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Whet Wednesday to Give New Meck Original Character

by Lin Thompson

In an effort to "give New Meck a character of its own", residence director Neal Bushoven has begun a series of weekly events called "Whet Wednesdays". Based on the word "whet", meaning "to sharpen," Whet Wednesdays will feature programs and activities by faculty, students, and outsiders on a variety of subjects.

Whet Wednesday I, on September 11, consisted of New Meck's High Table festivities. Whet Wednesday II, was a double feature, beginning with Dr. Wallace Fowlie's poetry reading at the student Union, and continuing with a slide presentation by Bushoven and his semi-permanent house-guest, Dave Bunn, on their hiking trip in

the mountains of Maine this summer. In addition to the slide show, the adventurers held a two day exhibit in the New Meck lounge featuring relics of the trip and photographs by Bunn. Among the carefully labeled exhibits were "rugged Bushoven's actual pillow ('It was made by my mother')"; a bucket of Maine rainwater collected over a 48-hour period; and "Bunn's actual souvenirs-5 nondescript rocks ('They looked better wet-honest!')". The hit of the show, however, was a set of "actual Xeroxed copies of Bushoven's diary-limited edition signed by the author" in which the explorer-professor described, in his classic style his experiences with the black flies

of Maine:

"Imagine being a black fly-the waiting for an animal the sheer frenzy of delight when a camper with acres of skin arrives in your territory?! The joy of eating WOW-the talk back at the gathering...

could they enjoy sex more!"
 (copyright 1974, Neal Bushoven)

Noting that all Whet Wednesdays will be wet as well-"we have a drinking permit"-Bushoven said future attractions will include Dr. Carl Bennett reading Greek poetry along with students reading from their favorite works: Bob Tauber discussing the Fellini film "8½"; and Dr. Bob Valentine reading poetry of Latin America. Other Wednesdays will feature such events as Mackay Asbury speaking on soccer and Dr. John Clausz's St. Andrews nature walk in a rare Sunday Whet Wednesday. "There'll be something for everyone", said Bushoven, "and foreigners from other dorms can come, too."

Crowds Called Major Force in Revolution

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tion was a major even in the democratization of Europe.

Prof. Rude cited two components of this egalitarian ideal. One was an inherent belief that certain things were right; that is, a keen concept of justice. The second was a philosophy learned from the works of Rousseau and Montesquieu.

The common people were not entirely successful in their revolution, but they did make many gains. They became proud of themselves as a group, and in their unity demanded bread, the right to vote, a price ceiling, and other things important to them. By 1793 they had gotten what they demanded. The common people were no longer merely a social entity, but now a political force as well.

classroom uses of videotapes. Contacts may be established with other university film groups and arrangements made for obtaining free or inexpensive film and processing.

Thompson Awarded Scholarship

A St. Andrews freshman, Lin Thompson, has been awarded a two-week environmental study scholarship to attend the Wilderness Leadership School in South Africa's Zululand.

The Shelby, N.C. native is one of 20 Americans awarded scholarships to attend by the Exploring division of the Boy Scouts of America, in which he has been active for the past 11 years.

Leaving New York on October 19, the U.S. contingent will fly to Durban, South Africa for orientation briefings, and then spend two weeks in the bush country studying the effects of land management and mismanagement in one of the last great wilderness areas of the world. In addition to visiting the Umfolozi, Hluhluwe, Mkuze, and Lake St. Lucia game reserves, the

group will also take a beach walk along the Indian Ocean and visit a Zulu settlement to study native customs and lifestyles.

Founded in 1957 by pro golfer Gary Player's brother Ian, the Wilderness Leadership School's objective is to educate tomorrow's leaders on the value of conservation so that they in turn might influence future public awareness of the need for wilderness preservation. Since its beginning the school has had over 2,000 students from all over the world.

Appalshop

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fectively and comfortably in small groups.

The film and videotapes workshops will have a number of benefits for the St. Andrews community. One important effect will be to allow people to use the resources available on campus in the form of three videotapes sets and two movie cameras. This will involve not only the college, but also the Laurinburg community and Scotland High School.

The North Carolina Arts Council has given St. Andrews a grant in support of the Appalshop festival. Groups of people have expressed interest in such diverse projects as a weekly television program on the local cable station, making a film on old Meck dorm, and

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Recently I was apprised of a rather startling piece of information regarding last year's "Lance". I thought it would be wise to make the acts publicly known, rather than listen to the uniformed, often vicious gossip which pervades this campus.

Many returning students have been expressing sorrow at the demise of the popular column, "Glancing at Sports". Mr. Wilmot's acerbic wit, his knowledge of all areas of athletics, and his unhesitatingly critical stance made for exceptional reporting. This week, however, I learned that Mr. Wilmot was not, in fact, responsible for many of the columns. A half-brother of his, with the rather ironic nickname of Shadow, wrote extensively for the column. Shadow took a master's degree in athletic journalism for the University of Ohio in 1972, so it is no wonder that "Glancing at Sports" maintained such uniform excellence.

Certainly the practice of having a ghost writer is not

unusual for many people in the public eye, from politicians to comedians. However, I find it shockingly indicative of the state of the nation when such an activity could occur in respect to a small college newspaper. The "Lance" has the reputation of being run by a dedicated, hard-working staff, a reputation which is hardly compatible with such shenanigans.

"Glancing at Sports" is no longer a feature of the "Lance" because Shadow Wilmot has gone on to a more lucrative job than "ghosting" for his brother. After a surprise party thrown for him this week, he left Laurinburg for a job with the Baltimore "Sun." Certainly St. Andrews (only now discovered) loss is Baltimore's gain, but I personally find the whole mess singularly distasteful.

I hope that Mr. Wilmot will forgive my expose of his column; I realize that his actions were taken with the best interests of SA sports fans at heart.

Sincerely,
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