



Visitation violations up during fall trial period

by April Woods

Because 126 individuals abused the rights of the 600 students at Brevard College, extended visitation privileges have been lost, according to Dean of Student Affairs Norm Witek.

Some of the standard thesaurus synonymous for the word "visitation" are calamity and disaster, and according to Dean Witek, a disaster is just exactly what last semester's trial period for extended visitation hours turned out to be.

"Visitations," said Witek, "overtook alcohol as the number one discipline problem on campus."

Witek points out that the increase in visitation violations seems to correlate with an equal increase in alcohol-related violations and dorm noise pollution.

Witek said, "Increased visitation hours compound the other problems. Ten o'clock visitation gives the student two more hours to sit back and have a beer."

Witek does not feel the administration is in any way responsible for the failure of the trial period. He says it is student apathy which causes problems. "What I don't understand," he says, "is why can't students have enough class, for example, to walk up to someone who's just smashed a hole in the wall and say something. I mean, this is their home."

Witek feels the administration did its part. He asks, "If students can't abide by ten o'clock visitation, then what is the solution? To change it to twelve o'clock?"

The permanence of the present hours seems final. According to Witek, it is the administration's responsibility to provide students with enough quiet hours to ensure each and every BC student ample study time to meet his individual needs. "Somewhere along the line," he says, "the dorm has to belong to whoever lives in it rather than everyone else."

As to the question of where to take your personal life after 8 p.m. on weeknights, Witek suggests that the SGA address the problem. He says, "The students were given the extra time in the dorms, but they abused it."

Snow greets BC students on first day of classes

by Melanie Ramseur

On the first day of classes, the big snow came rushing down. Everyone was digging their way to first period. Playing in the snow was the favorite pastime, but it wasn't so much fun when the injuries came rolling around. Two students were hurt in a sledding accident. Nancy Fox broke her collarbone and dislocated her shoulder, and Susie Pash bruised her hip.

On a lighter note, President Greer took a group of students on a ski trip Saturday, Jan. 9.

"It was wonderful. We had a ball!" said Greer. Greer has planned another ski trip on Saturday, Jan. 23, Greer plans to leave that Saturday after lunch. Then, he plans to head to Boone, and ski the following day. Greer plans on allowing his group to stay overnight; that way they will have all day Sunday to ski.

Jones Residence Hall is handling the weather in its own way. Right before the snow came, two maintenance men, with their arms full of kindling, came to Sharon Waggy's room informing her that President Greer suggested they build a fire. After the maintenance men cleaned out the fireplace and built the fire, Jones had its first dorm meeting in the lobby by the fire. Following the meeting, Greer entered the lobby to see how things were going. The girls all thanked him for his thoughtfulness.

While Jones was warming by the fire, the Floridians were chilling from their first reactions to the snow.

"It was absolutely breath-taking; just like the movies," said Andrea Henry, a freshman from Lakeland, Florida.

Last weekend Andrea participated in her first snowball fight and tasted snow cream for the first time.

Marjorie Hawk of Daytona, Fla. says when she woke up and looked outside she was stunned. "Walking in the snow was like walking on the sand of the beach," she said.



(From top to bottom) Louis Rosen and Stephan Paul-Hus ambush President Billy Greer outside the administration building and then roll Hizzonoer in the snow. But the Prez got even, zapping Rosen the following day with a snowball Greer described as the size of a volleyball.

Transfer College Day is today

TRANSFER COLLEGE DAY will be held in the library on Tuesday, January 26th from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. At least 50 senior college institutions from NC, SC, GA, VA, FL and other states will be represented. Students are encouraged to drop by the representatives' tables to discuss the transfer process, admissions procedures, etc. Sponsored by the Office of Admissions.

