

Letter From Editor

HI!
My name is Geraldine P. Morris (Geri). I am your new editor of The Voice.

Well, I guess I should tell you a little more about myself. I am originally from Southern Pines, North Carolina. Ft. Devens, Massachusetts is now my home. Ft. Devens, Massachusetts is where I graduated from high school.

Upon graduating from high school, I returned to North Carolina to attend Sandhills Community College in Southern Pines. I graduated from this institution in May of 1976, receiving an Associates of Arts degree.

After graduating from Sandhills Community College, I transferred here to Fayetteville State University in September of this year. Here at FSU I am a Junior and my major is English.

Since I have given you a little background information about myself, I would now like to tell you how happy and pleased I am to be the editor of The Voice. I am very delighted to hold this position and I will be even more delighted in hearing from you. So please feel free to help support your school's newspaper.

Dr. DeField Holmes Appointed

The North Carolina Council on Economic Education, at its Board Meeting on November 9, 1976, appointed Dr. DeField T. Holmes, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, to the Board of Trustees for a three-year term.

The North Carolina Council on Economic Education is a non-profit non-partisan independent organization whose purpose is to facilitate the teaching of economics in North Carolina schools. The council is composed of representatives of business, agriculture, labor, government and education. It is affiliated nationally with the Joint Council of Economic Education, and is part of a nationwide network of similar groups.

Dr. Holmes stated that a major thrust of the Council is to promote economic understanding through organized systems that will drastically reduce the economic illiteracy of young people and adults.

Dr. Holmes further indicated that Fayetteville State



DR. DEFIELD T. HOLMES

University will become one of the state-wide affiliated centers for Economic Education, and will work closely with the cooperating schools and the Department of Public Instruction. The Center will be responsible for research in economic education, for distributing economic education materials in this area, and for providing other services that will enhance curricula with economic perspectives.

TAKE CHARGE

by Naomi Smith
W.E.B. DuBois has said that once you control a man's thinking you do not have to worry about his actions. Therefore, what do your actions reveal? Are you moving according to your own mind or is there someone who dictates your every motion? Can you make your own decision or must you depend on another? When you make a choice is it necessary to immediately receive approval?

Sure, you need others, but NOT to make up YOUR mind. I guess you say that I should let you alone and let you think. But, if I can help you to start thinking... if I can make you angry enough... if I can keep you from resting your thoughts... just maybe you'll WANT to do your OWN thinking.

If I can make you jump when I say "jump"... if I tell you to never do this and never

STUDENT APATHY

by Earl W. Moore, Jr.

It has often been said, that there is Student Apathy toward the Student Government Association here on campus. When something goes wrong, who do we point our fingers at, your SGA President, of course! My questions to you are very simple. Why is there apathy toward the SGA on this campus? Whose fault is it? Did you, the students of this campus, take on this attitude because you feel that the SGA is not sponsoring enough activities to fulfill your social life on campus? If this is the reason, I would like to review our records with you.

When we pay our tuition we are also paying several activity fees. These fees are Lyceum, Athletic, Yearbook, Voice, Student Government, etc. Each of these departments are supposed to receive

an X sum of money each year. On last Spring of 1976, this money was not divided among the six departments, but it was divided between two of these departments. This created a deficiency in the SGA budget. This deficiency was of twenty thousand dollars (20,000).

In October of 1976, the state auditors visited our institution. They found this deficiency in our budget and said that the money must be made up by June of 1978. This meant or this means that we will have to sacrifice, if we are to break even by June of 1978. If we sacrifice now, the next SGA staff will not have to worry about "penny pinching" or the reading of fictitious articles in the Fayetteville Times and The Observer.

It has been said that our account would not be cleared

for two years, but without careful, limited, and excellent budgeting, the SGA account should be cleared by June of 1977.

I feel that we all have been very patient and cooperative with the SGA staff in scheduling activities. I feel that we have all done very well activity wise, so far. Let us all be thankful for the activities that we did enjoy, because the situation could have been worse. Let us all begin to take advantage of what we do have and use it to its fullest. "I complained that I had no shoes, until I met a man that had no feet." So again, let us all be thankful for what we do have.

We all are adults and we are now able to socialize in more ways than one. We should all begin to take pride in what we do and our purpose in being here. We should consider the future of the underclassmen, we do not want them to suffer as we have.

Thank you for your kindness and patience; it is my growing concern that we will work more closely together next semester. I hope with the help and cooperation of other organizations, you will be satisfied. But remember, nothing "KICKS-OFF" without your cooperation and support. Let's stop sitting at home or in our dormitories criticizing about what's not being done; come on and help us do a better job! Love and unity will get a long way up the ladder of success.

Friends Forever

It's been such a long time and since then I've heard of your previous condition.

I'm sorry it took so long, but you know me...

I guess you think I really don't care -- you're wrong.

You asked me how my life is now;

I can't complain, things could be worse.

I saw your best friend the other day - seemingly on the top of the world...

But, the outward appearance can be so deceiving.

Today I went by your favorite resting spot, And yes, it's still beautiful; I'm sure you'll visit it when you come...

By the way, how's Mom?
Naomi Smith



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