

EDITORIAL

Some Words Of Praise

With all of the complaints, indictments and criticism that emanate weekly from this space, it is only right that occasionally a little praise is dispensed. Three groups warrant favorable notice this week.

Dewey Humphries and Cardinal Food Service handled the demands of the Inauguration Friday morning, the guests for lunch, the attendant inaugural reception and ball Friday night, and Alumni Day on Saturday, as well as the regular feedings of St. Andrews folk. It was a job quite well done.

The Black Student Union put two years into getting the Arthur Hall Afro-American Dance Ensemble to St. Andrews. Their Saturday night performance was excellent and it was extremely well received by those present.

Wilmington Hall sponsored the Sunday night performance of the Winston-Salem Symphony. It was a superb performance before a grand audience. Congratulations to them on a job well done.

A Social Faux Pas

Probably the most glaring mistakes made by the organizers of the President's Inauguration last Friday was the champagne reception held before the Inaugural Ball Friday night.

A large notice of invitation was sent out advertising this event. It produced considerable negative reaction among older alumni and Laurinburg residents.

Several reasons came to mind for their indignation. One is that Flora McDonald and Presbyterian Junior College—out of whose consolidation emerged St. Andrews—were strictly anti-drink. So for that matter was St. Andrews in its early days. With the great majority of the college's alumni being graduates of these two institutions, one wonders why the possible negative effect of such a reception was not taken into account. The affair could easily have been billed as a reception, period. It need not have been advertised as any particular kind of reception.

Another adverse reaction to the affair was the expensive implication of a "champagne reception." With the college vigorously soliciting funds from alumni and friends, talking about the scarcity of funds, and trimming programs and expenses on the one hand, the idea of a considerable expense on a luxury like champagne in great quantity would understandably turn off a lot of people.

As image-conscious as the college has been this past year, the champagne gaffe seems all the more odd. Hopefully, it will not set our relations with alumni and the Presbyterian Church.

Letters . . .

(Photo by Lin Thompson)



To The Students;  
There's a lot I want to say, even more I could say, yet you've weakened all the words but "thank you."

Mark Smith



THESE postmarks are from a letter editor Lin Thompson received Saturday, April 24. It was mailed in Shelby, North Carolina, some 160 miles west of Laurinburg, on April 21, and was postmarked in Charlotte. On the reverse of the envelope, however, was another postmark. On April 22 the letter was in Kansas City, Missouri. Thompson, who is a little slow, is mystified: What was it doing in Kansas City? The best reader answers will be printed next week.

1976-77  
WSAP  
Officers

—New officers for WSAP, the St. Andrews Radio Station, were announced recently. Paul Baldasare, President told THE LANCE that the following would serve in 1976-77. President - Paul Baldasare, Vice-President - Bill Brennan, Program Director - Steve MacLean, Production Director - Stewart Dansby, News Director-Michael Greene, Music Directors - Benny Cox, Bob Crownover.

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Bacchanalia Relays Organizing

As a part of the Bacchanalia '76 festivities to be held May 3-9, the College Union Board has scheduled a series of "rollin', rowdy, rambunctious relay races." The races will be held Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. on the lawn behind the cafeteria by the lake, Thursday at 6:15 p.m. at the swimming pool, and Saturday

at 1:15 p.m. in front of the Student Union.

The relay races, including everything from balloon popping and egg tossing to inner-tubing in the lake and jello fighting, have been designed to require a maximum of team effort. By competing in each race, the teams will win points according to the position in which they place. These points will accumulate with each race, until the team with the most points is determined at the close of the Final Relay Race on Saturday. The prize for the winning team

will be a keg of beer or a single album for each member of the team. In addition, the runner-up team will receive a pony keg.

Each team must consist of eight members, including one wheelchair student, three male students, three female students, and one faculty or staff person. Teams must submit a complete list of their members to the Student Personnel Office by Friday, April 30. At that time, further information on the description and rules of each race will be given.

Thompson

Gets D.C. Post

A St. Andrews sophomore, Lin Thompson, has been named a congressional intern for the summer under the Lyndon B. Johnson Congressional Intern Program.

A politics major, Thompson will be employed in the Washington office of Rep. James T. Broyhill (R-N.C.). Currently the 12th ranking Republican in the House of Representatives, Broyhill is a member of the House Budget and Interstate Commerce Committees.

A resident of Shelby, North Carolina, Thompson is editor of THE LANCE and vice-president of Granville Hall.

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