

Editorial Column

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A potentially destructive romance is alive and doing well here at GC. Certain people have proven over and over again that they love to subject vending machines and parking facilities to the harshest treatment, ultimately taking away our use of them.

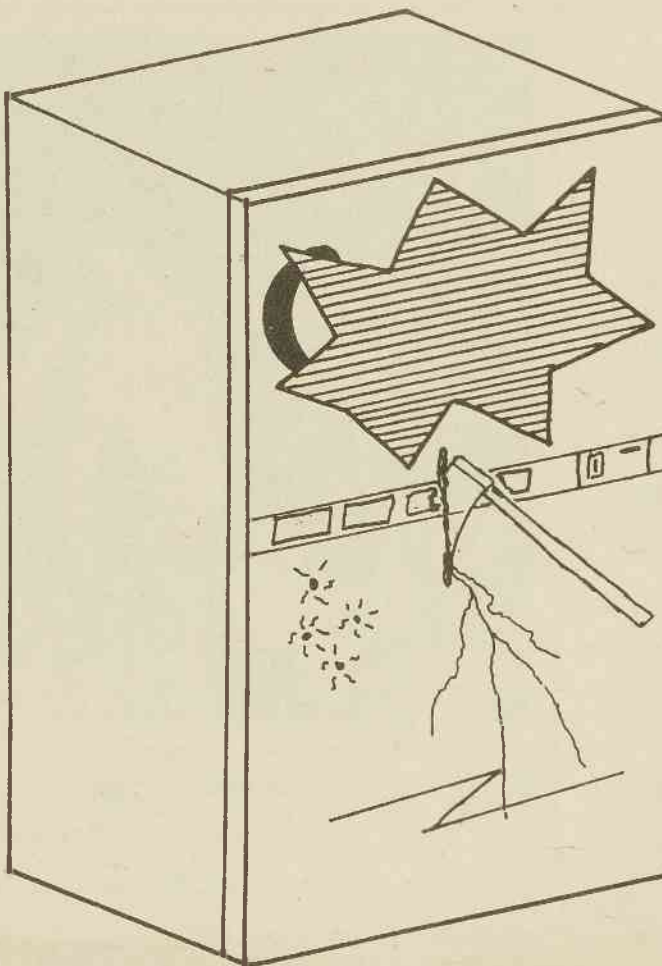
As with most public facilities, GC must defend itself from such nonsense.

- Recently the SGA sponsored a dance featuring the Drifters. The overall success of the evening event was marred by guests, who persisted in remaining in the parking lot. Problems arose as the night wore on and the guests emptied their bottles. First; alcoholic beverages are forbidden from use on campus. Second; broken bottles "don't go so purty good" with the new radials.

- A few of us, view the mutilation of vending machines, such as the ones in the technical buildings a nifty way to show off our expertise in the art of demolition.

This is not to directly point fingers at Tech students, but the fickle finger of fact has to point somewhere.

- Next on our tour, shall we literally put our minds in the gutter. Sooner or later one gets the urge to go camping in the friendly neighborhood restroom. The door swings open and we enter the world of relaxation. What, no reading material? Surprise, surprise! The bright fellow before us has left a message which has to be the secret to life, or maybe the perverted beginnings of it. If only such innovations could be directed into a positive attitude.



If we are to act like high school kids, we should be disciplined in such a manner. Extremed measures are not far away. I appeal to you, let's stop the horse play before we get stopped. Never have so few done so much to screw up a good thing.

"Success"

As life becomes more and more a product of "something in the fast-lane", it becomes undoubtedly harder to stay on the right track. Which has inspired this article: "Success".

Everyone seeks success, however, few people can define that which they seek. The most important key to success is self-discipline.

Self-discipline breeds self-respect, self-respect breeds self-confidence, and self-confidence always breeds that which everyone seeks; success.

Secondly, self-discipline combined with faith in God breeds the right judgment and wisdom. And wisdom gives you the ability to the right sense of values.

When you have accomplished this, you will realize that success is not always financial riches, but instead, it is peace of mind which gives you happiness.

To obtain peach of mind, one must in all things practice the Golden Rule. In turn, the person who lives by the Golden Rule shall be blessed abundantly on earth. Thus, the person who seeks success in life must first seek to control theirself.

And, when things don't go according to the plan, remember:

Success is failure turned inside-out
The silver lining of the clouds of doubt.
And you never can tell how close you are
It may be near when it seems afar;
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit
It's when things seem worst that

YOU MUSTN'T QUIT!

President's Corner

By Joe Shelton
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I would like to take this time to welcome everyone to Gaston College and introduce to you our new president, Dr. Wayne Scott. Since this article is the first in a year-long series, I would like to begin by exploring the philosophies of Dr. Scott, as a person as well as an educator, and his goals for Gaston College, short term and long range.

Being a professional orator, Dr. Scott has done extensive work on managerial programs and always keeps a positive atmosphere about himself. As an individual, his goal is simple; to be the best that he can, and through his own hard work and determination to set an example that will inspire other people to achieve their goals. Money is not high on the list of priorities of Dr. Scott, but to inspire is.

As far as Gaston College goes, "the most important thing I'm trying to do is maximize learning through teaching. The question is simple; what is best for the students? The

students deserve a clean campus, good teaching, and decent administration, and that's what we're here for."

Anyone who was here this past summer session can plainly see what has been done to get our campus clean. But cleaning up isn't only a physical process, it is attaining a good attitude toward our fellow men and our school. It is also pride, being proud enough to keep our campus clean.

Within the near future, Dr. Scott plans to have directional markers on all the buildings as well as directional signs on the grounds. He is also planing to have "clean-up day", in which he hopes to get the student body and faculty to participate. There will be a free lunch provided by Dr. Scott to those who do participate.

Turning to education, Dr. Scott sees a broadened technical base for Gaston College. "I think our role is not just education for education's sake, but education for meaningful employment. This in no way decreases the need for arts and sciences, it

increases our demand for such. I'm talking about taking them with us as we broaden our base. We need all the arts and sciences we can get, but the only way we'll get more is to implement the new programs."

Gaston College is already expanding in electronics. The latest thing in micro electronics equipment is now being installed. By the spring of 1982, Dr. Scott hopes to have a computerized registration system in operation here at Gaston College. "Choices", a computerized profile system, is already in operation and its services are free to the students, under the direction of Dr. Dean Jones.

In health and public services, the new health sciences building has been approved and fund-raising drives are already underway for 1/2 to 3/4 million dollars for this facility.

Dr. Scott also sees a future for intercollegiate golf, soccer, and men's and

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