## **FEATURES**

## Spotlight On Beth Wirtjes

#### By Donna S. Buggs Staff Writer

Beth Wirtjes is Montreat-Anderson's Career Counselor and the new resident director for the ladies of Montreat-Anderson Dorm. So far Beth has enjoyed her stay in Montreat and looks forward to a

future here.

Beth went to Wheaton College as an undergraduate when she developed an interest in career counseling and became the employment manager for Wheaton. She received her masters from Northern Illinois University and taught two years in career counseling.

Beth is excited about the career program she has set up for Montreat-Anderson. Four to five companies are willing to recruit Montreat students and the campus of UNCA will also allow Montreat students to be recruited there. Beth has had fifty appointments so far with students where she tests their skill and interest ability, gives the graduate exam, and helps prepare resumes.

Beth likes her job as resident director. She shares her time with the girls by sharing her faith in God, having Bible Studies every Tuesday at 8:00 pm, giving newsletters per-taining to dorm/campus life, and having wonderful get-togethers for M-A Hall in her

apartment.

When Beth has free time for herself, she attends a singles Bible study and is a member of First Baptist Church in Asheville. She loves to listen to music, grow and nurture plants, and is a writer. She has had articles published in Methodist, Presbyterian, and Baptist magazines. Beth also likes to travel abroad with students and is a former exchange student of Oxford University.

Those who are interested in a certain career or are not sure what careers are available, go and see Beth in Whitehaven on the second floor

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Tara Paquette falls head over heels for Stuart Nanney at the Pillow Bash.

was plenty of food and drink. Cotton candy, funnel cakes, popcorn, hotdogs and even shiskabobs-you name it, they had it. Enveloping all the commotion and activity was loud and blaring music-definitely a must in any celebration of this sort.

There was a lot going on, one had to carefully pick and choose what activity to take part in because there was so

much. Although the festival itself got off to a late start, it did well. Everyone seemed to have a good time. This year's Harvest Fest was definitely a



Tom McMurtry falls victim to child

building block for others

### To Those of My Country Who Are Not Christians:

By Kevin Auman

I write to ask a courtesy of you that I will return in kind. Would you consider the things that I believe, and the opinions that I offer in our public arena, on the basis of Truth if I would do the same for you? Would you be willing to consider them as having the potential to be true, instead of disregarding them because they do not meet with whatever presuppositions you have about the world? I think that we will both find that we cannot afford not to, if we are to survive not only as a nation but as a civilization.

I must admit that I and other Christians have made the mistake many times of assuming that because we have some Truth, we have all the Truth. For centuries, the Church taught that the Sun revolved around the Earth. Jesus never said the Sun revolved around the Earth, the Genesis account didn't mention it either, but that's what the Church taught. When it was discovered that the Earth, in fact, revolved around the Sun, the Church had a lot of explaining to do. When the first

dinosaur bones were found, rather than using their existence to further illuminate the teachings of scripture, the Church told the world that God put them there "to test our faith." It's no secret that Christians past and present have blown it time and time again because they have made this false assumption.

It is in this light that I propose that a new courtesy be established between us that will be of mutual benefit. I do not want to live my short life believing in anything that is even in part, a lie. Neither do I want to live under a system of government, the laws and principles of which are based on premises that are not true. I have a suspicion that you feel the same way, Would it not be to our mutual benefit to consider what one another has experienced, discovered or believes, and weigh it on the scale of truth? Of course we both know that if we do this we will be forced to admit that much of what we believe or perhaps wish to be true, is either not true, or cannot be proven conclusively. In light of this, I would hope that we would be willing to acknowledge those things which we do not know for certain and be more tolerant toward one another with regard to these things. If I were a Christian living in the thirteenth century, I certainly would rather have beer forced to say, "it certainly looks like the Sun revolves around the Earth, but I can't be certain that it is not the other way around" than to teach dogmatically something that was not true.

There is not benefit whatever in sacrificing truth, for any reason or cause. I might desire earnestly to believe that human beings are basically cont. on page 8

