

Editorial

Boycott

Complacently paying too much for things you know are overpriced.

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Abusing your charge by buying things you do not really need.

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Complaining about how the bookstore abuses students and doing nothing about but complaining.

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We are all guilty of these crimes. Directly or indirectly each Salem student has helped the Salem Bookstore rob her not only of money, but also integrity. That we have supported their masquerade as our college bookstore is as ludicrous as saying we helped thieves take our cherished possessions.

It is hard to believe that Salme students with all of our rah-rah individualism, honor and values have let ourselves knowingly be maligned by what should be a part of Salem itself. "Salem Bookstore"-the name itself represents a lie. It is not Salem, because we are too steeped in and proud of a heritage of just and honest practices. Not by any stretch of the imagination can it be referred to as a bookstore junk store, tourist trap, student trap: these terms are more fitting. There is nothing personal in my condemnation of the Bookstore, it is purely a matter of good business. This is exactly how they are dealing with us, not personally but rather as profitable business ventures to be exploited until we are exhausted.

The list of complaints against the bookstore is too long to list here and too sickening to detail. Each of us is aware of their disservice to our community. We must stop complaining and commence to act for our own benefits. It is not simply a matter of money, what hurts most is that we are allowing those things about Salem which we value most be degraded.

The SGA Booksale was the first serious action taken by concerned students. Its success demonstrates the ability of Salem students to effect improvements. It was only an initial step forward. A step which demands to be followed by a united student effort to create a bookstore which is truly ours. Clubs and organizations have cancelled their charge accounts at the Bookstore. We must boycott the Bookstore and together find alternatives to our current situation. Talk to people, write letters, make a difference in your lives and in the school itself. Starting Monday the 18th do not buy anything at the Bookstore until changes are made and we are not stripped of money and pride.

Laura Castellanos del Valle
Editor

Book Store Fast Fare Food Town Family Mart
(Open 24 Hrs.)

Nabisco: Crackers (8 oz.)			
Buttery Sesame	1.00	.79	.85
Twigs	1.00	.85	.85
Sesame Wheats	1.00	.79	.85
Sociables	1.00		
Doodads	1.00	.86	
Chippers	1.00	.85	.85
Chicken in a Biskit	1.00	.85	
Vegetalbe Thins	1.00	.85	
Cookies			
Chocolate Pinwheels (12 oz.)	1.68	1.43	1.47
Oreos (15 oz.)	1.32	1.05	1.17
Cinnamon Treats (16 oz.)	1.11	.89	.97
Miscellaneous			
Snackmate (4.625 oz.)	1.23	1.13	1.07
Sanka Instant Coffee (2 oz.)	1.82	1.59	1.39
Maxwell House Instant Coffee (2 oz.)	1.90	1.39	1.29
Tang (18 oz.)	1.82	1.29	
Welch's Grape Juice Bottled (24 oz.)	1.38	.91	.99
V-8 Juice (46 oz.)	1.18	.71	.75
Campbells: Beans & Franks (8 oz.)	.65		
Franco-American Spaghetti Beef (7.5 oz.)	.53		
Dixie Crystals sugar cubs (16 oz.)	.82	.48	.57
Sweet n' Low 50 packets (1.75 oz.)	.75	.53	.63
Welchs Grape Jelly (10 oz.)	.64	.75	.54
Lipton Onion Soup Mix (2.75 oz.)	1.04		.73
Mt. Olive Sweet Mixed Pickles (8 oz.)	.68	.79	.63

		Book Store	Crown Drug
Extension Cords	9 ft.	1.29	.89
	12 ft.	1.49	1.27
	15 ft.	1.69	1.47
Light Bulbs 4 to a pack	60 watt	2.92	3.00
	75 watt	2.92	3.16
Film Processing	12 exp.	3.20	2.93
	20 exp.	4.98	4.29
Flash Cubes	Flip Flash	2.38	1.86
	Regular	2.52	1.28
	Magic Cubes	3.15	1.69
Film 110-Pocket Instamatic	12 exp.	1.93	1.38
	20 exp.	2.20	1.87
126-Instamatic	12 exp.	1.93	1.47
	20 exp.	2.42	1.77

	Book Store	Crown	Lil' Gen.
Clairol Condition Shampoo	2.39	1.74	
Sure (2.5 oz.)	1.67	1.18	
Noxema (4 oz.)	1.67	1.47	
Oil of Olay (4 oz.)	4.75	3.67	
Crest (7 oz.)	1.95	1.28	
Colgate (7 oz.)	1.45	1.08	
Scope (Med.)	1.33	.98	1.39
Vaseline lotion-herbal (6 oz.)	1.53	1.34	
Johnsons baby oil (10 oz.)	2.69	1.99	
Baby powder (4 oz.)	1.05	.83	
Tampax (40 super)	3.23	1.94	2.39
Playtex (28 super)	3.19	2.03	

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,

Now is the time for all good Salemites to come to the aid of their daddy's wallet. I am sick and tired of the exhorbitant outrageous prices at the Salem Bookstore. As a naive freshman I made purchases there but now, as a slightly older, yet wiser Salemite, I know better. For example, I recently purchased a cardboard ring binder in Washington, D.C. bookstore for \$.65 and the same in the Salem bookstore was \$1.69.

My experiences with the bookstore have not been pleasant and I am sure I have a few friends that can relate to this.

Because my parents had not paid the balance on a previous bill, I was not permitted to charge my books this semester. That I can understand, but they also would not let me purchase anything with cash or a check! This I feel is discrimination. I also feel that it is an invasion of my rights to make me sign a piece of paper when buying books. This is college, not a grade school and believe me, that bookstore knows who can and cannot charge merchandise. There are enough rules and regulations at this school and this nit-picky kind of thing has got to go. More power to the S.G.A. and their fabulous book sale -- boycott the bookstore and save 50 percent at Eckerd's or Crown Drugs.

Mary Ann Tuggle

Dear Salem Friends,

As spring semester begins, Inter-Varsity Christian fellowship would like to clarify once again that we are not a club, but a group of people who welcomes everyone to participate in the various activities planned. These activities are designed to help those who are searching in their faith and for those committed to grow. We look forward to a spring of "waking up" and discovery, and hope that you will join us.

First old news... A big thanks to all who contributed (even in pennies) to the World Vision Collection before Christmas. One hundred and fifty dollars have been sent to Cambodia. Thank you, Salem!

And, also before Christmas, we discovered a new friend, who is now our faculty advisor. Libby Gibboney, our new P.E. professor and tennis coach, has added much already and will continue to be our "spring" this semester.

Now, for the new news... Our large group meetings will take on a new dimension this spring, one of variety, so that each will find an area of interest. Already, we have had two gatherings. First, to discuss hard questions with Ailan Poole at First Pres., and second, a time of guitar playing and singing with Debra Hourde.

Coming up next: Feb. 20 - Study Break with sharing, singing and praying.

Feb. 23 - Saturday Seminar in Club Dining Room. 9:00-10:00 a.m. "Self-Image"; 10:00-11:00 a.m.

"Singleness"; 11:00-11:30 a.m. discussion; 11:30-12:45 lunch; 1:00-2:00 dating. Music by Frank Berry of WFU. Feb. 27 - "Hard Questions," Don Flow March 1 - Second Saturday Seminar. 9:00-10:00 a.m. "Marriage"; 10:00-11:00 a.m. "Family"; 11:00-11:30 Discussion.

March 5 - Study Break The rest of the semester's activities will come in a later paper. All events, except seminars, will be in the Library Assembly Room from 7-8 p.m.

In addition to the large group gatherings, there are the essential family group bible studies. Leaders, times, and places will be posted in the Refectory soon. Please consider this as a vital part of your personal growth.

Also, I.V. will be having Wed. chapel services once a month in the little Chapel. Come for a mid-day refresher. And, last but not least, the most necessary of all activities is prayer. Prayer provides you with an opportunity to make a difference at Salem and "beyond the square." A prayer group for student and other needs meets on Tues. at 5:30 p.m. in the Little Chapel. Inter-denominational Prayer Breakfast will meet at 7:30 a.m. every Thurs. morning in the Salad Bar Room, overseen by Ellen Newton.

If you can't come to either, send a request by a friend.

That's all for now. Have a good weekend! P.S. Popcorn is still available. Contact Laura Lindsey, 304 Strong.

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