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Barking Bulldog

This week's Barking Bulldog deals with the issue of recycling on campus. Recently, an environmental club that handles recycling was dissolved due to lack of student involvement. The question was:

What do you think about recycling? Would you recycle on campus if the proper containers were provided? How well do you think students will respond?

Here are some student opinions concerning this topic:

"I really think recycling is a good idea. I would definitely recycle if the proper containers were provided. I also feel that the students would respond well."

Amy Tarlton
Freshmen

"I believe that recycling trash is good for the environment. I would be happy to recycle on campus if the containers were provided. It would be more convenient for me to recycle on campus instead of carrying it home like I do. I like to be optimistic, but in the past, only a few students cared enough to recycle."

Wendy C. Davidson
Senior

"Recycling is a must. I would definitely recycle on campus if the containers were provided. I think the response from students would be very supportive."

Vanessa Carpenter
Freshmen

"I like the idea of recycling on campus. Yes, I would recycle and I feel that the students would respond positively to the idea."

Jo Rock
Freshmen

"I think recycling is an excellent idea, and if there was a way I could recycle on campus, I would. Hopefully the entire campus would respond well to this idea. I think the students know how helpful recycling is. It really does not take any extra time once you get started."

Scott Elliott
Junior

"I think that recycling is necessary to maintain a good ecosystem. If proper containers were provided, I would definitely recycle and would try to promote recycling to others. I feel that if recycling were being enforced by the students, it would change people's perspective concerning recycling."

Michael Darnell
Freshmen

As you can see, the student body is behind recycling on campus. However, the students need to do something other than talk about it. If you support recycling on campus, let the Administration or the Student Government Association know your thoughts. You would be amazed what can be accomplished when the student voice is heard. Your comments do make a difference.

Remember why you're here

The most fulfilling times of a person's life can happen away from home at college. Many people meet lifelong friends, some establish relationships with professors that go beyond the classroom, some may even meet the person whom they will marry.

All of these are great reasons for coming to college, but what some people tend to forget is the most important reason: to get an education.

College life is filled with many choices. Numerous campus activities take place during the week. These activities are designed to add to our college life, not take away from it. If we, as students, get too caught up in the joy of campus life and forget about the importance of going to class and studying, then we've lost sight of our main priority.

I think it is great to get involved in the many things that college has to offer, yet the one thing we must not do is let those activities take priority over our classes. College is too expensive to let that happen.

Now, I'm not saying you should become an introvert and do nothing but study. What I am saying is that we should budget enough time to do the things we like to do. Classes should get the majority of our time.

It has been estimated that every time a student misses a class here, that student is losing \$70.

Listen, campus life is a wonderful thing. It is even better when you are succeeding in your studies. After all, you, not your friends, are responsible for your grades.

One of the most important things a person can get in life is a college education. You have chosen a wonderful campus for it. Now it is up to you.

Remember why you are here!

Jason Farr
Editor

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Recycling for the future

Have you ever noticed the recycling sites on campus? I'm not talking about the various wastebaskets and trash cans on the quad or in our dorm rooms. I'm talking about those big blue trash cans, like the ones in Craig Hall, or the many cardboard boxes placed inside residence halls for the deposit of aluminum cans or newspapers.

Have you ever used one of those sites? If so, thanks. But if you haven't, stop for a minute and think about how much trash you produce individually each year. If you are like me, then I know you create at least a ton of trash.

Now, I'm not trying to get on a soapbox, and I can't say that I always do my part in

recycling. But something very important has been brought to my attention. I just learned that a certain environmental group on our campus has been dissolved due to lack of student involvement. What a shame! Why should only a handful of people be responsible for our well-being? We can do better than that. I know we can.

I've been to many college campuses, and ours is one of the most beautiful I've seen. But it's not structure alone that makes her beautiful; it is the fact that she is clean. Thanks for being responsible in keeping her clean.

Let's take another step forward.

Let's take care of each other.

Let's Recycle!

Michelle Hill

Letter of Apology

The following letter was submitted to the editor to be printed. The student was required to write a public apology to a professor for conduct unbecoming a gentlemen and for the use of obscene gestures.

Dr. Munoz,

"I want to apologize for the incident that took place in your office last spring semester."

Michael Williams

From the SEA

Gardner-Webb University and the Student Entertainment Association present TRUTH in concert on Friday, September 30, at 7:30 pm. Currently in its 24th year of ministry, TRUTH travels with elaborate sound and instrumental equipment. They have traveled to all 50 states and 19 countries. In August of 1993, TRUTH made their second tour of Eastern Europe and Russia since the fall of Communism there. The list of accomplishments of TRUTH includes Grammy, Dove and Angel Award nominations in audio, video and print categories. TRUTH has released over 40 top-selling albums. Come be a part of TRUTH's "Equation of Love" spectacular. Admission is free to all students with a valid ID.