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### "Noise, noise, noise, noise"

David Lee Roth, lead singer of Van Halen, repeatedly said, "Noise, noise, noise, noise" during a concert in Raleigh when describing the noise outside his hotel room.

Many students can also use these words when describing the noise outside their rooms. Too many times I am startled out of my sleep by the sounds of male voices exchanging conversation with the female custodians. After several minutes, the familiar "man on the hall" is bolted into my ears. What happened to consideration? "Noise, noise, noise, noise."

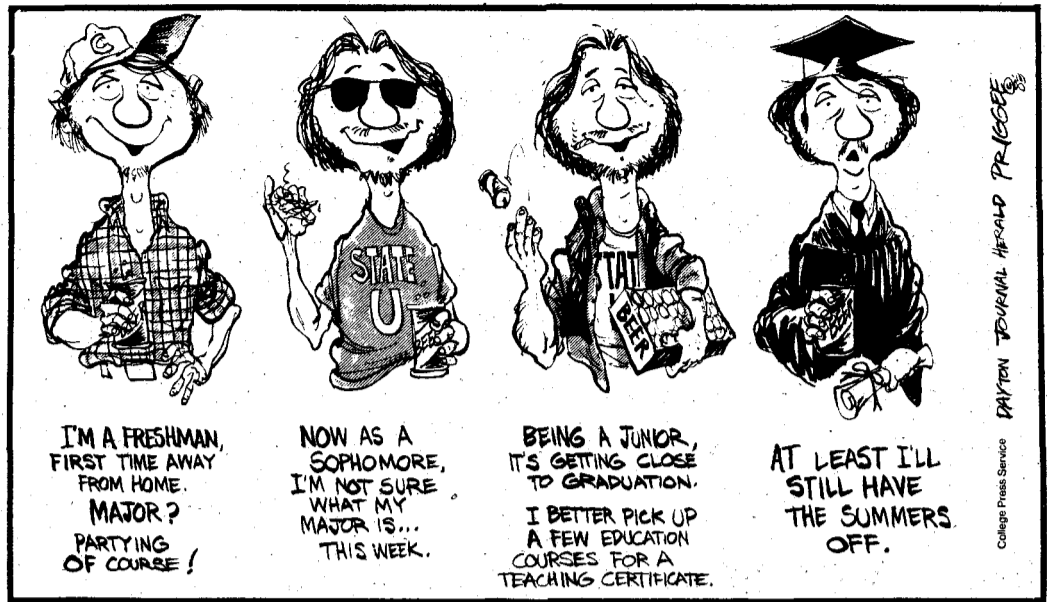
Neighbors, as all can agree, also tend to be loud at times. Occasionally, this is fine. Every night is another story. What I detest is the fact that I can hear people down the hall when they are talking in a normal tone. What do you expect from walls that are only a few inches thick? "Noise, noise, noise, noise."

The "creak, clap, slap" of the swinging doors at the end of the first floors is enough to drive someone nuts when they are trying to sleep. You would think another solution could be found to replace those screechy eye soars. Preferably something silent. "Noise, noise, noise, noise."

The clanging doors are peaceful compared to the riotous girls that pass through them in the wee hours of the morning. These blatant individuals obviously have no manners. Consideration to them is a word in the "challenge" section of a spelling book. I'm glad they had fun and I'm sure you would like to rejoice also; however, I find it hard to get excited about anything at two in the morning. "Noise, noise, noise, noise."

These are only a few of the many noises that are heard on campus. I'm sure you can name others that are just as bothersome. With last minute tests and exams coming up, it is important for every one of us to be a little more considerate of others. So what if all your tests are over. There are some who have three this week. Let's all see if we can't be a little more quiet and considerate these last few weeks of school and do away with all this "noise, noise, noise, noise."

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## Proper pay... answer to teacher shortage?

FORT WORTH, TX (CPS) - The much anticipated teacher shortage of the future may not come to pass, a just-released study suggests.

About one of every ten of the nation's college-bound high school junior and seniors is considering entering the teaching profession, the survey of some 4300 students found.

Given enrollment projections and estimates of how many teachers will be leaving the field, "we're going to have 12-to-14 percent of the high school population enter teaching," says John Mangieri, dean of Texas Christian's education school and a co-author of the study.

The study, which Mangieri conducted with University of South Carolina Prof. Richard Kemper, found that only about nine percent of the high schoolers were "very interested" in becoming teachers.

"Where the study gets somewhat optimistic," Mangieri says, "is that 24 percent of the students said they were 'somewhat interested.' Well, what does 'somewhat interested' mean? I don't know. But if some of those kids enter the profession, we may well have an adequate supply of teachers."

Of the people currently in college, only one of 20 plans to become a teacher. Education

predicted schools will be able to fill only 96 percent of their vacancies by 1985, and only 80 percent by 1990.

Mangieri contends the most important factor in attracting more students to the profession is offering higher starting salaries.

The current average starting teacher salary is \$13,000 to \$14,000 a year.

He is designing a study now to find out just how much schools would have to offer to attract more teachers. "My guesstimate to get some of the brightest and best students involved in teaching would be to offer starting salaries of \$20,000 to \$25,000."

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## Making time work for you

By Vera N. Herr

Are you a college student who continually faces increasing demands on your time? As the activities increase, do the hours in your day seem to decrease? Do you often wish there were more than 24 hours in a day? Finding time for all your classes, appointments, and other activities can leave your rushing around to meet dozens of deadlines. You can slow down and get more out of a day by budgeting your time.

After writing down your fixed activities, work in the adjustable ones. Intersperse other activities such as washing clothes, jogging, practicing music, studying and cleaning your room around the fixed activities. Be realistic in your planning. Choose activities which will fit well into your free time slots. Avoid placing two-hour jobs in one-hour slots or

thirty-minute-jobs in three-hour slots. By allowing ample time to complete activities, you will use your time better and avoid unnecessary pressure. Make your plan flexible enough to allow for small interruptions. Keep your schedule relaxed enough so that you can stop and talk to a friend or be delayed in traffic without being late.

Finally, fit your leisure activities into the schedule. All work and no play makes Jane a dull girl. Finding time for some leisure activities is essential. Going on dates, to movies, or to parties will be more enjoyable if you know that there is still time in your schedule for the essentials.

Time-Saving Tips: As you start to manage your time better, always be aware of new ways to utilize it. When you go out, try to accomplish all your

errands in one trip. Making two trips to get kleenex and toothpaste can be time-consuming and expensive. To save time and money, make a list of your needs before you leave campus.

To get the most out of unforeseen periods of waiting, always carry along a book or something else you can work on. At least you will not have wasted the twenty minutes you spent waiting.

Once you budget your time, you will discover you have more time than you imagined. You may want to take a second job, join another club, add another class, try horseback-riding, or just spend your time doing nothing. You can improve your grades, your relationships, and your attitudes by budgeting your time.

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at Meredith. The goals set were assigned to the following subcommittees: Student Affairs, Buildings and Grounds, Academic Affairs, and Campus Security.

Subcommittees are composed of SLC members and other interested students. At each SLC meeting the subcommittee chairs give progress reports on their assigned goals. This year's committee plans to

complete all of their goals by the end of the year. Already the Buildings and Grounds subcommittee has been successful in having the President's Dining Room redecorated, creating Le Greenhouse, having the new telephone system installed next fall, and general clean-up of the grounds and buildings. The Academic Affairs subcommittee has been hard work promoting a cultural arts program at Meredith. The Student Affairs subcommittee, working

with over 30 goals, has worked on improving the communication system between R.A.'s, nurses, and security guards, revision constitutions of campus organizations, and possibly having some positive changes in the dining hall soon. The Campus Security subcommittee has worked on improving relations between security guards and students, having a new fence and gate at the back entrance, and changing the I.D. check-in system at night.

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