

Three to give recitals tonight

The Music Department, under the direction of Rev. Nelson F. Adams, is presenting another in a series of Sophomore Formal Recitals at Brevard College on February 18. It will be presented at the First United Methodist church at 8:00 p.m. Featured will be Hal Easter, tenor, and Pat Smart and Celia Tolar, organists.

Mr. Easter, a pupil of Harvey H. Miller of the college music faculty, will be performing a solo cantata, *Vachet auf* by Franz Tunder and Five Sacred Songs by Alan Ridout. On the solo cantata, Mr. Easter will be assisted by Marcia Cansdale and Chris O'Brien, flute, and Bernita Kinney, violin.

Mr. Easter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Easter of 6 Baird Lane, Asheville, N. C., plans to continue toward a degree in performance and education at Oberlin Conservatory.

Pat Smart, a pupil of Miss Marilyn Keiser of the music faculty, will be performing works of Paul Hindemith, Jean Langlais, and Johann Sebastian Bach. Pat has been accepted at Converse College for next year and plans to continue her education in music toward a degree in performance. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Smart of 10 Turnpike Road, Brevard.

Celia Tolar, also a pupil of Miss Keiser, will be performing works of Jean Langlais, George Frederick Handel and Flor Peeters. Celia is organist at Calvary Baptist church in Brevard, and is a member of Phi Theta Kappa. She hopes to continue toward a degree in performance at Duke University. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Tolar, Jr., of 601 E. Washington St., Dillon, S. C.



STUDENTS GRIPE at a session led by Coach Blackwell in the Student Union last Thursday.

Brevard is listed as safe place to live

Brevard has been included in 47 towns in the United States listed as safe places to live, and is the only one included from North Carolina.

An article on the book, "Safe Places," by David and Holly Franke, appears in the Feb. 5 issue of National Observer, a national weekly newspaper.

The book, to be published in March, is the product of the authors' three and one-half month, 20,000-mile car trip across the country, plus their research of crime statistics from the FBI's annual study and of interviews with policemen and residents of smaller places.

The National Observer article, written by James Driscoll, says:

"Brevard, N. C., set charming-

ly in the Blue Ridge Mountains, has a population of only 5,243 but each year hosts the South's largest summer camps. That, plus Brevard College events, provide a year full of cultural activities."

The 47 places on the list were chosen by the Frankes, according to Driscoll, not only because of the low crime rate but for a combination of that factor with "concerts, sports and an active community life." Other towns with as low crime rates do not offer the type of community life and culture available in places like Brevard.

The Frankes found that in most smaller cities with a strong ethnic base, the crime rate was low. Driscoll says.

Students gather to discuss problems

On Thursday, February 10, a Gripe Session was held upstairs in the Sims Student Union.

Coach Blackwell was present to help discuss the students' problems. The main issues were the cafeteria, convocations, open dorms, handbooks, transcripts, and textbooks. In most cases, the students suggested solutions to their problems.

The cafeteria was criticized for a couple of things. Several people complained about not being able to give their food to visitors. Some felt that athletes should be given extra food. It was suggested that the cafeteria have an optional 5-day meal plan so that those who go away for the weekend won't lose their money. Another suggestion was that students should be able to purchase meal tickets for money-saving purposes.

After a discussion of drinking on campus, Coach Blackwell said that the situation could not be changed by the college because the Methodist Church has control over this.

Most of the students present agreed that open dorms on a limited basis would be a good thing. Most agreed that complete open dorms would not work. It was suggested that each dorm be opened for 3 hours on one night each week. Guests would sign in and out, and doors would remain open. The big problem is that hall

counselors do not like to be responsible for patrolling the halls during open house. It was mentioned that Pfeiffer Col-

lege, Brevard's sister college, allows open dorms.

The lack of anything to do on campus was brought up. A member of the Social Board then said that there has been more to do at Brevard this year than ever before. The Social Board has been trying hard, but it is operating on very limited funds. The raising of the Student Activity Fee might provide the much needed revenue for the Social Board, but this cannot come into effect next year.

The Administration was criticized for criticizing the movies. Someone said that the movies that are shown are so boring the students could watch Dean Martin on television and get the same thrill.

Textbooks are a source of antagonism for all students, especially in cases where students are roped into buying books that are seldom used during the course, and are then stuck with the books when the text is changed the next semester. It was suggested that the bookstore buy these books back from the students.

Some students complained because private cabins are off-limits to college students.

Transcripts were sent off too late, complained several students.

As the session neared the end, someone said, "I really like Brevard. It could be a great place if only we could make a few changes."



CELIA TOLAR



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