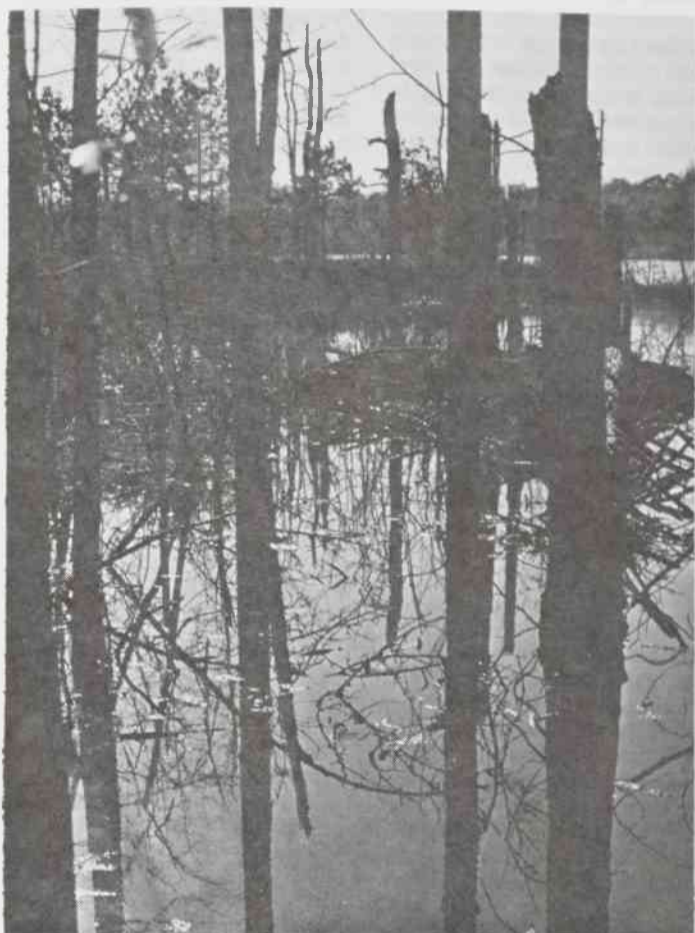


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A lake is the landscape's most beautiful and expressive feature. It is the earth's eye; looking into which the beholder measures the depth of his own nature.

Student Activity Fee Examined

By SPENCER SMITH

A check in the amount of \$23,746.00 was written Monday by the business office of the college authorizing payment to the Student Government Association. The sum represents that part of the \$29.00-per-semester activity fee which is designated for Student Activities, and is \$15.50 of the total fee paid by each of the 1,532 full-time students presently enrolled at ACC. As stated in the current college catalogue on page 97, the activity fee is divided among Student Activities, Athletics, and Concerts and Lectures. The Athletic Council receives \$11.00 out of each activity fee, which for this semester will result in \$16,852.00 toward intercollegiate athletics. The remaining \$2.50 of each fee is appropriated for the Concert and Lecture Committee, providing a working income of \$3,830.00 this semester.

Milton Adams, business manager for the college, indicated that a usual four percent drop in enrollment in the transition from the fall semester to the spring semester would result in a similar drop in activity fee revenues. As a result the SGA can reasonably plan a

budget for the entire school year in the approximate amount of \$46,542.16, plus any surplus remaining from the fiscal year ending August 31, 1976. Matt Mancini, treasurer for the SGA, said there remains about \$2,000 in the SGA checking account in surplus funds. However, an audit for last year being made at this time will determine the actual amount.

The Athletic Council will receive approximately \$33,029.92 from student activity fees this year, and the Concert and Lecture Committee will work with \$7,506.80, or thereabout.

The \$29.00-per-semester fee is nearly twice what it was ten years ago, in 1967-68 when the fee was \$15.00. The Athletic Council and the SGA received out of each fee five and ten dollars, respectively. Five years ago, in 1971-72, the fee was \$21.50, which provided \$7.50 for the Athletic Council, \$12.00 for the SGA, and \$2.00 for the Concert and Lecture Committee. The Athletic Council has experienced a 120 percent increase in student funding in the ten years, with the SGA ex-

periencing a 55 percent increase in the same period. The Concert and Lecture Committee has received increases in the amount of 25 percent since it was first funded with Money from activity fees in the 1969-70 school year.

Last year, with an appropriated budget of nearly \$47,000, including a surplus of \$2,000 from the previous year, the SGA designated the following amounts for the budgeted organizations listed below:

- Bulldog Power Pep Club, \$80.00
 - Campus Christian Association, \$1,300.00
 - Cheerleaders, \$896.26
 - Classes, \$1,050.00
 - Collegiate, \$6,202.00
 - Entertainment Committee, \$17,285.00
 - Executive Board, \$4,795.00
 - Pine Knot, \$13,331.74
 - Hamlin Student Center, \$1,300.00
 - Afro-American Awareness Society, \$750.00
- The audit being prepared will reveal how the year accorded with the above figures.

First Of 9 Part Series

ACC Completes Self Study

EDITOR: For the past eighteen months, Atlantic Christian College has been involved in a thorough-going self study. The self-study will be presented to the Southern Association representative, Dr. John Allen, when he visits the campus, along with a staff of nine, on October 3-6. The Collegiate thought it appropriate to inform the campus community of the study's findings through a publication of its recommendations for improvement. Following is the statement of purpose of the study.

In the spring of 1965, Dr. Charles B. Vail visited the campus of Atlantic Christian College to initiate the Institutional Self-Study Program of 1967. A reasonable assessment of the ten years since indicates a period of dynamic and responsible change. Despite the untoward pressures that confront the private liberal arts college, Atlantic Christian College has responded with a decade of growth in which the effectiveness of its educational program has been increased within a framework of fiscal responsibility, responsiveness to the needs of its constituency and a reassessment of the purpose and role of the college.

While economic realities have limited the degree of improvement, they have also prevented a proliferation of courses and programs that could not meet the qualitative improvement desirable and necessary for an academic institution. The changing needs of our constituency have made it feasible to add our new department with appropriate majors. These are: (1) A Department of

Psychology, formerly a division within the Department of Education and Psychology; (2) A Department of Mathematics, formerly a division within the Department of Science and Mathematics; (3) A Department of History, formerly a division within the Department of Social Studies; (4) A Department of Nursing, a new program which had its first graduates in May, 1974. The faculty has doubled in number with a steady influx of younger and well-trained scholars. The student body has grown from 1,447 to 1,710. Since 1965, nine major building programs have been completed, and major expenditures on campus land-use and landscaping have altered the campus environment. The question of institutional identity made a major examination of our purposes desirable, and a broadly representative committee undertook this study in 1972. The statement was subsequently adopted, and it appears in the current bulletin of the college.

The evaluation of the institution during this period has not been neglected. In addition to the structures provided for by our basic schema of organization, we have had the counsel of outside agencies that offer accreditation of divisions or professional programs. But the Institutional Self-Study Program that we are proposing will serve as considerably more than a routine investigation of the total impact of this decade of change. While we are both cognizant of our responsibility to our general constituency and aware of the realities of the increasing competition for students, the faculty and administration share a com-

mitment to education effectiveness that makes the Self-Study an appropriate undertaking. It is time to assess not only the more visible signs of progress but the subtler ways in which institutions of learning achieve a higher degree of academic integrity.

Despite the malaise that we sense in many quarters of higher education we believe that we are in a favorable situation that supports a realistic optimism. Faculty concern for the objectives of the institution is highly visible.

We foresee the Self-Study as an opportunity to enrich the quality of the academic life of this community.

Photographer At AC

The photographer from Smith Studio will be here beginning next week, September 27 - October 8 to take portraits for the 1976-77 yearbook. Men should wear ties (senior men coats and ties are preferred) and women should dress appropriately (this includes senior women since there will be no drapes.) Please follow the schedule below and note the location for each week. The photographer will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 5 p.m. September 27-October 1

(Hardy Alumni Hall)
 Monday & Tuesday Seniors
 Wednesday & Thursday Juniors
 Friday Faculty & Makeups
 October 4-October 8
 (Harper Hall)
 Monday & Tuesday Sophomores
 Wednesday & Thursday Freshmen
 Friday Makeups

Noted Philosopher Visits AC Campus

Dr. Peter Bertocci, noted philosopher and theologian, will present a series of lectures at Atlantic Christian College, Sept. 27-29.

Considered a highly versatile scholar, he has served as the Borden Parker Bowne Professor of Philosophy at Boston University since 1953. He received the B.A. degree from Boston University in 1931, and the M.A. degree from Harvard in 1932. Three years later he was awarded the Ph.D. degree from Boston University after spending a year at work on his dissertation at the University of Cambridge in England.

In addition to addressing various classes at ACC, Dr. Bertocci will speak to the college faculty on, "Education and a Vision of Excellence," at a dinner on the evening of Sept. 27.

He will present a lecture which will be open to the public on Sept. 28, at 8 p.m., in Hines Hall, rooms 207-208. Topic of the lecture will be "Can Happiness Be the Ideal of Human Life?" There will be no charge for admission.

Dr. Bertocci has been a Fulbright Research Scholar on two occasions — during the 1950-51 academic year in Italy, and in 1960-61 in India. He has published articles in "Psychology," "Education," "Ethics," "Religion," and "Philosophy."

Among the numerous books he has published are: "Is God for Real," (1971); "The Person God Is," (1970); "Sex, Love, and the Person," (1967); "Free Will, Responsibility, and Grace," (1957); and "Religion as Creative Insecurity," (1958).

The Entertainment Committee

of

Atlantic Christian College

—Presents—

K. C. and the Sunshine Band

Tuesday Nite Oct. 5, 1976

8:00 Wilson Gym

Tickets: \$4.00 with I. D.

Student Center

Only one ticket per person

with I.D.