

WERE YOU THERE?

The first basketball game of the season was a disappointment for my wife and me, not so much because the home team lost, but because of the poor student turnout. This is an argument that you have undoubtedly heard many times before and are probably tired of hearing. But for once, even though you are still guilty, it is not primarily directed at you, No -- much to your understandable surprise, it is directed at the very people who have pleaded, cajoled and castigated you for not attending these school activities; the members of our Student Government, including its executive council, our illustrious faculty, and the administration. Yes, indeed, these very people who have been the supposed vanguard of the student participation crusade were not present.

Looking over the meager crowd, only a few Student Government faces were observed, among the many ABSENT were the SGA President, Vice - President and Secretary. The number of faculty not present is too long to list. No one can exact any pride in the size of our game's turnout, but it is especially sad when even your SGA and faculty show such little concern. So after you return from the next game, ask your members of the SGA if THEY attended it. If then they shrug their shoulders and announce they didn't go, perhaps they don't deserve to represent you.

- Louis Price

a letter to the student body

Dear Student Body,

It has been called to my attention that Wayne Community College Student Government Association needs your support. As your political affairs editor, I feel it is my duty to keep myself informed of all political situations from National to local. In doing so, I have found a few faults with student government, the worst of which is the present constitution. I beg each of you to get a copy of The Student Handbook and read our constitution.

If you have any pride in WCC you will find it in your heart to seek out your SGA representative and urge him to do all he can to see that WCC has a new constitution within this year. Please, if you have any ideas for the constitution, LET THE SGA KNOW.

Sincerely,
John Prevette

Saint Dick

Tricia and Julia were all snuggled up in their beds, anxiously awaiting the arrival of Saint Nick or should I say, Saint Dick. But, Julia began to get restless. It was that time of a child's when all the kids at school "finked" on Santa Clause. She finally persuaded Tricia to go along with her and hide behind the living couch, next to the Christmas tree. After a while, a big fat man walked into the room with that familiar red suit on. He caught a glimpse of the two heads popping quickly back, out of the range of sight, Saint Dick beckoned the two children to appear before him. When they did, he asked them why they were hiding behind the couch. Tricia innocently said, "We wanted to see if Santa was real". With a little shake of his head, Saint Dick said, "Let me make this perfectly clear: I am the Santa Clause!!!"

BY SHERRY HUDSON



Old men sitting waiting for death forgotten by family put away to rest they spent their lives raised their children loved them always this is the return they are forgotten people supposed to enjoy now life of confinement their life is of snow people don't remember they once were of spring

now just old timber their knowledge obsolete in minds of youth they have so much can't anyone help show you care much to be learned these people taught now they are useless youth will be old forgotten by theirs put away to rest

the fly

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Look And Learn

By KIERNAM HOLIDAY

Editor's note: this article has been edited. The word "behind" was not the word used by the author.

During the last month we at Wayne Community College have been forced to witness the doings and sayings of something called a fraternity. We have witnessed men carrying paddles, men dressed as women, men kissing their behinds goodbye and one man who thinks that he is a military drill instructor. Through all this we have been forced to watch and we have been expected to laugh even though we think we should turn the other way.

All in all, though, I suppose that it is for a good cause. It is apparent that the purpose of this fraternity is to teach and to prepare its members for

life in the American society. It would seem that all this chicanery is really a training period so the novices can be trained as to how the fraternity conducts itself in society and how it deals with everyday problems. The paddles must be, then, for the purpose of discipline. I recall that my mother used one on me quite frequently while I was young. I do suppose I raided the cookie jar a little too often. These fraternity people must be special: my mother never let me carry a paddle. Expediency, I suppose.

The next subject that is taught these men is quite useful if one plans to enter a modern society -- How a Man is to Dress as a Woman. This modern course is very interesting in view of the current gay liberation movement. I believe they are attempting to teach these men a last resort method of survival -- when all else fails, try the other side. I feel that during an air raid it would be much more reasonable to find cover than to kiss your behind good bye. This seems to be the only deficient area of their teaching. This, though, prepares the trainees for another facet of our society. Obviously the person who planned this course of instruction though that this would be the ideal action to take in the event of an air raid. His pessimism is not totally unrealistic in the light of the nuclear age; that may be the best thing to do.

It would seem today that we are turning more and more to the military when we can't solve our problems. One of the men teaching in the period of instruction of this brotherhood appears to find the military solves all his problems. This is not unlike many people in the country today. Since a good portion of the male population of the United States has served in the military, his actions are not totally without precedent. He is, I feel, just turning to the only thing that he and many other people in this country can turn to in a time of crisis -- the military.

It is over though. The drill instructors have managed to teach their troops all about living in American society, something they can get from nowhere else. Even if we are forced to witness, why be bitter? After all, we get the benefit of this teaching at the same time. Think what we can learn from this.

HAVE YOUR TEETH CLEANED, POLISHED AND X-RAYED BY WCC'S DENTAL HYGIENE DEPT. MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

The Grievance Committee... Or Leave It At Home

I had the pleasure a few days ago of meeting the members of this Committee all one of them. Undoubtedly this is the most sympathetic committee ever. One patron, very anxious to express his grief at having his tapes stolen from his car, was told very concernedly to leave his tapes at home. Seeing how he didn't have them anymore, this suggestion was easy to follow. In a brief but very informative conversation with a faculty member, I learned that the grievance committee had also solved the parking problem. The faculty member was informed that walking solved the problem of parking. (Leave it at home, eh?) As my time to express my grievance came near, the committee was saved by the bell. I had to go to class. The very same night!

While at one of the more popular downtown taverns, I had the privilege of speaking with another influential officer of the student government association. I questioned the fate of my five dollar activity fee. The first reaction to my question was "What five dollar activity fee?" After due process of thought and repetition of my question, the answer was "it was a lot of hot dogs, pork, and beach music."

Through personal observation and in view of the fact that the Army Corps of Engineers deemed the proposal to build a bridge impossible, I proposed that the remainder of the money be used toward the purchase of a ferry boat. The ferry will run from hours 8 to 4 from the parking lot to K building on rainy days.

In view of the smashing success of the grievance committee, I propose that any future plans for this committee "be left at home".

P.S. It is strongly suggested that until the ferry becomes operational all students should pick up galoshes and other water paraphernalia at the new aquatic water sports department of the Book Store.

Submariner and Aquaman

Reply To..

Submariner And Aquaman

c/o Editor
Dear Student:

I feel that you have not researched your material on the grievance committee and that you could not care less. It further seems to me that you and your type of nonscript individual who mock the efforts of other students who are trying to better WCC would be better off to come to college and try to give us a hand at helping.

You, moreover, are being most unfair to the student who can do better by becoming involved with WCC. We only learn by doing, and it is quite apparent that you are not up to par and are not worth the time that student government takes to try and help you.

To the concerned student, I must apologize for the conduct of a few nondescript students. It may interest the student body that the grievance committee has brought about a few changes that we feel will please the students who expressed their grievances.

We will not stop here with our fight to bring about a good and strong SGA for WCC. All we ask of you the students is that you be concerned and not ridicule the efforts of the students who are working constructively for you and Wayne Community College.

UNAFRAID TO SIGN MY NAME
JOHN PREVETTE
Vice-president, SGA

Honorary Brotherhood Received

In November WCC President Clyde Erwin was inducted as a honorary brother into Sigma Tau Sigma Service Fraternity of Wayne Community College. He was chosen by the brothers for this honor because of the close work and support that he has given the fraternity. Also inducted as honorary brothers to the fraternity were Bill, Bennett, Dr. Humphries, and Mr. Woodyard. These men serve as advisors to the fraternity.

STUDENTS AT STATE HOUSE

WCC is looking forward to a big year with the North Carolina Student Legislature. The prospects look very bright this year for us to come home with an award. We have come a long way and we cannot afford to be lax now.

The NCSL meets once a year in Raleigh during the Spring recess of the state General Assembly. During this time students are chosen to represent their respective schools meet in mock legislature. They present bills to be considered by the student House and Senate. The bills are debated, voted on, and then passed on to other chambers for approval or disapproval. This system is a model of the North Carolina General Assembly.

In a joint meeting the bills that are passed are voted on and the ones that the students think the most important are taken before the general assembly. In past years, 60% of the bills taken before the general assembly were passed and became law. WCC has an outstanding record of working

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This year we want a bigger and better legislation, but without students' help we cannot send a full delegation to NCSL.