

Petitions Eliminate Need For Student Protests

In many universities across the country students have been submitting "demands" to college administrators and have been rioting and demonstrating in order to show the "force" behind their demands. Most recently, this method has been employed at Duke, Carolina and UNC-C. However, more often than not these students find this method ineffective. Aside from the contents of the "demands," it is not at all difficult to understand why this method is ineffective. Students are approaching college administrators, men of reason with long range insight, men with obligations to many, in a manner quite alien to their usual way of life. Instead of approaching college and university administrators with the intent of discussing both the student and administrative aspects of a complaint, these protest groups make "demands" and expect them to be answered without any, or with only the briefest round-table discussions.

Salem seems to have an answer to the method used in larger institutions—the right of petition. A petition must represent one tenth of the student body before it is considered. The students must give reasonably valid reasons for the request. If the petition is accepted, it is accepted for the reasons which the petitioning students outlined. If it is rejected, it is done so with an explanation to the student body by the group considering the petition. And the rejection of a petition does not eliminate it from consideration with modifications or at a later date.

Salem's system aids in keeping a rapport and understanding between the administrators and the students. It makes no "demands" it only requests consideration; and it does not use force or active protest to show its backing—just the quiet signing of names. But it is effective.

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Around The Square By Sterling Winstead

Boy has it been busy around here. Snow! Snow! Snow! Everybody went a slippin' an' a slidin' last weekend. I bet the freshmen's parents didn't realize Parent's Weekend consisted of a physical fitness course — from the Statler Hilton to Salem C. And what about all those snowmen and snow statues. I hear the Scarlet woman took a walk amid the virgin trees in the virgin snow of the Ol' Square.

Poo Mullan, leg bandaged in toilet paper, tried in vain to take the title of "Miss Agility" of the ski slopes away from Linda White. I wonder who he next title winner will be?

And what about the Lehman basketball team? Should they be charged with unlady-like behavior? No! Freud would call it an expression of unconscious desires and pent up frustrations demonstrated by direct aggressive behavior through sublimation. Whew! All Bevie Carter and Katrina McKurn know is that Lehman's basketball

team is a "hell on wheels." What a contrast to the mild playing of Sara Hunt and Nancy Holderness. Now really girls, you mean you don't know what a "rover" is? Ask Elmida — she knows more about what is going on at this school than a lot of people do. Elmida's interests lie from wanting to know whether the girls will start a fund for Russell's outdoor barbecue to what her Babcock girls' latest interests are.

Speaking of latest interests Gale Landress sure is excited over her diamond from Rich Seibert, a senior at Wake. Rich gave it to Gale about fifteen minutes before her Abnormal class! They hope to be married next Christmas or after Gale graduates in January.

Susan Carruthers proudly sports the Sigma Chi pin of Ronnie Blanchard. They were pinned February 8 at a dinner party.

Sue Wooten beams when the

name Mark Galloway is mentioned. Why shouldn't she because Sue is his proud fiancée. Mark is a second year law student at Wake. They plan to be married this summer, probably in August, and will live in Winston next year while Mark finishes school.

Janet Bowers' fiance is Roger Kramer, a graduate of Wake Forest. He is now serving his time in the Marines and is stationed at Cherry Point. Their wedding date is June 14.

Coming Events

- March 11—Student Government elections 6 p.m. in Hanes Auditorium
- March 12—Assembly — Archway Singers
- March 14—Rhesa Reagan—Student recital 7:30 p.m. Shirley Recital Hall
- March 7, 8, 9—"Mother Courage" N. C. School of the Arts
- March 7—School of the Arts Faculty Recital Irvin Glein, cello; Phillip Ruder, violin 8:15 p.m.—no charge
- March 14, 15 — Opera, Mozart's "Cosi fan tutte" 8:15 p.m. N. C. School of the Arts

St. Govt. President Lauds Efficiency Of WRA

Dear Editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to compliment WRA on their outstanding athletic program this year. In the past, the organization has been effective, but it was only used by a limited number of students. This year, however, WRA has truly proved its worth as an expanded program, WRA has enabled almost the entire Student Body to participate in some way. The intercollegiate hockey and basketball teams have not only given skilled Salemites a chance to display their abilities, it has also given the students of Salem teams of which they can be proud. These teams have opened up a totally new type of spirit to Salemites—the glory and pride of athletic competition and the chance to display sportsmanship and enthusiasm for Salem.

Our intramural program has also been given a boost this year. There has been participation from a great number of students. Just look at the Senior Team! The intercollegiate basketball team has given our better players a chance to work together and to develop a real team spirit. The intramural program has given we less skilled players a chance to play for sheer fun and enjoyment.

I feel that the expanded WRA program has given all Salemites a chance to participate whether it be as a player or as a spectator. This has largely been due to the efforts of two people: Mary Sheppard, President of WRA and Miss Burton, advisor of WRA. Because they have been willing to devote extra time and energy to the program, this year has been the best yet for WRA. I would like to say thank you to Mary and Miss Burton and ask all Salemites to continue their support of the WRA programs.

Sincerely,

Nancy Richardson

Students Advise Study Of Future Inter-Class Dorms

Dear Editor,

It has come to our attention that a number of students have expressed dissatisfaction with the present dormitory situation and would like to have the possibility of mixed dormitories investigated. Mixed meaning juniors, sophomores, and freshmen in the same dorms, thus giving the seniors the privilege of living together.

We feel that this would be beneficial to the Student Body as a whole for the following reasons:

1. Inter-class relationships would be closer, allowing upperclassmen to know the freshmen better. This would deemphasize the separateness of the classes and promote unity of the Student Body.
2. Having juniors living with the sophomores would help the sophomores in understanding the depression period, "Sophomore Slump." It would also give the sophomores another side to the transfer question.
3. The freshmen would be open to a junior perspective in the face of the prevalent sophomore transfer dilemma. Also there would be a real "Big Sister"—"Little Sister" relationship which needs strengthening.
4. The juniors seemed to enjoy the arrangement of being in a separate dorm, however they realize their isolation from the other classes as was seen during the nominations for Student Government offices.

5. Since the Handbook revising there are no differences in social rules among the classes thus the mixed dorms do not cause problems that they have in the past.


Because of the above reasons the following questionnaire will be circulated on March 11 during elections in order to obtain your opinions on this matter.

Questionnaire—


1. I am in favor of seeing a plan for mixed dorms investigated and brought to the Student Body for a vote.
2. I am opposed to mixed dorms but feel that the present division of freshmen and sophomores is unsatisfactory.
3. I am opposed to mixed dorms and feel that the present situation works well.

We realize that mixed dorms would entail giving up some personal desires but we feel this would make for a more unified communicative Student Body. Please discuss this with your friends and March 11 you will be given a chance to respond to the above questionnaire.

Thank you,
Student Service Council
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Becky Bolt
Ann Campbell
Janice Burns
Sandy Emerson



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Book Store Replies To Salemite's Suggestions

Dear Editor:

To you the students of Salem College — you have been most patient with the transition period of our machine billing for bookstore accounts.

We have changed our entire billing system from hand posting to machine posting. This being the main reason for late bills being sent to students and parents.

The meaning of notations printed on each statement are as follows:

- BL DU Balance Due
- CH Charge
- CR PU Credit pick up
- CH CR Charge Credit
- CA CR Cash Credit
- PR BL Previous Balance

Each billing you will find enclosed an original charge ticket with your signature or some friend's signature you have authorized to charge in your name.

I wish to say a "big-thank you" for myself and the bookstore staff

for your kindness and good will this year. If any question arises concerning the bookstore or your account, please let me know.

Sincerely,
Bud Smith
Manager



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HOW'S A VOTER SUPPOSE TO KNOW
I LIKE THE CHOICES THIS CAMPAIGN
VOICES
BUT WHO'S THE BEST, WHICH WAY
TO GO?

Student Government Elections
Tuesday, March 11
6 p.m.—Hanes Auditorium
This will count as an Assembly and Assembly slips will be taken up. Dinner will be at 5:30 p.m. and elections will begin promptly at 6 p.m. Everybody be there!
Kickoff Banquet to meet candidates—Monday 6:30.