

Intramural Sports

Spring Quarter '76

Now is the time to oil your softball gloves, restring your tennis rackets, clean your golf clubs and tune up your overall recreational desires. Spring is here! Intramural sports at Gaston College have devised a specialized and diversified program just for you this spring. Activities range from team activities to dual sports to individual activities to a good old fashion family cookout sports day.

The tennis courts should be well utilized this quarter with eleven sections of tennis being taught and five special tournaments being offered. Each tournament will be a double elimination affair, with novice and advanced divisions separating the distinct ability levels. To start the season off a singles tourney for men and women is organizing right now with the entry deadline being Thursday, March 25th. Men and Women doubles action gets under-way shortly with the entry deadline set for April 1st. Mixed doubles play should start around the middle of April.

Softball leagues for men and for women are now being organized. We are looking for 10 member teams to compete in a round robin league. Individuals who do not have a team to play with are encouraged to register with the Intramural Sports Office so that they can be placed on a team. Entry deadline for formation of this league is Thursday, March 25th, with a meeting scheduled for 11 a.m. on Thursday in room S-201.

Golf activity will take the form of three separate tournaments. On Thursday, March 25th, entry deadline is set for a Scotch Doubles Tourney. This is partner play, a man and a woman, competing as a team, alternating shots to compile their best score. Later on in the quarter we will have a Men's Open Tourney and a Faculty-Student partner event.

Gaston Bridge Club will again be active this quarter with two meetings planned. The first meeting will take place on Friday, April 2nd at 7:30 p.m. in the Industrial Building Bridge Parlor. Faculty, students and friends are invited to take part. Remember the club is for beginners as well as accomplished players. Refreshments will be served. Please notify our office as to your intentions for this evening activity. Second meeting is set for Friday, April 30.

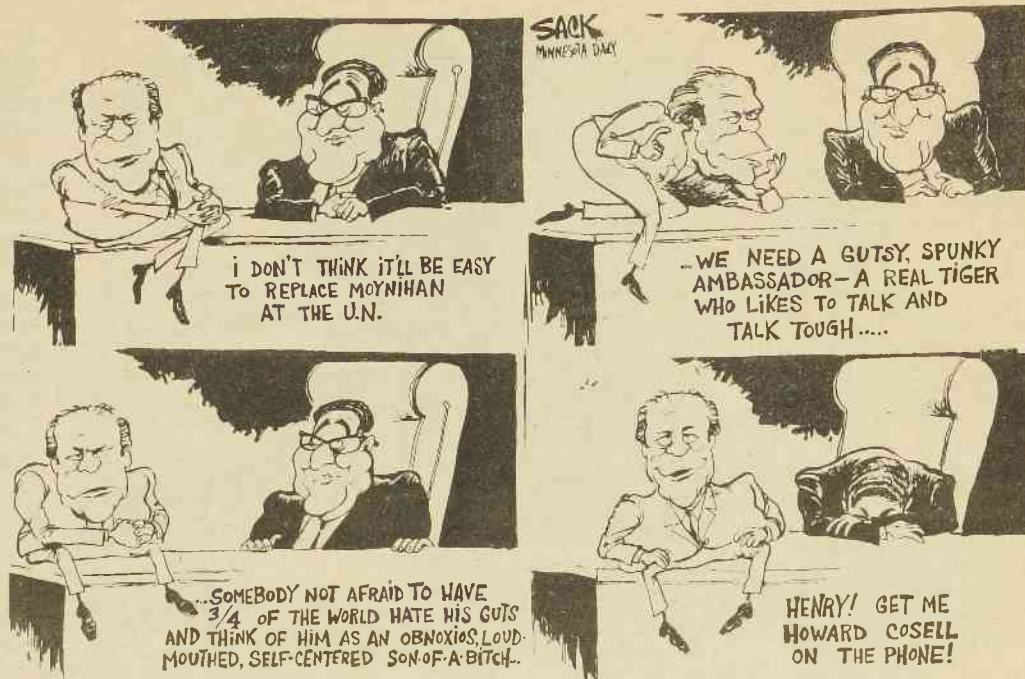
Information regarding other activities this quarter will appear in later editions of the Gas Light. Information and registration for upcoming activities may be obtained by calling the Intramural Office, 922-3136 ext. 331, or come by office RmS-211. Don't wait too long to get involved, you may be too late.

Intramural Sports Schedule

The following activities are being offered for you. Without your participation, we would not have an Intramural Sports Program - Check these dates carefully. More information - stop by room S-211.

ACTIVITY	ENTRY DEADLINE	ACTIVITY STARTS
Tennis		
Singles - Men and Women	+Thursday, March 25th 11:00 a.m.	Thursday, March 25
Doubles Men and Women	+Thursday, April 1st 11:00 a.m.	Thursday, April 1st
Mixed Doubles	+Thursday, April 15th 11:00 a.m.	Thursday, April 15th
Softball		
Men's League	+Tuesday, March 23rd 11:00 a.m.	Thursday, March 25
Women's League	+Tuesday, March 23rd 11:00 a.m.	Thursday, March 25
Golf		
Scotch Doubles	Thursday, March 25	Friday, March 26th
Men's Open	Thursday, April 22	Friday, April 13
Faculty-Student Open	Thursday, May 13	Friday, May 14
Gaston Bridge Nights (Faculty-Students)	Wednesday, March 31st Respond to S-211	Friday, April 2 Friday, April 30 (Industrial Bldg. I - 107, 7:30 p.m.)
Gaston Family Day		Saturday, April 24th 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Foosball	+Tuesday, April 20th 11:00 a.m.	Tuesday, April 20th
Horseshoes	Tuesday, April 27th 11:00 a.m.	Tuesday, April 27th Athletic Field
Frisbee Golf Day	Tuesday, May 4th 11:00 a.m.	Tuesday, May 4 Athletic Field

+ Organizational Meetings - 11:00 a.m. Room S-201. Please plan to attend if you wish to participate in the activity.



Two Year Army ROTC Program

Now, thanks to a relatively new program offered by the Army, students at Gaston College can become Second Lieutenants in the United States Army after only two years of Army ROTC instead of the customary four years. Students who qualify attend a six-week ROTC Basic Camp at Fort Knox, Kentucky after their junior and senior years. The Basic Camp qualifies the student for the Advanced Course. The program, known as the Two-Year Army ROTC Program, is designed primarily for community and junior college graduates however students of four-year colleges who did not take ROTC during their first two years may participate. Gaston College Students who attend Basic Camp may complete the Advanced Course through a cross-enrollment agreement with Davidson College. Interested students may apply for one of the three Basic Camp cycles planned for this summer. The

first cycle will be from 28 May to 8 July 1976. The second cycle will be from 11 June to 22 July 1976. The third cycle will be from 16 July to 26 August 1976. The deadline for applications will be 15 March for the first cycle, 1 April for the second cycle and 15 April for the third cycle - the earlier the application the better, however. Women may attend the second cycle and should submit applications by 1 March 1976. Attendees will receive approximately \$542 for the six-week Basic Camp plus travel pay and subsequently in the Advanced Course, \$100 per academic month. In addition, while in Basic Camp, students

may compete for Two-Year ROTC Scholarships which will be awarded to approximately one of each twenty-three students. These scholarships cover tuition, fees, books, and equipment, plus the \$100 per month each advanced course student receives.

To qualify for the Basic Camp, a student must be a rising junior in good standing, be physically and mentally qualified, be of good moral character, and be at least 17 years of age but not over 26 years of age.

Interested students should contact the ROTC Department at Davidson College for further details.

CAMPUS SHORTS

New Procedure To Follow LRC

The staff of the Learning Resources Center announced on March 9, 1976 that there would be a new procedure to follow for print-outs from the Microfilm

Reader-Printers. Beginning March 11, a charge of 10 cents per page will be made for all print-outs from the microfilm

reader-printers. The staff asks that all students, faculty, and staff make payment at the Circulation Desk after making copies from microfilm. This change in procedure was brought about because of the cutback in allocation of funds for supplies through the State budget.

Graduation Exercises

At the February 26 meeting of the Student Government Association, Doug Arthurs recommended that Father Bradley of Belmont Abbey College and Reverend J.W. Stiles of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in

Cherryville to be the participants in the 1976 graduation exercises. On March 17, 1976, the SGA informed the Gaslight editors that Father Bradley will be commencement speaker and Reverend Stiles will give the invocation and benediction.

Spring Quarter

Enrollment for the Spring Quarter of 1976 after drop-add was reported at 2863 students by

Mr. Bruce Trammell, Registrar at Gaston. This is 26 students less than the previous quarter

(Winter 75-76). Yet, this is an increase over the Spring Quarter of 1975 in which 2844 students were enrolled after drop-add. This is an increase of 19 students over last year's figures.

May Weekend

Plans for May-Weekend are now underway by the Student Government Association. Read in later issues of the GASLIGHT

for more news concerning these events to take place for all Gaston College Students.

Boy Scouts Aid Elders

(CPS) -- America may soon be on a starvation diet of daily good deeds, if membership in the Boy Scouts continues to plummet.

New figures from Boy Scout world headquarters in North Brunswick, New Jersey show that troop strength was cut by nearly half a million in 1975, continuing a three-year trend. Since 1972, the Scouts have lost 1.2 million members, dropping current membership to 3.9 million young boys and, yes, girls, who are now admitted to Boy Scout Explorer chapters. "We don't like to say it's the pill, but families are getting progressively smaller," says Russ Bufkins, a Boy Scout spokesman.

To beef up troop strength, Scout leaders are working on what they call a "five year plan" that is designed to take up where the current "Boypower" recruiting program left off. "Boypower," launched in 1968, ran into substantial problems when some Scout leaders were caught falsifying membership records.