

GREAT EXPECTATIONS

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Because of the mandate of finals, this printing likely represents our last issue for this semester. With that in mind, I'd like to take this time to preview what you can expect next year from the Broncos' Voice (BV). The most important factor that concerns any manager is structure and continuity. These are both historic problems for this publication as the staff is totally voluntary. We plan to petition Student Affairs to establish financial compensation for editorial positions and use this incentive as a drawing card to attract new and continued staff support. Luckily, the nucleus of our staff is committed to returning next year, but we will still be actively seeking new staff writers (no experience necessary!). It's a very real concern of mine that the BV be reflective of the entire FSU family. However, because of a lack of student and faculty submissions, a majority of our copy is produced by the BV staff...it's not supposed to be like that! To facilitate a broader and more reflective voice, we will solicit contributions from community sources (high schools, businesses, etc). We have already began talking to various departments in an effort to incorporate and centralize the editing and distribution of their newsletters. Procedure is in line with our desire to eventually mail the BV to commuter students (student fees may already cover this expense). To cut production costs, we are working with the campus print shop and Mr Otovo's office eventually to have the BV printed on campus. This process will not only cut production costs, but will also allow us to produce a more timely publication (every two weeks versus our current sporadic publication schedule). Purchase orders have been submitted to acquire the equipment necessary to handle or current production and anticipated growth. We hope to increase both our copies per issue (currently 2,500) and external distribution as a whole (separate from our commuter student mailouts). It is our belief that as a microcosm of Fayetteville proper, it is our obligation to extend our voice to as broad

an audience as possible; increased external distribution satisfies that requirement.

We are trying to find a new location. The Student Center is a beautiful location, and Mr Williams and his staff have provided outstanding support, but its ten o'clock shutdown time seriously inhibits our ability to meet deadlines, not to mention that our current status and future growth dictate a very real need for more space. We are hoping to get connected to the Local Area Network as well as Associated Press lines so that we can give you national and international coverage. This arrangement will also allow departments and outside sources worldwide to forward submissions via E-Mail directly to our office (Isn't technology great!). However, the most important factor in this entire process is your continued support and participation. A simple comparison of our first and last issues provides a sterling example of the potential for positive growth possible when students make quality and excellence their priority. In closing, we are honored to be a part of the process that will ensure the future viability of the Broncos' Voice, a truthful and representative voice of the FSU family.

WHY SAC, WHY NOW?

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It has been noted that this year's SGA has been one of the most organized and productive in recent memory. That being said, it has also been noted that student life issues (from co-ed visitation to commuter student concerns) have not been aggressively pursued. To their credit, the SGA also noted this perception. An analysis of this dilemma revealed that the program committee's extensive agenda dominated SGA meetings to the point that other student life

issues of equal import could only be approached on a surface level. It was concluded that a re-structuring of the SGA would most effectively serve the needs of the SGA and the student body. After detailed study, it was decided to remove the program director and business manager from the SGA and create a lateral student government body, the Student Activities Council (SAC). SAC will concentrate solely on sponsoring events and activities for the educational and social development and entertainment of FSU, freeing the SGA to concentrate on student life issues.

The FSU student body showed foresight and vision in approving the creation of SAC, allowing the SGA (and by extension, SAC) to position themselves to represent more effectively and specifically represent student concerns both today and in the coming century. A special thanks to Dr Glenna Sexton, SGA Advisor, for planting the seed whose fruition was the SAC. Also a very special thanks to the SGA members who contributed their time, patience, and insight into the development of SAC. Generations will benefit from the wisdom of your decision.

**Jackie is eight and has leukemia.
But that's not the worst part.**



Jackie is eight years old. Unless her leukemia is arrested, she may never be nine. Her only hope is a treatment that's been successful in cases like hers: a bone marrow transplant.

But to have a transplant, Jackie needs to find a donor. Someone whose bone marrow matches hers exactly.

And for someone who's black, that's the hard part.

You see, the best chance of finding an exact match for Jackie would be someone else who's black.

But there simply aren't enough black donors yet.

To help Jackie, and others like her, the National Marrow Donor Program is putting

together a list of volunteers.

People willing to give of themselves, so someone else can have the chance to live.

Learn more about becoming a bone marrow donor. Call your local blood center, or the National Marrow Donor Program, at 1-800-654-1247.

You might be just the donor Jackie's waiting for.

When you can save a life, you're the lucky one.