

## Honor Council wraps it up for '94

contributed by Kristen Tyvoll

The honor council was busy during the fall semester hearing cases and helping students understand the new fine system. Many of the cases that the honor council heard involved fines for missed hall meetings. Students are excused from hall meetings if they have call or are working at a steady job. Occasional child care is not considered steady work. Because extenuating circumstances may arise, students are allowed to appeal their fines to the honor council. Appeals must be submitted in writing within 24 hours and should be sent to Lori Miller, the solicitor general.

The honor council heard a total of fourteen cases last semester. The honor council treats each case and each set of circumstances as unique. The idea that a case is unique means that the honor council looks carefully at the evidence presented and takes disciplinary action based on the accused's own set of circumstances. In each case the honor council determines whether evidence is "clear and convincing."

After carefully examining the evidence, honor council members assign

a penalty based on the accused's intent, the gravity of the case, and the accused's cooperation with the solicitor general and support counselor. Consequently, different penalties are often given for the same violation. The following violations were committed and the following penalties were levied:

1) The honor council heard three cases of procedural violations of the male visitation policy and levied the penalty of 10 hours of community service.

2) In another procedural violation of the male visitation policy, the honor council levied a penalty of a warning through the spring 1995 semester.

3) In another case involving a violation of the male visitation policy, the honor council decided that the student should complete 50 hours of community service and be placed on probation through the spring 1995 semester.

4) In two other cases of procedural violations of the male visitation policy, the honor council devised a penalty of 10 hours community service and a warning through the spring 1995 se-

mester.

5) In a case in which a student did not pay her fine for missing a hall meeting, the honor council decided that the student should pay her fine and publicize the 3 upcoming freshmen hall meetings.

6) In three cases involving the appeals of an automatic \$15 fine for a missed hall meeting, the honor council accepted the appeals.

7) In two cases involving the appeals of an automatic \$15 fine for a missed hall meeting, the honor council denied the appeal and the fines were paid.

8) In a case in which a \$15 fine was paid late and no appeal was made to the honor council, the honor council levied the penalty of a warning through the spring 1995 semester.

Please direct any questions or concerns about the honor council and the honor code system to Kristen Tyvoll at 829-7617. Students are also encouraged to "Give Honor Council and Earful" on the SGA bulletin board in Johnson Hall. Help honor council serve the Meredith community better by telling the honor council what needs to be improved.

## Staley lecturer addresses holocaust

In this dramatization, Bonhoeffer addresses the problems of the church in Germany. He has much to say regarding the church's inordinate concern for its own security at the expense of doing the work of God in the midst of oppression and human need. The pastor-prisoner also challenges the typical expressions of contemporary Christian piety. He forces his audience to struggle with him regarding the nature and expression of Christian faithfulness in the context of horrifying injustice.

One of Bonhoeffer's most im-

portant contributions to theology and to our understanding of contemporary discipleship came as a result of his experiences as a prisoner of the Gestapo from April, 1943, until his death by hanging on April 9, 1945. As a prisoner, he learned what it meant to view life, history, and the interpretation of scripture from what he termed, "the view from below, from the perspective of the outcast, the suspects, the maltreated, the powerless, the oppressed, the riveled-in short, from the perspective off those who suffer."

Bonhoeffer reveals his struggle of the soul as he speaks forthrightly about his doubts and his questions of faith. His humanity is manifested in his confessions of stuggles with powerless-

ness, loneliness and fear. The audience sees a fellow pilgrim who is filled with deep gratitude for the joy and challenge of a life of faith and commitment.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer's testimony in word and deed continues to influence people al over the world. His witness has drawn resounding praise from numerous leading theologians and philosophers alike. Dietrich's close friend and biographer, Eberhard Bethge, said of Bonhoeffer, "When he was silenced for good at age 39, he began to speak more loudly than ever before."

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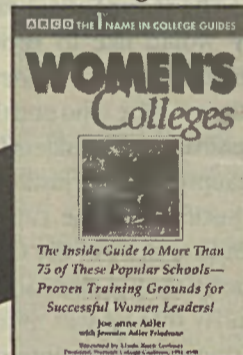
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