

Editor's Corner

Once again it is time to return to the books and classes. For the incoming freshmen it will be a new and breath-taking experience. For the returning sophomores, it will be a time of concern and concentration. However, you can make this year the best year at WCC. All you need to do is participate. Participation in extracurricular activities will add to your college experience. You will make new friends, go to exciting places, and have some fun too. Below is a list of all the activities available to you at WCC:

Art Club
Baptist Student Union
Cheerleaders
Circle K
College Theater
Jazz Ensemble
Mu Alpha Theta — Math Club
Organization of Ebony Students
Phi Beta Lambda (Business Students)
Ski Club
Student Government Association
Student Nurses Association
Student Publications (Newspaper, Yearbook, and Decameron)
Wilkes Community College Symphony
Ye Hosts (Hotel-Restaurant Management Students)

Open Letter

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An Open Letter to College
and University Students:

On October 1, 1983, North Carolina will have a new set of laws dealing with those who operate a vehicle while impaired by alcoholic beverages or any other impairing substance. The Safe Roads Act of 1983 does much more than raise the drinking age for beer and unfortified wine to 19. We would like for the students attending our colleges and universities to be aware of the new law.

Perhaps the best way to explain some of the comprehensive provisions of the new law is to state a hypothetical case involving a student — we will call him Joe — stopped by a State Highway Patrolman for driving under the influence of an impairing substance.

Joe may have been stopped at one of the roadblocks law enforcement agencies can now establish under the Safe Roads Act to check for drunk drivers. He may have been stopped because the trooper saw him drinking a beer while driving. Under the Safe Roads Act, it is unlawful for the driver of a vehicle to consume any alcoholic beverage while driving.

Under the new law, Joe can be arrested and charged under the single offense of impaired driving. There are no lesser included offenses, such as careless and reckless driving after drinking, in the new law; thus, there will be no more plea bargaining. There is only one charge, and it can be proved in one of two ways:

- (1) By showing the driver's physical or mental faculties are appreciably impaired by an impairing substance or;
- (2) By showing the driver's alcohol concentration (AC) is 0.10 or more.

If Joe refuses to submit to a chemical test, his license will be revoked for one year. He can apply for limited driving privileges only after surrendering his license for six months of the revocation.

If Joe registers 0.10 AC or more on a chemical test, or refuses the test, he will be taken before a magistrate and his license will be suspended immediately for 10 days. This is mandatory. No one gets off. Out-of-state students will have their privilege to drive in North Carolina suspended for 10 days, just the same as students licensed in North Carolina.

If the magistrate determines Joe is too impaired to be released, the magistrate is empowered under the act to hold Joe for up to 24 hours or until a responsible, sober adult will take

Club News

Art Club

The Art Club of Wilkes Community College is one of the most active groups on campus. Last year members worked together throughout the year to raise funds for the week long trip that included museum visits in Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., and New York City.

Raising the money to go to these cities was almost as much fun as getting there. The club made cloth dolls and sold them at the Wilkes County Apple Festival. We participated in the Halloween Festival held by the college. The funds raised by these events were used to sponsor a Gamble Roger's concert held at the college auditorium. Club members were responsible for selling concert tickets and taking money at the door. Every club member had a chance to speak and meet with the artist.

The club also held an Art Show

which invited any student at WCC to exhibit his/her work. The show was judged by Jerry Miller, the visiting artist at WCC.

The club was asked to participate in the Governor's Council on the Arts. Art work was collected on a county wide basis, and club members were instrumental in hanging the show. We also provided security for the collection. Club members were paid for their work in this exhibit.

During Spring Fling the Art Club set up a Renaissance Booth. It featured fortune telling, dunk a monk, and selling baked goods.

We invite you to become a part of this club. Experience in art is not a necessary qualification to become a member, but love of adventure, and a good spirit are essential. Bill Moffett and Bill Nicholas are the advisors.

Mu Alpha Theta

The Math Club, *Mu Alpha Theta*, is a club organized to provide fun for those students who enjoy mathematics or plan a math-related career. During our club meetings we usually learn some new, interesting math games. *Mu Alpha Theta* also gets students involved in many other activities by sponsoring a bloodmobile, raising money for the Heart Fund, and participating in intramurals. Steve Williams, club president, and Dr. Hendrix and Mr. Curtis, advisors, hope that you will consider becoming a member of *Mu Alpha Theta*. We are sure that you will have fun while participating in such an important college function. It's a great way to get to know people while helping with many worthwhile activities and having fun at the same time.

By: Steve Williams

responsibility for him. In no event may Joe be held for more than 24 hours.

Next, Joe will have a trial on the charge. If Joe is convicted of driving while impaired, the law requires the judge to hold a sentencing hearing where Grossly Aggravating Drunk Driving (GADD) factors, aggravating factors and mitigating factors are presented by the prosecutor and defense attorneys. The judge must weigh these factors in imposing sentence.

If two GADD factors (a prior impaired driving offense in the past seven years, driving with revoked license for an impaired offense, causing an accident resulting in serious injury to another) are present, there is a mandatory minimum jail term of 14 days and Joe can be fined up to \$2,000. If one GADD factor is present, Joe faces a mandatory minimum seven days in jail and a fine up to \$1,000. If Joe has two or more prior convictions for driving impaired within seven years, punishment is the same as if he had two GADD factors.

If no GADD factors are present, the judge weighs the aggravating and mitigating factors. If aggravating factors outweigh mitigating factors, Joe can be sentenced to a minimum of 72 hours in jail, or 72 hours of community service or 90 days without driving or a combination of all. He also faces a fine of up to \$500. If aggravating and mitigating factors balance out, Joe faces a sentence of 48 hours in jail, 48 hours community service or 60 days without driving or a combination of all. Additionally, Joe can be fined up to \$250. If the mitigating factors outweigh the aggravating factors, Joe faces a jail term of 24 hours, or 24 hours community service or 30 days without driving or a combination of all. Joe can be fined up to \$100.

Some aggravating factors are: gross impairment or an AC of 0.20 or more; especially reckless driving; an accident causing over \$500 damage or personal injury; driving while license revoked; two or more 3-point motor vehicle offenses within 5 years, or one or

Drama

One of the busiest but most exciting departments at WCC is the drama department. There is a place for all in this segment of college life. For the creative student scene design and costuming is available. For the technical or vocational student lighting or the building of scenery is available. For the actor several productions are planned for each year.

One year ago, audiences became involved in Arthur Miller's "The Crucible." As this story of the Salem witchcraft trials proceeded, watchers encouraged John and Elizabeth Proctor as they stood for their own values, even while their lives were in jeopardy.

During the winter two productions were on the scene. Elementary students throughout the county were enthralled with *Dove and Hap* in "The Riddle Machine", performed by the Children's Theatre class. Children cheered as Hap and his friends' guided by Dove learned some of the lessons of growing up while on a spaceship traveling to earth. They learned to think and act for themselves then accept the responsibilities as they broke away from Robot's control.

During February, a second production, "Two Looks at Reality" gave audiences a chance to see a somewhat abstract view of theatre. These two plays by Ray Bradbury presented the terrible situations humans can find themselves in. Technical aspects of lighting and sound effects helped to create the extreme nothingness of some lives.

Spring brought the always popular musical, "South Pacific". Audience sang with the performers on such tunes as "Gonna Wash That Man Right Outa My Hair", and "Younger than Springtime". Sharon Miller's interpretation of *Bloody Mary* will stand as one of the finest to hit the WCC stage.

In the spring the improvisational acting class created a live soap opera for students here at WCC. As each weekly segment of "The Bottom of the Bottle" developed, audiences tried to guess who killed Victor Davenport.

Summer, a holiday for many, was one of the busiest for the drama department. For three weeks in July "Songs of the Silver Screen" entertained diners in the always popular dinner theatre. Amid the succulent menu of the Hotel-Restaurant Management, nostalgic tunes like "Swinging on a Star" and "My Mama Done Told Me" were presented.

In August, Sharen Henry Miller directed the Tennessee Williams play "I Can't Imagine Tomorrow". Audiences watched the proving character study of two human beings lost in the loneliness of life.

Rehearsals were underway in August for a second student directed play, "Cast Call." An original play by

more prior convictions of DWI more than 7 years old; speeding to elude arrest; speeding more than 30 miles per hour above the posted limit; and

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We the people of the Ye Host Club of 1983-84 have successfully experienced cafeteria-type lunches. The purpose of these lunches is to give each student personal experience in dealing with different positions in cafeteria-style restaurants. The positions are rotated each week so every student will get experience in each area. The two most important purposes of this is to give each student a chance to hold a position of manager, of cook, and of dishwasher. The vital purpose is to give the students an opportunity in dealing directly with the public.

The cafeteria idea has been so successful that it has officially been extended to May of 1984. A schedule of the days of the luncheons to be served is available to students and the public in the Tory Oak Room.

Ye Hosts members along with the Drama Department put on a grand performance, better known as the Dinner Theater. It was held on July 15, 16, 22, 23, 24, 29, 30. There were numerous guests from surrounding Wilkes County area along with a few out-of-town guests. Through combined effort of the Ye Host Club and Drama Department the Dinner Theater was a total success. The menu included sauteed duck, roast tenderloin, tempora shrimp, peas and mushrooms, sauteed potatoes, clam

chowder, fruit plate and the most popular "Flaming" baked Alaska. The audience participation was superb. We were rewarded by standing ovations after each performance.

The future plans for the Ye Host Club includes trips to Atlanta and to New York. Means of financing will be by baking and other kitchen activities sponsored by the Ye Host Club. We would like to express our thanks to Mr. Bob Johnston and Miss Emilie Waddell for their superb guidance and leadership.

Our annual Ye Host elections were held May 1983 for the following school year. Officers were elected at this time. They are as follows:

President — Dale Dockery
Vice President — Alvin Howell
Secretary — Melissa Poe
Treasurer — Judy Jackson
Advisor — Emilie Waddell

The rest of the members are: James Bailey, Patsy Barker, William Harris, Diane Hart, Alice Parsons, David VanHoy, Larry Simpson, Mike Libertini, Jeff Marsh, Tony Greco, and Cindy George.

A special thanks to Mr. Bud Mayes, and the participation of the Drama Class.

President
Dale Dockery

What Is Circle K?

I. Function

Circle K International is the largest collegiate organization in North America, with 700 clubs throughout the United States and Canada.

Circle K is a service organization through which college students can find a means of responsible student action in their communities and a more active involvement in the life of their campus.

Circle K is a means of forming friendships, working in a common cause with other students, and simply having fun. Social functions are important for a well rounded club. Parties and other purely social club events are recommended, and the weekly club meetings are designed to be educational and interesting.

Service projects are the most rewarding part of Circle K. Projects vary from many things. Some of these projects you will be able to give love to many people and share part of your life with them. No matter how much love you give to other people, you'll receive much more than you give. Loving people is the foundation of Circle K. Without love and care for other people, Circle K would just be another organization. Circle K is something special, but it takes a certain quality of people to make it a success and an important factor in your community.

II. Purpose

The objective of Circle K International is to give college students a means by which those students interested in helping others and being of service in society can express this concern. Our motto is WE BUILD, and in practice that means genuinely constructive involvement in the community and on campus.

III. Involvement

Circle K meetings are held every Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock in room 416 of Hayes Hall.

Advisers: Dr. Jim Knox
Jim Sebastian

Charlie Peek and directed by Barbara Peek, it is filled with traditional mountain music. All students are invited to see this welcome back production of the College Theatre on September 1, 2, and 3 at 8:00. Admission is free to all WCC students and \$2.00 for adults.

Future productions are being selected now with Thornton Wilder's "The Matchmaker" planned for the spring. If you want a lifting experience join the students in the drama department. There is something for all people and talents.

By: Nancy Huffman

Future Business Leaders of America Club Urges You to Join

All students enrolled in at least one business course are invited to join Future Business Leaders of America — Phi Beta Lambda. The first meeting is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. Thursday, September 15, in Room 145. Phi Beta Lambda is a local, state, and national business organization for college students.

The goals of Future Business Leaders Association — Phi Beta Lambda are:

- 1-Develop competent, aggressive business leadership
- 2-Strengthen the confidence of students in themselves and their work
- 3>Create more interest in and understanding of American business enterprise
- 4-Encourage members in the development of individual projects which contribute to the improvement of home, business and community
- 5-Develop character, prepare for useful citizenship, and foster patriotism
- 6-Encourage and practice efficient money management
- 7-Encourage scholarship and promote school loyalty
- 8-Assist students in the establishment of occupational goals
- 9-Facilitate the transition from school to work

Mark September 15th on your calendar. We look forward to seeing you at our first meeting in Room 145 at 1:00 p.m.

BSU

By: Becky Foster

With summer vacation being just a fond memory, it is time to hit the books again. However, BSU has a change of pace for you. BSU stands for Baptist Student Union, which is a club open to any Christian student no matter what denomination they may belong to. BSU is a club devoted to having a good time, meeting and helping people, and traveling to interesting places.

The BSU officers are: President, Lorelei Williams; Vice-President, Steve Williams; Secretary-Treasurer, Kim Roten; Reporter, Becky Foster; and Activities Director, Teresa Church. If you have any questions about BSU, please ask one of the officers.

Keep an eye out for posters that will be placed on campus providing information about meeting time and place. Let's all get involved in BSU and make it one terrific club for the coming year.