

"Skittles and Beer"

by Libby Brown

This year, for the first time, Big 3+3 and CAC have decided to combine the traditional IRS weekend with Spring Fling.

Both organizations are very excited about this terrifically entertaining upcoming event. In the past we have had difficulty in competing with other schools' spring functions because of date for Spring Fling which conflicted with Wake Forest University's Spring Fest. Another reason for the change is the big name bands our organizations wanted and tried to book were not on tour.

As I stated above, this entire weekend promises to be terribly entertaining, supercalifragilistic, a once in a life time labor of love, full of mirth and merriment, beer and skittles (Roget's Thesaurus p.17), and not to mention, bring high off the hog for only \$15.00. This weekend is for YOU (whether you have a date or not)!

Epicurean Update

by Caroline Swope

Well, Food Committee doesn't have much to report on for the past month. Brunch every Sunday is still being worked on, and hopefully we will have an answer by the next issue of *The Salemite*.

If anyone has been eating the bake desserts lately they may notice more store-bought sweets. The reason for this is that Rose, our baker, damaged her back rather badly when lifting a full mixing bowl. (For those of you who don't know, an institutional mixing bowl is huge, and can easily weigh anywhere from fifty to a hundred pounds when full). Rose will be out until mid-summer or perhaps even as late as next fall, so we have no baker for awhile. Please try to remember this if the baked goods aren't the same as they usually are, or if we don't always have bread on sitdown nights.

The last thing I need to mention is something that I had already written about earlier this year: taking china and silverware from

the Refectory. As I mentioned last time, this is considered stealing, and is punishable under the Honor Code. At the end of the year when housekeeping cleans our rooms, enough china, silverware, and glassware are found to fill several boxes. According to Wayne, an entire table can be filled with the boxes. It adds up. Some things are never found, and the prices aren't cheap to replace the utensils either. A cup and saucer cost \$4.25 each, plates are \$5.65, knives are \$1.89, and a serving bowl runs around \$12.00. Please, don't take things from the Refectory! Money is in our budget for things like the wing improvements, and when almost a thousand dollars worth of china and silverware is missing or broken, the money must be used to replace them. I don't know about the rest of you, but Food Committee has a rather long list of things that we would love to see done, and spending money on replacing stolen goods is not one of them!

April Arts Coming Soon

by Christy Barley

April Arts has traditionally been a week in April dedicated to celebrating the arts. Many students have often wondered exactly what April Arts is and when it is held.

Well, a week has been put aside April 16-20, and events have been planned for each day. It should be a lot of fun! There will also be a few surprises for the student body. Other activities include the Archways, Dansalems, distribution of Incunabula, and Artisans on campus.

This year's goal is to get everyone involved. Salem students have a lot of talent, and we have great facilities as well as faculty willing to help us out.

April Arts committee is excited about this fulfilled week and hope that everyone is looking forward to it.

Senior Experience Planned Library News

by Virginia Crable

The Academic Council proposes the following statement for inclusion in the 1990-91 college catalogue:

"Beginning with the Class of 1995 an evaluative Senior experience will be required of all majors. The Senior experience may take a variety of forms such as a Senior Seminar. An examination or a major research paper or other forms as deemed appropriate by each department and the dean of the college will be required. The method of grading and the amount of credit will be determined by the department."

The Academic Council would like to expand upon the already instituted Senior Seminars required in majors such as music, art history, and the sciences. The proposed action will be named a Senior Experience instead of a seminar because it may or may not take the form of a seminar. However, the proposal will not require that the already implemented seminars make changes. The form of the Senior Experience will be left open to the individual departments.

In talking with a few Seniors already engaged in a Senior Experience or Seminar, it seems that it could be a beneficial institution for all majors.

Jennifer Savage, a senior interior design major, is now doing her senior seminar in interior design. She had a choice of designing a house, a furniture showroom, a rehabilitative school, or a fast food chain restaurant. Jennifer chose to design the furniture showroom. She is required to have a floor plan, a furniture plan, three perspectives of depth and a model of the showcase. She is required to spend ten hours a week on her project and will receive a full credit for it. After all the Senior Seminars are handed in, they will be put in the Student Art Exhibit in the FAC on April 26.

Heather Glasscock, a biology major, has completed her senior seminar on estuaries: seaward terminals of a river. The estuaries are characterized by saline and non-saline water. She is studying the species that live there and how they exist. The focus of her seminar is on the problem of estuaries in North Carolina. Her seminar is forty minutes and is required for her biology degree. She will receive a 1/2 credit for the seminar and was required to spend an adequate amount of time for research.

Kerry Stovall, an arts management and music major, is doing her Senior Seminar in chamber music. For her senior seminar she is required to review concerts such as the On the Town Concerts and other chamber music concerts. Kerry will also be accompanying Cathy Bowers singing recital as well as participating in a final recital. All the senior music students will get together and perform their own chamber music concert on May 4 in Shirley Auditorium. The concert will consist of vocal students as well as piano, organ, flute, and harp students. Kerry will receive a 1/4 credit for her seminar and is required to participate in all the student practices in order to prepare for the performance.

contributed by Rose Simon

The next time you're in Gramley Library, track down the new color microcomputer (soon to be moved into the Reference Room). You can use this computer to consult either a world or a US atlas, and once you start, there's a good chance you won't want to stop for hours. You can select any country or state you wish, and look up an assortment of maps (including those with principal cities, principal geographic features, and elevations) as well as a host of facts and figures about that place. For the world atlas (PC Globe) these include population, age distribution, languages and religions, health statistics, city information, GMP figures, resources, agriculture and industry, imports and exports, government information, and facts relating to culture and tourism. It also provides information about currency conversions, time zones, and distances between cities. Moreover, it is possible to juxtapose selected categories for various countries, and create comparative charts. Best of all, you can print anything on the screen onto the paper using the dot matrix printer.

The US atlas (PC USA) provides similar types of information for the individual states, and yet allows you to examine whole regions of the country as well.

To use these atlases, just follow the instructions posted next to the color microcomputer. Detailed instructions are also provided there for those who wish to make maximum use of this new resource.

Light Reading

contributed by Rose Simon

Interested in finding some light reading for free? Want to pass along some of those paperbacks you've already read once and don't care to read again? The Paperback exchange in Gramley Library is just what you need.

Located on the second floor Browsing Balcony, the PBE is housed in a wire book rack. All the paperback books you find there have been contributed by people who left them in exchange for books they found there and took away. The principle couldn't be simpler: take one, leave one. No checkouts, no overdues. Keep it as long as you like. Bring it back and take another if you want. And enjoy.