

Club News

SGA On The Go

On Thursday, October 27, Student Government Association representatives and advisor, Herman Norman, attended the North Carolina Comprehensive Community College Student Government Association's annual conference held in Charlotte, N.C. The Conference brings together all the Community Colleges in North Carolina to help further student government knowledge of learning. This allows all 58 Community Colleges from the Eastern, Western, and Central districts of North Carolina to solve the community college problems and associate with other schools for the purpose of developing communications, leadership, participation.

During the four day conference, students and advisors attended workshops and committee meetings with hopes of bringing back helpful information to W.C.C. The meetings were broken down into division meetings where W.C.C. representatives attended the Western divisional meeting. Following divisional meetings, business sessions were held for everyone.

That evening after all business had been taken care of, a social dance was held for all SGA members and advisors. The following morning business meetings resumed and continued non-stop until Saturday afternoon. On Saturday afternoon everyone reassembled for the closing ceremonies and to conclude all business matters. All in all the Fall Conference was a success and achieved its primary goal of getting the North Carolina Community Colleges better acquainted with one another.

... Tamera Stokes



PBL Gets Informed

On October 21 and 22 the Wilkes Community College chapter of Phi Beta Lambda attended a Fall Leadership Conference at Atlantic Christian College. While the students and advisor, Marty Franklin were at the conference, they attended many seminars and learned how to better prepare themselves for the business world.

After the opening ceremonies on Friday evening, students had workshops on various business topics. A dance was held Friday night to give the students and advisors a chance to relax and socialize. But Saturday morning it was back to business with further seminars.

With the exception of a dead battery in their van, PBL had a successful and learning trip. For anyone interested in finding out more about Phi Beta Lambda, please see President Ramona Burke or advisor Marty Franklin in room 150. Meetings are held every Thursday at 1:00 in room 145.

... Tamera Stokes

Christmas Quiz

Sure, you may know the German words to "Silent Night," but do you know the names of the Singing Dogs on "Jingle Bells"? Neither do we. But we do have the answers for the quiz below. See if you can figure them out, too.

- In "The 12 Days of Christmas," the nine ladies were:
 - Dancing
 - Leaping
 - Swimming
 - Milking
- Bing Crosby's version of "White Christmas" is an all-time hit, but the song also was a million seller for:
 - Freddie Martin
 - Tommy Dorsey
 - Vic Damone
 - Fred Astaire
- "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree" was recorded by:
 - Bobby Vee
 - Molly Bee
 - Brenda Lee
 - No One
- "Oh, tidings of comfort and joy" is a refrain in which carol?
 - "Deck the Halls"
 - "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen"
 - "We Wish You a Merry Christmas"
 - "O Little Town of Bethlehem"
- Complete the thought in this million-selling record - "All I Want for Christmas":
 - Is my two front teeth
 - Is to spend it with you
 - Is my tax refund
 - Is the gift of love
- Cowboy star Gene Autry co-wrote which Christmas song hit:
 - "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer"
 - "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town"
 - "Jingle Bells"
 - "Here Comes Santa Claus"
- In "The 12 Days of Christmas," how many birds were given away:
 - 10
 - 12
 - 23
 - None
- Which of the following was not a Christmas record:
 - "Nuttin' for Christmas"
 - "Cha-cha With Me, Santa, Santa"
 - "I Yust Go Nuts at Christmas"
 - "Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer"
- Which of these songs was written most recently:
 - "Jingle Bells"
 - "Winter Wonderland"
 - "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"
- "I'll Be Home for Christmas"
 - Martin Luther
 - St. Francis of Assisi
 - Pope Pius X
 - Charles Wesley
- "Silver Bells" made its debut in which movie:
 - "Miracle on 34th Street"
 - "The Lemon Drop Kid"
 - "Miracle of the Bells"
 - "Guys and Dolls"
- The origin of "Silent Night" is:
 - English
 - French
 - Welsh
 - German
- Johnny Marks wrote which of these Christmas songs:
 - "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer"
 - "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree"
 - "A Holly Jolly Christmas"
 - All of the above
- "O Come All Ye Faithful" is translated from the Latin:
 - Semper Fidelis
 - Adestes Fideles
 - Veni, Vidi, Vici
 - Caveat Emptor
- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow wrote the lyrics to which of these carols:
 - "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day"
 - "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen"
 - "O Holy Night"
 - "We Wish You a Merry Christmas"
- Before Gene Autry recorded "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," the song was turned down by:
 - Frank Sinatra
 - Bing Crosby
 - Dennis Day
 - Theodore, Simon, and Alvin
- Lyrics have been put to the music of "O, Tannenbaum" to honor which state:
 - Kentucky
 - Georgia
 - Maryland
 - Pennsylvania
- "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus" was a hit for which child singer:
 - Ronnie Howard
 - Brenda Lee
 - Jimmy Boyd
 - Eddie Hodges
- "White Christmas" was introduced in this Bing Crosby movie:
 - "Holiday Inn"
 - "White Christmas"
 - "Going My Way"
 - "High Society"

ANSWERS:

- A. They were dancing. Lords were a-leaping, swans a-swimming



Pin Her Down With a Gift of Love

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LeCornu developed and monitored services and facilities for older adults. From 1982 to 1988 Mr. LeCornu was an instructor in the Department of Social Science at Fayetteville Technical Community college. He taught courses in sociology, psychology, and philosophy. Mr. LeCornu was also active in community activities while in Fayetteville. He was involved in many recreational programs and helped form private recreation centers. He was chairman of the board of directors of the Fayetteville Urban Ministers for two years.

Mr. LeCornu and his wife Martha, have one daughter living in Memphis and one son living in Rocky Mount. Mr. LeCornu has two grandchildren.

Mr. LeCornu stays busy in his spare time with yard work around his home in the Mount Zion community of Wilkes County. He states that he "has always wanted a place in the country." He enjoys the nice friendly atmosphere. His other hobbies are fishing and reading.

Mr. LeCornu states, "I have felt fortunate to have been selected to instruct at WCC."

... Brenda Joyce

and maids a-milking.

2. A. Freddie Martin and his band had a million-selling version in 1942, while Frank Sinatra sold a million in 1944.

3. C. Brenda Lee's song topped the million mark in 1960.

4. B. "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen."

5. A. "My two front teeth" were all Spike Jones and His City Slickers asked Santa for in 1948; but they got, instead, a million-selling record.

6. D. Gene Autry and Oakley Haldeman collaborated on the 1947 hit, "Here Comes Santa Claus"

7. C. There were 23 birds in all — one partridge, two turtle doves, three French hens, four calling birds, six geese and seven swans.

8. B. The others really were Christmas recordings.

9. D. "I'll Be Home for Christmas" was a World War II (1943) smash for Bing Crosby. "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear" goes back to 1850, "Jingle Bells" to 1859 and "Winter Wonderland" to 1934.

10. A. When published in 1885, James R. Murray credited "Away in a Manger" this way: "Composed by Martin Luther for his children and still sung by German mothers to their little ones." Historians today doubt that, tending to attribute it to Murray.

11. B. "The Lemon Drop Kid," a 1951 film starring Bob Hope in a Damon Runyan role, offered "Silver Bells."

12. D. "Silent Night" was introduced in Germany in 1818 as "Stille Nacht."

13. D. Johnny Marks wrote them all, although the lyrics to "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" were based on Robert L. May's book.

14. B. "Adestes Fideles."

15. A. "I heard the bells on Christmas Day, their old familiar carols play; and wild and sweet, the words repeat, of peace on earth, good will to men."

16. B. The king of Christmas songs, Bing Crosby, rejected "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," and Gene Autry will be ever grateful.

17. C. "Maryland, My Maryland" has the same music as "O, Tannenbaum" (Christmas tree in German).

18. C. Jimmy Boyd was 13 in 1952 when his "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus" was a smash.

19. A. "Holiday Inn" marked the debut of "White Christmas." Bing Crosby sang it to Marjorie Reynolds, who later would play William Bendix's wife in TV's "The Life of Riley."

President's Message

With winter upon us, I trust no one came back from Thanksgiving break with a case of spring fever. But I do hope you have come back with a spirit of enthusiasm.

Welcome back. We are looking forward to spending the months ahead with one of the finest groups of students that has ever attended this college.

On behalf of the administration, faculty and staff, we wish you the best this winter quarter. And we will do all we can to help you make it successful. Don't ever hesitate to call on us.

And best wishes for a safe and happy Christmas season. All of us will be attending many functions during the holidays. Remember to drive safely and soberly.

Please take extraordinary care of yourselves and others. It is truly a festive season to be enjoyed, but not without good judgment and common sense.

Merry Christmas!

... David E. Daniel



Editorial

According to "Leaders" by Warren Bennis and Burt Nanus, there has been decades of academic analysis of what is a good leader. There can be found over 350 definitions of leadership. Many of these theories of leadership have come and gone. There are a few ideas that have outweighed the test of time in what works and what doesn't work. The following are some examples of what works and can be considered productive.

A leader needs to treat everyone as an individual. Let the people know that they are important. The leader needs to take an interest in people and their work and how they feel. A good leader will understand other people in what makes them tick and the best way to influence them. A leader should be interested and stay interested from start to finish. No psychology of handling people really works unless the leader is genuinely and truly interested in the other person. All else is mere trickery and will sooner or later fail. The more you can treat people like intelligent human beings with good brains in their heads, the better the results will be.

A good leader will also give credit where credit is due. Everyone needs appreciation and praise for good work not just one person who gets all the credit. When a leader gives people a better opinion of themselves, the leader can earn their goodwill because one of their basic needs of appreciation have been met. So it's good advice for a leader to praise good performances rather than criticize the bad. It's also good advice to ask questions before reprimanding. If criticism is needed, it is always done in privacy.

A good leader will lead rather than boss. When dealing with people, there are very few things that can't be done with a pleasant

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approach and a smile on your face. When a leader asks people to do something he or she would be sure to also tell them why. Explaining why something should be done automatically removes the curse of "bossiness." When there is a good reason why something ought to be done, the position of simply making a logical, reasonable request is possible. A leader always needs to take a friendly, pleasant approach with suggestions or requests, not commands.

A good leader will set a good example to follow. People judge leaders more by what they do than by what they say. When a leader does not believe in something enough to practice it, the telling seldom does much good. If the people do not measure up to certain standards, the leader should take a second look at himself or herself.

One of the best ways to win respect as a leader is to keep promises. A leader who is dependable is very important. If there is the slightest possibility of not being able to keep the promise, the leader should not make the promise. Leaders who win the respect of others are the ones who deliver more than they promise, not the ones who promise more than they can deliver.

General Eisenhower used to demonstrate the act of leadership with a piece of string. He would put it on a table and say: Pull it and it will follow. Push it and it will go nowhere. It's that way when it comes to leading people. Leadership does not come automatically. Leadership depends on followers. If people don't follow or have to be forced, the person is not a good leader. Leadership depends on the ability to make people want to follow voluntarily.