

Security Letter

security office window and across the lawn to Mecklenburg Dorm. There was no security officer available when the students being chased were seeking help. There was no security officer around when the fight was in progress or when Bill was taken to the Health Center. Finally after three calls by students on the security radio, an officer did arrive in time to hold the doors for the ambulance attendants. This is not to cast any aspersion on the individual security officers, they each perform to their best ability, but when one man has to patrol as large an area as this campus, and there is no one to man the base station or dispatch him, when the communication system is so haphazard that 90% of the time you can't call home let alone call security, certain inconveniences like being stabbed or having your \$300 bicycle or stereo stolen will have to be tolerated.

Over the past week and a half, numerous thefts, predominantly bicycles, have occurred; some have been stopped in process but most have not. There have been an unusual number of unauthorized off-campus vehicles cruising the campus lately. The vehicle involved in the stabbing has been seen on campus again and the news that of the four involved only one was charged (and he is out on \$300 bail) is not a thought to inspire a feeling of safety. Three students were harassed and threatened and then chased by six young men in a car, while walking to the Holiday Inn for dinner Saturday evening. I am not trying to scare you, nor am I making

these things up. I simply mention them as matters of fact for your information.

Remember that we have been assured that "things are being done," and that "next year these problems will not exist." I hope these bring you some comfort, indeed I am sure that the serious deficiencies in both Health and Security Services are well on their way to correction, if that is any comfort to you. The point is, however, that these problems aren't new, they didn't just come up, they have been problems a long time. Why did someone have to be seriously injured to finally wake people up? It is only by the greatest streak of luck that someone hasn't died because of glaring irresponsibility and almost criminal negligence with which these departments have been handled. I personally know three people who, had they been solely dependent on the services of security or the Health Center would be dead, but just ill, dead today. This is SERIOUS, people. Let your voices be heard. We are all partially to blame for tolerating such rampant mismanagement in the first place.

This being exam week, no one has time for crusades, least of all me; but we are dealing with matters of grave urgency. Life and death are serious business, they deserve some attention. Let the people in the administration know how you feel, they'll listen, but they can't read your mind. You have to let them know.

PLEASE?

Walter Mark Six
President, Mecklenburg
Dorm

BASEBALL

Getting Better By The Year

It has been said by many that St. Andrews baseball is not what it should be. If you think that, then you should be thankful you weren't a baseball fan two years ago when the baseball team folded. Last year was better than that with three wins and this year was even better with six wins, four being in the conference. Come on fans, lets be optimistic. St. Andrews is looking forward to at least four prospects next year, an outfielder, pitcher, catcher, and a third baseman.

There were really no strong points to write home about but there wasn't anything to cry about either. John Ferrell and Arthur Bowman led the team most of the way this year. John Ferrell lead the team at the plate with two homeruns, nineteen RBI's, and six doubles. John also hosted a batting average of .392. Bowman contributed strongly with his batting average of .298. Arthur also led the team with eighteen stolen bases. Arthur had six doubles and two triples. Rick Scott, one of the many freshmen standouts, seven RBI's, four doubles and was tied with Ferrell and Pittman having five stolen bases. Rick's batting average was .275. Butch Keller also contributed at the plate with nine RBI's and a batting average of .265. Rick Bland had a good year at the plate with a batting

average of .246 with two doubles and two triples. Bland's speed also led to four stolen bases. Tom Stoecker, who carried a great deal of the weight on the mound, also filled the designated hitter spot most of the year. Stoecker had a batting average of .243 and one homerun. Duane Dosal and Tom provided hits when necessary with six and seven RBI's respectively.

Let's not forget that fearless freshman Jim Worley, who's arm (and grin) pitched fifteen games and a total of sixty-six and two-thirds innings. Worley was credited with three wins. Jim plans to work hard this summer and "come back strong." Tom Stoecker collected two wins. Craig Withrow was credited with one win but little else. Craig's enthusiasm was a big boost to the team throughout the season. Jon Barber and senior, Richard (Goat) Massey also had strong influence on the S. A. hurlers.

Behind the plate, freshman "Bo" Pittman added perhaps the biggest boost to the S. A. ball club. Bo's accurate arm was credited with throwing out at least ten would-be stealers. Bo had many bruises to show for his fine defensive play behind the plate. Bo was held by Rick Gamble who started in the outfield. John Ferrell and Butch Keller should not be forgotten for

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Let's Keep Curtis

To the Editor:

"St. Andrews Presbyterian College is a four-year, Co-educational, liberal arts college. It was established in 1958 by the Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina as an affirmation of the continuing relevance in higher education of the Christian concern for truth, justice and personal worth. Founded as a response to contemporary problems in society and higher education, the college is committed to the formulation of innovative and contemporary programs which seek to meet the needs of students living in a constantly changing world. Firmly rooted in the liberating challenge of a liberal arts curriculum, the programs are designed to encourage the development in the individual of skills and sensitivities applicable to the world beyond the classroom."

The above quote is taken from the St. Andrews catalog, and yet I have a great deal of difficulty, as a graduating senior, in believing all that it states. My doubts basically arise from the departure of one of our finest teachers, Raymond Curtis.

Dr. Curtis is one of the few professors innovative enough to teach his senior SAS class how to cope with the "real world" . . . the life one is thrust into upon graduation where we become active members of society, no longer harbored in the umbilical-like security of St. Andrews College.

In his SAS class, a very popular course that became too quickly filled, Dr. Curtis taught necessary things like how to take out loans, how to fill out resumes, how to buy a used car, how to read and understand the fine print in rental contracts, and how to pertinently fill out job applications. Dr. Curtis is interested enough in his students and how they are after college, that he took the trouble to invite two men from LOF Glass to come to his class and pose an interview session as they would in an actual job application, showing students exactly what they will be up against when

Remembering A Friend

Tuesday night 50 or so of Jeanette McClelland's friends got together in Wilmington Hall to remember her in a mingling of tears and laughter.

Jeanette, who graduated from St. Andrews a few years ago, and was employed in Alexandria, Virginia, was found murdered there last Thursday. She was 24.

While at St. Andrews, Jeanette distinguished herself as a writer. We tend to think of her as a poet, but her works ran over into prose as well, and she was a valued contributor to THE LANCE.

She was a leader with "The Cairn", had a collection of her writing published as an Alan Bunn Memorial Chapbook, and was published in a variety of other magazines as well.

Jeanette McClelland was more than a writer, though. She was a fascinating person and a friend of all who knew her. Many of those who gathered to mourn Tuesday had enjoyed a visit with her a week earlier when she had come down for Alumni Day.



Her death was a senseless event, and we are all the poorer for her loss. As Dean Crossley remarked at the memorial Tuesday night, memory is a fragile thing, but surely Jeanette McClelland's legacy will be an enduring one in the hearts and minds of the St. Andrews community.

hunting for that important job after graduation.

Dr. Curtis is known throughout the student body for always having time to help with a problem, whether it be academic or personal, and this is an extremely important attribute for any professor and too often lacking in many of the teachers on campus.

St. Andrews is correctly concerned with the Christian concern for truth, but it would seem that in this matter of letting Dr. Curtis go, double-talk has replaced truth. We, the students of St. Andrews, need to know the truth as to why Dr. Curtis, a teacher who motivates learning and interest in all aspects of his teaching, will not be with us

next year for the many students looking forward to taking courses with him as their leader. There are so many teachers that do not try to motivate or stimulate the student due to their tenure security, that should leave the campus prior to Dr. Curtis, that we fail to understand this move on the part of the administration.

Since St. Andrews is ready and willing to admit we live in a rapidly changing world, and that innovative and contemporary ideas are necessary in order to keep pace in such an environment, perhaps St. Andrews is also willing to reconsider Dr. Curtis as a valuable and deeply sought after member of the 1977-78 staff, that is . . . if they believe in their own words.

John Copeland

PIRG Elects New Officers

The St. Andrews chapter of The North Carolina Public Interest Research Group (PIRG) ended up the year last week with a trip to the State Legislature and the election of new officers.

Outgoing chairman Elizabeth Scott, new treasurer Knight Chamberlain and John Patton traveled

to Raleigh May 4 to testify before a legislative committee in favor of a bill which would ban non-returnable beverage containers.

Earlier in the week officers were elected for 1977-1978. Chosen as the group's representative to the State PIRG board was David Swan- (continued on page 8)

CETA Aides Irresponsible

Dear Editor:

Rumor has it that Maria is taking over management of Highlands/Rehabilitation dorm. As a handicapped student that doesn't have to live there, but is well aware of

what poor management and impossible conditions have arisen around there this year, and particularly this semester, I find this very refreshing news.

Ceta people were hired to alleviate conditions, but when they first run a bath and then open the door to place the handicapped person in, thus allowing all the water to flow on the floor, because they're totally untrained in handicapped bathrooms, one is not inclined to think anything has been alleviated.

And when Ceta people are allowed to drive the highly coveted handicapped van, without members of the school staff aboard, have a driving problem that throws a fellow Ceta worker on the floor making St. Andrews responsible, when it never should have been tolerated . . . one doesn't believe any conditions are being alleviated by their presence. But perhaps their drinking in the parking

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