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Visitation On Trial

By Karen Dorman

After a successful experimental period in the boys' dorm, visitation was put into effect in Sanford Hall this past weekend. While the trial period is just beginning for the girls, there appears to be a definite "openmindedness" toward the new system.

Visitation rules allow any one to enter a student's room, as long as previously designated rules are followed. The regulations differ for individual dorms and houses. Visitation in the boys dorm is from 12 p.m. to 2 a.m. on Friday and Saturday, and from 12 p.m. to 12 a.m. on Sunday. The girls' times vary from house to house, however, visitation ends throughout Sanford Hall at 12:30 a.m. on Friday and Saturday nights and on midnight Sunday. Additional rules include keeping the door ajar

and on some floors of Sanford Hall, gentlemen must register with the hostess on duty. Likewise, on some floors towels are put on the doorknobs of rooms to designate where the men are visiting. They must also be escorted to the room and visit on a modified one-to-one basis (no more than two or three boys to one girl in one room). Moore Hall has established a host duty equal to Sanford's system to assist anyone during visitation hours.

The idea of open housing first began on the 2nd and 3rd floors of Moore Hall. The boys circulated a petition which 75% of the students signed. This same procedure now applies for both dorms. Until permanent schedules and decisions are made, the residents of both dorms must submit a petition each week to G. John

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HEARINGS COMPLETED

Committee to Examine Constitutional Suggestions

By Peggy Caldwell

The Committee on University Governance has completed all scheduled hearings on the Proposed University of North Carolina at Charlotte Constitution. Unless further hearings are requested, the Committee anticipates presentation of the final draft of the document to students and faculty within a month.

According to Dr. N. H. Barnette, chairman of the Governance Committee, most of the students and faculty members who have attended the hearings share a genuine interest in the Constitution and many have raised questions and offered suggestions concerning the document.

In general, there seems to be a broad acceptance of the unified, all-University governance structure which has been proposed.

Students have suggested that provisions be made for student nominations of the four faculty University Senators for which they will be able to vote. The present Constitution draft provides for nomination of these faculty Senators by faculty members and election of them by students and faculty.

Another suggested provision is for re-ratification as well as re-examination of the document every three years by students and teachers. University members have expressed a general willingness to attempt operation under a new, experimental governance structure, as long as provisions are made to re-study it and revise it completely, if necessary.

At one hearing, a participant suggested that all Senate meetings be open, with a gallery for interested listeners and observers. Some University members expressed a desire to strengthen and clarify the Senate's reporting responsibility to students and faculty.

The suggestion was made for the professional staff of the Office of Academic Affairs to be represented on the Senate. The new Constitution provides for representation from the professional library staff.

During the hearings, the questions were raised as to how the committee structure of the Senate will be expanded and how students and faculty members will be chosen to sit on the Senate committees. Dr. Barnette stated that there will be some understandable difficulty in seeing how the interlaced committee memberships will serve to tie the constituent groups in daily operations. However, these facets of the new governance system will evolve and become effective only through experience.

Miscellaneous suggestions made at the hearings include provisions for a larger student representation, separate faculty and student governments, and a working relationship between the Senate and the Student Government Association.

The Governance Committee held hearings during the past few weeks with student leadership groups, student legislative officers, presidents of student organizations, and residence hall students. Although attendance was sparse at a few divisional meetings, student attendance in general was quite good and

interest was high, especially at the dormitory meetings.

The Committee met with the general faculty, some faculties of the academic divisions, and the staff of the Office of Academic Affairs. Supervisors of non-academic affairs were invited to some of the hearings to determine whether or not hearings are desired for non-academic staffs. Hearings of this type may be held in the near future.

The drafting sub-committee of the Governance Committee has begun a series of meetings to evaluate the questions and suggestions offered in the hearings and to make revisions in the Constitution that has been drafted. It is the hope of the Committee that these revisions can be accomplished within about two weeks unless further hearings are requested.

Southerland Exhibition here April 6-10

Mrs. Francis M. Southerland, practicing North Carolina artist, will exhibit a group of representative paintings in the Union April 6-10.

The former Miss Elizabeth Burke of Burlington, Mrs. Southerland paints in oils, acrylics, and mixed media.

Her fifteen paintings on display will include "Waiting," "Island Return," "Blue Still Life," and "Mixed Media." Paintings may be purchased for prices ranging from \$30 to \$125.

All students and faculty are invited to the reception in the Northwest lounge Monday, April 6 at 11:30 a.m.

Dailey Plans Easter Happening

An Easter sunrise celebration, at which the participants leave their finery at home, bring tamborines and bongos, and sit on the floor, is being planned for Easter morning.

The celebration will include folk singing, original, contemporary band music, and dancing.

The program, which will be conducted "in the round" is a joint venture by some faculty members, the Baptist Student Union, and ministers in the immediate area of the campus. It will be held in the Parquet Room of the University Union with the audience seated on the floor around the participants.

Music will be provided by the new band and a chorus of UNCC students under the direction of Dr. William Dailey. Many of Dr. Dailey's original compositions will be sung and played.

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Duke Power

Story and Photo by Alan Guggenheim

Duke Power Co. plans to double its generating operations by building a \$431 million nuclear generating plant on Lake Norman.

The current controversy that Duke Power will alter the environment catastrophically with its new nuclear plant, provoked three Duke executives to attend a seminar last Tuesday at UNCC and answer some questions.

The arguments in the interest of Duke Power were from health physicist Lionel Lewis, engineer Charles A. Dewey Jr., and vice president William Silee.

What about radioactivity?

Duke health physicist, Lionel Lewis replied that, "the average person would take less than one milligram of radioactivity from the nuclear power plant."

He also said that a lethal dose fatal to a person, "is about 450,000 milligrams."

Lewis emphasized that the effects of one milligram of radiation was almost insignificant because the average person took on 240 milligrams of radioactivity from his natural environment each year.

How about air pollution?

Duke engineer Charles A. Dewey said that four million dollars a year for several years was being spent in the study of air pollution.

Marshall Plant on Lake Norman and Allen Plant on Lake Wylie have fly-ash precipitators on their smokestacks now, and that these are "about as good as you can get."

How about the fish?

The water which will be used by the nuclear power generators to cool the condensers will ultimately be heated about 18 degrees. This heated water will then be returned to the lake where it may or may not affect the fish and plants.

The results of this thermal pollution are not known yet because the study is still being conducted. UNCC biology professor Menhenick, is a member of this study and he said the first computerized data results will be known this week.

However as of last Tuesday's seminar, no adverse affects of thermal pollution on the fish or plant life had been found.

So what are you saying?

The three executives spent most of the two seminar hours advertising their lofty morals and admirable achievements. They were rigid in their assurances to the sparse crowd that, "the plant would cause no adverse effects on the immediate environment" and that it, "would not be hazardous to health."

CORRECTION:

Speeches for class officers will be held on Monday, April 27 at 11:30 a.m. in the Parquet Room.