Editor's Corner

FROM THE Editor's Desk

Dear Reader,

Well, the end has finally come to this sad, sad political season. With all the mud slung and all the attack ads packed away 'til '06 the time is at hand to move forward with the job of being Americans.

I listened closely to the victory and concession speeches made by both camps on the Wednesday after the election, and with the exception of John Edwards, who just could not come to grips with the reality of the situation, all the principal players conducted themselves with grace and dignity.

Mr. Kerry was a perfect example of grace in defeat. Choking back understandable emotions Kerry spoke of his hopes for a united country in President Bush's second term saying, "We are required now to work together for the good of our country."

For his part Bush was gracious in victory saying, "Senator Kerry waged a spirited campaign, he and his supporters can be proud of their efforts." And he reached out to Democrat and moderate citizens saying, "Today I want to speak to every person who voted for my opponent. To make this nation stronger and better, I will need your support and I will work to earn it. I will



do all I can do to deserve your trust. A new term is a new opportunity to reach out to the whole nation. We have one country, one Constitution, and one future that binds us. And when we come together and work together, there is no limit to the greatness of America."

I hope that the anti-Bush folks will do one simple thing, a thing that will answer the President's plea for support in a way that will make them OK with the outcome of this election. Be Kerry-like in your conduct, take heart, and embrace the inspiration of Senator Kerry's finest line in his speech Wednesday, and possibly of his whole campaign, "In an American election there are no losers, because whether or not our candidates are successful, the next morning we all wake up Americans."

If we all follow the Senator's example, we can make it, together.

Oh, yeah, it would be a good idea to ignore Edwards (it only encourages him) and encourage Dan Rather's early retirement. That will ice the cake quite nicely.



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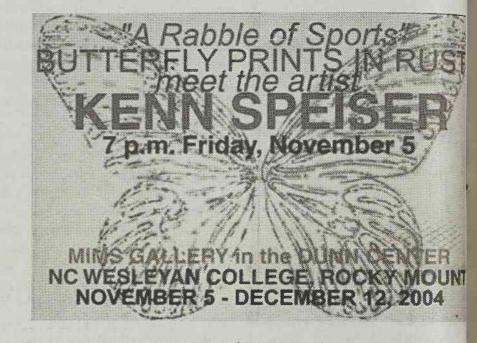
Campus Activity Board is an organization that plans activities and events for students of Wesleyan College. The organization includes Victor Brown (President), William C. Jones (Vice President), Nicolle Womack (Secretary) and their advisor is Chanelle Miller.

According to Womack, "the main purpose of CAB is to promote and plan educational and social activities to enrich students' college experience." The organization is here to benefit the students and faculty as well.

New events that CAB is hosting include spade tournaments, open mic night, and movie night Recent events were the Turkey Hunt during November 15th through 17th, and comedian Secarlin performing in the Dunn Center November 17th as well. There was no cost for the come show. The last open mic night the semester was December 2nd

Womack also told me that students that are not involved in CAB can give ideas to the organization. If anyone wants to donate thoughts and suggestion they can attend the meeting ever Wednesday at 7:15pm in the CA office located in the Hartness Center.

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