

Comments From The Editor

MONEY GOBBLERS

As everyone has probably noticed, the student commons has been invaded by the world of pinball, footballs, and electronic tennis. Noise levels are at an all time high and student pocketbooks are at an all time low.

As a member of the SGA, this editor voted in favor of the installation of these machines without taking into consideration the long range results of such a venture. I have since had to re-evaluate my original opinion.

In the past three weeks I have seen these machines filled with money that should have been spent for lunches, and I have seen students cut classes for the sake of finishing a game. This is not the reason for these games. Every student should remember that Wilkes Community College is a place of learning first and a place to relax second.

SELF DEFENSE CLASSES FOR WOMEN

Recently this editor was asked about the possibilities of a self-defense class for women being formed and taught at Wilkes Community College. Such a class would provide women with the basic knowledge of how to thwart a would-be attacker under different circumstances.

The concept is an interesting one, and anyone that might be interested in instructing such a class should contact this editor in order to determine what arrangements can be made.

For women interested in receiving instruction in such a class, please see question 7 in the questionnaire.

Ron Wishon To Make Radio Debut

Ron Wishon, student in the Radio/TV Broadcasting class, will do his first lone broadcast from WIFM Elkin, Thursday night, Dec. 16. Substituting for another member of the radio

class, who is a regular night time employee of WIFM, Ron will pull Mike Walker's air shift from 7 till 12. Mike will be attending the station's annual Christmas party.

RTV News

The W.C.C. Radio and Television Broadcasting class took its final field trips to radio stations on December 2nd and 9th.

On December 2nd the class went to Winston-Salem where they toured stations WSJS-WTQR and television station WXII. Up to this point these were the largest and best organized stations visited.

A week later, December 9th, the class journeyed to Charlotte. The stations visited were WBTB and WBT-AM and FM. This conglomerate of stations again attained the rank of being larger and better organized.

The class normally writes informative reports about the stations they visit, but this time they are to write an essay comparing or contrasting the two cities stations.

As a member of the RTV class, this reporter can honestly say that the visits to the stations during this quarter, have certainly helped in the understanding of how a station operates. Speaking for the class, I would like to say that Mr. Stanley's efforts to take the class to each of the stations were greatly appreciated.

-Tommy Holder

Drama Is

Drama is hard work

...long hours

...actors

...actresses

"stuff"

lines

audiences

costumes and makeup.

Drama at W.C.C.

is working with

But and other super people.

Drama at W.C.C. is entertainment and education.

Drama at W.C.C. is a thing called love.

Ervin L. "Shorty" Waller

Christmas Dance At Pappy's Disco

Everybody had a good time at the Student Government-sponsored dance at Pappy's Disco on Friday, December 10. From 8:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. the group danced to the music of "Songbird," a popular rock group from Albemarle.

Steve Day and the Student Government Association worked hard to provide a really fine evening of entertainment. Students and guests agreed that their efforts were well worthwhile.

Help For Your Self

Before long, we, as graduates of whatever course we are taking, will be entering the job market. Hopefully, we will find ourselves in suitable job situations. Following are some thoughts which might be helpful to remember:

COPING WITH PEOPLE ON THE JOB — GENERALLY

Don't act like the college kid. Remember, you are now a responsible young adult. Rely on yourself, not on your diploma or degree.

Ask intelligent questions. People will be willing to help if you're sincerely interested.

Watch what you say. Wrong comments to the wrong people have ruined many careers.

If you are unsure of yourself in some area, observe how others behave in similar situations and emulate them.

Be friendly and kind to the lowest man on the totem pole, as well as to the highest. There is no guarantee that the bird will not fall, and even the lowly snake can climb to great heights.

Develop a positive attitude towards life, especially towards people. Let no critical, negative thoughts enter your mind. If they do, get rid of them immediately. With a positive attitude you will have only positive, kind things to say about your job, your boss, your co-workers. They will appreciate you more as a person, and the work atmosphere will be more pleasant. (This is not the same as pretending, which is false, plastic, hypocritical, and will soon be spotted. Make an effort to look for the good things and ignore the bad. It is habit forming and will lift you into a "higher high" with everyone.)

Admit mistakes. Everyone makes them and people are more tolerant and compassionate towards those who admit their errors.

Determine that you will have a teachable spirit and be willing to learn from anyone, of high degree or low. An Old Testament prophet learned from a floating ax handle. Another O.T. character learned from a talking ass. There is no one who cannot teach us something if we are of a mind to learn and humble enough to be taught.

Be a good listener. It's the only way to learn what others have to teach. We learn nothing while we are talking.

Learn to apologize — often, if necessary. It may hurt the ego at first, but once you see how good it makes the offended one feel and how it clears the air — sometimes repairs a relationship — you will find it easier to do. Too many people never say they're sorry, and this can really make them sorry.

Be enthusiastic. Recognize that the work you are doing is important and is helping someone who needs this particular work done. Give it your best performance and you will get more out of it.

Maintain your integrity. You can do what you know is right for you rejecting what, to you, is wrong and still not be self-righteous, critical of others who do things differently. One man's meat is another man's poison, and what is wrong to some is right to others. Your responsibility is **only to yourself**. "To thine ownself be true."

If we can do this: "Know thyself" and "To thine ownself be true", we will have the confidence

Buildings Making Progress

According to Dr. Thompson, in an interview granted this reporter, the new buildings are moving along at a good progressive rate.

The first building the complex will be a storage building. It is under the supervision of Mr. Y.B. Johnson and his building construction classes. This building is due for completion by the end of January 1977, which will free two storage rooms to be used for classrooms.

The second building will be the Power Mechanics Building, which will provide space for the Diesel and Automotive Mechanics programs. This building is five months ahead of schedule and is

expected to be completed by the fall of 1977.

The last and largest building is called the Tech Building. This will be the location of the gymnasium, and a two-story wing will house a new student commons and new offices for the faculty. It will also provide housing for the following programs: Day Care, Nursing, Food Preparation and Drafting.

This building is on schedule. The girders are in place for the gym roof, and the second story of the wing is ready to be floored. Expected completion is October 1977, weather permitting. Final additions will be roads, parking lots, curbing and landscaping.

-Eddie Crowell



CIRCLE K SOLICITS FOOD DONATIONS FOR NEEDY FAMILIES AT CHRISTMAS.



SANDY BOST KNOWS WHERE TO LOOK TO FIND OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING AT W.C.C.

Questionnaire

For each of the following questions, please circle one answer.

1. Should the amusement machines be allowed to remain in the student commons? yes no
2. Would you be late or cut classes to play these games? yes no
3. Would you miss lunch to have money to play these games? yes no
4. Would you like to see the yearbook brought back next year? yes no
5. Would you be willing to work on the yearbook staff? yes no
6. Do you feel it would be a good investment of tax money to help bury power cables in Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro? yes no

FOR WOMEN ONLY

7. Are you willing to take instruction in self defense if such a course was offered at Wilkes Community College with no credits? yes no

Jazz Ensemble Concert

The Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of Joe Austell, presented its concert in the Teaching Auditorium at 4:00 and 8:00 p.m., December 14.

"The program," commented one spokesman, "was varied enough for ages 6 through 86."

and ability we need to do any job that we have to do.

-Dottie Putzel

Next issue: Coping With The Boss

We were not put on this earth to receive, but to learn how to give. Make someone happy....today....now!