

BC Homecoming: the biggest & the best yet

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Homecoming 1990 at Brevard College displayed some of the college's most outstanding students and some of the most outrageous stories of college life in the past.

Alumni from as many as 60 years ago visited old dorm rooms and relived their youth.

Talking with alumni from different graduating years showed many different stories of the times they had and the changes in the school in the past years. "The campus has grown," said 1988 alumnus Alan Brooks, "and the track and new baseball field has helped the school progress positively in recent years."

Another graduate said that in her class of 1940, there were only two dorms and the boys had to work in the barn to pay for their room and board.

Stories of college pranks and adventures ran wild during Homecoming weekend. Many alumni told their craziest stories.

Tadd Connor, who was at Brevard in 1988, recalled an infamous and ill-fated ride on a golf cart across campus which resulted in the end of his academic career here.

This is but one of the many stories of Brevard Life. Mary Nall of the class of 1988 recalled how classmates used to "soap-sud the college fountain." Allen Brooks remembered shaving cream fights and much larger forest parties.

But other things happened on Homecoming besides stories from the alumni. The festivities started Saturday, Oct. 13, with the registration of the alumni and the alumni basketball game.

As the day progressed, the annual parade went through campus with cars and floats representing alumni from many years. The class of 1940 celebrated their 50th anniversary, and over 50 of the graduating class rode in the parade.

The day was highlighted by impressive wins by both the men's and women's soccer teams. At halftime of the men's game, the Homecoming Court was announced. Bobby Addison and Elizabeth Warner were selected as Homecoming Prince and Princess. Derrick Briggs was chosen Homecoming King, while Jennifer McMaster was crowned the 1990 Brevard Homecoming queen. The day ended with the ceremonial Homecoming dance, held in the Auxiliary gym.

"Brevard College is like one big family," said former Brevard basketball standout Mike Cole. "I wish it were a four-year school. You get to know everybody; everyone's legit."

Brevard is keeping up with the times," said Brooks, a former Brevard SGA president now at Appalachian State. "Brevard is an excellent school."



Brevard College hosted another record turn-out at its annual Homecoming, Oct. 12-14. The Homecoming Court was crowned between men's and women's soccer games. They are, left to right, freshman Prince Bobby Addison of Riverview, Fla.; freshman Princess Elizabeth Warner of Greensboro, N.C.; sophomore King Derrick Briggs of Herndon, Va.; and sophomore Queen Jennifer McMaster of Altamonte Springs, Fla. Recollections of old times were revived by a classic BC "freshman beanie," worn by Jill Chapman (BC '70) of Brevard.

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Go see transfer counselor -- the earlier the better

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ATTENTION: If you have not been by to see Transfer Counselor Adelaide Miller as of this date, run to the nearest exit and do so immediately. This pertains to both sophomores and freshmen.

When asked what sophomores should have done already in regards to furthering their education, Ms. Miller says, "If they haven't gotten in here their freshman year, they need to start getting an idea right now of where they want to go."

Most schools operate on a first-come, first-serve basis and unfortunately

the main priority is incoming freshmen, and transfer students are left to bring up the tail end of students accepted. Ms. Miller says, "If your application is on the top of the pile, you are going to have a better chance of getting in."

She stresses that now is the time to act -- especially for those sophomores who don't have a clue as to what comes after Brevard College.

It is also important for sophomores to get their applications in for reasons such as Financial Aid and Housing. Many of the scholarships could be taken, even if someone is better qualified, just because they had their applications in first.

College Day was offered in Boshamer Gym October 3. Ms. Miller

says, "A lot of students did take advantage of it, but I feel those who missed it lost a great opportunity." There were approximately 100 schools and organizations in attendance, including the armed forces. This provided an opportunity for students to get a better look at a variety of schools they may only have indirectly heard about.

About the freshmen visiting the transfer office, Ms. Miller says, "I want them to start seeing what they need to take as electives. They need to start looking at what schools want right now."

And if unsure of your intended major? "If they don't know what they

want to do, or only have some idea, they need to start looking. There are plenty of college catalogs here in my office, and if we don't have the one you are looking for, the library has resources on most of the colleges in the United States on film," says Ms. Miller.

"These first two years are not frantic ones. It's an exploration period, but if you have some idea then you should see what electives you should be taking for your (intended) major", says Ms. Miller.

As a last word to sophomores, Ms. Miller says, "I'd like everyone to send in an application before Christmas". Most colleges aren't going to go over the applications until after January, but once again it's a first-come, first-served basis.