OPINION

Tuesday, April 27, 2010

THE WAY I SEE IT

Thank You WSSU for the time well spent!

Wow! I can't believe my undergraduate years at Winston-Salem State are almost over. It seems like it was yesterday, when I was saying "hello" to Atkins Hall. During my first year, I went home all the



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time. I even thought about transferring, but I'm glad I decided to stay. The memories, life lessons, friends and professors helped shaped the woman I am today. As a freshman, I spent a lot of time in my dorm and with girls from my hometown [Durham]. I do not regret this decision because it helped me appreciate the people I met and experiences I had down the road. During the past four years, I learned to be independent. I know I am prepared to enter the "real world." College is a stepping-stone for growth and maturity. I reached both, and I am proud that I did it at WSSU.

As an undergrad I achieved academic success, more than I thought I would. The late nights, early mornings and hard decisions paid off.

One of my greatest accomplishments at WSSU was becoming Editor In Chief of *The News Argus* June 2009. I struggled with the decision to become editor, but I'm truly thankful I had the opportunity. Serving as editor opened many doors for me. I worked with a dynamic, diverse group of individuals. To my staff, thank you for continuous support, time, and hard work. The many hours, long nights, missed social events were worth it.

When I became editor, I wanted *The News Argus* to increase in readership, staff and awards. I am proud to say that all three were achieved. We now have more participation in online polls, at least 15 students involved in the paper, and nine awards. *The News Argus* is definitely headed in the right direction for continued success. To the staff of next year, continue to seek truth and report. Always remain positive and remember you are the voice of the campus. Strive for excellence no matter what department the paper is in. You have shown great potential, and I have no doubt that you will do well next year.

To my parents who have been an excellent support system. Thanks so much for your guidance and kind words of encouragement when the road seemed too hard.

To Dr. Cobb, I say thank you for believing in me and knowing that I had the potential to be a great editor. You are truly an excellent example of a great professor and an even better mentor. I will never forget the words of wisdom you have given me, both academically and personally.

To all my friends I gained on this journey, thank you for allowing me to share this experience with you. You will always have a special place in my heart. I look forward to great things from you.

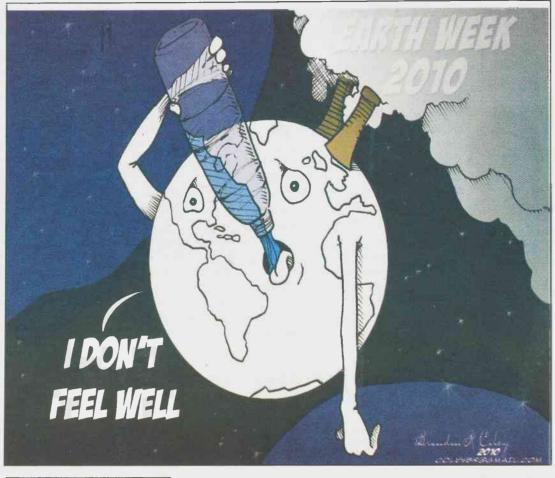
Finally, yet importantly, thank you God, for the blessings you have bestowed upon me so far. I know this is only the beginning of the things you have in store for me. I am thankful for what you have already done, and I anticipate what the future holds.

I can honestly say I fulfilled the motto of WSSU. I entered to learn and I am now ready to depart to serve.

Forum of comments from WSSU students, faculty, and staff

The News Argus staff. Listen to the podcasts of the complete

randomly selected to answer a provocative question from The News Argus. Comments do not represent the opinions of



How did WE miss that?

As a matter of policy, The News Argus will publish corrections of errors and clarifications in fact that have been published in the newspaper.

The corrections will be made as soon as possible after the error has been brought to the attention of the Editor In Chief at

thenewsargus@yahoo.com

Time is winding down for the graduating class

of May 2010. The celebrations have already begun. The senior cook out on April 23 provided

an opportunity for the seniors to spend time

Letter Policy

The News Argus is a student publication of Winston-Salem State University. The News Argus encourages written comments to the editor and guest columns, but some rules apply:

□ A signature, address and phone number must accompany all letters. Letters should be double-spaced and no more than 300 words. □ Letters will be verified by *The News Argus* by a phone call prior to publication. If *The News Argus* is unable to contact the writer of a letter, the letter will be held until contact is made. Letters intended as advertising will not be published.

☐ The News Argus does not publish "form letters" or letters sent to multiple newspapers outside the Triad unless the issue discussed in the letter is of importance to the WSSU community.

The News Argus reserves the right to edit letters and guest columns for clarity, length and libel. The News Argus will edit letters that are grossly inaccurate or cross the boundaries of good taste.

☐ The News Argus allows readers to reply to someone response to any earlier letter only once.

Guest columns may be no more than 400 words. The News Argus will accept endorsements of candidates, but only one per writer per candidate. The letter may challenge a candidate's record, but no intensely personal attacks will be printed. The News Argus permits candidates to write letters to the editor to specifically respond to another letter.

Interviews and photos by Brandon Wainright

together. This gathering also gave the seniors time to reflect on their undergraduate years at WSSU and to offer advice.

This issues's Campus Crew asks...

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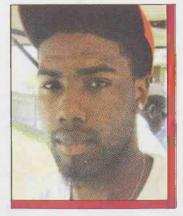
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