

# CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

## Bickett Hall Turns Co-ed

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In the 100 years of Winston-Salem State University's existence, this is the first year that coed living has been provided on campus.

In the past Bickett Hall has been used as living quarters for males and for females, but not at the same time. This semester 110 females and 30 males occupy Bickett Hall.

Since August, things have been going rather smoothly in Bickett Hall. A number of faculty members questioned the progress of the coed facility but have been quite surprised that it has been operating better than some of the other dormitories.

Since coed living is going well, the Residence Life Office is currently accessing the idea of having another coed living facility next

semester.

In a recent interview Ms. Vanessa Hood, director of Residence Life, explained how and why Bickett Hall became a coed living facility.

"During the 1990-91 academic year, several meetings were held to discuss the construction of a new residence hall, with future plans to eliminate Bickett Hall," explained Hood.

"In those discussions it was decided that the new residence hall would be coed living."

Therefore, this academic year has been used as a trial for coed living at WSSU. Experimenting with coed living now has exposed the residence life area with issues and concerns that could possibly arise in the future.

Currently, no definite date has been set for construction to begin on



Photo by B. Young

Bickett Hall which once housed only men, now houses both sexes.

the new residence hall, but plans have been drawn and established. The building will be located near the Albert H. Anderson Center. It will house approximately 400 students. The residence hall facility will be air conditioned, have an elevator, conference room and a mailbox area. The residence hall should

be ready for occupancy in Fall 1993.

## Model UN Strives to Keep Students Politically Aware

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The Model United Nations of Winston-Salem State University and the Triad United Nations Association of the USA, recently held a joint activity.

The groups sponsored a movie at the Winston-Salem Public Library entitled, *United Nations Peace Keeping Role*.

On March 6, the Model UN celebrated the 1st anniversary of its Conference Center. Dr. Robert J. Brown, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, was the speaker for the occasion.

Dr. Brown shared several experiences that he had been through and spoke about the differences between the old League of Nations and the United Nations.

The League of Nations was established by the peace treaties that ended World War I and was founded to promote world peace and harmony. But as time passed, there was a need for a new approach to world problems. So immediately after World War II, the United Nations was established.

The students involved in WSSU's Model UN discuss issues that affect various countries including the United States. They also attend conferences at different campuses throughout the year to draft resolutions to some of the issues in today's society.

The Model UN holds meetings every Friday at 10 a.m. in room 211 of Coltrane Hall. Any student interested, regardless of their major or GPA, is cordially invited to attend.

## Book Money Needed for Library

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For years C.G. O'Kelly Library has provided WSSU students and faculty with the necessary tools for recreational, cultural, and general growth and development.

Recent, budgetary cuts by the University of North Carolina System, have made it impossible to purchase the multi-cultural materials needed for student's research.

Before the O'Kelly Library could purchase any books for the new year 91-92, \$9,000 was taken out of the budget leaving the library with only \$2,000 to purchase books.

This scenario seems appalling to a campus that consist of 2,600 students. The library staff did not have enough money left in the budget to

purchase one book for each WSSU student.

If a researcher uses the LS 2000 Online Catalog System, he will find that the holdings consists of books that were often published 15 to 25 years ago.

For example, if a student were researching a television topic, he would find that books in the library were published between 1983 to 1990. This is disturbing because television technology changes yearly.

Another important topic is the issue of Sexually Transmitted Diseases. The library only has two books on STD that were published between 1985 to 1986. That information is six years old.

New books are needed to provide students and faculty with the up-to-date knowledge and current

ideas that are evolving in our rapidly changing world.

However, student groups like the SGA and the Student Congress are planning to help the library.

Recently, SGA Vice President Ron C. Vample held a Student Congress meeting where plans were discussed about holding fund raisers for the library. The Student Congress Organizations is hoping to raise \$2,000 for the library.

The library's staff has recently purchased a General Periodical Ondisk Computer which allows students to search for general interest, professional information, locate journal references, and display or print actual article.

WSSU students must take part in the campaign to increase awareness about the library's dilemma.

## Security Booth and New Signs Enhance Campus

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Have you noticed the new features that are beginning to enhance the campus of Winston Salem State University?

Besides the new student's faces, directional signs (that will aid visitors in locating buildings) and a new security booth have been installed on campus.

Students, faculty, administrators and staff have always felt that a security booth has been needed on the campus. This idea was planned by Irvin Hodge, vice chancellor of facilities management office.

The inspiration came through the suggestions of the administration as

well as the students. After many years of planning and months of constructing, the booth is now ready to operate.

According to the Campus Police Coordinator Avon Harding, work study jobs will be opened to those students interested. The hours will be from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. and there will be at least two workers at one time. After 4 p.m. and on weekends, campus security will operate the booth.

The purpose of the security booth is to clear the campus of trouble as well as any harm to students. Harding feels that this project will be successful because of the way the booth will be operated.

When students arrive at the front

entrance, they will be required to show their I.D. in order to enter the campus.

Visitors will state the reason for entering and will be given passes only if their purpose is acceptable. If not, visitors will have to park their cars and walk to their destination. All visitors on campus will be monitored during the time they are there.

Harding feels that these restrictions "will be a deterrent to students as well as those who are not".

For those students interested in working at the security booth, as a work study assignment, should contact Avon Harding, Rebecca Williams, or James Lewis for more information at 750-2900.