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## Anybody Listening

Suppose you had a problem, a big problem, something you could not handle alone. Who could you turn to for assistance without fear of reprimand. Suppose this problem involved an infraction of school or even state and federal regulations such as in the case of drug addiction. Could you discuss your particular problem freely with some member of the faculty or administration?

The consideration in seeking counsel would probably be centered around trust. The risks involved in revealing private knowledge, especially in areas of drug abuse or unwed pregnancies, could possibly prevent the disturbed student from seeking help. Unless the person knew he could trust his counselor, he would probably keep this troubles to himself which would only serve to aggravate his predicament.

In years past the problem of individual counseling at ACC was in jeopardy. Certain former administrative personnel let their role as disciplinarian override their more human role as counselor and friend. A case in point involved a young man who was hooked on drugs and alcohol a few years ago. This victim of the "turned on" society went to an administrator (no longer associated with ACC) for advice and aid. The young man was greeted with a warning, "Whatever you say may be held against you." The purpose of the visit was defeated, the student ended up in an institution.

Here we see an example of what might happen when a problem occurs and there is no one to listen. Since that time things have changed at ACC. There are open ears, ready to listen, and trustworthy hearts, ready to help.

There are several ministers including the college chaplain available to all students. The very nature of their profession reveals their confidences to the benefit of their fellowman. There are two registered psychologists on the faculty who are also available to the student. The Student Personnel Office exists for the benefit of the students and their problems. ACC is fortunate in having people serving in this capacity who are willing to place the student's welfare in top priority.

When the question of drug abuse arises, the legal penalties become involved in the picture. The ministers referred to above have the right of privileged information. The others mentioned are under no obligation to report abusers unless they are caught in the act. Under these circumstances there would be no question of the rights of the student to counseling as far as the college is concerned. In this case, the troubled student has been caught red-handed, he has not sought help, thereby calling upon the reliability of trust. Even so, the duty to report such digressions should involve judgement of the administrator as to what action will be to the most benefit to the student and his future welfare.

Miss Barbara Eisenstadt in her speech on the drug scene last week revealed the fact that one of the primary causes of youthful drug abuse stems from a lack of communication. Communication between kids and parents, kids and teachers, kids and administration, and even kids and kids is at a low ebb in our society. Most of us are too busy to stop and take a look at ourselves or the guy next to us. In the drug scene kids find an identity, a reason for being. Their fellows can stop and say, "Hey, you're where its at, I've been there too."

The basic desire is there in all of us, the desire to be known as an individual. When that desire is not met, substitutes for acceptance may be resorted to. Overindulgence in pills, syringes, and alcohol, neither can really substitute for a sympathetic ear and a kind voice to say, "I know you, you're a real person, unlike any other person who ever existed, that's really something."

Maybe that hand in the dark is a faculty member, an administrator, a parent or maybe even YOU.

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that the league has asked for the help of citizens and congressmen. She asked the audience to write short letters of concern to the North

Vietnamese delegation at the Paris Peace Talks asking these men to observe the Geneva Convention.

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## Notices!!!

A "Young Adult Seminar" on birth defects is scheduled for Atlantic Christian College on Saturday, December 12, 1970 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Speakers will include: Dr. Rebecca Buckley, March of Dimes Research Center on bone marrow transplants; Dr. Robert H. Herrington, Director, Birth Defects Treatment Center, Chapel Hill (UNC); Miss Carol Ann Grant state Teen Action Program Chairman for the March of Dimes and other prominent scientists in the fields of pediatrics, gynecology, genetic counselling, and orthopedics.

The purpose of this seminar is to acquaint young adults in Eastern North Carolina with the problems of the 125 types of birth defects; to relate scientific advances in conquering these common accurances and to suggest what can be done to fruther eliminate the problems; both the environmental and hereditary problems.

If you or any of your friends are interested in attending this seminar call Mrs. Pat Ellis at 291-2180 in WIilson.

The Student Center presents the movie, "With Six You Get Eggroll," starring Brian Keith and Doris Day, Sunday night, December 13 at 7:30 in Hardy Alumni Hall. A cartoon festival will also be shown.

A Christmas Carol worship Service is scheduled for 11:00 a.m., Thursday, December 17, in Howard Chapel. The service will consist of congregational carol singing, special music by the Atlantic Christian College Chorus and Brass Ensemble, and selected readings by the

## President's Report

This past Executive Board meeting was one of a very constructive nature. Under the area of old business, Miss Patty Wilkerson, chairman of the Elections Committee gave a report of the last meeting of her committee. Included in this report was an outline of probable changes in voting procedures that were discussed by the committee at their meeting. This line of business was tabled until the committee has a change to meet again and discuss some of the suggestions received last evening at the meeting of the entire board. The final draft of these changes will be made available as soon as possible.

This weekend Mr. George Breece and Mr. Robbie Steen will travel to Wake Forest University for the second meeting this year of the Interim Council of the State Student

Chaplain of the College. All members of the college community are invited to come and participate in this service.

This Tuesday night, Mr. W.J. MacLean, assistant professor of History, will speak on "Historical Research on John Quincy Adams," Mr. MaLean is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of North Carolina. MacLean said he would explain the research that he has undertaken and would explain the graduate program and graduate trends at UNC.

All students are invited to this informal supper and talk on Tuesday, Nov. 15, at 5:00 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room.

The Atlantic Christian College Chorus will appear on WITN-TV Channel 7-Washington on Christmas Eve from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.

The Atlantic Christian College Club participated in a Clean-up campaign sponsored by the Collegiate Academy of the North Carolina Academy of Science on Nov. 17. The group collected debris from the campus to Toisnot Park concluding the workout with a cookout.

Legislature. This council serves as the governing body of the State when it is not in session. Plans are being made for the legislature to meet in the Spring. If you will remember last year the legislature in Raleigh and the ACC administration presented a bill to repeal the state tax on cigarettes and soft drinks. This year we hope to have a bill just as controversial and stimulating as last one. Any suggestions from you as to a bill for this year certainly be appreciated.



Here Jay Ratliff shows her evening gown "form" in a recent Sigma Cutie Contest. See related article in the Collegiate Herald.

