

Editorials

Water Torture: As Viewed From Jones

By Debi Crane

I have no idea what evil mind designed the showers in Jones Dormitory, but whoever he was, I feel that he must be commended for having built one of the most successful instruments of torture ever conceived by the human mind.

To begin with the showers are short. By short I mean there is exactly 5 feet of space between the shower head and the floor of the shower stall. In some people's cases that is all right, but seeing as how I am 5 feet, 8 inches tall that means that there is 8 inches of me that is never going to get wet.

I have somewhat made up for this height problem by contorting my body into some incredibly weird postures. I have found that if I stand on one leg, lean my whole body forward and stoop I can (just barely, mind you) get the top of my head wet.

After overcoming this minor problem, however, I still have the great problem to contend with. This being the fact that while one moment the shower water might be coming out warm and relaxing and I am just about the break into a Chorus of "Oh What a Beautiful Morning" the next moment I am likely to be scalded beyond recognition by a shower of very hot water from out of the blue so to speak.

Needless to say, this does not add to my day's enjoyment. I can truthfully say that by the end of the year I fully expect to be bald on a certain section of my scalp that is almost always in the way of the barrage of hot H₂O. Of course, there is a brighter side to the problem — I no longer get zits on the right side of my face because of all the hot water that hits it. The fact that I no longer have skin on the right side of my face is only a minor problem which I feel will eventually be worked out.

I am told that there is a solution to this problem, although no one has actually tried to draw it out on paper for me. I fear, instead, that my scalding problem will go unnoticed and years later I will still bear the battle scars that I received in the showers at good old Brevard College.

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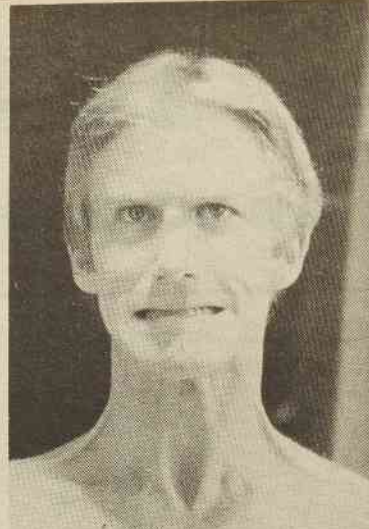
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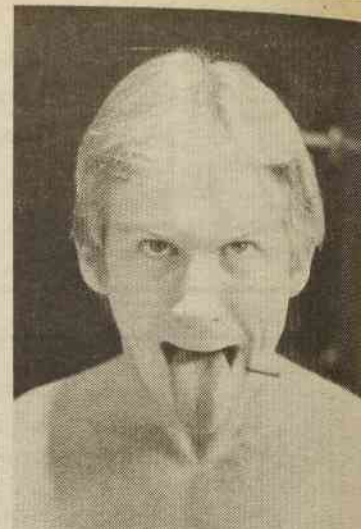
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Before



During



After

Tom Dehn reacts to mid-terms.

Teachers Are Clones

By Jon Young

Why is it that every morning at 8:00 a.m. the teachers and professors at Brevard College are so chipper and wide-awake while we hard-working students are still asleep when we stumble into a Religion, Math, or English? I find their perky personalities very disturbing at that hour, especially when you have had only four hours sleep because you were studying for a test that you had forgotten about till half past Johnny Carson.

I just cannot understand these alarm clocks called teachers at all. But I think I have a theory. All the instructors, from A-Z, are in reality clones in disguise. Mr. Woodruff, for instance, sends one clone to the rehearsal of "Finian's Rainbow," while another sleeps for long hours (storing energy), and another clone is wound up for an early class the following morning.

Fire Alarm A Big Pain

By Rene Wiggins

It occurred in Jones Dormitory on Oct. 1 sometime between 12:30 a.m. and 1 a.m. I was in the process of getting out of bed and heading toward my alarm clock ready to smash it into smithereens for awakening me at such an off hour. Then it dawned on me that my clock couldn't possibly give off such a deafening sound. The loud buzzing sound was coming through the walls, the ceiling, and even the floor. "It's that darn fire alarm." I mumbled to myself. "Some nut is having fun." I wonder if this nut is aware of the damage he caused.

It was a cold night and I won't be the least bit surprised if each girl standing outside that night in her nightie didn't wake up with a stuffy head the next morning. But what really made it worse was no one knowing how to turn the devilish thing off! It was awful. I would have cried if I had not been laughing so hard. It took at least a half an hour to turn the alarm off.

So, all of you nuts that are obsessed with pulling fire alarms please take into consideration the consequences that a fake alarm can cause. Someone might think the next time an alarm is pulled someone is crying wolf and we all know what happened to the boy that cried wolf!

The clones reportedly come from a small warehouse in Yugoslavia, where orders from colleges and universities arrive daily in the local mail. A clone is quickly manufactured from a lock of hair sent by each individual professor. The humanoid-copy is then rushed to the school indicated, thereby saving the health of the particular teacher.

Maybe one day students from all over the world will have clones to take tests in their places, and do their laundry loads. Until then, we will just have to endure those early morning smiles — Jimmy Carter style.

Letters

Dear Editor:

The Student Government Association decoration committee would like to express a well deserved thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Quentin Crane, for the use of their basement, as a place to build the decorations for homecoming.

We all appreciate your kindness and patience. Thanks for putting up with the mess, the usage of your tin snips, scissors, framing square and most of all that full basket of apples we managed to put a dent in.

Sincerely,

SGA Decoration Committee

Library:

A Necessity

By Rene Wiggins

Knowing how to properly use the library is a necessity for students. It is a proven fact that many students perish academically due to an ignorance of the library.

Head librarian, at Brevard College, Ms. Jane Wright, refers to the library as the "academic center of the campus," and Mrs. Healey, the periodicals librarian, stated that she is surprised at how very few students seem to have any knowledge concerning library use. She believes that high schools are not giving students sufficient practice in using the library.

What is even sadder is that many students, when having problems in finding a practical source, fail to ask for help. One must always remember that the librarians and student assistants are always willing to give aid if they are only asked.

Attention

A writing lab has been set up for students who need additional help in English-related areas. At least one resident tutor will be available during lab hours, which are 10 a.m. - 12 noon and 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. each weekday in MG 102. Students needing help with written assignments, catch-up work in grammar or other writing difficulties should drop by the lab. Attendance is voluntary, but teachers may refer students if necessary. If you can't tell a subordinate clause from a banana, come talk to one of the resident tutors during lab hours.

Rooms 115, 138, and 139 in McLarty-Goodson will be open Monday through Thursday nights for study purposes. Security will lock all doors at 11 p.m., but if students are still working they may remain for a longer period. During final exams, the hours may be extended.

Math tutors are available on Monday through Thursday nights as listed if you need help with your math assignments. Men should attend the sessions in either Green or East Beam dorms. In Beam, sessions are held from 8-10 p.m. with Carolyn Johnson, in her apartment. Sessions in Green are 7-9 p.m. in Room 104 with Mr. Holland. Jones Dorm holds sessions from 6-8 p.m. in the reading room with either D. Roberts, T. Childers, or S. Mickey.

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