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## Honor's Day Changes

Honors Day Chapel has been changed. In the past the program has consisted of several speeches by Stee Gee officers and the signing of the Honor Book by the freshmen. This year, in place of short speeches that give only a few students the opportunity to express their ideas, the entire student body will meet in groups of 10 or 12 to discuss honor and the Honor Tradition. These small groups will allow every student to express her thoughts—negative or positive—about Salem's Honor Tradition.

We urge all students to speak out in these meetings. Be frank; give your honest opinion. Only by being honest about what is not effective or meaningful about our Honor Tradition can every student understand her own conception of it. Only by being honest can we begin our evaluation of the Tradition.

The discussions Monday night will be followed by Honor's Day Chapel Tuesday. Several Stee Gee officers will be installed and one speech given. During the latter part of the hour, the same small groups will return to their respective meeting places where they will be given the opportunity of signing individual honor pledge cards. When a student signs her card, her signature indicates her willingness to accept the Honor Tradition of Salem and her obligation to work through the proper channels to revise those regulations she deems unnecessary and undesirable. Freshmen who wish to continue the tradition of signing the Honor Book will be given an opportunity to do so.

The signing of the pledge card is an individual responsibility. It is not something to be done hurriedly without thought. It can be meaningful only after thoughtful discussion and a clear understanding of the pledge and the Honor Tradition. No student will be forced to sign the pledge card.

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One letter, comments from seniors and fewer from underclassmen, several seniors who volunteered to write "later", one who wrote now and two who will write beginning next week, two faculty members that we heard of who mentioned it to their classes—all the response we received about Beyond the Square.

The response was not overwhelming but neither was it completely lacking. Therefore, we will not close Beyond the Square. The articles that appear under the heading may not be like the ones of past years and may not appear every week, but they will appear. We refuse to lock ourselves inside the square.



"You must be my Senior Advisor. I'm a new student."

## Autumn Brings Attention To Student News And Plans Around The Square

By Kit Foard

The beautiful—though hot—weather seems to have inspired Salemites this fall! Everybody is on the go and full of plans and news.

Beth Troy and Patty Warren spent last Saturday horseback-riding with blind dates who, we hear, were not only "the most" but even smoked pipes. Quite a change from the college type, huh?

Kit King has made quite a splash on the Salem campus. Kit is a sophomore transfer from Converse and pinned to a Kappa Sig, named Peter Archie, from State. Welcome, Kit.

Robby Stout, we hear that you were rather pleased to see "Bobby" from Davidson.

Sisters' House is busier than a beehive lately; it seems that Didi Headley has sparked a move to clean and improve the dormitory for partying purposes. "Sisters' Sewing Circle" issues an open-

## Leaird Favors Continuation Of "Beyond"

Dear Editor,

The absence of Beyond the Square from last week's Salemite was a surprise, but seeing the plight of the column and the Salemite staff, I commend your realistic action.

I, for one, think that it would be tragic for the newspaper to have to discontinue its column dealing with events outside the confines of our own campus, especially since we call ourselves members of an academic community. Membership of such cught to mean that we have an interest in and growing understanding of significant events and happenings in the world and should be able to articulate them. This, I feel sure, applies to many Salem students, and ought to be qualification enough for writing Beyond the Square.

For some reason the nature of the column scares off potential contributors, perhaps because it does require a little more thought and preparation than some other articles. However, as one senior commented the other night, "anything worthwhile takes work."

The Salemite has left the future of Beyond the Square up to the students, and it is now our responsibility. If anyone else agrees that the absence of Beyond the Square would be a loss, why don't they think of it in terms of themselves, instead of letting someone else do it. Perhaps we suffer from a case of false modesty, rather than indifference, thinking that someone else would do a much better job of it than we would. Whatever the reason may be, I suggest that we put the rationalizations aside and volunteer to help. The more people that volunteer the less it will fall upon the shoulders of a few, and the greater variety it will exhibit.

This column does not have to be just a summary of the news. It could be your interpretation or opinion of it or any subject beyond the square. Two of you with opposing views might want to present your reasons why. Perhaps you would want something of someone else's printed, along with your own comments about it.

A newspaper reflects the interest of its readers. Are we going to dictate the end of Beyond the Square?

Hopefully not,  
Linda Leaird

house invitation for Sunday, October 8th, from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. Refreshments.

Mary Alice Teague, that KA from Carolina that you entertained over the weekend was "something." We hear he was a "big man" in his freshman year at Furman.

"La Dolce Vita" made a very definite impression on campus, didn't it? According to most girls, that was a thought-provoking three-and-a-half hours.

Mary Lawrence Pond is off to VPI this weekend to see her civilian, John Harrell.

Gretchen Morgan, a talented Clewell freshman, has been starring during Clewell's "noisy hour" parties with her piano renditions of popular Salem songs.

Jean Pfeifer and Eve Meek, two freshmen, have been dating a Sigma Chi and a Kappa Sig, respectively, from Wake Forest.

Sophomores have been pretty good about "the slump" so far, but a certain amount of desperation has already begun in Clewell. Five sophomores have their underground at Davidson looking for blind dates. If that long shot fails, guess who's going swimming in the creek at Frances Bailey's farm?!

Jackie Lamond has a bedboard under her mattress now. Maybe it's a new way to fight off Sophomore Slump.

The Refectory is going to be sadly deserted next weekend. Almost everyone is going to the Carolina-State game or to Wake Forest. A partial list of fun-lovers includes: Sis Gillam, Jackie Barker, Em Howell, Annetta Jenette, Kit King, Cathy Chalk, Carolyn Ausbon, Frances Holton, Hannah Gillam, Anne B. Austin, Kitty Trask, Irene Rose, G. G. Monk, Frannie McClaine, Ella Raymond, Ann Mason Field, Mary Alice Teague, Landis Miller, and innumerable others.

A news tip announces that Salem's Penny Bell is in Norfolk, Virginia, working at Merrill

Lynch, Pierce, Fenner, and Smith, and enjoying life in general. Best wishes, Penny, from Salem.

Nancy Muse Scott sends her love to all Salemites from up north where she has settled down to married life. She also sent a box of homemade goodies to a grateful South dorm.

Flickie Craig, a Salem alumnae, announced her engagement to Glyn this summer. Best wishes from all of us.

Clewell's cultivation of charm and good looks goes on. Sue Cook has gone into hair-tipping with Parma Lane as her latest subject. Looks good, Parma.

Judy Summerell and Floride Williams, how was your weekend at UVA?

All right, girls, get on the ball! It's unbelievable but all too true—not even one soul got pinned last weekend.

The Theta Chis have solved their blind date transportation problem. One big bus arrived at Salem Saturday bearing all, and it was even on time! Smart thinking, boys.

Dr. Austin, Mr. White, and one other unknown enthusiast were seen at the hockey field the other day taking lessons in golf from Miss Woodward! That's the spirit, faculty!

Personality counts, Sandy Heath has found. A Bowman Gray medical student who met her once last year called her. Reason for calling? "I remembered your personality!"

Tanglewood and Mallard Lake were beautiful last Sunday, according to Cathy Chalk and Liz Irwin, who had a blast with some boys driving a Corvette.

Birthdays galore have been popping up this past week. Turning another leaf in life are Mary Jane Harrell, Cliffie Elder, Anne Dudley, Jackie Lamond, Brandy Hughes, Frannie McClaine, and Lynn Hall.

Yes, the beautiful—though hot—weather continues. And so do Salem plans and news.

## Beyond The Square

This week could hardly pass without some mention of the President's speech to the United Nations last Monday. It comes at a time of crisis on many fronts; the count-down situation over Berlin, the resumption of nuclear testing by Soviets endangering the health of millions with fallout contamination, and the very crucial vacancy left in the U. N. by the death of Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold. It is a time when mounting fear is growing throughout the world with the realization of the instruments of holocaust held in the hands of men, and a time when fallout shelters are no longer considered an absurdity, but an ever growing reality.

Upon this setting came the President of the United States to address delegates of the General Assembly. The tone of his 38-minute address was frank, sober, and realistic, but firm. There was no mistaking his sincerity and his determination to hold firm to our beliefs. Yet even more impressive was his realistic concern about the present dangers, and the constructive proposals and suggestions he set forth so that peace can be maintained. In a time of grief, disillusionment, and helplessness, his voice came through strong and clear, a call to hope and courage and action. It was the voice of a big man, looking at the scope of history, and calling the world to take its place united on the side of mankind rather than divided by its greed and selfishness, to create a world where, "the strong are just, the weak secure, and the peace preserved."

However, his speech was not just words. He called the delegates to back the United Nations and what it stands for and to save it from a slow death caused by those who would like to see its effectiveness ended. He said that in lieu of the changes in membership since World War II, the United States was willing to review and revise membership in the U. N. bodies. He set up a 7-step proposal for disarmament. He urged that greater steps be taken in the nonpolitical areas of world poverty, illiteracy, and disease. He stated that the U. S. backed self-determination around the globe and would support it in the future.

The speech challenged U. N. delegates with their positions on the future of the U. N.; it challenged the U. S. S. R. to accept a "peace race"; it challenged our own officials and diplomats to do all that can be done in the name of peace without compromising the U. S.; it challenged individuals around the world to replace their selfishness and indifference with concern for mankind and its problems, regardless of race or geographical location, for history is in the hands of our generation.