

The Fate Of A Fount

Atlantic Christian College has progressed rapidly in the past few years. Curriculum has changed, student concern for campus improvement has been evident, and construction has enlarged and improved our college. Yet in one way we continue to be set back in our progressiveness.

Last year, just about this time, the Interfraternity Council and Pan Hellenic Council, seeking to contribute to the beautification and addition of our campus put forth a large sum of money for the building of a fountain. This fountain after slow construction was erected in front of the new student Union with the addition of landscaping. Yet after all is considered the fountain flows only a portion of the time and that portion is usually a dribble.

Why? Because of childish and unnecessary pranks which have taken place since it's construction. Truly it is difficult to believe that there are some students on our campus who seek to deface the few luxuries that the college possesses. It has become apparent that the guilty few are aware that water has various uses nonetheless.

First, water is for washing. Therefore people make sure that there is plenty of soap suds available any time of the night or day for immediate use. It is nice to have a clean fountain but we find that the addition of suds has a tendency to clog drains and muddy the water.

Second, water has the amazing quality of supporting a floating object. In order to prove this well known fact a number of students insist on throwing paper, food, money, and an occasional fish into our fond fount. These contributions to science result in further stoppage of water's flow and promotes the growth of algae, which gives off an unpleasant odor.

On the other hand, a few fun-loving individuals have found that if a heavy object is thrown into the fountain it will sink. To prove this fact students have assumed the responsibility of throwing each other into the available tank. The consequences that occur from this action should be apparent. The fountain is very shallow and the possibility for injury is everpresent. There are also a series of lights below the surface which, if hit could result in their breakage and possible electrocution.

More recently has been the contribution of red dye to the flowing aqua. Although it may appeal to some to have a Red River Valley on center campus, this action finally necessitated the drainage of the fountain. This meant unnecessary and unappreciated extra work for those in charge of maintenance.

All of these previous actions can only be considered trivial compared to the outrageous spectacle that greeted the few remaining students on campus Sunday morning. The incident referred to is the successful attempt by some warped individuals to convert the fountain into a floating garbage dump. Indeed it took a great deal of juvenile destructive imagination to transfer approximately three-hundred beer cans and numerous liquor bottles into the watery structure, along with the sign from the old Student Government Association building.

Those guilty of this malicious action have not a shred of justification to support their act, therefore if caught they should expect no defense to be worthy of consideration. Those depraved individuals have violated their right to be considered part of the college community, therefore devoiding themselves of its benefits and the respect of its members.

Fortunately, concerned members of the community took it upon themselves to clean up the damage, but now it is up to all students as to whether or not our fountain will become a worthy landmark or a worthless eyesore.

Congratulations To All Graduating Seniors From The Collegiate Staff

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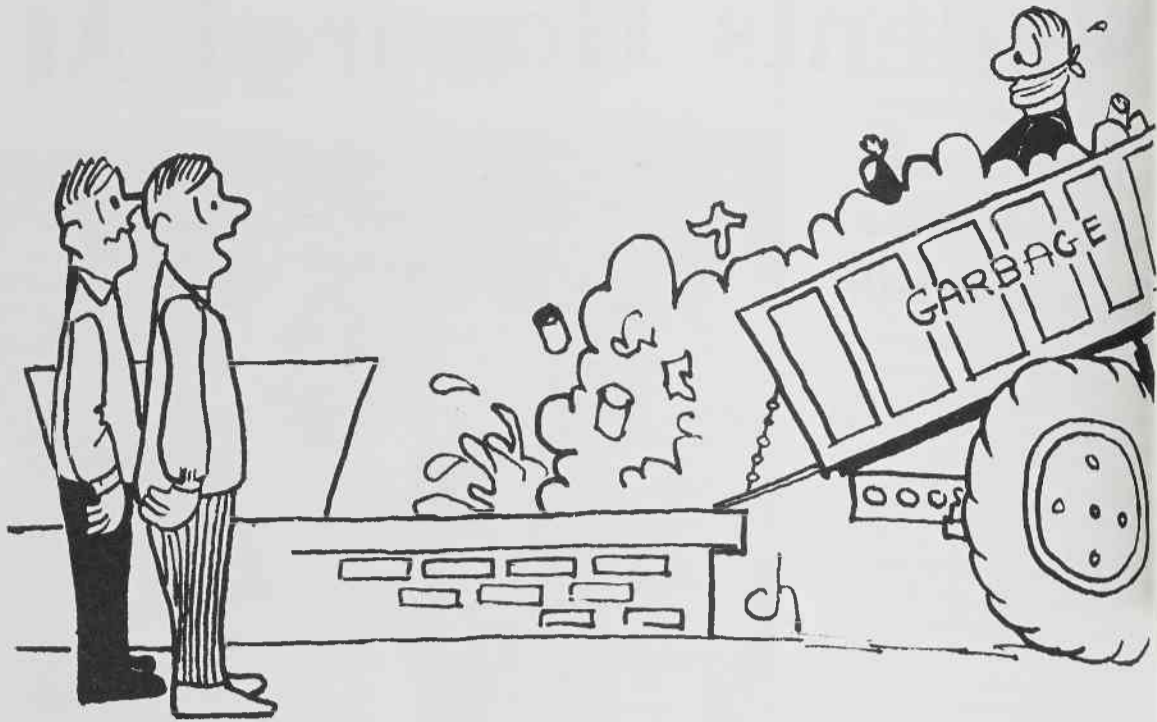
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"ACTUALLY, I'VE BEEN EXPECTING THIS!!!"



Tell
It Like
It Is!

Our question for this week is: "Do you think that students who have strong feelings against war and against military service should be allowed to set up tables distributing peace literature when military recruiters are on campus." In a random poll taken among students and faculty members, the following answers were given

Yes, I think everyone has the "right" of expression but not to the point of being militant. Setting up literature tables is as far from being militant as A.C. is from being a University. M.R. (student)

I think it is in bad taste to pick that time but I don't think they should be prevented from doing so. J.M. (student)

I think they should be allowed to (set up literature tables). The military can't be that sensitive. R.G.C. (faculty)

No, Since we live in such a "democratic" society, I'd say let the recruiters have their day and let the students have theirs. If the students can't voice their "strong" opinions without competition with the recruiters they don't know very much about their subject after all. L.B. (student)

Of course. If the military is allowed to encourage war on campus, why shouldn't we be allowed to encourage peace? R.D.B. (student)

Ignore if you must (the military recruiters), but don't heckle those who defend your right to do so. A.G.C. (faculty)

Yes, only a facist would try to preserve certain "democratic" institutions by using methods completely destroying our system of Democracy and academic freedom. B.E.C. (student)

Yes, because college is supposed to be the place where ideas are exchanged. W.O.P. (faculty)

It's a free world. E.C. (student)

Reader's Perspective

Mr. Harold Rogerson
Editor, Collegiate
Atlantic Christian College

Dear Mr. Rogerson,

After examining the 1968-1969 edition of the Pine Knot, we feel justified in making public our feelings concerning the representation of various aspects of student life. We feel that the opinions of the Pine Knot staff as to what constitutes realism is not necessarily "as it is."

Chapel

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Award. This award, annually since 1963, consists of a cash grant of \$100.00 to the outstanding pre-theological student. Jarman plans to attend the seminary at Texas Christian University in the fall.

Mr. Worden Allen, President of the Wilson Chamber of Commerce, presented the annual Chamber of Commerce Award, given each year to the most outstanding student of Business. This year for the first time in the history of the award, it was presented to a female, Miss Kay Antone.

Ira Norfolk, Director of Athletics, then assumed the rostrum to make the annual Athletic awards. Norfolk noted that he felt that here at Atlantic Christian emphasis is not only placed on athletics but on scholarship as well, and that many of our outstanding athletes are also outstanding scholars. Norfolk's first award was to the senior with the highest academic record, this was presented to Rocky Covington. Norfolk then recognized the three A.C.C. basketball team members which were named to the All-District NAIA District 29 team, these were: Ed Carroway, Robert Gilmore, and Clyde Stallmitn. The final athletic award, to the Most Outstanding Athlete, was presented by the Kiwanis Club to Robert Gilmore.

In the area of Dramatics, Paul Crouch presented this year, three Duchess Trophies to Bob Noble, Sandy Edwards, and Jim Keen.

Chaplain Dan Hensley, Chairman of the Religious Life Committee, presented the annual Elaine Waters Memorial Award, a Bible, to David Jarman, this year's President of the Campus Christian Association.

The two final awards were in the field of journalism. Mr. Paul Dickerman, Associate Publisher of The Wilson Daily Times, awarded journalism awards to Jim Bussell for his work this year

The part we feel that is especially repugnant to us is the section preceding the individual Greek organizations on pages 58 and 59. We feel that the photographs of scratchings on desks and sidewalks are a rather shabby means of introducing the Greek organizations. This could not help but present a biased picture of Greek life on campus. Unfortunately these pictures do not present the true friendship and brotherhood created through association with a Greek organization. The extremely vindictive paragraph concerning fraternity co-operation with the Pine Knot staff on page 59 is completely without basis. Alpha Sigma Phi was not contacted by the Pine Knot concerning anything, much less a list of members and officers.

The reflection cast a questionable image upon the Greek system. No mention was made of contributions by the system to Atlantic Christian College, nor of the Greeks involved in student affairs.

Over-all, the Pine Knot left us with a bad taste, and a serious doubt concerning the taste of the so-called editor.

Sincerely,
Eddie Capel
Grant Britt
Harold S. Wade
Graham Atkins
and the Brotherhood of Alpha Sigma Phi

FRESHMAN CLASS NOTE

The Freshman Class has announced plans to sponsor an outdoor Folk Festival as a break from the tedium of exams. The festival, scheduled for Monday, May 26 from 6 to 7 p.m. will be held in front of the Student Center.

All students who can sing, play a guitar or do both, and would like to participate are asked to contact either Jim Abbott or Debbie Hayman before Tuesday, May 20.

as editor of the Collegiate, and to Robbie Koelling, this year's Pine Knot editor. Koelling then, dedicated this year's Pine Knot to Mr. C. D. Pittman, an employee of the college.

It was clearly evident at the close of the assembly that perhaps for the first time this year, the seniors have realized that graduation is near and for them, the coming year will be centered around a new and independent life, and Atlantic Christian will be only a part of their past.