# Editorials

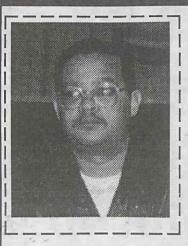
#### **EDITOR'S CORNER**

Ironically, we are paralleling national events. As is the case in government, come January, St. Aug will be expecting a new President. However, as is necessary with national changes, one must be careful not to expect miraculous changes overnight.

If indeed we are paralleling not only national but world events as well, this international community that St. Aug is needs to take heed to the world.

Before the former U.S.S.R. fell the people became disillusioned with Gorbachev, and later when Yeltsin was elected president, the Russian people expected conditions to be equal to those of the West overnight. In Germany, when the Berlin Wall was torn down and the Germanys were united, East Germans expected immediate equality of conditions with the West. When Clinton was elected, the citizens of the United States expected an immediate improvement in all things. When Mandela was elected, many expected an immediate "improvement" in all conditions. And now, with the new Republican Party in power, many are again expecting an immediate resolution to all the "problems" Clinton and the Democrats were not able to solve.

As each of the parties involved in the "expectation game" discovered, "immediate" is a word of relative time. Such will be the case at St. Aug. There is only so much that can be accomplished "immediately". The fulfillment of "immediately" in business is sometimes 3-5 years, and if this is the case at St. Aug, this means that the present freshmen may be the only ones who will witness the installation of a new president and the fulfillment of "changes".



this campus.

Nah, first of all, let me qualify up out of here.

## FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

explosive chemicals that are stored me. The Alphas were hosting a in that building? Suppose the deed dance? Couldn't you have just had been successful and Penick gone to the dance and let that inhad caught fire. Suppose, just sup- famous heat in the Gym drain pose, that the flames had ignited you?

**Ishmael Smith** 

into a blaze before the fire-fighters arrived. That means that the volved in this act of terrorism Admisssions Building, Delany need to be caught and expelled. I Hall, Baker Hall, and some of the won't say jailed, because you may wooden trailers behind Penick may not have thought of the possible have caught fire also. Who knows outcomes of your childish act, the how many sisters may have been variables could not appear in your Some of the punks on this injured of even killed? Who knows minute, Neanderthalic mind, or yard, and that's right, I said how high school fees would have the size of your brain could not "punks!" need to get the hell off of had to be raised to cover part of accommodate cognitive thought, the expense?

that. The punks who were setting slob, just because you do not want females are indeed capable of the school on fire Friday night and to be here does not give you the these acts of terrorism. Check out Saturday morning need to get on right to deny others that privilege. Left Eye [I know it's cheap, but it

Who in their right mind vide activities for the weekends or moment in the spotlight. Free it would set fire to Penick Hall? Don't give you anything else to do on the up for someone with something you know that there are dangerous, weekends but Friday was beyond constructive to offer.

You good-for-nothings inbut whatever the case, whoever

Listen, you poor, degenerate you are, male or female ('cause Listen, St Aug may not pro- is appropriate]). You've had your

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Dear Pen,

Why is it that students at St. Aug are always being told to be like the students at N. C. State o: Chapel Hill when it comes to conformity? I don't know, but I am tried of it. Yesterday I was told not to come upstairs again in the college union unless I decide not to wear my hat. If the union is supposed to be a relaxed atmosphere for students, why can't we do whatever we like in it, as long as it does not interfere with someone else's rights as an individual. So-called adults should not tell me not to wear

my hat just because they have never seen the students at State wear hats inside their buildings. First and foremost, I am an individual. The organizations I have membership in do not define me. We define the organizations. Don't expect me to comform when that is not the question. The question is whether or not you approve. I don't care one way or the other how you feel about what I do.

Sincerely yours,

R. Antonio Moore

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From Virginia to Atlanta

vendors turned the walkway from from oils to paintings, woodcarvings to clothes, from jewelry to books. It was all available. The into a virtual mall of cultural only thing not present were the students and the general public!

