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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 smorgasbord of events to see that they may not otherwise experience.

Students affected by the requirement have mixed opinions. Bridgett Scaffe, 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 '85-3,584, fall '86-2,151, 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 culture 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 horizon of the Winthrop College student body. The events are chosen from areas related to the arts such as plays, concerts, lectures, "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 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 elimination 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 justify 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 Golden 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. "Somewhere 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.
Mock election
Campbell wins

by LISA BUUE
TJ executive editor

If Winthrop students had their way, Republican U.S. Rep. Tommy Hartnett would be governor of the state, and a Democrat would go to Washington.

It's not that Republicans, Broach said that the races are very close, especially the races for governor and lieutenant governor, that he used to be.

The day usually begins 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 5 p.m. and 2 to 3 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.

Mrs. Barton is proud of the progress made by the center. Since the public has become aware of the great need of adult day care facilities, great efforts have been made to make York County's center as comfortable as possible. Donations have been coming in since the opening day in May: televisions, recliners, tables, a stereo, an organ, a yogurt maker, records, books and artwork. The center is a new idea in York County. It is unique in this part of the state.
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 successful events that organizations and groups would like to bring in, and is responsible for conducting ongoing needs assessments among minority students.

Conventions stress leadership

by KAREN PARKER
TJ staff writer

Members of Dinkins Student Union, The Student Government Association, the Resident Student Association, and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People participated in conventions earlier this month to better serve Winthrop students.

DSU sent 11 members to Raleigh, N.C., to participate in the National Association for Campus Activities, Southeast Region.

Tom Webb, DSU director, said, "NACA is part of a national non-profit organization which is involved in campus programming and activities." All NACA member colleges from the Southeast region, which includes Virginia, the Carolinas, Georgia, Mississippi, Florida, Alabama and Tennessee, attended the convention.

It is one of two conventions DSU will attend this year. The other is the NACA National Convention in February.

Among other subjects, the regional convention offered seminars on time management, how to be a leader in a school setting, how to offer low cost entertainment, and concert lighting. Rock 'n roll bands, comedians, jugglers and hypnotists were showcased in booths. They displayed parts of their performances for the visiting students. The performances help the student unions determine which acts will be most enjoyed by the collegiate crowd back on campus.

In another part of the country, Cristina Grabiel, associate dean for student development, with the National Student Exchange, Student Government Association and Greek organizations.

"The variety," said Ms. Mitchell, "is what I like most about my job. I cannot say I've been bored one minute since I've been here, I haven't had a chance. Everyday more and more students find out that I'm here, and I love for students to come in here."

The goal of the student development office is difficult for Ms. Mitchell to get accustomed to. "Because it is a new office and a new position, that means there is nothing for me to go by."

Making sure students are aware of the office, making herself available for students, and getting minority students more involved in student activities and organizations are overall goals for Ms. Mitchell.

"I'm glad to be here. I feel I can make a very real and sincere commitment to the college, but I can do that only with the assistance of the students," she said.

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.

Lt. Margaret Jordan of public safety feels that a community watch group would help lower the crime rate, especially bike thefts.

"We'd like to solicit everyone's help in the crime watch. Report anything suspicious; people, vehicles, anyone doing anything suspicious," Ms. Jordan said.

"We should all work together on this; we don't want people who aren't friends and supporters of the Winthrop family on campus," President Martha Kime said.

Ms. Piper met with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, as well as the president of other campus organizations, to discuss possibilities for increased campus security.

"We discussed ways more eyes could be used to assist public safety," Ms. Piper said.

"How many students we have will determine how well we can do the job," said Cristina Grabiel, associate dean for student development.

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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 Byrnes 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. "Yess, 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 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. "Yess, 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 steady, 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 midterms, the semester is halfway through, and we have yet to be released into the real world again under our own recognizances.

Fall break is late again this year. And, personally speaking, it's wreaking havoc with my studies. I have a really uninterested attitude about the whole thing. My attention span is not equivalent 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. Absentee 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...
Group strikes chaos

by ANTHONY COLLINS
TJ staff writer

The opening act was nondescript other than their utter confusion of identity. Existential 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 Pittkin, 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 double take. Her singing is scattershot; full of bursts of short concise combinations. Her voice crackles, remains, they seem to emerge from the North Carolina club and college circuit is The Connells. Based in Raleigh, N.C., they are a five-piece band that has been getting critical acclaim in various magazines including Sounds, East Village Eye, and City Limits.

Their debut album, "Darker Days" is a hot mixture of new Southern pop (and I don't mean Sugar Creek), melodic moody textures, and English-sounding vocals.

These guys simply write great songs! They've had a video on (God forbid) MTV's 120 minutes and they played the Milestone in Charlotte, N.C., this past summer.

The "Darker Days" LP, originally on Demon Records, but now being pressed at Black Park Records, has amazing range revealing a near perfect blend of American guitar and U.K. pop.

Throughout the record, the guitars shimmer, jangle and compliment each other. Bass is now being pressed at Black Park burst out of the mix then die as airy keyboards float the song back in the lazy afternoon sun.

In "My Head" and "Hats Off" are both cerebral exercises poured forth in the vocals and the surrealistic interplay of the guitars. Both songs are driven by some really maniac drumming as Paulinha do, Costa's Latin percussion sounds on "Hey Now" and "Papa Legba." These two songs are a direct feedback from the roots and land where "True Stories" was recorded, southern Texas. The band not only incorporates Mexican influences into their music; the use of the steel guitar and fiddles defines the country influences of the area.

Two deep ballads of small towns and rural life are the last two tracks on the album. "People Like Us," the best selection on the album, examines people who watch television, get fat, empty their own trash, answer their own phones and worry only about finding another human to love.

By integrating these three styles of music into a cleanly recorded album of thought-provoking music. This time, the Heads achieve a sound by using a subtle Latin swing on electronically dense rock sound and a mixture of both spirited vocals and down home country sounds.

By integrating these three styles of music into a cleanly recorded album of thought-provoking and allusive material, the Talking Heads have once again fascinated their followers and, more importantly, have attracted a new set of interested listeners.

"True Stories" is an unfailingly good music through diversity. "True Stories" is not a master piece, but it is a solid piece of work.
**SPORTS**

**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 includes Pelle Lindberg, possibly the best hockey goalie of recent years; Len Bias, 1986 ACC basketball player of the year; and Don Rogers, all-sport player 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 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.

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 relevance 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 there is no joking now — not with a dead man.

**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.

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. Sandy Brits is a good team leader. Pam Delahoy is a solid player. She’s also very smart and consistent. Sandy Brits has contributed by moving to sweeper back, a vital defensive position.

**Soccer survives 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 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.

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

**Soccer team practices under eye of assistant coach John Garvilla.** (photo by Todd Avant)

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.

And so on to the playoff, which will be held at Buies Creek, N.C., Nov. 13-15.

Coman and Alex Herrera as the two standouts on the team. Several young players have also played vital roles. Coman leads the team in goals (7), scoring (20), and assists (6). Herrera has contributed by moving to sweeper back, a vital defensive position.

Only four players have started all 15 games, Coman, Herrera, John Simmons and Nick Plakas. Eduardo Rodriguez, Jeff Cope and Antonio Patillo also have seen extended action.

Rodriguez is second in goals and scoring with 5 and 12 points respectively. Simmons and Cope each have three assists. Also playing a major role is Jean Marie Bonnard, who had scored four goals and totaled 10 points.

Herrera, Bonnard and Nigel Vidale are the only players who will not return next season.

“This year’s schedule probably looks weak, but many teams we play are small college powerhouse. They actually put more money into their soccer programs than Winthrop does.”

Next year’s schedule promises to be even more difficult with teams such as Duke and North Carolina State on the slate.

For the present, the Eagles’ task is to keep winning in hopes of securing a home bid in the playoffs, which will be held at Buies Creek, N.C., Nov. 13-15.
Softball team rebounds for the spring

by MARK BIESECKER
TJ staff writer

The Winthrop women's softball team, which finished 36-12 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'll 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, and Harley, a freshman pitcher.

Blackmore said the pitching staff was strong, well-balanced and improving all the time. She counted on to provide leadership. "I'm looking forward to the upcoming season because of our entering Division I competition," said Roach. "We'll 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."

"It will be tough going into Division I play," Blackmore said, "but I feel the team is rebuilding and will be stronger in years to come. Most of us have the opportunity to play together for at least three years."

Blackmore said the pitching staff was strong, well-balanced and improving all the time. She said the first two preseason tournaments (at Baptist and Spartanburg) were shaky as a whole, but team unity was evident in the final tournament at Furman.

The two seniors, Trudy Taylor, 2nd base; and Jeann Roach, 1st base; also are being counted on to provide leadership.

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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."
FEATUES

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 first-hand which areas of the campus were most difficult for people in wheelchairs to get to.

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, one of the biggest problem areas of areas on campus hardest to access is the gym.

"The cafeteria also is difficult," Carroll said, because of the stairs.

"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, 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 Community Drive.

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.

JuLeague, a senior, said they plan to dress in Costumes. As they have only one hour, from 2 to 3 p.m., she said, they 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 party.

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 popping 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.

"I'm looking forward to the young ladies coming," she said. "I wish everyone could come."

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Carroll said, finding the elevator is like going through a maze.

"The cafeteria also is difficult," Carroll said, because a great deal of reaching is involved. For example, he said, the glasses and trays are too high.

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"We can relate, 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 Community Drive.

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A LONE SKYDIVER "toggles" his way down recently, at the skydive Carolina drop zone. (photo by Laurie Ann Dedes)

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. Although he never got the chance to skydive before his accident, he was always fascinated by the sport. When Winthrop biology professor Dr. John Dille mentioned skydiving, Carroll wanted the chance to experience it firsthand. Dille set up a weekend when he could take a group of people to Skydive Carolina! in Chester. In the group were "Doc" Altstatt; Winthrop students Carroll, Mike Whitehead, Sally Hardin and Ashley Hodges.

Skydive Carolina! ferries skydivers into the sky and also provides instruction for novices and advanced jumpers.

With the exception of Dille, none of the group had ever tried to skydive. Each had his own reasons for wanting to jump. Altstatt, a tall man in lumberjack plaid and cowboy boots, said he wanted to learn so he could parachute into Managua City. Ms. Hardin wanted to photograph Carroll on his first jump, and Whitehead had always wanted to try something new and different. "Life is too short. We should take risks," Whitehead said.

The first step in learning to skydive is signing release forms. After the legalities were taken care of, the group began by watching a video of skydiving demonstrations. Although the video warned that skydiving is a dangerous sport and that a diver can be hurt or killed, everyone decided to go ahead. After a four-hour class and written examination, Altstatt, Mrs. Hodges, Whitehead and Carroll were ready for their first jump.

On the drop zone, as the landing field is called, a varied assortment of skydivers was packing canopies, talking jargon. Continued on p. 11

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Oakland Avenue. He said he al-
much wound up in the street be-
cause of the cracks.
"There needs to be specific
signs to mark the handicapped
places," Dedes said.
Jill Mitchell, assistant direc-
tor of student development, said
she plans to work with someone
at the physical plant to improve
conditions on campus.
Programs are made ac-
cessible to handicapped stu-
dents, she said. If a handi-
capped person is enrolled in a
course he cannot get to, the
classroom where that course
meets will be moved.
No more than 10 handicap-
ped students are currently en-
rrolled at Winthrop, Ms. Mitch-
eli 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 mil-
ion dollars to limit the hazards
on campus.
The fraternity took donations
to benefit the Park Avenue Day
Care Center. As of last Tues-
day, $350 had been raised.

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)

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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.

Skydiving

continued from p. 9 and practicing maneuvers they would perform while plummeting to earth at 200 mph.

Jim Beesley 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-382 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 landing brought cheers from the Winthrop ground crew and handshakes from aficionados.

Because of the wind and falling light, Carroll had been unable to jump. Plans were made to meet the next day, and 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 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 with the skydiving experience need only ponder Whitehead's comments after his safe landing: "I felt like a feather. I don't think I'll ever be the same again."

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