

# Warm Season Brings Many Ideas For Outdoor Activities

Spring is here. It is now the time of the year when flowers are blooming and the air is cool, but not cold. Spring is the ideal time for outdoor activities. One way of cutting down on pollution is riding a bicycle. Spring provides the best weather for "pushing those pedals" unless you're one of those "old faithfuls" who rides your bike in the dead winter, through snow, ice, and chilling air. But of course, if you've got a little sense you'll choose now to ride that bike.

There are all kinds of really neat things you can do on a bicycle, such as bringing some friends along, pack a lunch, bring a blanket, find a field, and having a picnic. Or how about going on a "quickie-camping trip," just overnight. Bring a

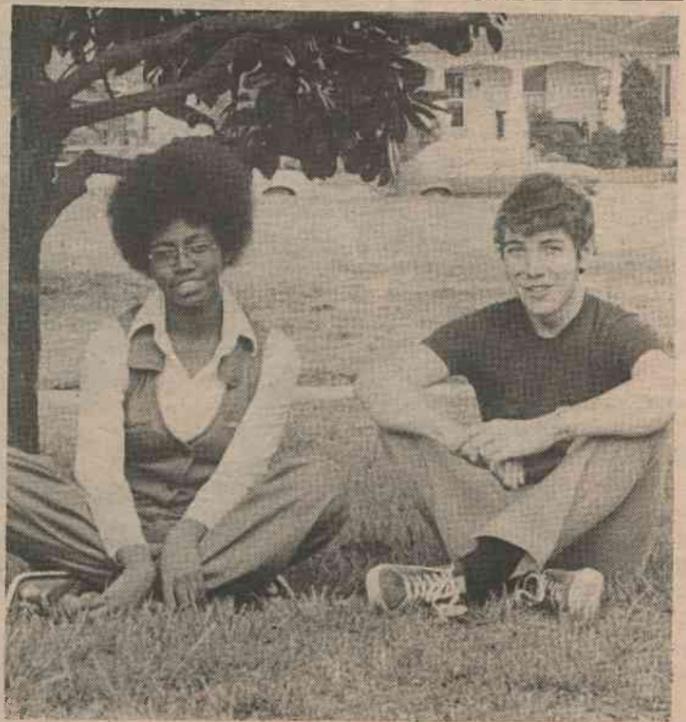
pup-tent, some food, and a friend, and head off for the "Falls." If none of these ideas suit you, how about a "bike-hike." This is always fun if you bring some friends and head to the beach for the weekend.

For the sake of ecology, why not get some friends together and have a "planting-party." Plant flowers, shrubs, and trees anywhere you think there's a need for beautification. Serve refreshments, and you have a friendly "get-together."

If you like raising vegetables, why not get an early start? Plant seeds in empty egg cartons, and put them in your window, and watch them grow. When they get big enough and the weather gets warm enough, plant them outside.

March winds are just great for flying kites. By constructing your own kite not only will you get the fun out of flying it, but also watching it get off the ground. Ideas for the theme of the kite could be the Bicentennial, by using balsa wood and strips of colored tissue or cellophane paper of course in red, white, and blue. If you enjoyed flying the kite and think maybe you'd like to be on a kite, why not try your skill at hang gliding — that is if you've got the nerves.

The flowering bushes provide ideal flowers for drying if you want to capture the 1976 spring to use in the '76 Fall. Why not dry these flowers by hanging them in groups suspended by string in a dark closet.



Rotary couple named.

## Two Seniors Honored As April Rotary Couple

Gill Fountain and Beulah Battle have been selected Rotary Couple for the month of April. Both are currently involved in school and civic activities.

As head cheerleader, Beulah devotes much of her time towards creating and sharing her own school spirit with others. She is a member of the Senior Committee and has also attended the President's Classroom. She commented, "It was great. I was not only able to learn more about the representatives from my state, but I was able to meet both national and international people." Continuing this experience, Beulah hopes to obtain a summer typing job in the district office of Representative L. H. Fountain in Tarboro.

Hoping to major in either

mathematics or secretarial work, Beulah plans to attend U.N.C. at Greensboro. In exercising her mathematical abilities, Beulah has recently participated in Upward Bound, a program sponsored by Wesleyan to provide tutoring for students who need it. In her spare time she enjoys sewing and dancing.

As an owner of an Amateur Radio, Gill Fountain spends much of his time either talking on his radio or fixing it. He has come to be known to many people as WB4DNP. With this experience in electronics, Gill plans to attend State University and major in electrical engineering. At the present, he is preparing for this major by working at TV Radio Hospital.

At school, Gill is president of the National Honor Society.

## Merchants Suggest New Ad Layout For The Gryphon

"Good morning sir," my name is Joe Ad from Rocky Mount Senior High. I was wondering if you would like to buy an ad to put in our paper the Gryphon.

For many of the merchants within a 25-mile radius of Rocky Mount this was a common verse heard nearly every day of the week. For the members of the Gryphon staff it was just the memorized verse usually spoken while asleep. But for both the businessman and the staff member it was a time for co-operation. The merchant tried to do his best to support a "worthwhile cause" while the staff member tried his best to sell the merchant's product through advertising.

The idea for writing this article came through questions

which were asked about the advertisers and how they felt about the ads they had appearing in the Gryphon. When asked about suggestions for next year, a majority of the merchants felt that there was a need for a new advertising format. They felt that placing all the ads at the bottom of the page took away from the effect of good advertising because the reader has a tendency to skip over the bottom of the page because of the "square monotony." Other advertisers cited the need for ads with more individuality. They feel that the ads take on a more "city newspaper" form than they

should. As one merchant put it, "the ads lack eye appeal."

Another question which came to the eyes of the Gryphon was why advertisers advertise in the Gryphon. One of the most common responses to this question was the desire of the advertiser to make their name known to the student body as a possible shopping place not only now but in the future as well. Along with this response came the "supporting advertisers" who desired to support a student body paper as well as be part of it.

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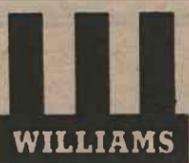
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