

On the Yard... Off the Yard...

Beauty and Braun

Mr. Atlas and Miss Bathing Beauty Contest will take place April 6, 1984 in the Kenneth R. Williams Auditorium. To become a contestant pick up an application from Mrs. Manderlene Scale,

K.R. Williams Auditorium, or Mrs. Elaine P. Browne, Student Union. Applications may also be obtained from Ester Cox, Janice McLean, Bonita Rosby, Lasandra Harper, Jackie Purcell, Dweller Lester, Mark Sadler and Jackie Bumpass.

SOLA...SOLA

SOLA, Society of Literary Arts, advised by Dr. Manigault has participated in Black History Month by preparing a bulletin

board in the Communication Arts Building pertaining to Black History. Dr. Haden presented a seminar Feb. 29, 1984 for the members of SOLA as well as the public.

Natural Light Classic To Be Held at Tanglewood

The 7th Annual Natural Light Classic will be run Saturday, March 17, at Tanglewood Park, Winston-Salem, N.C. From the 1-mile Fun Run, Team Divisions and Community and Corporate Relay to the 1/2 Marathon and 10K, there is a race for every level of runner.

There will be a post-race party sponsored by R.H. Barringer Distributing Company featuring the country band, Blue Sky. For more information, call the Forsyth County Heart Association between 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday-Friday (919) 724-9590, or (919) 724-5647.

Business Building to Open Fall of '84'

by Pam Muriell

The new R.J. Reynolds Business Building has been completed and will be open to WSSU students for the 1984-85 fall semester.

The Business Department plans to move into the building by the end of this semester. Originally plans were made to move in over spring and Easter break. However, things are on hold because they are awaiting the arrival of furniture which is a week behind schedule.

Behind the building will be a 55 capacity car-lot and the closed road in the rear will be reopened for use. Yet, the completion of this project depends on the weather.

The academic computer center will be moving into the basement of the building. The basement will provide the students that use the center with much needed space.

The Business building consists of one lecture room that seats 209, 14 classrooms that come in all different sizes, four seminar rooms, three labs, about 30 faculty offices and 4 student lounges.

"Including the old nursing building," said Robert Fenning, director of institutional research, "It will provide WSSU with a 27% increase in classrooms."

In the last few years there has been a lot of controversy over the demolition of Old Atkins Hall.

Old Atkins Hall built in 1915, the demolition of Old Atkins was first proposed in 1972. The basis for this decision was deterioration of the building. Presently it is scheduled to be torn down the Monday after Spring Graduation. Bids for demolition will begin the first week of April.

Fenning stated that the cost of renovating the building is estimated at a million dollars, this would cause a \$100 increase in tuition, so the university has no choice but to demolish it.

WSSU is planning many new things for the future, such as the renovation of Old Anderson High School and Camp Robert Vahn.

Anderson High School is going to be renovated and in use for Division of Education and Graduate Center in 1985. The gym and the auditorium will be used for many social functions.

Camp Robert Vaughn is a camp in Walnut Cove, it is ready to be used. It can be used by many courses such as special education, Natural science and physical education. It also will be for special events and as a sports camp.

Fenning said that there are plans to renovate Carolina Hall, the Co-op building and the Student Union. He also said that WSSU will change to a complete computing system in the near future.

Ben Chavis Lectures Students

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All in all Rev. Chavis is a heroic and courageous leader, the perfect model for blacks of today.

Being one of the Wilmington Ten, Rev.

Chavis spent four and a half years in prison because he stood fast to his political beliefs. Presently he is an ordained Minister of the United Church of Christ, Deputy Director for the United Church of Christ Commission for Racial Justice, Chairman of the Southern Organizing Committee for Economic and Social

Justice, and is helping organize the National Black Independent Political Party.

Rev. Chavis has worked with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and the NAACP, as a civil rights leader. Due to his contributions in the civil rights movement, Rev. Chavis has been accredited various na-

tional and international awards.

Rev. Chavis is one out of nine black men and one white woman who formed the Wilmington Ten. They were convicted of arson for setting a grocery store on fire. Their purpose was to show they meant business where their political beliefs were concerned.

Writing Center Encourages Student Development

By Lelia Dolby

For some time now students have not taken full advantage of the Writing Center because they are unaware of the services it offers.

Mrs. Ollie McCowell, director of the Writing Center, wants to change the center from its stereotypical remedial image to one that assists students with all types of writing.

The Writing Center offers English tutorial services Monday through Friday in Room 223 of the Communication Arts Building. Students in English 1300 are required to attend the Writing Center fifteen hours per semester or one hour per week. The focus for English 1300 students is to improve grammar and punctuation usage. The next semester, in English 1301, students learn to write term papers.

Connell Sims, a second semester freshman said he has learned the correct way to construct sentences and paragraphs. "More students should attend the Writing Center," he said, "and refresh the basics."

Three tutors work with students and aid them in the library. Ms. Audrey Forrest, an English teacher and tutor, said more students should take advantage of the Writing Center.

Carolyn Baker, an English major and tutor in the Writing Center, said many students do not understand the importance of writing. "Basically, students cannot compose words well. They should come to the Writing Center at the beginning of the semester. Instead, students wait until it is time for midterms. Then, the Writing Center has to attempt to accommodate numerous students. And, although most of the students are accommodated, those who cannot be helped, become indignant," she said. "Students should come in as early as possible," so that a one to one relationship between the student and tutor can be formed, Ms. Baker said. From January 23rd to February 14th, only twenty students had attended the Writing Center.

Associated with the Writing Center is the Special Services/Living and Learning

Center in Brown Hall. Tutoring services are available Monday through Friday and begin at 6:00 p.m. Ollie McDowell, Director of the Writing Center, said

"professional tutors who are public school teachers come in to tutor students in English, reading and math, and they share materials with the Writing Center.

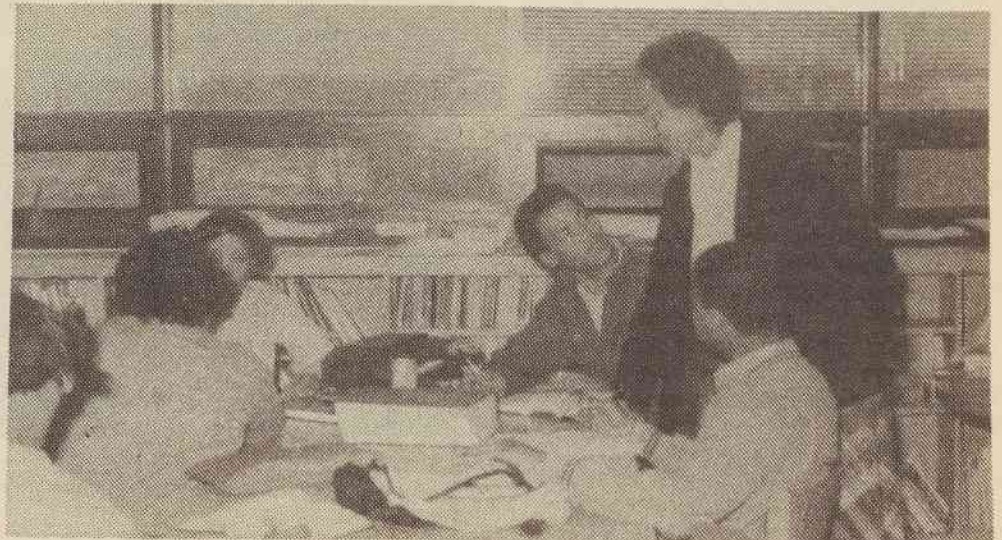


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