

Editorials

Editor Speaks

By Debi Crane

I feel quite sure that when the dorms at Brevard College were built the builders had no idea that some day these very buildings would someday house a large group of electrically oriented students. If they had realized that fact I feel certain that they would have put more electrical outlets in the rooms.

You see we are a generation totally dependent on blow dryers, curling irons, hotpots, digital clocks, popcorn poppers and who knows what else. I can count on the fingers of one hand the people I have met on campus who could survive without any of the previously mentioned appliances. The fact that these people look like half-starved refugee trolls might tell you what a help these appliances really are.

Recently on one very boring Saturday night I took an independent poll. The poll's subject was (you guessed it) about what bugged students most about B. C. The shortage of electrical outlets came in second right after the funky showers which I have already explored in an earlier issue.

The general concensus was that life without blow dryers, hot pots and various and other sundry electrical items was not life at all. Of course, all of these things can be brought to life by the proper use of extension cords and those funny little socket adjusters that make one socket into three (I can't for some insane reason think of what they are called, but I am sure that you know what I am talking about).

This is a remedy, however, which I fear will someday result in the ultimate end of both myself and my roommate, not to mention innocent bystanders. This is due to the fact that for some reason known only to the electric company (and possibly the resident tutors) things tend to spark a lot when using the previously mentioned method of spreading the electricity around. On several occasions when both of our blow dryers have been going strong, our hotpots happily brewing away, the electric blankets were firmly plugged into their little socket what-yamacallits, not to mention the tuneless humming of the stereo and the digital clock accompanying us — I have thought our lives were almost certainly finished. You see I take the spark that flew when we tried to plug in our popcorn popper too, as a sign from above that something (probably a circuit) is overloaded.

Indeed, at night I wake up repeatedly from a horrible dream. I see myself passing into (knock on wood) oblivion in a raging inferno brought on by an overloaded circuit pushed over the top by the final blow of one more blow dryer.

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Attention

Rooms 115, 138, and 139 in McLarty-Goodson will be open Monday through Thursday nights for study purposes. Security will lock all doors at 11 p.m., but if students are still working they may remain for a longer period. During final exams, the hours may be extended.



The Clarion staff invites reader input into our publication. Anyone interested in having something printed is asked to please get in touch with Mr. Chamlee or Debi Crane. Letters to the editor will also be accepted. Place letters in Post Office Box 144 or give to a member of the staff. Names will be withheld upon request, but must be provided initially. The Clarion reserves the right to edit.



LOST AND FOUND

Students, faculty, and staff members who find articles anywhere on campus should turn them in to Nan Hall in Room 101 of McLarty-Goodson. If you are missing books, clothing, or other items check with Mrs. Hall. Items not claimed by years end will be returned to finder or auctioned off.



A writing lab has been set up for students who need additional help in English-related areas. At least one resident tutor will be available during lab hours, which are 10 a.m. - 12 noon and 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. each weekday in MG 102. Students needing help with written assignments, catch-up work in grammar or other writing difficulties should drop by the lab. Attendance is voluntary, but teachers may refer students if necessary. If you can't tell a subordinate clause from a banana, come talk to one of the resident tutors during lab hours.



Franklin Conley as "Andrew Jackson" has been rescheduled for Tuesday, November 28, at 8:15 p.m.



The table Tennis Champion for 1978 is freshman Randy Haire.



The library has 4 private conference rooms for individual or group study. These rooms are for student use, just sign out a room at the library desk.

Lack of Interest Drives Editor Mad

Dear Reader,

Due to the fact that as usual we received no letters to the editor there is no copy to go in the space under letters to the editor. Needless to say this lack of interest in writing letters to the editor does nothing for my ego and it leaves a terribly blank space right smack in the middle of the editorial page!

I would really like to feel that the reader of this paper has something to comment upon whether it be the paper itself or some fairly insignificant aspect of student life such as why the toilets on your dorm don't flush. We at The Clarion would love to hear all about it. You all have no idea how terribly depressing it is as issue after issue of our paper comes out and still no letters to the editor comes our way.

So next time you get in a particularly creative or complaining mood remember The Clarion and that big blank space on the editorial page which is perfect for your gripes.

Sincerely yours,
The Editor

P.S. We also encourage student and faculty contributions to the paper, articles, features, etc.

Good Things at B.C. Too

In today's world we often see things in a darker light than they really are. Sure the showers are short, there are lots of spacey (yet lovable) people around and we might all end our lives someday when that final blow is dealt by one more electrical appliance. But if we didn't have these elements in our lives where would we get our humor from?

In this hopeful vein, The Clarion introduces a new kind of editorial. We give to B.C. the hats off editorial. Hats off, of course, symbolizing respect.

In this issue we would like to salute our great cross country team. The team placed 4th in the NJCAA National Championship Meet out of 22 teams and more than 500 runners. Special honors go to Jeff Wentworth and John George who finished 14th and 17th respectively and both achieved All American honors. Also to Chuck Fisher who finished 32nd overall, bettering his lifetime record by more than one minute. Way to go fellows!

We would also like to express our gratitude to Mr. Sam Cope for his fall production, Finian's Rainbow. Despite the many obstacles which Mr. Cope had to face along the way to a smooth show, everything worked out in the end. Congratulations!

Thank You Martinsons

THE CLARION would like to commend President Martinson and his wife for their wonderful Halloween treats.

Not only did the Martinson's supply the trick-or-treating students with cokes, cupcakes, candy and various other munchies, they also gave homesick students a chance to sit in front of a crackling fire with the family dog draped over their laps.

Acts like this one make Brevard College one heck of a place to go to school. Thank you Martinsons'!