

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

He made the greatest sacrifice while battling bigotry, For, with his life he paid the price so mankind could be free.

The obstacles that formed his plight he fought to overcome.

With all his heart he vowed to fight for all, not just for some.

Though insurmountable the odds with inner strength he tried.

For, in his mind the will was God's, and right gave might inside.

He felt the sting of many blows, quite often he was jailed, But time and time he rose to show he hadn't failed!

The fire within him always raged to break the shackling chains.

And fiercely was the struggle waged in hopes of grasping

Bold Martin Luther King held high the rights he sought to win.

He preached it's wrong to judge one by the color of his skin!

The specter looms, disturbingly, that anyone's fair game, As long as ONE remains not free, it threatens ALL-the same,

A great man died for liberty, in tribute may we pause-Are we so blind as not to see humanity-his cause?

On Campus

Your Advisor

By Mike Peoples and Tammy Capehart

College graduation. Many seniors dream about this day during their final semester, but without proper guidance from their advisers this dream can become a nightmare.

Did you ever stop to think about the help you get from your adviser?

The Campus Echo, in a random survey, asked students their opinion on academic advising at NCCU.

"I became so content with my freshman seminar instructor that I was never really motivated to consult my own adviser, but I'll get around to it," said Akeem Bello, a junior finance major.

Bello, a native of London, England, commented that Mrs. Merritt is more than an adviser; "she's like a guardian. Instead of helping me with the selection of courses, she's busy familiarizing me with the mode of life here on campus," he maintained.

Bello claims that Mrs. Merritt's guidance leaves him with the feeling that "hey, someone's here to help me."

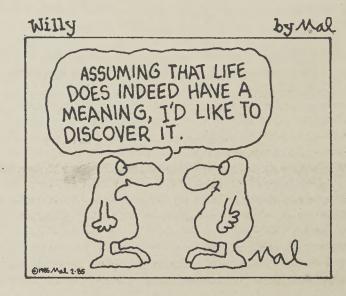
Lisa Spears, a freshman English major from Coats, perceived the academic advising that she received as a "terrible" process.

Spears, concentrating in media-journalism, said that when she pre-registered in the fall of 1984, there were a group of professors advising freshman. "They just gave me the course outline and said pick out the courses that you want to take."

The coed then consulted her freshman orientation instructor who told her to check with the English department for a list of required courses. "I thought that the professors were supposed to help me outline the courses that I needed. If I hadn't consulted my instructor, I would have been lost."

George Townsend, 23, a psychology graduate student from Kernesville, said, "Some advisers don't give a damn about students. My adviser was the second one assigned to me because the first one threw all kinds of crap courses in my face. She was not interested in what I wanted to take, but made me take courses that had nothing to do with my major."

Kim Richardson, 21, a senior education major from Wadesboro, said, "If you are assigned a good adviser who cares about their students' finishing up, there is no problem. In other cases some of my friends have been screwed around come graduation time. It's sad, but true," she said



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