

Cross-country team preparing for season

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Seven Belles are running -- but not for not for office.

The group, which is the 97-98 cross-country team is running 31/2 miles at 6:30 a.m. Monday through Friday to keep in shape for the season.

Kyra Webb, a freshman political science major from Florida said, "You have to be willing to want to do track to do it."

"Cross-country is an experience for me because I never ran cross-country before," said Brandy Johnson, a sophomore elementary

education major from Delaware.

"It feels good to know that I can accomplish a goal and keep in shape all at the same time."

The cross-country team had its first meet at Hagan Stone Park Sept. 27.

This year's cross-country team members are: Ayana Drake; Kiyona Brewster; Sandy Page; Brandy Johnson; Kyra Webb; Gina Chapman; and Dana Crawford.

"The team as a whole placed fairly well," Coach Carl Bibbs said.

"The results haven't been sent to me yet, but Bennett didn't cross the finish line last."



Approximately one out of every three Belles has a tattoo of a name, a flower, or an animal on some part of her body. Photo by Camisha Gentry, Banner Photographer

Part 1: The history of tattooing

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Art. Some art is found in museums. Some is found in galleries.

And then some "art" is found on the leg, arm, a back or on the face of a person's body.

For example, approximately one out of every three Belles has a name, a flower, or an animal on some part of her anatomy.

This form of art is called a "tattoo," patterns on the face or body achieved by inserting dye under the skin.

According to the "Tattoo History Source Book" the word "tattoo" is far more recent than the actual practice itself. The English word "tattoo" is derived from the Tahitian word tatu.

The practice of tattooing by

puncture and the insertion of dye under the skin was first practiced in Egypt before 1300 B.C. The markings served as decorations, indications of status, or magical protection.

Although the needle and dye is the process by which the students have gained their tattoos recently, in earlier times ancient people used different forms of tattooing. In the ancient Pacific Islands, soot was mixed with water, oil, or vegetable juice to create the dye.

The mistakes could not be corrected, but the person with the tattoo was considered to be of high rank.

The concept of tattooing -- brought to the Americas and Europe by the Polynesians -- spread fast, but each culture had their own purpose for taking on this custom.

The Greeks used secret tattooing marks for their spies, and the Romans tattooed criminals and slaves. South Americans associated their tattooing with religious rites and taboo beliefs. Therefore certain symbols were used to connote certain beliefs such as an arrow or tooth to ward off an evil spirit, demons to protect from snake bites, or an cat to increase agility.

Interestingly enough, when King Arnold, an Anglo-Saxon, body was recovered from the Battle of Hastings his body was heavily tattooed. The most significant one was his true love's name, Edith, on his heart. This may have evolved into the most popular tattoos of today. This is one of a two part feature about tattoos. *The next issue Tattoos: Health and Popularity*

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"The participation [in the walks] has been pretty good," Watkins said. The number of faculty and students who have been participating varies.

Other special health awareness programs include, the Girl Talk Sessions, a program about issues such as hygiene, sexuality, dating, date rape and spiritual beliefs.

"This is to address concerns that we have identified for the girls," Watkins said. "We want to do some steering in the right direction."

Canty, the new campus minister, adds the spiritual dimension to the health care team.

"I bring the pastoral perspective to this team," said Canty about her role in the new holistic team.

She said that deals with conflict management, reconciliation with self and others, and help individuals to deal with any personal loss.

"I give leadership to the worship experience (for Christian events), and help ecumenical services-interfaith/faith beliefs Canty said. "During my two-month period of observation, the campus ministry is a needy component here at the College."

Lightsey said she will give students guidance and counseling on issues and problems that may interfere with their academic, social or emotional adjustment to college.

"I help with the psychological development and make sure students are adapting to college life," Lightsey said.

English Comprehensive Exam

Thursday Oct. 23 8-10 in Pfeiffer Science Auditorium. Registraton for the ECE will continue through Monday Oct. 20. Eligible students may register in Mrs. Speas' office, Steele Hall Room 104.

FOUNDERS' WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

(Tentative Schedule)

- Oct. 30- Heritage Day (ACES)
- Oct. 31- Coronation (7p.m. Chapel)
Coronation Ball (T.B.A.)
- Nov. 1- Parents' Meeting (T.B.A.)
Jazz./Reader's Theatre Concert (2 p.m Little Theatre)
College Choir Concert (8 p.m.Carolina Theatre)
- Nov. 2 Founders' Convocation (4p.m. Chapel)



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