

Shelia Best balances academics and two sports

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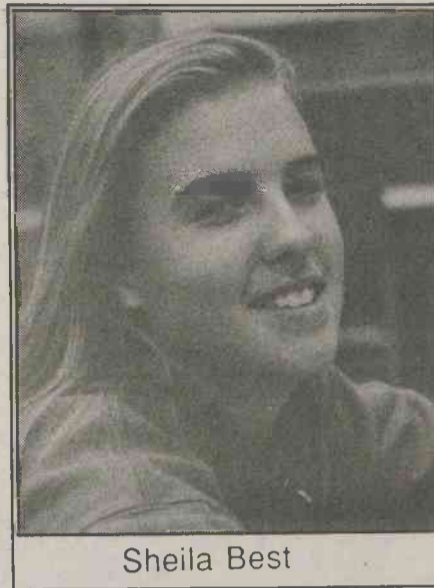
Sheila Best has dumb-founded everyone with her dedication to soccer and basketball. Born and raised in Raleigh, NC, 18 year old Sheila Best claims that balancing the two sports is not difficult.

This is possible as she plays soccer until the season is over, and then she will play basketball. Once basketball is over, she says she'll probably play indoor soccer. She's confident that she will be able to cope with it, as she did it in high school and feels that college should be no problem. All these sports, however, are having no real effect on her studies because "we usually have

study halls...and I usually have the nights free to study."

What got this sport enthusiast interested? "Probably my brother, because he always played sports and my dad was always my coach." Her brother introduced her to basketball, but she claims it was her father who got her started in soccer. Sheila says one day he asked her to play and she played on a recreational league and "I got hooked on it." During this time she played on a state select team, which is a team composed of the finest players in that state. These players travel around the states competing with other teams.

Sheila enjoys many things about sports, but she says she enjoys



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"working as a team in order to win" the most, and she thinks it is a lot of fun. It is a good thing she likes sports so much with two hour practices every night and a game almost every Saturday.

When asked why she chose Brevard, she stated that it was mainly for sports. She admits that she likes it here and will probably come back next year, though at first she was homesick. After Brevard, Sheila says she plans to go to the state university and then to pursue a career concerning sports.

Many people hold a high opinion of Sheila Best. Jennie Williams, who is also a soccer player, says "She's cool although quiet and she has a lot of talent."

College bestows three prestigious honors

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Brevard College has named A. Preston Woodruff, Associate Professor of Religion, as the charter inductee of the BC Honor Roll, an honor awarded to an outstanding past or current staff, faculty or staff member at Brevard College or any of her sister institutions (Brevard Institute, Weaver College or Rutherford College). The College has also inducted two alumni - John McKissick of Summerville, S.C., (Class of 1949) and Oliver H. Orr Jr. of Chapel Hill, N.C., (Class of 1940) - into the prestigious Brevard College Hall of Fame. This honor is awarded to an alumnus/a of Brevard Institute, Rutherford College, Weaver College or Brevard College in recognition of outstanding personal achievement and service which brings honor and respect to Brevard College.

A. Preston Woodruff, Associate Professor of Religion, has also been named as the charter inductee of the BC Honor Roll, an honor awarded to an outstanding past or current member of the staff, faculty, or administration affiliated with any of the four sister institutions. Woodruff has taught at BC since 1973. After receiving his B.A. from Georgia State University in 1968, he earned his M.Div. from Emory University and later pursued graduate studies at the University of Oxford in England. After a three-year stay at the Atlanta Constitution and his graduate study, Woodruff began his tenure at Brevard College in 1973. He is now Associate Professor of Religion.

As an alumna stated, "Preston taught me the 'Golden Rule', to take charge of my own destiny, and to take the time to enjoy what is around me. He is a wonderful person and an excellent professor who opens minds and encourages learning."

John McKissick is known as the nation's "winningest" football coach: he holds the national record for the most wins as a coach of high school, college, or professional teams as well as the national record for the most wins at one school. McKissick has led his Summerville, S.C., High School Green Waves to national standing. A young McKissick played fullback on the BC Tornados' football team in 1947 and 1948. In '48, the Tornados had a winning 5-3-1 season; McKissick has been winning ever since.

He has been inducted into other Halls of Fame: the S.C. Athletic Hall of Fame (1982), the National High School Sports Hall of Fame (1990), and the charter edition of S.C. Athletic Coaches Association Hall of Fame (1993). He has been featured in Sports Illustrated and USA Today, and on CNN, ESPN and ABC sports. McKissick lives with his wife Joan in Summerville, just outside of Charleston, S.C.

Oliver H. Orr, Jr. truly has his roots planted firmly in Brevard College soil. He was born in a white cottage on the BC campus where the College's student union, Coltrane Commons, now stands. His father was the fourth superintendent of Brevard Insitute. Orr graduated from Brevard in 1940, and has come full circle by being inducted this year into the Hall of Fame.

While a student at BC, Orr was vice-president of the student body, co-captain of the tennis team, and a reporter for the student newspaper, The Clarion. These leadership positions pointed Orr in a direction which has won him distinction and recognition. He continued his education at UNC-Chapel Hill, earning a B.A. in Political Science and a Ph.D. in American History, before teaching at N.C. State University and then working for almost 25 years in the Library of Congress.

Orr is the author of "Charles Brantley Aycock" and "Saving American Birds: T. Gilbert Pearson and the Founding of the Audubon Movement."

Orr, who lives with his wife Adriana Pannevis Orr in Chapel Hill, has also volunteered with numerous environmental and historical projects.

FCA stays active on campus and in Brevard community

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Brevard College offers several organizations that students may participate in. Among the organizations is the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. This club is sponsored by Brevard's baseball coach, Russell Stroupe.

Although FCA is recognized as a club for Christian Athletes, no one is excluded in the organization at Brevard. Any student may take part in this club. It is a non-judgmental club which offers membership to anyone.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes' main goal is to spread Christianity throughout the campus and community. It is a way to fellowship together as a school and make a difference.

There are several activities FCA has planned for this year. One way of promoting Christianity in the

community is by visiting local resthomes. Visiting the elderly can be a very positive act of kindness. In the past, FCA has participated in this activity and gotten great results from it.

Other public services are also planned. Around Christmas many clubs plan several different events. This Christmas, FCA plans to participate in Christmas Caroling throughout the community.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is a nondenominational club for any student at Brevard College. It is a way for students to join together to fellowship and is a way to promote Christianity on campus and in the community.

If you are a student at Brevard and would like a place to fellowship, you are invited to join by attending meetings. Meetings are held every Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the Hospitality Room located in the gym.

Spanish Club plans cultural activities

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For students who are in spanish courses at Brevard college there is the Spanish Club. This year the club meets on Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. in McLarty-Goodson, Room 214. The sponsor of the spanish Club is Judy

Pascale. The club has many plans for this semester. At the meetings, the club will invite students on campus that are native Spanish speakers to talk to the group about their countries. The group also plans to prepare at least one fiesta dinner as well as go to a Mexican restaurant for a meal.