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Views on Drinking Age Change

By Waldo Tuttle

The drinking age went up to twenty-one on September 1st, 1986 in North Carolina. The remaining states will soon follow because of the government threatening to take away some of the federal funding for their highways. The main reason the drinking age was raised to twenty-one was because the government felt that it would cut down on the drinking and driving deaths and also the number of tickets and jail terms given out each year. Even though the law was changed mainly for safety purposes, people's views were different with everyone who was interviewed.

Kelly Hofler, a freshman in Belk Hall, shares the same view a lot of other people do, "It's stinks!" Less than ten percent of the people interviewed thought it was a good idea. Ninety percent of the people disagreed with the new drinking law.

Approximately half of the people feel that the law will work. They also agree that the law will only help if it is strictly enforced. The others believe that the law is going to bring about more problems on the road. These people feel that more minors will still be able to obtain beer just as they have in the past when the law was first changed to nineteen. Since the underage drinkers have nowhere to drink, some people feel that they are more likely to ride the roads more than ever. Frank Timberlake, co-owner and manager of Fred's Pizza, said, "If they wanted to stop the drinking and driving, why don't they just change the driving age to twenty-one also. I can understand when they moved the drinking age from eighteen to nineteen to get it out of the high schools, but my feeling about moving it to twenty-one, they are defeating their purpose."

A number of people believe it will cause more illegal activities than the law will prevent. Fake I.D.'s will more than likely rise in popularity, and another problem will be the people twenty-one and over purchasing alcohol for their friends and relatives who are now underage. There is also the possibility that underage people will turn to illegal drug activities now that they are no longer allowed to buy alcoholic beverages.

One view that was frequently brought up was that of the draft. "I've always felt that anyone who is old enough to be drafted they should be old enough to drink," says Rick Davis, a football player in West Hall. He continues with, "If they can die for their country, they ought to be able to drink."

Some questions were raised about why North Carolina does not have a grandfather clause. I do not know the reason why, but I have always believed that it was unconstitutional to give someone a right and then to take it away. It is as if they are taking away part of our personal freedom.

Area merchants who sell beer and wine are also feeling the crunch of the twenty-one law. Places like The Pub and Walter's Grill, among others whose mainstays are selling beer, are also feeling the impact of the law. Catherine Umphlette, owner of Walter's Grill, is taking a hard line on the law along with the others. She states, "If they want to drink, they're going to get it anyway, but not here." The penalty for not following along with the twenty-one law is a revocation of their liquor licenses, a fine, and also the possibility of a jail term.

The drinking age was changed to twenty-one to stop drinking problems on the roads and also to lower the death rate from drunk driving accidents. Most people seem to agree that it may cause more problems than the law will solve. If this law will work or not we do not know. Only time will tell.



SUNDAY, Aug 31st ...
Walter's BAR & Grill

Don't Get Caught With Your Books Out!

by Sarah Davis

Are you one of those students who has already taken advantage of the many "bargains" available the holders of library cards? If so, if you have checked out one of the more than 83,000 books available to Chowan students, then you should check the blue card in the back pocket to see if your book is due yet. (The earliest date regular circulating books will be due is September 17.)

You should return the book on or before the due date in order to avoid paying a fine for holding an overdue book. If you wish to keep the book longer, you may renew it by bringing the book, your library card, and ID to the library.

The fine on regular books is \$.10 per day. It is important to remember that even if you cannot pay the fine at the time, you should still return the book because the fine will stop accumulating then, and—if absolutely necessary—you can pay it later. As long as you continue to hold the book, the fine increases.

Perhaps you have not yet checked out a regular book but have used a reserve book. Then you know that some reserve books can be taken from the library on an overnight basis (30 minutes prior to closing). If they are not returned on time—9:00 a.m., Monday-Saturday; 2:00 p.m., Sunday—the fine on them is rather stiff. The charge is \$.50 for each additional hour or fraction thereof. Again, even if you cannot pay the fine at the time, return the book so that the fine will stop.

Fine Policy for Whitaker Library

Regular Books—\$.10 per day
Reserve Books—\$.50 first hour or fraction thereof
\$.25 each additional hour or fraction thereof
Lost Books—Cost of Book + \$10.00 processing fee
(out of print books \$25.00 minimum + \$10.00 processing fee)
Lost Library Card—Replacement Card \$1.00 (report lost card immediately)

New Squaws

The members of the 1986-87 Cheerleading Squad are:

Julie Delk	Suffolk, VA
Nancy Frye	Gorham, Maine
Lorraine Harrison	Denton, NC
Susan Howell-Captain	Franklin, VA
Denise Ruocco	Island Park, NY
Shelly Southerland	Durham, NC
Nanette Williams	Capron, VA
Tanya Williams	Winston-Salem, NC
Mindy Woolwine	Newport News, VA

Nine New Faces On Campus

by Wendy Jo Basden

Chowan College added nine new teachers to its staff this year.

Mr. Mark S. Genshaw

In the Graphics Communications Department, Mr. Mark S. Genshaw replaced Mr. Moffitt. Mr. Genshaw teaches Preparatory Offset 121 and 223.

Genshaw is a graduate of Chowan College, where he received his Associate Degree in Printing Technology. After Chowan he went to Arkansas State University where he received a B.S. degree in Printing. Mr. Genshaw is originally from Seaford, Delaware. He now makes his home in Murfreesboro.

The Business Department acquired two new faces. Miss Joyce Elaine Adams and Mrs. Rene' Drake.

Miss Joyce Elaine Adams

Miss Adams is a graduate of Radford University in Virginia and is eight semester hours away from receiving her Masters Degree at VPI, commonly known as Va. Tech. Miss Adams is originally from Hampton, Va. She now lives in Murfreesboro.

Miss Adams teaches all the courses involved with Merchandise Management such as Business Machines, Professional Development and Office Systems Management.

Along with her responsibilities, Miss Adams was chosen as the new Cheerleading Sponsor. While attending Kecoughtan High School, she sponsored 5-8 graders teaching them cheers and stunts they could perform.

Miss Adams feels that the 1986-87 Chowan Cheerleaders are looking forward to an exciting year and a winning season.

Mrs. Rene' Drake

Along with Miss Adams, Mrs. Rene' Drake joined the Business Department. Mrs. Drake is a 1982 graduate of Chowan College, where she received her Associate Degree in Accounting. She received her B.S. Degree in Business Education at Atlantic Christian College in 1984. Mrs. Drake is currently attending ODU and hopes to receive a Masters degree in Computer Education.

Mrs. Drake teaches Keyboarding 101, 102, 103, Data Entry Business 107, and Reprographics 106. She is originally from Franklin, VA where she now lives with her husband.

In the English Department two additions were also made. They were Dr. James F. Day and Mrs. Valerie H. Sutton.

Dr. James F. Day

Dr. Day is originally from Palatka, Florida and he teaches freshman and sophomore English. He has received several degrees. At the University of Florida, he received his M.A. degree in English. Dr. Day studied at Oxford University in England where he received his M.A. degree in History. He received a B.A. degree in Humanities at Stetson Florida Baptist College and his Ph.D. in English at Duke University. Dr. Day makes his home in Murfreesboro.

Mrs. Valerie H. Sutton

Also new in the English Department is Mrs. Valerie H. Sutton, the wife of Chowan's Business Manager, Ben Sutton.

Mrs. Sutton teaches in the area of Developmental Freshman English.

Mrs. Sutton received her B.A. degree in French and English at East Carolina University. She also has studied at the Universit'e Paul Val'ery in Montpellier, France. Mrs. Sutton is one course and a Thesis shy of receiving her M.A. degree in English at ECU.

Mrs. Sutton is originally from Ahoskie, NC and moved to Murfreesboro six years ago when she married Ben Sutton. They have one daughter, Lindsay.

Only one addition was made in the Religion Department, Mr. Micheal D. Greene.

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Mr. Greene replaced Dr. Pruette as Chairman of the religion department.

Mr. Greene has obtained several degrees in the area of Biblical Studies. He received his Bachelor's Degree at Cambell University and his Master's Degree at Wake Forest University. Mr. Greene is currently attending the University of Virginia and hopes to soon receive his Ph.D. in the area of Biblical Studies.

Mr. Greene is originally from Boone, NC and now makes his home in Murfreesboro along with his wife, Carolyn, who is expecting a baby in the next few weeks.

Only one addition was made to the Math Department.

Mrs. Becky L. Smith

Mrs. Becky L. Smith replaced Mr. Shrewsberry.

Mrs. Smith is originally from Gates County. She's a 1967 graduate of Gates County High School. She received her B.S. degree in 1971 at East Carolina University. Mrs. Smith also received her M.A. degree in Education at ECU in 1974. She lives in Gates County with her husband, Jimmy, and her three daughters, Susan, Lindsay, and Corrie.

The Athletic Department acquired two new members. Mr. Tom Appenzeller and Mr. Rene Osborne.

Mr. Rene Osborne

Mr. Rene Osborne, the other new face in this department, received his B.A. degree in English at UNC-C and his MAE degree in Education Administration at ECU. Mr. Osborne assists in coaching football and basketball. He is also the Resident Director of Parker Hall.

He is originally from Durham, NC and now lives in Murfreesboro.

Mr. Tom Appenzeller

Mr. Tom Appenzeller graduated from UNC-G with a MED Degree in Education. He also received his M.S. degree in Sports Management at the University of Massachusetts. Mr. Appenzeller has a B.S. degree in Social Science at Presbyterian College.

Mr. Appenzeller is now living in Murfreesboro with his wife and three children, Justin, Beth and Hut.

Mr. Appenzeller helps with the football team and is Director of the Helms Gym. He is also Sports Information Director and Executive Secretary of the Braves Club.

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—Smoking— Tips on Quitting

- Try the "buddy system," and ask a friend to quit too.
- Hide all ashtrays, matches, etc.
- Lay in a supply of sugarless gum, carrot sticks, etc.
- Drink lots of liquids, but pass up coffee or alcohol.
- Tell everyone you're quitting for the day.
- When the urge to smoke hits, take a deep breath, hold it for 10 seconds and release it slowly.
- Exercise to relieve the tension.