With Ron Foster

Many people have asked the question-- Why start social fraternities on this campus when they seem to be on the decline throughout the rest of the country? What do they have to offer the students of this university? Aren't they a discriminating group of snobs? All of these questions were asked about two and a half years ago when social fraternities first came under scrutiny at this university. Many people continue to ask these same questions, even today.

Where do the answers lie? Well, it appears to me that the answers are different for each campus situation. For instance, in the North, it would seem that the trend is definitely moving away from fraternities. In the South, however, they remain a strong central core of identification for

the men who pursue the fraternity system.

Looking back to the days when Dick Megorden first went to the Chancellor to ask him about the possibility of having social fraternities at UNCC, we must first consider the attitude of the faculty and administration toward such organizations.

It was through the efforts of Mr. Megorden and Durwood Owen of the Pi Kappa Phi national office that social fraternities were pioneered on campus. These men were certainly perserving, for if they hadn't worked so hard, socials at UNCC would never have seen their first day. It was after much faculty haggling and many heated debates that finally, last May, fraternities were approved by the Chancellor.

And contrary to popular belief, it was Pi Kappa Phi who was the first social fraternity to be colonized under the university name. Pi Kappa Phi was colonized last June; then, after a short flirtation with that national, became disaffiliated with Pi Kappa Phi, and resumed local

Once again, the question of validity struck the fraternity situation, and the policies for approving fraternities were significantly revised. With the procedures for approving fraternities made clear in November, the fraternity-sorority boom was on.

In January, the Chakett Club of Chi Phi became the first social to be installed as a national affiliated colony on campus. Later in February, Beta Pi became the first sorority to become officially chartered. Following them were Delta Delta and Delta Phi Zeta sororities. Then came Theta Psi, Sigma Sigma Gamma, and Phi Nu Pi fraternities, bringing the total number to eight Greek letter social organizations.

Now, let's look at the effect these organizations have had on our campus. Looking back once again, at the attendance at most of our extra-curricular activities two years ago, you will see that today the attendance has doubled, and many times tripled compared to what it was then. The reason is largely due to the influence the fraternities and sororities have asserted on campus life. They are interested, not only in their own club, but more importantly, in their school.

The same is true of intramural sports where the fraternities have played a big role. Phi Nu Pi just completed the basketball season as champions. In student government as well as the fraternity people, are making a significant contribution. The Vice President of the Student Government Association, as well as many other student legislators are fraternity or sorority people.

Just last week it was my pleasure, along with the presidents or representatives of all the socials on campus, to attend a dinner given by the United Ministry Council in Mr. Pete Upton's honor. Mr. Upton, Who is national director of public relations for the American Red Cross, spoke on community service. The response by the fraternity representatives was impressively positive.

Look to see the Red Cross blood drive back on campus soon in the

name of the Greeks!

Now obviously I am prejudiced; but it seems to me that, all in all, the Greeks on campus are doing more than their share in supporting campus life as well as stressing the importance of academic success.

More important than anything mentioned previously is the fact that the people involved with this new aspect of campus life, the fraternity system, are interested in establishing a real tradition for UNCC. They Want something lasting to return to in the future.



A REVIEW

Off With Her Head, Burton Decides

by Dean Duncan Review

ANNE OF THE THOUSAND DAYS, the story of Anne Boylen, is one of the best pictures of last year. It isn't the best, though. Richard Burton stars as Henry VIII. He does not only portray Henry, he is Henry. Genevieve Bujold will probably win the Academy Award for best actress for her portrayal of Anne Boylen.

The movie takes place mostly in Henry's mind. Henry is deciding whether or not he will sign Anne's death warrant for committing adultery. He does not believe that she could have committed

Genevieve Bujold is Anne Boylen. She does a superior job right down to the

Fifteen Nurses Visit Air Base In Georgia

Fifteen student nurses and two faculty members of the UNCC School of Nursing along with Mr. O. R. Jones, publisher, Charlotte East Newspaper and Mrs. D'Etta Barndhardt, WBT-TV Charlotte reporter, were guests of the U.S. Air Force Friday, 13 March. The group was flown from Charlotte to Robins Air Force Base, Ga. for a tour of the base and a look at life as an Air Force nurse.

On hand to meet the group on arrival were members of the Air Force's 3503d Group. Highlights of the visit were a tour of the base hospital and a first hand look at two front-line Air Force aircrafts, the C-141 Starlifter and a Strategic Air Command B-52 global bomber. Following lunch at the Officers' Open Mess the group toured the Robins Air Material Area facilities.

The nurses showed the most interest when viewing the Robins hospital, a two-year-old 60-bed facility. There they were welcomed and addressed by Lt. Col. Nona French, chief nurse of the facility, followed by a walk-through tour.

Members of the Hospital School of Nursing making the trip were Miss Elinor Caddell and Mrs. Janie instructors; Miss Janice Ellis, Miss Kathy Ellis, Miss Prissy Cecil, Miss Sally Reid, Mrs. Lynn Dobson, Miss Mary Dixon, Miss Barbara Hossman, Miss Susan DeArmon, Miss Peggy Lentz, Miss Martha Singleton, Mr. Win Long, Miss Judy Yaude, Miss LaVerne Hicks, Miss Cathy Lovin, and Miss Patsy Black, all students.

Airlift was provided by the 156th Troop Carrier Squadron, North Carolina Air National Guard, Charlotte.

The group returned to Charlotte the same afternoon.

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few play a great part.

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accent. She is a relatively new star, and, if Anne is an example of her ability, she will go far.

The movie, even though the Burton-Bujold acting is superior, tends at times to be a bit dull. This makes one wonder how it got the nomination from the film academy for best picture. The trouble seems to lie with the supporting players. They failed to develop their roles. Cromwell could become an arch-villan, but instead tends to be mediocre. Wolsey does a fair job, but Catherine of Aragon is the best supporting role in the whole film, and unfortunately, one of the shortest.

Costuming and scenery: excellent; reminiscient of A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS. The cinematography is great, except for two mediocre shots of the Tower of London as seen from the Thames. Music: great; fits the movie.

ANNE OF THE THOUSAND DAYS: see it at Trans-Lux Inflight Cin'e.

Visitation---

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Simmons before Thursday with the required number of signatures. Many students signed the petitions with obvious throught as to possible consequences. All were anxious to try the system but refused to prejudice their decision on it too prematurely. A great deal of thought was given to their roommates for fear of infringing on their rights if they too were not having visitors.

Visitation was held on the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th floors of Sanford Hall this past weekend, with the 2nd and 3rd floors planning their visitation for April 3rd, 4th, and 5th.

Dailey---

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The prelude will be Dailey's "Soul Search", and an Easter introit by Dailey will bring the participants into the room. About the only thing traditional will be the words, "Christ the Lord is Risen Today", but they will be sung to Dailey's music.

A message in modern dance will be led by junior Cathy Kaemmerlen of Charlotte and her

The chorus will sing, "I'm Gonna Be Free", by Dailey, and the "Allelu" will be performed by folk guitarists and singers from community

The music will have a contemporary flavor, and some will be in the jazz idiom. A hymn, "Lord of the Dance," is based on an old folk

The benediction will be followed by the passing the peace, which is a hand greeting passed along from neighbor to neighbor.

The program will begin at 6:17 a.m. A preliminary explanation will be given so that the audience can follow the celebration.

Participating in the planning have been Dr. Dailey and Dr. Loy Witherspoon, the Rev. Henry McKay of Advent Lutheran Church, and Janette Davis, president of the BSU on campus.

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