



A Different Perspective

# BC Underwent Changes In '92 - '93

Commentary by  
Lorrin Wolf

Brevard College underwent a lot of changes during the '92-'93 school year. The administration enacted several new policies this year and for next year.

The new policies began with greater security measures as a result of the incident involving a gun being brought on campus by a local teenager. All but the front gates of the college closed

during the evening hours.

Next year is when most of the administration's changes will occur. Housing policies now call for non-smoking and smoking floors and consolidation of rooms. This means that every student living on campus except for RAs will have a roommate. There has also been a reduction in the number of RAs. Students living on halls with an RD will not have Resident

Assistants next year because of budgetary cuts. Perimeter housing has also been shut down.

Some things have remained the same, though. Student Government canceled the Spring Formal yet again because of lack of student interest. Sports teams turned in outstanding performances, with men's soccer becoming Region X Champions and track team members going to Nationals.

Life and Culture programs popped up almost every week, the drama department performed several productions, and *The Clarion* put out an issue every month.

All in all, it has been a year like any other year, with ups and downs, victories and defeats, and many changes for students, faculty, and staff alike. Best wishes for a great summer, congrats to the class of '93, and see you freshman back next year as sophs!



Think About It

# Remember The Lessons Learned In College

Commentary by  
James Woodley

The day that we all have been waiting for is finally upon us: the day that we go home to our families and our loved ones. I am sure you are as excited about it as I am, but let us not forget the lessons that we have learned during our stay here at Brevard.

Many of us have learned together that there are problems of hatred and racism in our world. Even on our small, secluded campus problems between blacks and whites, Americans and Japanese, and students and locals have arisen. I myself can speak from experience being the center of racism charges as well as being run down by a local truck only because I am a BC student. These are problems that the BC administration as well as BC students must learn to overcome.

*The Clarion* has had much to learn this semester. With the loss of former Editor April Liebe, *The Clarion* staff has had to learn to shift gears and address a new leader. It wasn't an easy lesson for many of us, but with help we learned to deal with it.

*The Clarion* has had the problem of struggling to keep the publication a student paper, with much protest from administration to change. The problem has not been resolved but the editors have learned that an open, honest, publication for the students by the students is the best policy.

I have learned personally that opening my column to issues that need to be addressed is not always the best way to make friends. It is, however, the best way to make these issues clear in the public's eye that there are problems which need to be solved, and they never will until someone takes that first step.

I would like to thank all my readers (whether you agreed or not), for reading my words and thinking about them. Thank you to all who have written to speak your minds; your words are greatly appreciated. I can not wait to

write for you again in the fall.

Remember the lessons you have learned here in college. It is those lessons that will make you a greater person in the future. Farewell and God bless you.



Fresh Ideas

# Wilson Gets Away

Commentary by  
Joanna Wilson

Life sometimes seems like one huge stress test. One way to get away from it all and relax is to go backpacking in the wilderness.

Recently, in Clyde Carter's Backpacking class, 13 students took to the mountains for just such a retreat.

The Joyce Kilmer Virgin Forest was the chosen location. The first night we camped near a stream. That was relaxing. The next day we went on what Clyde called a "day hike," a little warm-up before the four-mile climb up the mountain.

The trees in this forest were huge. Some of them were partially hollow and a couple of students explored their interiors. I just took pictures. Clyde thought it would be fun to climb the trees. It is good to have a teacher who can relax and just be part of the "gang."

Clyde entertained us with rope tricks, minute mysteries, and Indian

stick wrestling. I stayed entertained for about an hour trying to put up a tarp just the way I wanted it. It only took five tries to get it perfect. Well, it would have been perfect had it not been for the slight elevation; I kept sliding down in my sleeping bag all night.

Although the weather was beautiful, the nights were freezing. Fortunately we had learned from a previous trip how to be prepared for weather changes. (I think Clyde was hoping for snow.) Carrying extra clothes seemed like a burden walking up the mountain, but during the night, we were glad we had them. The extra clothes also came in handy after I fell into the river on the way back.

Eating was another challenge. Especially when we split into two groups and one group had the food, and the other had the stove. That would not have been a problem if the slow group (mine) had made it all the way up the (See *Wilson* on Page 5)

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# LETTERS

Dear Editor,

I have attended Brevard College for two years, and for the most part, it has been enjoyable. As a sophomore, I would like to think the level of maturity in the school would be higher than a tenth grader. Is it possible some of the students took Lorrin Wolf's title "Kinder College" literally from the April Fools' edition of *The Clarion*. For the most

part, rumors can be taken in stride or can be taken as a form of flattery, but when you threaten a person's integrity and reputation, I can not fathom the purpose of this. I speak for all the people who have been susceptible to this cruel punishment: Grow up Brevard because it is time to be adults!

Sincerely,  
Shannon Wetmore