voters at the polls. After all, do you think that politicians will worry about pleasing a group that doesn't bother vote? If you think politicians don't remember what groups voted when they make decisions in office, then you're only fooling yourself. We have a voice, and we need to use it on Nov. 4.

A final note: Be careful what you sign. A petition has been circulating around campus. The basic question is, "Do you believe in God?" If you answer yes, and most will, the petitioner asks you to sign your name and address on his petition which supports a church identified only by its initials and which is, among other things, anti-Communist.

Unconfirmed reports indicate that the church in question may be what many refer to as a cult. In short, what you sign may actually support an organization that you don't agree with. This may not be the case, but it is certainly possible. Be sure to find out exactly what you are getting into before you sign that dotted line.

The lights are getting dim again. Igor, hit the secondary power switch.
"Yesss, Master." No, not that sw... "BOOM!" Perfect, just perfect.

Fall break too late this year

by LINDA DAY
TJ contributing editor

I've been a lot more tired, edgy, cranky and frazzled in the last week than usual, and I find that it is steadily getting worse. At first I wondered whether it was just old age setting in. After all, I'm a ripe old 20 now.

However, upon further examination of the problem, I have decided that it is not old age. It's fall break or the lack thereof that is the culprit.

I've already had my midterm futility is halfway through, and we have yet to be released into the real world again under our own recognitions.

Fall break is late again this year. And, personally speaking, it's wreaking havoc with my studies. I have a really unconnected attitude about the whole thing. My attention span is about equal to that of a two-year-old. At this point I can honestly say that it just doesn't matter.

I'm not claiming to be an expert, but we need an earlier fall break. To the devil with the politicians and their November elections. Abstainee ballots are easy enough to obtain for those conscientious enough to vote. But let's face it, the majority of college students won't vote anyway. It's not a national election year -- turnout is always lower.

Besides that, most of us will use this fall break as a period to wind down and then get psyched back up for the second half of this extended semester. The biggest decision most of us will be making over break will be whether to watch MTV or the soaps. The furthest thing from our minds will be politics.

While I'm griping about this semester, I might as well get my digs in about how the semester has been extended by ten days. Ten days may not seem like a

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Group strikes chaos

The opening act was nondescript other than their utter confusion of identity. Analytical analysis: they were boring.

The theme energy and confusion describe Fetch'n Bones (hereby referred to as F.B.). The band is made up of Hope Nichols, vocals, Davidson student; Aaron Pritkin, guitar, from Vermont; Gary White, guitar, from Wisconsin; Mark Mueller, drums, from Long Island; Danna Potts, bassist, from Charlotte.

What is most arresting about the band's performance is that melodies originate from chaos. F.B.'s vocalist, Ms. Nichols, doubles on harmonica, sticks, bells, anything to make a noise; anything to assist perpetual motion. Her voice is an intriguing mix of Southern drawl and Boston twang, a strange brew rasping through the mix. Her vocals create a noise; anything to assist perpetual motion. Her voice is an intriguing mix of Southern drawl and Boston twang, a strange brew rasping through the mix. Her vocals create anything to assist perpetual motion. Her voice is an intriguing mix of Southern drawl and Boston twang, a strange brew rasping through the mix. Her vocals create...
Lessons are too tragic to ignore

by MICHAEL SITTS
TJ sports editor

Jerry Smith, former all-pro tight end for the Washington Redskins, died Wednesday, Oct. 15, of AIDS. He was 43.

Smith's death is one of the tragedies that has occurred in what has been a sad year for both professional and amateur athletes.

His demise upped a death toll that has included Pelle Lindberg, possibly the best hockey goalie of recent years; Len Bias, 1986 ACC basketball player of the year; and Don Rogers, all-pro safety for the Cleveland Browns.

Lindberg died when he wrapped his Porsche around a building while he was driving while drunk. He was traveling in excess of 90 mph.

Bias' death resulted from the use of cocaine, as did Rogers'. Yet there is something even more disturbing about Smith's death. He was a star, a top performer in a very physical game.

He was, if you like, a symbol of masculinity, or even virility.

His body was wasted away. When he died he was a skeletal shadow of his former self.

Making it even harder to conceptualize how or why such a man could come to such a fate is the stigma of the relationship between AIDS and homosexuality. A powerful man became powerless. He never had a chance.

There should be no judgment, no assessment of Smith's lifestyle. That is not for the likes of us to do. Rather, we must reel from the impact.

Lindberg's death should have taught others not to drink and drive. It didn't. Bias and Rogers' deaths should have convinced people not to abuse, or even use cocaine. They didn't.

So what should we look for Smith's death to teach us? What does one warn a young man of in this case?

The dismaying thing is that already, there are new generations of young athletes and people in general who haven't felt the impact of those lessons.

The focus on the deaths noted above does not mean to diminish the importance of less publicized, more personal tragedies. It is just that a professional or collegiate athlete has relevancy upon an enormous audience. All of us are touched by Bias' death, and Rogers'.

When Jerry Smith visited the Redskins training camp a few months ago, he joked with the players and coaches. But TRAGIC TO IGNORE

Moving into the NCAA Division I for the first time, the Winthrop College Volleyball team has the toughest schedule in the school's history.

The Eagles have a record of 8-13 this season, but the team feels that they are improving everyday.

Third-year Coach Cathy Ivester feels that the team is playing well.

"The team is better than their record shows. The teams that we are playing are very tough. The games we lost to Baptist and Georgia Tech were hard fought," said Ivester. "We gave Baptist a hard match and we did win one of the games against Georgia Tech."

"The team is rebuilding and are improving everyday. They have the spirit to keep trying. They are very optimistic and so am I," Ivester said.

"Carol Henderson, our captain is a good team leader. Pam Delahoy is a solid player. She's also very smart and consistent. Lisa Mullins is probably the best middle blocker in the conference. Sandy Brito has also shown a great deal of improve ment," Ivester said.

The volleyball team plays at Clemson Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. They will then play at the Wake Forest Round-Robin in Winston Salem, N.C. on Nov. 1. On Nov. 4, they will play their last home game against UNC Charlotte. The Big South Conference Tournament will be held in Radford, Virginia on Nov. 7-8.

The soccer team has done such a thing. After a 5-0 loss to Campbell at Buies Creek, N.C., Sept. 24, Winthrop dropped to 0-6 on the season and 0-2 in the conference with only one conference opponent Coastal Carolina. Things got worse before they got better.

The soccer team has survived schedule

by ERIC FEARN
TJ staff writer

The Winthrop College soccer team has survived a tough schedule, managing to compile an 8-7 record at this point in the season.

In the drama and comedy that is athletic competition, a fine line is often drawn between winning and losing. Few moments in sports are more encouraging than the moments in which an athletic team turns it around after a series of dismal performances.

The soccer team has done just such a thing. After a 5-0 loss to Campbell at Buies Creek, N.C., Sept. 24, Winthrop dropped to 0-6 on the season and 0-2 in the Big South Conference. The slide started on opening day with a 2-1 loss to Catawba College at Eagle Field. Winthrop then dropped a 3-2 decision to King College and was shut out, 2-0, by conference opponent Coastal Carolina. Things got worse before they got better.

Winthrop dropped two games in a weekend at Davidson College, falling 8-1 to Davidson and 2-1 to Tennessee Wesleyan. Then came the loss to Campbell. Asked about the slide, coach Jim Casada said, "We are very inexperienced; we have a lot of new faces this season. We've also had an abnormal number of injuries. As a result, we weren't working as a team. We had no cohesiveness."

The Campbell game could be seen as a turning point. Since then, Winthrop has come on to win eight of nine games.

Two wins came at home against conference opponents Radford and UNC-Asheville, by scores of 2-1 and 3-1.

Then came a trip to Charleston to play The Citadel. After being shut out twice in their first six games, the Eagles recorded their first shutout of the year, whipping Citadel 1-0.

Winthrop then traveled to Rome, Ga., but lost to Berry College, 1-0.

The Eagles haven't lost since. Their string of five straight victories started Oct. 12 with a 9-2 win over Armstrong State in Savannah, Ga.

That was followed the next day by a 3-2 win over Augusta, Ga., which left them 4-2 in the conference with only one conference game left, that against Baptist College in Charleston Oct. 29.

The Eagles continued their

Volleyball improves

by CARL JOHNSON
TJ sports writer

Moving into the NCAA Division I for the first time, the Winthrop College Volleyball team has the toughest schedule in the school's history.

The Eagles have a record of 8-13 this season, but the team feels that they are improving everyday.

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"The team is rebuilding and are improving everyday. They have the spirit to keep trying. They are very optimistic and so am I," Ivester said.

"Carol Henderson, our captain is a good team leader. Pam Delahoy is a solid player. She's also very smart and consistent. Lisa Mullins is probably the best middle blocker in the conference. Sandy Brito has also shown a great deal of improvement," Ivester said.

The volleyball team plays at Clemson Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. They will then play at the Wake Forest Round-Robin in Winston Salem, N.C. on Nov. 1. On Nov. 4, they will play their last home game against UNC Charlotte. The Big South Conference Tournament will be held in Radford, Virginia on Nov. 7-8.
Softball team rebounds for the spring

by MARK BIESECKER
TJ staff writer

The Winthrop women's softball team, which finished 30-12 and was ranked 19th in NCAA Division II by the final poll a year ago, has lost seven starters, but coach Frankie Griffin has recruited 11 freshmen in what he calls "my best recruiting year."

"Ninety percent of the key to success is to recruit good athletes," said Griffin, who sports a 130-41-1 career record at Winthrop.

Griffin attributes this year's success to three factors. First, Winthrop is now an NCAA Division I school. Second, he has received more financial support from the athletic department. Third, Winthrop is attractive to potential student-athletes.

"It's difficult to get Division I caliber players without being Division I ourselves," Griffin said. "We have now attained that status. Further, our academic programs, as well as our facilities, are excellent."

The lady Eagles finished 7-3 in fall scrimmage games. They will begin their season with a doubleheader at home March 2, 2 p.m., against UNC-Wilmington. They'll also face teams such as Stetson University, South Florida, Georgia Tech, University of Virginia, University of North Carolina, Penn State, and Rutgers.

Griffin will be counting on three newcomers in particular: Melinda Thornton, a freshman catcher from Chattanooga, Tenn., described by Griffin as a "Big Stick"; Wendy Wilkes, a freshman third baseman who drove in two with a triple to beat North Carolina and who is being eyed to bat clean-up; Kim Harley, a freshman pitcher from Airport High School in Columbia, S.C., who last year led Airport to a 4-A state championship and was named MVP in the North-South All-Star Game.

Griffin also will depend on sophomore pitchers Marcie Ray, 2.74 ERA, and Laura Blackmore, 1.12 ERA, to provide leadership and strikeouts counted on to provide leadership.

"I'm looking forward to the upcoming season because of our entering Division I competition," said Roach. "Well be seeing stiffer competition and teams we've never played before. The pitching mound has been moved back three feet (NCAA Division I rules), which will present a different look and, in turn, hopefully will mean more hits."

The enthusiasm will be great with so many young players," Griffin said, "and it's a good position to be in. I've got five outfielders, six infielders, and five pitchers who could start on opening day. Right now, I can't say who will be starting."

FLAG FOOTBALL action in intramural events at Peabody and Sims fields. (photo by Laurie Ann Dedes)

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FEATURES

Pikas roll into problem areas

by KRIS SYKES
TJ staff writer

It’s not easy being handicapped at Winthrop College. That’s what 15 members of Pi Kappa Alpha discovered on “Wheelchair Awareness Day” Wednesday, Oct. 15.

Ken Carroll, a quadrapalegic since a diving accident two years ago, organized the event. The 15 members of the fraternity rode borrowed wheelchairs for an entire day.

Carroll, a 20-year-old sophomore, said one of the goals was for participants to find out firsthand which areas of the campus were most difficult for people in wheelchairs to get to. One of the first problems the brothers experienced was in their own house.

“The ramp from the TV room into the house was unbelievable. Once you got up it, which was a 20-minute task, you had to lift the front of the chair over a door stop,” Carroll said.

Of areas on campus hardest to get to, Johnson topped the list. There is not an elevator or a ramp to get to the classrooms.

Greg Toney, junior, and James Dedes, senior, had no choice but to carry their wheelchairs upstairs to communications classes.

 Tillman was also difficult to get into and to the elevator on the first floor.

Carroll said there is no sign to tell handicapped visitors which side of Tillman the ramp is on.

“It was easier for me because I know where it is,” Carroll said.

In addition to ramp problems, the facilities on campus hardest is the elevator. Carroll said, “I feel closer to the guys in the fraternity now that they know what it’s like to be in a wheelchair,” Carroll said.

“We can relate now too,” Toney said. “We can see how he goes through life. There’s a lot we take for granted.”

“The facilities on campus are good, but there is definitely room for improvement,” Dedes said.

Dedes also experienced problems on the sidewalks along

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Party given for elderly

by TINA EZELL
TJ staff writer

The members of the Park Avenue Day Care Center are in for a big surprise. On Oct. 29, the Delta Pi chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma is giving a Halloween party for them.

Sallie Douglass, who organized the party, said they plan to give a skit and maybe “sing some songs and play some bingo.” There’ll also be cupcakes and Halloween candy and yogurt.

Ju League, a senior, said they plan to dress in Costumes. As happy to be involved. As able to do much, but everyone is to 3 p.m., she said, they won’t be there have only one hour, from 2 to 3 p.m., they said, won’t be able to do much, but everyone is happy to be involved.

“I’m excited about going,” she said, “I think it will be fun.” The Sigmas found out about the Day Center through a member, Darla Patterson, who is activities director there. Ms. Patterson had sent newsletters to all sororities and fraternities, and when the Sigmas expressed interest, she asked them to give a day.

The Sigmas aren’t able to say whether they will be able to work with the center during the next academic year, but for the rest of this year they will be hopping over to the center every now and then to give more parties, or maybe just to visit. Their philanthropy deals mainly with children, but local projects can include anything.

The participants at the center also are thrilled about the party. Lavinia Lowry, 89, is especially excited because she has always loved parties and young people.

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Students try skydiving

by KAREN PARKER
TJ staff writer

As the parachute carrying two men floated to the ground, Ken Carroll's face beamed with joy from inside the helmet and goggles he wore. After his descent of 3,500 feet, a crowd surged towards him, cheering. The jump, five minutes and 20 seconds overall, was not in itself remarkable. But it was a triumph for Carroll, a quadriplegic who broke his neck two years ago in a swimming accident. "I put off so many things before my accident, and now I can't do them. If I'd done them when I said I'd do them, I'd have done so much. But now, I'll never get to do all those things," Carroll said.

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Oakland Avenue. He said he almost wound up in the street because of the cracks.
"There needs to be specific signs to mark the handicapped places," Dedes said.
Jill Mitchell, assistant director of student development, said she plans to work with someone at the physical plant to improve conditions on campus.

Programs are made accessible to handicapped students, she said. If a handicapped person is enrolled in a course he cannot get to, the classroom where that course meets will be moved.

No more than 10 handicapped students are currently enrolled at Winthrop, Ms. Mitchell said. She and Carroll are working on the problems he faces.

Bill Culp, director of special projects, said he is anxious to help and has spent several million dollars to limit the hazards on campus.

The fraternity took donations to benefit the Park Avenue Day Care Center. As of last Tuesday, $350 had been raised.

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I WANT A JOB - These students take advantage of career day last week. Schools were featured Wednesday, and businesses on Thursday. (Photo by Francois Delamare)
Rock Hill business to support Winthrop

by SUSAN L. DILLARD

TJ staff writer

“Partners in Progress,” a drive that will allow the Rock Hill business community to support Winthrop, will attempt to provide Winthrop with more money for student programs.

The goal for the drive has been set at $100,000. The drive will last only through Nov. 8.

Local businesses will be encouraged to contribute to Winthrop through the Winthrop College Foundation.

Rob Ruark, director of development, said, “I looked at the needs of Winthrop and looked at how the business community could fit in with those needs; then I talked with business leaders about those needs.”

“Partners in Progress” began when C. H. Albright approached the Rock Hill Chamber of Commerce to ask for help with Winthrop College. The Chamber decided to wait until Winthrop’s centennial year to help coordinate a drive that would involve Rock Hill businesses.

The Chamber does not usually support specific groups or institutions. “Partners in Progress” is unusual for two other reasons: only business people in the Rock Hill area will be contacted, and no such drive involving town and college has been done before.

“Money received from the drive will go to help students through scholarships, academic programs and student life programs,” Ruark said.

The drive, asking for a one-year gift, will be conducted by volunteers and through letters sent to local businesses.

“We are fortunate to have some of the top leaders in the community involved in this drive. For example, F. Merritt Wilkerson and George W. Dunlap are both trustees of the college. Most others are members of the board of the Winthrop Foundation,” Ruark said.

Fall break

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A lot of time, but to those of us who work over the break between semesters, this is a major problem.

Time is money and 10 days is a lot of money that we won’t be making Christmas time is a boon for working students. Since we will be in school longer, this cuts down on the time that we’ll have to earn more — money that might help pay for next semester since loans and grants are so hard to come by these days.

Winthrop has traditionally opened up and closed down school earlier than any other school in the state. Why start messing with a great tradition now?

Yes, I am irritable, fatigued, cranky and generally not a happy camper if I can hold out until Oct. 31 without either going stark raving mad or joining a right-wing movement. I’ll be doing great.

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and practicing maneuvers they would perform while plummeting to earth at 200 mph.

Jim Beasley and Bill Moss of Raleigh, N. C., were dressed in bathrobes. Contrary to expectations, they weren’t going to dive nude. They were only carrying on a tradition of the “Travel Club,” which says that when a skydiver travels to a new drop zone he must wear a bathrobe.

The camaraderie of the drop zone enveloped the Winthrop newcomers, but as they waited for a plane, it was obvious that nervousness was taking over.

“I’m scared to death I can’t fathom what it’ll be like, but I guess I’m as ready as I’ll ever be,” Whitehead said.

A Cessna-318 finally rolled alongside and the trio climbed in with the jumpmaster, an instructor who accompanies and directs the divers.

The plane circled overhead. Then three small dots appeared in the blue sky, and three canopies billowed open. Safe and sound, the group decided to stay on for a steak cookout.

The next morning, Carroll and Ms. Hardin headed out to Chester again.

Instructor Rusty Vest of Fayetteville, N. C., was to jump with Carroll. Vest has six years of experience diving with physically impaired people. He and Carroll were strapped together and taken up. Dillé and Mrs. Barb Lauro, Carroll’s physical therapist, jumped with them.

On the ground, spectators gathered and necks began to crane. It was the first tandem jump into the Skydive Carolina drop zone by a physically impaired person.

Afterwards, Carroll could only say, “It was incredible!”

So much interest was generated by the adventure that Dillé suggested starting a skydiving club at Winthrop and volunteered to work as a faculty adviser. Dillé has been skydiving since he was a sophomore in college and once sold his saxophone to buy a parachute.

Anyone wary of the skydiving experience need only ponder Whitehead’s comments after the safe landing. “I felt like a feather. I don’t think I’ll ever be the same again.”

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