

# EDITORIALS

## 'Coming Events' Equal B.C. Trash Can Fodder

by Debi Crane

One Friday in January, I had the honor of going through the trash can in the campus post office. In case you all need a reminder, Friday is the day "Coming Events" is placed in campus mailboxes.

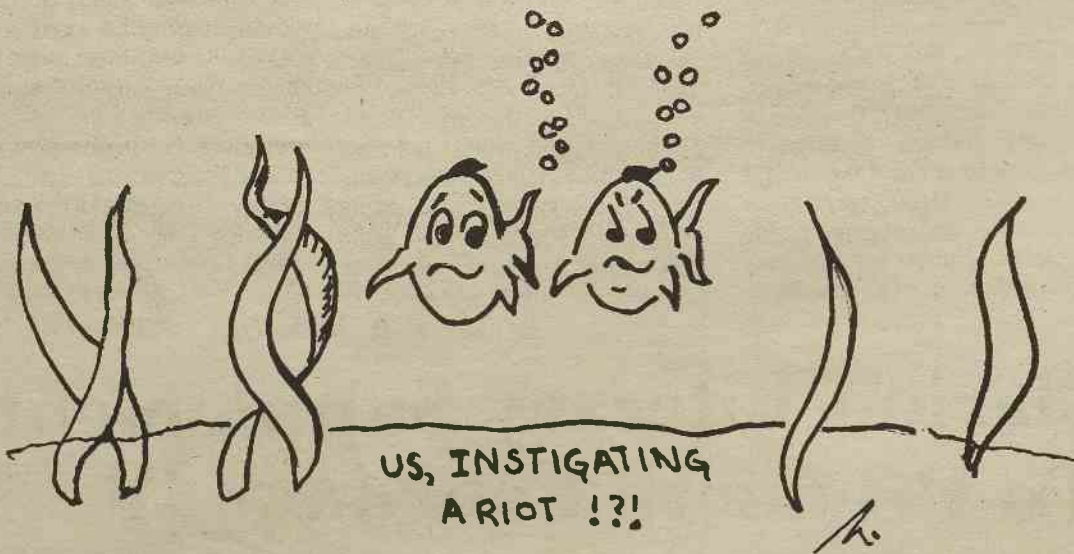
Let me backtrack a bit to explain to the readers that I am not normally in the habit of rifling through the contents of campus (or those of any other spot) waste receptacles. That Friday was the exception because I lost the back of my earring and I felt sure that it had jumped into the trash can.

As I was going through the can, I began to notice that for every one piece of garbage I fished out; I pulled out seven copies of the ever-present "Coming Events." In fact, my final count of those little gems was 416.

I'm not certain what this observation says about Brevard College as a whole. There are, in fact, several theories which come to mind.

1. Our schedule is very predictable. There are very few new items which appears on the sheet ... so why bother to read it?
2. Students are so angered by receiving a piece of worthless junk mail in their boxes that they immediately toss it away.
3. Some masochist in the administration building enjoys seeing his labors go to waste.
4. Just like a lot of other things at B.C., it makes no sense whatsoever.

Needless to say I won't lose sleep over those 416 "Coming Events", but I will always wonder why???



*Problem: If the point system extends to the library, the fish could be the chief offenders.*

## The Draft...Think About It

by Laurie E. Krug

There is a great deal of controversy among the young people of America concerning President Carter's announcement to begin registration for drafting. Although he expressed hope that it would not be necessary, the public is being made ready for such an occurrence. It is up to you to be prepared if it does happen.

How would you, as an individual, deal with being drafted? Take into consideration that in this situation, you would be defending your country and Democracy against the spreading threat of communism. President Carter had stated in his State of the Union Address that, "The Soviet Union is now attempting to consolidate a strategic position that poses a grave threat to the free movement of Middle East Oil." This situation is not like the Viet-Nam "police action," because it is our own country that is being threatened along with others. It is a hard decision to make.

On the other hand, why should innocent young men be involved in the horrors of war because the politicians of the rival countries cannot compromise a situation? Of course, the young men are expected to experience a wave of patriotic feelings and march on down to the front lines, fighting for someone else's mistakes. History repeats itself again and again.

There has not been a positive declaration as to whether the draft registration will begin or whether or not women will be drafted. But if, and when it occurs, what decision will you make? ... Think about it.

## In Memoriam Marion Blackwelder

March 6, 1961-December 14, 1979

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

- a time to be born, and a time to die;
- a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
- a time to kill, and a time to heal;
- a time to break down, and a time to build up;
- a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
- a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
- a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
- a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
- a time to seek, and a time to lose;
- a time to keep, and a time to cast away;
- a time to rend, and a time to sew;
- a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
- a time to love, and a time to hate;
- a time for war, and a time for peace.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

## B.C. Vandals Kill Phones

A variation on the old adage "give them an inch and they'll take a mile" has become the motto of a group of Brevard College students. Only this time it has been reworded somewhat to read "Give us an inch and WE'LL take a mile.

Figures released by the local phone company tell us that vandalism is taking a heavy toll on the phone system here at B.C. In fact, a telephone spokeswoman says that last year's graduation left in its wake total damages amounting to more than a thousand dollars to the campus communications system.

Stupidity is the only excuse for such actions, and it is certainly not a valid one. The students responsible for such actions have no excuse. Students who let these problems continue are just as much to blame. The people who commit these acts of vandalism are in the minority. The Clarion urges the majority of the campus to identify this minority and stop the vandalism, that is unless, we as a whole want to be penalized for the actions of a few.

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