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Editorial. . . Confessions of a novice newspaperwoman. . .

Last week someone flattered me by asking where I had gone to journalism school. Honesty compelled me to confess that I hadn't.

At 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 8, 1982, I confess that I discovered what true terror was as I rolled a blank piece of paper into my typewriter and realized that the front page of the News would have to be filled by me until Cynthia Reimer returned from her sabbatical.

Shortly a 35 mm camera was thrust into my reluctant hands along with the admonition to go forth and take photos and I confess I felt pure panic. Light and lens settings: that was all Greek to me—a Brownie box was my speed.

I must confess that I was chagrined when I shot two days' worth of photos only to discover belatedly that the camera was without film.

An identity crisis confronted me the morning I opened the first stack of mail on my desk. Sports, business, art, economic, political, music or managing editor—which was I? Could I possibly be

all of them?

It was not long until I realized that mistakes set in type come back to haunt: ABBCM-E means Asheville Buncombe Community (not County) Christian Ministry-East; the Coach House Restaurant is open Tuesday through Sunday (not Saturday); and I really did know all the time that Carl Bartlett is the manager of the Northwestern Bank and Gary Bartlett is the town's fire chief.

Eight weeks later I must confess that Brenda Starr, Lois Lane and Billie Neuman still have nothing to fear from me.

Next to last I would like to confess that I owe some very big "thank you's" to the following people: to Jock and Maggie Lauterer who have been energetic, enthusiastic and excellent teachers; to the entire staff of the News who have been helpful and supportive; to those in the community who have shared their stories with me.

The final confession is that my stint on the staff has been an exciting and exhilarating experience.

PAH



Carl Mumpower
 Living and Growing

Thoughts on "real men"

There's a book circulating around these days called "Real Men Don't Eat Quiche". The author suggests things like real men don't wear shirts when they fry bacon and that real men don't crush beer cans, they eat them whole. It's a cute book, with lots of good stuff on being a real man. It's a tongue in cheek kind of book that's not to be taken seriously. It stirred up the thought, however, about what a real man really is.

Believe it or not, a real man is sensitive. No, that doesn't mean he runs around crying all the time. It does mean that he realizes that feelings are a natural and normal part of the human experience and that killing your feelings is like killing your soul. A real man not only uses the thinking and doing part of himself, but also the feeling part that helps separate him from computers and machines.

A real man recognizes the importance of giving. He doesn't throw his trash out of the car window, he does more than just get by in his work and he makes some effort to play it straight on his income taxes. In short, a real man tries to add something to the world around him instead of constantly taking or destroying. Almost everyone has the power to tear down, but it takes a person with skill and awareness to build.

A real man identifies and accepts his need for relationships. It is a fact that no man is an island, and thus the real man looks for the opportunity to share himself emotionally, intellectually, and spiritually with others. He views people as the opportunity to look into a mirror that reflects his soul and personhood vs. as a source of competition, hassle, and potential pain. He supports the fact that energy invested in quality relationships

feeds you dividends.

A real man seeks growth and develops goals. He resists stagnation as an ultimate enemy and actively invests energy in developing his potential and skill. When a man quits the process of growing, he begins the process of dying. A real man doesn't want to go before his time, and when he does go, he wants to leave his good mark on the earth.

A real man lives in the real world. He doesn't waste his time obsessed about escapes like drinking, drugs, or general hell raising. That doesn't mean a real man is a prude. It does mean he focuses on learning how to pull happiness out of reality instead of a fantasy world. He tries to live today fully, with an eye on the potential of tomorrow.

In all likelihood, a real man has a spiritual framework that he practices and acknowledges. His spiritual foundation may not exactly model yours or mine, but he does recognize that people need a workable spiritual framework that answers such questions as where did we come from, what should we be doing while we are here, and where are we going when we leave here. A real man recognizes that he is just a man, and looks for understanding and insight beyond himself.

There aren't many of us that fry bacon without a shirt and eat beer cans. We can, however, be a real man without necessarily pursuing those directions. What we are really saying is that those traits listed above make us a real person. Real people includes men and women. Except for some basic physical differences and the values taught by society, the similarities far outweigh the differences. How about it? Have you given much thought to being a real person?

Letters to the News

Ed. note: The following letter was sent to Mr. Charles A. Lytle, Principal of Owen High School.

Congrats to Owen High

Dear Mr. Lytle:

I have learned that the Air Force has selected Charles D. Owen High School to host an Air Force Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps unit as vacancies develop in academic year 1983-1984.

The selection of your school is quite an honor, and I congratulate you, the faculty, and students.

With every good wish for many successes in this endeavor, I am

Sincerely,

Jesse Helms

Government criticized for spending

Wasteful and unnecessary government spending on the state land must be curbed. The tendency of the utility companies to consistently ask the State Utilities Commission to raise their rates must be thwarted by an aroused public.

By being efficient and cutting out waste in our state government, the tax burden can be reduced. The ever increasing tax burden is a big concern today. In 1968 the State Budget was 1.4

billion dollars. In 1978 the State Budget rose to \$4.4 billion, a 225 percent increase in only ten years. In 1978 there was an accumulated surplus in the state treasury of \$288,000.00. This was actually an over collection of taxes. Surpluses should be returned instead of being appropriated for whopping increases in legislators' salaries, new state office buildings and other frills. The sum of \$8.5 million dollars was noted by the legislature for a new state legislative office building to provide more comfort and extra space for the legislators and staff. Then too, the Hunt Administration hired 5,200 people last year alone, and added 9,900 new employees to the public payroll in just two years prior to last year! Thus, the taxpayer's taxes climb steadily each year.

The time for retrenchment in state government is at hand. North Carolina needs progressive tax reform. Tax loopholes must be closed and the tax burden which falls most heavily on those least able to pay, should be distributed more evenly to become more equitable.

Good government doesn't have to be expensive but it must be responsible.

The elimination of squandering of public funds for non-essential purposes is a desirable objective in this state.

Joe L. Morgan

Marshall, N.C.



Edwin Andrews
 Apropos

Leaves, old and new

The driveway is awash with leaves. Brown, inert, expended leaves, all lying limply where they fell.

They crackle underfoot when I walk through the morning dark to get the paper, seemingly protesting this rude assault upon their new-found humble state. They cover steps and pile up in the cellar doorway as if by some blind obstructionist design, making mute demand to be noticed even in extremis. In the quiet night, the cooling autumn winds move them restlessly, clamorously, aimlessly, in haunting parody of yesterday's lively green salute to the summer's breeze.

In the midst of that summer yesterday, the fragrant green leaves seemed timeless indeed. The hillsides were solidly alive with their infinite variety, all of them moving, resting in the wind, shining in the rain, whispering companionably in the darkness. Well-traveled roads and paths were cool and shaded places, overhung with a lively, moving canopy of leaves. It was a good yesterday, filled with greenness and the warmth of a near and long-shining sun.

But that was yesterday, and it proved not timeless at all. Today the leaves are torn and tumbled on cold winds, buried in frigid, dark recesses. Their brown, brittle crackling seems to speak their remonstrance at this cavalier treatment after so short a time of waving like royal

green banners. But with time, even this protest lessens and fades.

As tomorrow dawns, the leaves will be gone. They will lodge unseen in an infinite number of places governed by wind and rain and snow. Unknown even to themselves, they will feed the new and shining leaves of tomorrow, and thus have a part in the coming day. For as the sun again comes 'round long-shining and with fulsome warmth, there will be new leaves, new greenness, new cooling shade and companionable whispering.

Protesting or not, the leaves must come and go. It is the cycle of the seasons that remains.

Book Fair

In early Oct., Black Mountain Primary School had its first "BOOK FAIR". The children from kindergarten through fifth grade were allowed to browse through over 250 books available. The book fair gave the children an opportunity to choose the book they wished to purchase. The school made over \$200.00 profit with which materials will be bought to help educate our children. We want to thank the following people for volunteering their time to help with our Book Fair: Kathy Haynie, Debbie Massey, Becky McMahan, Judy Burgess, Ruth Gilbert, Glenda Mundy, Elizabeth Adams, and Frances Melton. We also want to thank the parents for helping make the book fair a success by giving their children an opportunity to buy their books.

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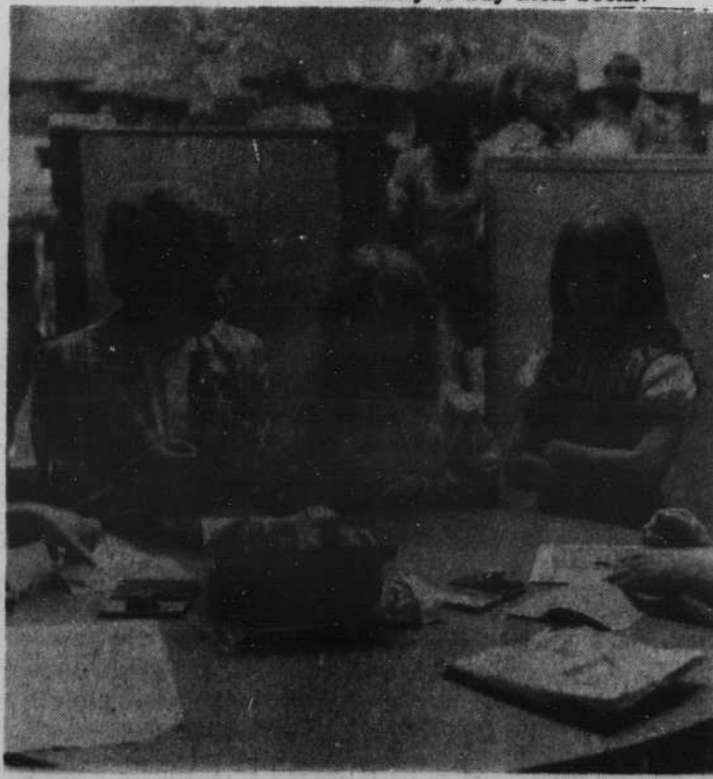
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