

Campus Voice

Waldo's World



Well you happy campers, it looks like we've come to the end of another semester and soon it will be the freedom of summer taking over. No more cafeteria food, no more trying to get excuses for missed classes, only calls to the boss saying that you are not feeling well and can't come into work when you really met up with this bad lookin' betty and you went down to the beach for a few drinks and to walk the sleeping bag down near the shore. But that is all in front of us and the time to think about is now, if there are any bad lookin' betties within reading distance of this paper who want to try something like this, all you need is a car and Daddie's gold card then we can talk.

With the warm weather that has been with us lately everything has seemed to slow down. Everybody is fairly kicked back and in a hurry to get nowhere any time soon. Most of the people will kick around their weekends at the beach. One particular poser (I mean surfer) named Joey will be out in the surf shredding waves like no tomorrow and then he's going to wake up in a puddle. Joey is famous for his "All flash, no slash" type of lifestyle and the search for the remains of Adolf. I'm just kidding, Joey is a swell surfer and an all around heck of a guy. NOT!

Others for the summer will be doing the same thing others did last summer, yes that dreaded disease of going to summer school. If you are planning to go to summer school at Chowan remember, you get out of it what you make of it. We used that philosophy last summer and I'd tell you what we did if I could just remember what it was. Some of us will be going to summer school elsewhere

like Radford University. You shouldn't need two guesses on what the summer would be like up there. The only bad thing about Radford this summer is that everyone decided to go home for the summer when they heard Mike was going to go to school there. Summer school is usually a summer long party wherever you go so those of you doing that, relax, have a beer, the summer is going to be wizard.

Still others in the University are going to be going down to Wilmington to see if their band can make it in the club scenes. The Underground will be playing in clubs in the area during the summer before they go on to different schools in the fall. I wish them the best of luck in their journey and hope to be able to see them again in the near future.

Some people must not have understood what I was getting at when I was talking about changes in the cafeteria. Implementing dark carpeting on the floor would cover stains as well as keep people from sliding about the drink area and spilling food. Another misconception of what was said as the overall look of the cafeteria in Richmond, I believe I referred to it as "class". Ambiance is also a part of eating. If you are being fed as if you are in a high school cafeteria, then you may feel that you are in a high school cafeteria and act accordingly. If you are fed as if you are in a restaurant, then you may feel that you are in a restaurant and also act accordingly. Enough said.

Have any of you noticed that tunes long forgotten have suddenly popped up? Yes sirree Bob, just when you thought it was

safe to send off your transcripts, WHAM!!! "Oops, sorry about that son, guess we forgot to tell you about that \$100 cafeteria fine. For what? Remember the time when you burped in the cafeteria, we heard you."

One thing that has been getting to me lately is the rolls of faculty advisors. Some seem to think that advisor means dictator, wrong. The position is to help students run the organization that they are in, not tell them what to do and think their word is law. Advise, do not control.

I would like to give the sports teams of Chowan our appreciation in representing the school for the year. They may not get the backing or the respect due to them, but the efforts of these people to take their time to put themselves on the line for the school is outstanding. Whether or not the team has a winning record is not the point, the point is making the effort. Thank you student jocks and jockettes.

Well, I guess this is going to be about it until my last semester next year. Boy am I looking forward to that...NOT!!! So you campers be safe out there during your break, and if you can't be safe at least try to know what you did the night before. Enjoy the sun and fun and please watch out for the people in the white suits, I think they are space aliens.

Happy camping,
Waldo D. Tuttle

P.S. For all you people who have made time to come to the loft to visit and those of you who know what it is like to be a PIRATE, go away, I have all the friends I want.

Everything you always wanted to know (and perhaps, more) about Whitaker Library

By Sarah Davis

JUST IN CASE YOU'RE ASKED...

How large is the Whitaker Library? The answer is 30,000 square feet. How many books does it have? It has 87,775 books. How many people can be seated at once? It seats 250 people. How many hours is it open per week? It is open 72 hours a week. During the 1987-1988 academic year, how many people used the library? During the 1987-88 academic year, 58,897 people used Whitaker Library. How many books did they check out? They checked out 18,339 books. How much did it grow during the Year? It grew 10,000 square feet; 2,865 popular and scholarly magazines; 2,500 books; 2,169 newspapers; and 863 reels of microfilm. Aren't you glad you asked.

Letters to the editor

Dear Editor,

I have noticed from the last issue of the "Smoke Signals" that Waldo has made many or what appears to me to be absurd comments and propositions concerning the cafeteria. He seems to belittle the cafeteria and not give the credit where needed.

One of the proposals made by Waldo that I found unlikely to happen in a cafeteria was for carpet to be put on the floor. I think that with carpet on the floor there would be tremendous stains that couldn't come out, and besides, carpet on the floor would bring a great expense to Chowan's budget.

I hope next year Waldo finds something more interesting to gripe about because he has definitely bored us with comments about the cafeteria.

Sincerely,
Wanting to read something new

The Chowan Campus SGA elections are once more being held on campus. And as usual, the politics are really hitting the fan. It seems to this student that there are always some underlying currents of politics that go along with anything related to political elections, be it elections on or off campus.

Lately, there has been some controversy concerning the SGA elections. Several students have applied to run for certain positions but did not meet the required GPA of 2.0 that is needed to be accepted as a running candidate for an office. These students did have a cumulative GPA of at least 1.8. The question being raised is why can't they be elected if their GPA will be above the required 2.0 by the end of the semester?

The elections being held are for the positions of the officers next semester. This seems to suggest that the students grades of this semester shouldn't play a large role in the election. Yes, if the candidate had grades low enough that even the perspective GPA would not be suitable, then I can see the student being denied the candidacy, but it is hard for me to believe that such a student would remain at this institution.

Exams

By Brett Fipps

Well it is exam time again so remember the best way to do well on your exams is to study ahead of time. One of the main reasons people do not do well on exams is that they will wait until the last minute and try to cram a semester full of work into an all night study and review session. The best and only way to receive top grades on exams is to study and review for them at least a week in advance. Doing so will prevent you from cramming the night before and getting confused while you take the exam.

Tensions, as well as frustrations, will be flaring up during these few exam days so let's all show some common courtesy to our fellow students and try to get along with everyone. If you do not have an exam for the next day and want to blow off some of your anxieties, then please try to keep it away from the dorms because you know, as well

as I, if something is broken or damaged then we are the ones that have to pay.

Some people believe that if they wear a certain outfit of clothes everyday, carry a rabbit's foot, a bullseye, or a four leaf clover, that it will help them in their exams. This, of course, is not true because it is just in those peoples' minds as a form of psychological superstition. Still the reality remains that if you study, review, and get a good nights sleep before your exams then you will probably do well anyway.

Most students feel like "If I can only get through these stupid exams, I'll have it made." This statement is not altogether the way we should feel about exams. After all the hard work, angers, and frustrations caused by these exams remember that you are only beginning to enter into the final exam, LIFE. If you think of these petty exams as stupid then just think of what you will be facing when you enter the working world. Good luck to all of you and I hope you succeed on these exams, as well as the final one.

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