

Farewell to graduating EIC

"They play it safe. Are quick to assassinate what they do not understand. They move in packs, ingesting more and more fear with every act of hate on one another. They feel most comfortable in groups, less guilt to swallow. They are us. This is what we have become. Afraid to respect the individual. A single person within a circumstance can move one to change, to love our self, to evolve." ~Erykah Badu

Respectively, you can please some of the people half of the time, but never all of the people all of the time. It has come to the nitty-gritty for me. After holding the position as Editor-In-Chief, I realize that the time has come to explore amongst other things---graduation preparation. Applying to jobs and crossing fingers, I feel that my focus must now turn toward my ultimate goal and allow room for another to take over. I must thank those who supported my efforts and even those who did not. I am adult enough to know when to hold and when to fold and yes, I am folding.

This is not a defeat, but rather a conclusion after much consideration and thought. Again, thanks to those who read The Voice, stop by the office and offer words of encouragement on a daily basis. I am now returning to incense, ahnks and poems by Amiri Baraka.

To the staff and Dr. Baker, I wish you all well and I hope that The Voice will continue to progress as I have hoped and attempted. It's not over until the fat lady sings and hopefully she will be the opening act on May 4!

Please no flash photography.

Peace and blessings,

Alisha Murphy



ADVISER'S CORNER

As we approach the end of the 2012-2013 academic year, the process of transformation begins.

Some students will graduate in May and move on to jobs or perhaps graduate school. Other students will prepare for next year, when they will be one year closer to graduation.

At *The Voice*, this is the time we must say goodbye to our graduates and welcome people into new positions.

We would like to thank all who have worked on the paper in the 2012-2013 school year, especially Jennifer Lucas and Alisha Murphy, who served as editors in chief this year. It is a challenging job and we appreciate all of their hard work.

Best of luck to Alisha Murphy, who brought a new look and feel to the paper. We know you will succeed at whatever endeavors you choose.

To other staff members who have also contributed to *The Voice*: Aaron Williams, Anna Rhodes, and others, thank you for your service as well.

Anna Rhodes, who was a *Voice* photographer responsible for some of our best covers to date, is graduating in May as well.

Congratulations and good luck to all.

For those students who will be back next year, I look forward to working with you.

Thank you for your support.

~Dr. Andrea Baker, *The Voice* adviser

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