

Students Fail Reagan At His Midterm

By Jamie Harkey

Half of those students polled in a recent Clarion survey strongly believe that President Ronald Reagan has, at his mid-term of office, done a poor job managing the country.

The question asked, "Do you believe Ronald Reagan is a good president?" resulted in nearly half in favor and the other half opposed to Reagan's policies.

Forty-percent of the 50 students polled said that Reagan

has done well thus far as president.

Five students didn't know what to think as they remained neutral.

For those who were opposed to Reagan, most cited the subject of the economy and the cuts in Social Security benefits.

Dave Smith noted, "Under the circumstances that the United States economy is in now, he has done a relatively good job; but although he has passed many bills for our benefit, we have seen

no positive outcome."

Another student, Jonnie Johnson added, "He has made it hard on most people and college students because he cut Social Security. His tax cuts help the wealthy--not the needy."

But for the 20 students who favor President Reagan, their reasoning was the President's plan to reduce the country's deficit. These students believe Reagan is doing a good job at, as one student put it, "keeping

America 'out of the red'."

Jim Dorchak replied, "I feel that under the circumstances he has done a very good job. It would be premature to expect that there would be an easier way of balancing the economy than what he has developed.

"Although he has some downfalls, I feel he is the best," Jim added.

Heather Winchester explains, "He is the first president in a long

time to really try to do something about the country's deficit, even though many people oppose it."

It's interesting to note that out of the 50 students polled, not one brought up anything about party preference. Perhaps this indicates that the students of Brevard College made their decisions based on how President Reagan has affected them, and not on whether he or she was a Republican or Democrat.



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The internationally recognized St. Olaf Choir.

St. Olaf Choir To Present Life And Culture Concert

By Regina Wortman

The internationally renowned St. Olaf Choir of Northfield, Minnesota will present a concert of sacred music on February 14, at 8:15 p.m. in Dunham Auditorium.

The St. Olaf Choir is credited with the growth of a cappella singing by colleges, high schools, and churches throughout the country.

The 65-voice choir is conducted by Kenneth Jennings, the group's third conductor in its 70 years as a touring ensemble.

The choir's repertoire under Dr. Jennings' has included "The Mass in B-Minor", "Jesus Priceless Treasure", and "Sing Ye to the Lord" by J.S. Bach; "Pslam 90" by Charles Ives; "Vision of Peace" by Jean Berger;

"Stabat Mater" by Krzysztof Denderecki; and a variety of other works by Hugo Distler, Robert Stone, Leslie Bassett, Bernhard Lewkovitch, and Ariel Romirez.

The St. Olaf Choir has toured in both the U.S. and in Europe. In recent years, it has performed in the major concert halls of New York City, Washington D.C., Philadelphia, Chicago, Detroit, San Diego, L.A., San Francisco, and Minneapolis.

The choir's most recent tour abroad was in the summer of 1980 when it visited Norway. Among the cities in which the choir performed was Larvik, where its founder, F. Melius Christiansen, played the organ as a youth before immigrating to America.

The St. Olaf Choir's 1983 tour will include 23 days of concerts throughout the Southeast.

According to Jennings, the choir has three roles: a musically professional responsibility, a religious commitment, and an educational experience for its student members.

Dr. Jennings, a 1950 graduate of St. Olaf, has a master of music degree from Oberlin College and a doctor of musical arts degree from the University of Illinois.

This concert is part of the Life and Culture series. Tickets are free and should be picked up at the front desk in the Admissions Building.

Because of the expected popularity of this concert, tickets will be necessary for admission.

Pertelote Nears Spring Deadline

By Cindy Cox

The 1983 Pertelote is nearing completion following the months of planning, organizing and preparing the barrage of copy, photos, and layouts necessary to reflect Brevard College 1982-83.

All three designated deadlines have been met on time, according to Mrs. Priscilla Chamlee, Pertelote advisor.

A deadline is a "time of doing and re-doing," stated sophomore Kim Gilbert, co-editor. Co-editor sophomore Richard Sheehy described deadlines as being a lot of hard work and long hours.

Some of those long hours lasted through a week of Christmas vacation that Kim and Richard

were willing to give up in order to meet one of the deadlines.

Describing the editors, Mrs. Chamlee explained, "You can't ask for more dedicated people, more concerned people, or more dependable people than Richard or Kim."

Since the last pages of the year-book are sent in near the end of February, the coverage of spring events cannot be printed. Mrs. Chamlee stated that if these pages were held back in order to include spring activities, the book would arrive only after the school term ended.

According to the scheduled shipping date, the Pertelote should arrive during the week of April 18th.

Valentine's Dance Set

By Kathi Ferguson

The Valentine's Day Dance, which is sponsored by Circle K with the aid of the Social Board, will take place next Friday night, February 11.

Formal attire is required, but tuxedos are optional for the men. The band, Bermuda, will play

top-40 and pop rock from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Present at the dance will be a professional photographer, but as of press-time, charge is not known.

According to Circle K, a queen and king, and a prince and princess will be chosen during the dance.

News Briefs

BC Enrollment Down 7%

Total enrollment at Brevard College dropped approximately seven-percent this semester, following a record-high enrollment of 745 last semester.

Two-hundred and ninety-seven new or returning sophomores and 398 freshmen comprise the 695 current total.

Also, according to Mr. Bill Gash, college registrar, the number of foreign students attending BC has reached 28.

Most foreign students learn about Brevard through the East-West Foundation, a Japanese foreign students exchange.

ROTC

The Brevard College ROTC program will be participating in an orientation trip to Ft. Jackson, S.C. today and tomorrow.

Led by Captain Jim Harrison,

the group will take part in a "hands-on" experience with military life. They will be living in barracks and eating in a mess hall.

Firing of small rifles and machine guns is one of the many activities planned for them.

Some of the other activities planned for this semester include several rappelling trips in Pisgah Forest and a rafting trip on the French Broad River sometime in May.

SWIM CLUB

The Brevard College Swim Club organized on January 23, and will meet from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. each Sunday, it was decided.

Swim Club sponsor Mr. Belton Hammond stated, "There are no requirements or cost to be in the

club. All you need is the interest in swimming and the will to participate."

This club is for those who want to swim laps; in addition, if any student is interested in making the club a competitive one, then he should see Mr. Hammond.

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

The 1983 men's intramural basketball season began January 24 and will continue until an 11 team tournament takes place in late March.

Every men's dorm is represented by at least one dorm.

"This year the teams are evenly matched with many good combinations, so no one team should dominate easily," says Kimo Anderson, league director.