

Senate Report

by Julie Norem

Senate is Student Legislative Body

The Student Senate is the legislative power of the Student Association (Saltire, Student Assoc. Constitution, Article III) and is composed of the the presidents and vice-presidents of the dorms and off-campus representatives. It is presided over by the vice-president of the student body.

The members of this year's Senate are: David Perkinson, President of the Senate; John Lenham, Ginger Egel, Albermarle; Amy Heavner, Mary Snyder, Concord; Glenn Garrison, Julie Lundquist, Granville; Tony Orange, Mike Murray, Highland and Freedom Village; Jeff Callahan, Ralph Paradiso, Mecklenburg; Michael Champion, Steve Hong, Orange; Michelle Venable, Wilmington; John Newman, Peter Rich, Winston-Salem; Jack Rushing, Lester Brigman, off-campus.

The Senate has regular meetings at 9:30pm Sunday night.

Four Cabinet committees are in the process of being formed. These are of great importance to the whole student body because they will focus on improving these four areas of student life. The four committees are: SAGA, Maintenance, Commuter Student, and Burris. Each committee will be comprised of one Senator, one Cabinet member, and three members of the student body.

The Senators assigned to each committee are: Mary Snyder (SAGA), Peter Rich (Maintenance), David Perkinson (Commuter Student), and Tony Orange (Burris). If you are interested in being on any of these committees please contact student body President Charles Brown in the SGA offices which are newly located on the bottom floor of Belk.

The Senate met Tuesday night, September 15 and approved some recent appointments. Those appointed and approved were: Wendy Phillips, Elections Board chairperson; David Perkinson and Charlie Brown, Internal Affairs; Kristi Kluegel and Amy Tannehill, Judicial Committee; Jane Robertson, Student Faculty Appellate Court Chairperson; Jim Reese and Matt Wilson, Assistant to Student Defense Council; Jim Terrell and Del Spruill, Assistant to the Attorney General. There were also some Cabinet appointments: Matt Wilson, Secretary; Beth Ralson, Secretary for Student Services; Charlene Vohringer, Secretary for Student Politics.

There are many things that the Senate is going to work on this coming year. Each one will help improve student life. If you have any idea of things that need to be done around campus, see your senators.

Windows On The World ...Musings from Bob Martin

The new year has commenced with a very large number of women and men in the student body who are citizens of nations all around the world.

In almost equal numbers there are those who, though citizens of the United States, have lived most of their lives in countries other than the one of their national origin. Just as the students bring to our community mosaic a range of global cultural perspectives, so are there those who have joined the faculty for this year who bring the same richness of diversity of experiences and perspectives that will enrich the classes they teach and will broaden our collective understanding of the issues that concern us, the challenges that face us and the dreams for human life and future that are shared by everyone.

I know that each of us will make real effort to make them feel welcome and share our "stories" with them just as they are eager to share their "stories" with us. That will occur in the deepest ways and in the most mutually satisfying ways when we champion each other always as "subject" of human exchange and never as "object" of mere curiosity.

The Laurinburg area Chamber of Commerce is hosting a reception for all our international colleagues on Thursday evening, September 24th. It should be both an informative and delightful occasion. It is gratifying to see how readily the larger community is reaching out to welcome and to meet our friends from far and near.

We have two Exchange students with us this year. James Inman is the Exchange Student from the University of Stirling, majoring in Business/Economics and Politics. As was Jonathan Freeman, James also hails from England, coming from Surrey.

Masashi Takumi is our Exchange Student from Kansai Gaidai, a Senior there and has academic interests in Sociology and Anthropology. Masashi is the first male exchange student from K.G. A special welcome to them both!

Speaking of Exchange Students, Kanako Funamoto, here last year from K.G., has written to several of us that she is homesick for all her St. Andrew friends. She called the dorm last week at 7:00 AM to greet people. How quickly she forgets that students can't talk at 7:00 AM!

Jonathan Freeman worked on Long Island through most of the summer and then had a month long trek through the Pacific Northwest, Far West and South West before heading home.

Stirling starts up its new year next week. Don't be surprised to see him

here for a visit during Winter Term.

Alexis Coffey, the 1985-86 Stirling exchange student sends greetings from "down-under" where she is spending the next four months working and travelling through Australia and New Zealand.

Happy news comes from the gang at Brunnenburg. Ann Woodson reports that all is going well, courses moving right along, folk hard at the chores around the Castle and that they are soon trekking to Venice and Florence. Speaking of 7:00 AM phone calls... ask Bonnie Blackburn about hers!

It's good to have Barbara Caras and Steve Maclin back from their term at Stirling and to have Amy Heavner, Rob Maclean, Ann Richardson and Meg Ridgely return from Spring Term at Stirling. Dave Snyder is back from Winter Term at Bossey, Switzerland and then Spring Term at Trinity College in Wales plus a summer in France. Alas and alack, his compatriot, Stephanie Porter is not back yet but we hope she heals quickly and returns to us soon. It's good to have each and all back in the community.

Cathrine Miller is spending her Junior year at the American Studies Institute in Aix-En-Provence, France. Haven't heard any news from her though, her courses don't start until late September. Sharon Slivka and John Brown are spending Fall Term at Kansai

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To the Editor:

I will be leaving at the end of this semester with a mixture of sadness at leaving the many friends I have here, and happiness at returning home. I have met a host of warm-hearted and generous people who I will never forget, and will always look back on with fond memory.

Many of you, probably most, I will never see again, and it is to you especially that I want to say thank-you for making my stay here in America so much fun, and quite an experience! To those of you I do meet again, and hopefully it will be many, I hope that I will then be in a position to return at least some of your generosity, though I doubt that I could return it all.

Finally I would like to make two special thank-you's. Firstly to Bob Martin, who has been a friend, a guider, and a problem solver - someone I could not have survived the year without, I am sure.

Also, a special thank-you to Suite 5, Albermarle, who gave me a true sense of belonging somewhere, and stopped the feeling of living in limbo, which must happen for some people who have no permanent base for a period of time.

Thank you all,

Jonathan Freeman
(Editor's note: Jonathan Freeman, an exchange student from Scotland's Stirling University, spent the 1986-87 academic year at St. Andrews.)

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