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New Guidelines Are Major Topic At B.C.

By Nikki Jardine

Lately, one of the major topics around campus is the "new" Uniform Guidelines, and a question asked by many sophomores and a few freshmen, is "why the change?" Don Scarborough, Dean of Student Affairs, says, "They aren't really new rules, just changes in sanctions. Intentional breakage of dishes was not included (in the Guidelines) last year, but the kids decided to break glasses and did over \$500 worth of damage, so something had to be done. Last year, there was no fine for failure to repay loans, but some kids would borrow money and at the end of the semester there were loans in excess of \$17,000. Now, final exams cannot be taken until fines are paid.

"There was no grace period after open dorms last year. After the first offense, you were suspended for the rest of the semester. This year, there is a warning - that's the seven days closed dorm."

"The \$5 fine-per-point was levied because, last year, after 5 points, the student was sent to me; after 10 points, the students was sent before the Committee of Continuation; and, after 15 points, the student was suspended and some kids would wait until the end of the school year to use their last few points when it

wouldn't matter if they were suspended or not."

When asked if he felt the revised rules would work, Scarborough answered, "Well, some of the rules, like the grace period, went into effect last spring and all of them were in effect during summer school and I feel that if summer school is any indication of what will happen this year, yes, they will work, because this year's summer school was one of the best years we've ever had."

Students around campus were then asked their opinion on the revised Guidelines. Alyssa Griffin, a freshman from Buford, S.C. stated, "I think they're fair, but some are not enforced enough."

"I guess they're a good idea because their benefits help to finance the school indirectly," says Robert Hopkins, a freshman from Charleston, S.C.

Elliott Dugger, a student from Atlanta, GA, gave a sophomore's point of view, "I think that the dorm restrictions are unnecessary if they aren't causing anyone any problems. People should be allowed to visit dorms if they don't infringe on any rights."

Freshman Kenny Dabbs from Asheville, NC, responded, "I think they are too strict on dorm restrictions because you can get caught in there without realizing the time."



B.C. students begin the 1981-82 school year with a splash during Derby Day. More "splashing" around with Derby Day on pg. 5. (Photo by Steve Rabey)

Sophomores Share Opinions About Brevard College Life

By Mary Gay Michaels

A group of seven returning sophomores were randomly selected to discuss some of their attitudes toward Brevard College. It was interesting to discover that the majority of sophomores generally share the same thoughts and reasons for returning to Brevard.

Graduating was the universal response given as the reason for returning to B.C. Also, two sophomores, Mark Canty and Terri Wood, stated that they were returning for athletic reasons. They are both looking forward to a new sports season so that their hard summer training will prove worthwhile. In addition, most returning students stated that they were happy settling back into the "Brevard way of life." Meeting new people and continuing old friendships adds to the enjoyment sophomores obtain by being back at B.C.

The only negative response that has kept sophomores from enjoying Brevard is the strictness of the visitation rules. The punishment that could result

from a violation is the most unfavorable change felt by all of the sophomores that were interviewed. Lisa Fisher replied, "Punishing the guilty person is harsh enough. Why should an entire dorm be punished?"

Sophomores have also noticed a wide range of changes throughout the campus. A few sophomores commented on the freshman class. Carolyn Blount stated, "People seem to have settled into Brevard's life style faster and easier than our own class." Bill Tweed feels that the freshmen are very independent individuals. He is also glad to know such a good mixture of people.

Another change that is noticeable is the rapport between faculty and students. Sophomores feel that the faculty understands students and their view better than last year. Also Mark Canty appreciates some of the changes he has noticed in the dorms. He stated, "I'm glad Brevard insulated the pipes in the 'ghetto' (Taylor and Green) so we won't sweat to death."

When the sophomores were asked what they missed from last year, it brought many things to mind. John McCall summed up everyone's feelings when he said, "I miss some of the best friends I've ever had." Old roommates, old sophomores, and freshmen that did not return are at the top of the list for who is missed by sophomores. On the other hand, many sophomores feel that their own class has become closer. More acquaintances of last year have become friends for this year. Many feel that campus life will improve because of the activities the Social Board has planned for this year.

The goals and expectations of the sophomore class are mostly academic. They are determined to make the best grades possible; more importantly, sophomores are looking forward to their future. They realize the importance and seriousness of this year. Yet, the friendship and closeness experienced at Brevard will be remembered forever.

Dunham Music Center To Reopen Oct. 31

By Cecil Collier

Parent's Weekend, October 31 thru November 1, marks the opening of the remodeled Dunham Music Center. The musical "Once Upon A Mattress," will be performed in the new auditorium.

Most of us were not familiar with the Dunham Music Center before the remodeling began. Therefore, it may be difficult for us to fully appreciate the improvements that have been made. The original music center was basically a multi-purpose room containing a stage. The renovated building has been designed especially for the Fine Arts and serves many useful pur-

poses.

Before the Music Center was remodeled, the auditorium was filled with uncomfortable folding chairs. Dr. Upchurch is pleased to announce that new crush velour theater seats were purchased for the auditorium. They are scheduled to be installed by September 21st. The carpet and draperies will be put in shortly thereafter. Upon completion of all other aspects of renovation, the sound system must be reinstalled and the organ must be placed in the auditorium. The auditorium will accommodate 376 people.

The auditorium was a good

multi-purpose room; however, it did not suit the needs of the music department. Because of the flat floor and the lack of wing-space, it was difficult to see the stage visibly from either side. This limited the area of the stage which could be used effectively. Another of the problems was the many 18 feet high windows situated down each side of the auditorium. When the weather necessitated, the windows were opened. This allowed a breeze along with all of the outside

noises into the auditorium. These noises were annoying and created quite a distraction. These problems led to the final decision to renovate the building.

The auditory aspect of the original building was not very effective due to the acoustical tile on the ceiling. This type of tile is used to refrain noise, which is not the desired effect for music. In order to solve this problem, the large windows were filled with urethane foam and insulation to keep the outside noise out.

Acoustical shells, called "baffles", now take the place of the windows. These "baffles" diffuse sound instead of making echoes. Much work has gone into making the auditorium into a Hi-Tech Theater.

The music department is excited about this new facility. They hope that everyone can appreciate the Dunham Music Center as much as they do. All students are cordially invited to attend the Fall performance of "Once Upon A Mattress."