

Are Sr. Comps Necessary?

By Cynthia Heath

Senior Comprehensive Exams, commonly known as Senior Comps, were formerly given in the spring of a student's senior year as a requirement for graduation. Failure to pass the exam did not hinder a student's qualification for graduation. According to one faculty member, this "constituted a weakness in the system."

Senior Comps ceased to be required in 1970, the same year the curriculum was restructured and the 4-1-4 program was instituted. Since then they have been offered at the option of each department. Students now have a choice of whether or not to take the exam.

When asked to comment on Senior Comps several faculty members expressed that they would like to see them reinstated. Others consider them meaningless and not necessary for undergraduate colleges and universities.

Student advocates of reinstating the exams believe that a "synthesis of knowledge" is necessary for the completion of a college education. They also believe that whether it be through a senior seminar or a comprehensive exam, a student should be required to demonstrate proficiency in her field before graduation. Those opposing Senior Comps allege that they are a waste of time and, thus, serve no purpose at all.

Salem Sports

by Teri Capshaw

Ski season officially begins around Christmas, right? Wrong. In Snowshoe, West Virginia, skiing begins as early as November.

At Snowshoe, a combination of altitude (4,848 feet), climate, location and weather bring freezing temperatures and snowfall before seasonal changes in the lowlands.

Snowshoe is introducing the "Wild, Wonderful" ski season which will run Nov. 21, or sooner, thru Dec. 18. During this season you can enjoy early skiing with a 25 percent savings on lifts, lodging, lessons, and rentals.

Also new this year are four more trails: Widomaker, J-Hook, Flume and Hootenanny. These trails add three new miles of skiing over 22 acres of diversified terrain on the base of the mountain. Snowshoe has also added more condominiums, a heated indoor swimming pool, a health club, five new places to eat, and additional parking.

If you are wondering about Snowshoe's apres ski activities ... they offer entertainment seven nights a week in the Resort Center, ranging from bluegrass concerts, square dances and clogging performances to movies and magic shows. In the various clubs, pubs, and restaurants, musical entertainment offers pop, jazz,

blues and country-western.

If ski fever strikes you, take advantage of Snowshoe's "Wild, Wonderful" package and save 25 percent! For more information call (304) 799-6762, or write: Snowshoe, P.O. Box 10, Snowshoe, W. Va., 26209. Don't Daydream ... Do it!

Volleyball News

In the tri-match Oct. 28 at Meredith, Salem lost to Meredith and to Greensboro College.

The Division III tournament, scheduled to take place this weekend at Queens, has been cancelled due to Davidson and Meredith withdrawing from the tournament.

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- Keep your purse close to your body, covering the clasp or flap with your hand or forearm. Don't carry open-weave bags or purses without flaps - you are tempting pickpockets. And, keep your credit cards separate from your wallet. If the wallet gets

stolen, you won't lose the valuables.

- Consider carrying a whistle or any type of noisemaker. If you are in trouble, use it! Muggers won't hang around to see what happens next.

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until midnight. No matter how impatient the actors, actresses and crewmembers become, they must persevere with the director until that scene is a perfect take. When one of the background talents asked Louise Fletcher if she gets very impatient, Fletcher replied, "Yes, but I get paid very well."

Hollywood Aura

A fascinating Hollywood aura prevailed over the

Carolina country. The Pinehurst setting was a horse estate owned by bachelor, Joe Bryon. In addition to Bryon, community residents and Burrough's student group were background talent in a couple of party scenes.

Brainstorm is expected to be released during the end of 1982. However, according to actor Dorsey, its release may wait until 1983 after the Academy Awards competition.

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