

Student Adjusts to College

Living away from home for the first time was a hard adjustment to make. I was alone in a completely different world without any friends. The friends that I had had during high school were gone but there was the promise of friends to be made. It reminded me of starting to school in the first grade. The only difference was not having a family to go home to at the end of the day.

After the end of the first day at WCC, I had a feeling of relief. It hadn't been as I would have thought. Other students had the same adjustments to make. One

ACCREDITATION —

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agencies. To the student accreditation means that transfer to other institutions across the nation is possible without difficulty. This is particularly significant to the student desiring to transfer as a junior to institutions out-of-state. Accreditation eases program approvals by regional and national agencies and increases eligibility for federal funding.

Accreditation is, in effect, a stamp of approval for our school from an outside agency composed of other educational institutions. It is a two-year process of self-study and of evaluation by outside specialists who examine and judge every aspect by a set of standards set up by the Association. Included in some of these standards are:

1. Purpose—an institution's integrity is measured not only in terms of its stated purpose but also in terms of its endeavor to fulfil this purpose.

2. Organization and Administration—the administration organization of an institution should bring together its various resources and co-ordinate them effectively to accomplish its objectives.

3. Education Program—which includes admission's policy, the establishment and control of curriculums and effective instruction.

4. Financial Resources—sources of an management of income, stability of income, organization for the proper administration of financial resources and budget preparation.

5. Faculty—an institution must have a full-time, well

important thing helped—the teachers were understanding.

Now that I was on my own there was nobody to get me up in the morning and no one to say, "John, it's getting late and you've got to get up early tomorrow." Then there was this small problem known as food—lunches of hamburgers and maybe once a week a sandwich. Then came more eating—pizzas. Finally I found I could get better food by cooking my own. But first I had to learn to cook.

Then there was a little matter of clothes once I threw them on a chair, there they stayed until I moved them. At first I wore some strange combinations like stripes with checks but after a little while I learned.

Then came the friends—young people just like myself who wanted someone to talk to. Now in my second year at WCC there are smiling faces of friends instead of strangers to look at. But no matter how many friends I find and no matter how busy I am thoughts always return home to a family and a girl who not matter what gets those letters in the mail every week to cheer me up.

Then comes Friday which is a special day to all college students but to the student who is a long way from home it is an event. After everything is packed I head home driving just a little bit faster than I should. The trip home seems like an endless trip but then I'm home.

The weekend goes by rapidly and then once more I am heading back to school and away from home.—John Abbott.

organized faculty.

6. Library—it must have adequate facilities and resources necessary to assure educational quality.

7. Student Personnel—all institutional members should have continuing concern for the total welfare of each student.

8. Special Activities—all special activities must be integral parts of the total educational program

This accreditation is helpful to the student in choosing a school from which he can transfer credits. It serves as a standard of excellence not only within the institution but between institutions.

Accreditation also has its advantages for the school. It is required for eligibility for federal grants in most programs. Some of these are included in our student aid

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students deserved activities in which all students could become involved. Thus, the WCC Bisons were organized for the sports fans. Needless to say, the Bisons triumphed throughout the year to win the title of Eastern Conference Champions and second place in the state conference. But, the S. G. A. did not stop with basketball. Intramural sports were organized to encourage competition between departments. Students participated in football, basketball, and softball throughout the year.

FRATERNITY ADDED

Interest was not only centered on sports, however. The S. G. A. realized the need for high scholastic achievement and thus agreed to support the honor fraternity Phi Theta Kappa. Through the leadership of various members of the administration and faculty this organization was formed aided by the S. G. A. Membership includes those students with an overall 3.00 average. The fraternity now has thirty-five members from technical and college transfer programs.

The S. G. A. of 1970-71 is striving to measure up to the high standards of past S. G. A.'s. Accomplishments in the past have been numerous and thus far have risen this year. The mighty WCC Bisons still triumph and intramural sports continue to be supported by the students. Projects undertaken this year include a school flag to be purchased by the S. G. A. and the completion of the Student Union. Also, WCC's first homecoming has become another reality thanks to the support of the S. G. A. Parents' Day has been planned for February 6 which will include many festivities for parents of present and prospective students.

The Student Government Association has strived to be the voice of all the students on campus. It has worked with the numerous departments, clubs, and fraternities in order that Wayne Community College would be a prosperous college in which all alumni would be proud to say, "Yes, I attend Wayne Community College."

program and our current building project.

Our accreditation will give added prestige to the College its graduates, its faculty and its community.



SANDY MITCHELL—Miss WAYNE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, 1970-71—Miss Sandra Faye Mitchell was crowned Miss Wayne Community College on Wednesday night, December 16. The ceremony took place during the annual SGA Christmas dance. Miss Mitchell is an eighteen year old, Freshman, College Transfer student. She plans to major in political science at Wake Forest University after her graduation from WCC. The new Miss WCC is a petite five feet two inches tall and weighs ninety-five pounds. Miss WCC was sponsored by the newly formed Fish and Wildlife Club.

Miss Fran Davis, Miss WCC, 1969-70, did the crowning. Don Grady served as Master of Ceremonies for the program.

On Returning to School

Going back to pick up an education where it was left off several years earlier, is like embarking on a voyage in a new and strange land. Not only is the terminology strange (modernized and updated??), but the atmosphere is different. You never know what is going to happen next and usually a pleasant surprise is in store.

After going through what everyone does to meet all of the requirements for grand entrance into the halls of higher learning, you meet your new instructors. When you come to realize that some of them may be younger than you are, you begin to have some doubts. But with a stout heart and a firm belief that they "must" be smarter than you are, (at least in their field); you plunge into the daily routine. At first glance all is calm while you are actually attending classes. Of course you immediately realize you must learn to write faster, but this is a small sacrifice in your quest for knowledge.

You leave the campus going over in your mind all you are going to accomplish and set up a schedule for yourself that goes something like this:

1:00-2:30--History, 2:30--Pick up children, 3:00-4:00--Help boys with homework, 4:30-6:00--Prepare dinner, eat, and do dishes, 6:00-8:00--English, 8:00-8:30--Bathe children and put them to bed, 8:30-10:00--French, 10:00--Bathe and go to bed.

You feel rather proud of yourself over this precise time table and just know that you can accomplish all of it. Then you get home and realize you have not had lunch. This throws you off your schedule first thing. After eating, you get out your books determined to make up the lost time. The phone rings or something happens (it's always something)! Needless to say, this first attempt at doing homework after some eight years' absence from school is a complete failure.

You soon see that it is not going to be a easy as you had

thought. So, still determined to carry out the convictions that sent you back to school in the first place, you set up a plan to review or revive, or possibly even relearn, forgotten study habits. After a crash course in the art of homework, you feel once again able to embark on your voyage into education.

At this point you also realize that with a husband, three children, a house, and all of the obligations that these entail, you will not be able to carry out a very rigid or fixed schedule for your homework. Time must be allotted for all things. Some days will go smoother than others and what with being a Cub Scout Den Mother, a second grade teachers' helper, and numerous other roles some days will be longer than others. Even though you may encounter choppy seas and both major and minor setbacks, if you are strong in heart and sincere in your desire to complete your education, you will come out of the ordeal relatively unscratched and with a vast quantity of knowledge and experience. In the very least, you will have been taught again how to be a free thinking individual and to have convictions for your own opinions and an awareness of others.

-- Eleanor Saunders.

Christmas Dance

A Christmas Dance for Wayne Community College students and their guests was sponsored by the Student Government Association.

Music was provided by one of this summer's hottest bands, "Black and Blue." This group featured both soul and hard rock music.

The SGA would like to remind everyone that this dance along with the other events is sponsored by activity fees.



CONTESTANTS—Miss Sandy Mitchell competed with eleven other contestants for her title. First runner-up was Miss Juanita Boseman, Mechanical Vocations representative. Miss Carmen Turrone, Forestry Club representative, was second runner-up. Other contestants are: L-R, Marianna Raynor, Business Club; Sharon Faircloth, Business

Department; Susan Bauhoffer, College Transfer; Darlene Britt, Delta Chi Omega; Dental Department, Sherrie Howie; Bonnie Waddell, Engineering Department; (Miss WCC) Sandy Mitchell; Turrone; Boseman; Cathy Parker, Nursing Department; Nancy Kornegay, Phi Theta Kappa; and Linda Renfrow, Wayne College Players.