Winter enrollment record, registration debacle

by Ron Speir, Jr.

"Lines as far as the human eye could see" is how one exasperated student described the situation during winter quarter registration on January 2. "There has got to be a better way," he continued, and the statement was repeated by several other students.

Winter quarter enrollment has reached 3,546. A figure which does not include the 110 or so students from Brunswick and other college campuses of ASC. During the fall, 3,644 students attended classes, meaning that fall and winter should be about equal.

The 3,546 also represents a 11.3% increase over last winter quarter, which had an enrollment of 3,147.

"We had no idea we could retain this many," said Dr. William Megathlin, dean of enrollment and academic services.

But growing pains are beginning to be felt, especially in the area of registration. ASC is having a hard time processing all the students without creating long lines after line.

Winter registration may have been the most students registered in one day. "We registered close to 1,200 — the most previously was a little over 1,000," stated Megathlin.

Many students will testify to the large turn out and the ensuing chaos from line after line. Some poor souls could have waited in six lines: advisement, registration, financial aid, payment of fees, parking, and student ID (which were really two lines in itself).

In a survey conducted by the Inkwell with questions provided by Dr. Frank Butler, vice-president and dean of faculty, 13% of the 23 randomly selected respondents indicated that they had registered at other colleges and that ASC's registration was faster. This data, coupled with the endless moaning of students, should not be ignored — something needs to be done to upgrade the ASC registration system.

Many students said that they waited through a variety of lines for up to four hours. One student worker, who manned a computer terminal inputting student's schedules, was speechless that the line did not shorten noticeably until after 3:00 pm.

"We almost had to close the door," stated Megathlin. "Usually in the afternoon we slow down but we never did really slow down."

Toby Taylor, the acting assistant registrar and recent graduate of ASC, sympathized with the students' frustration, but pointed out that all the workers at registration did their best under the conditions. He also noted that there were no computer problems which normally plague registration.

"One student every three minutes is good considering when [workers] have to start helping people find classes that are not filled," said Taylor, "with what we had we did an excellent job."

What the school had was seven computer terminals processing roughly 20 students per hour.

A major flaw was the long drop/add line which led only to one computer terminal. One student waited for two hours in that one line. "We did not expect the drop/add line," noted Taylor. Many students indicated that they had preregistered but had come to change a class or two, which was not what the line was intended for.

The financial aid line drew heat from angry students when some waited in the wrong line. The financial aid had three lines alphabetically formed by last name, but students could not see the signs taped on the front of the tables with the long lines stretched out before the tables. Ellen Shaw, director of financial aid, noted the problem which will be corrected before next registration.

Students also couldn't understand why there are two lines for one financial aid and one for payment of fees. These two lines could be combined with financial aid passing out its paper work before students reach the payment table.

Improvements are in the works. Megathlin pointed out that a new software program is going to be purchased and should be in operation by fall 1990 registration. Registration by telephone is another prospect that a committee to improve registration, which Megathlin chairs, is looking into. Students in the Inkwel poll seemed indifferent to the tele-registration idea splitting 57% against and 43% in favor.

An overwhelmingly supported idea was a staggered registration where students are given a time to show up. This would spread the number of students coming to register over the entire day making the long wait a thing of the past. 95.6% of the students in the survey were in favor of staggering registration times, and many students cited that Georgia Southern's registration, which features a staggered system, as being much better than ASC's.

Megathlin stated that some improvements may be seen as soon as spring registration but definitely by fall. Until then the registration committee is looking toward the SGA for student input to help find a new system or improvements.

Until a staggered system is instituted it would be wise for students to preregister for each quarter and be ready to wait for a hour or more.

photo by Beth Cohen

Savannah had a white Christmas for the first time in recorded history, and the deserted ASC parking lot was a popular spot for neighboring motorists to do 360s on the glazed ice during the following days.

Coffee with the V.P.

A time to meet Vice President Butler.
A time to get some questions answered.
A time to share new ideas.
A time to get a Free cup of coffee.
A time to get some grades changed.

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Place: lunchroom ... the table with the free coffee
EDITORIAL

Scholarship Pageant earns a B.S.

What do you do to disguise the fact that you're holding a beauty pageant? Answer: Call it something snazzy like "The Miss ASC Scholarship Pageant!"

There will always be those who protest such sexist displays. But there are three points that should be made prior to this years pageant.

Any professional is entering this year's contest. Natalie Hendrix, who can be seen nightly on WJCL's evening news, has decided to enter the Miss ASC Scholarship pageant. While she's here, Miss Hendrix has also decided to take a few classes.

If Miss Hendrix wins, she will advance to the Miss Georgia Pageant, which must be her motive. Assuming that she does win (many have already given her the crown), her trip to the state pageant will be her fourth.

Some ASC co-eds are not entering the competition because of the professional in their midst. Not to mention the fact that Hendrix.

Essentially ASC has invited a ringer to come in and represent the school in the Miss Georgia Pageant. The attention that the school would like to generate by having their entrant finish well would be overshadowed by the fact that everyone will know she is a ringer. ASC is not helping itself — they are only helping Miss Hendrix.

This attempt by Miss Hendrix could be equated to a washed up baseball player trying to get one more year out of his body. Its still a beauty pageant anyway you slice it. As long as a swimsuit and evening gown competition are included in the judging — no matter how small the percentage they weigh in the final decision. This year these two meaty categories will count 15% each in the judging.

If the school truly wants to make it a "Scholarship Pageant" then they should make a few changes. Do away with the swimsuit and the evening gowns. Instead have the talent competition and the personal interview, as they do this year, and add a quiz bowl competition. Each of these three categories should count 1/3 of the total points. And just to make sure...have that funky kind of lighting so that no one can see the contestants faces.

These would make a true "Scholarship Pageant." But if the school wants to keep the swimsuit and evening gown competitions the they should forget the dim idea and illusion that it is a scholarship pageant and just admit that it is an old fashioned beauty pageant. Hypocrisy sucks.

Why not a Mr. ASC Pageant. If the school is going to be doling out scholarships to beautifully talented co-eds, then why not give the same opportunity for the males on campus. If females on campus are given the chance to win scholarships then men should be too. It is sexist to have just a female pageant.

ASC simply needs to admit that it is holding a beauty pageant with a ringer. -- The Editors

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Discrepancies in debate pointed out

Dear Editor:

Congratulations to ASC's College Union Board for sponsoring the November debate on the abortion issue; it is a process by which we should learn to think thoughtfully and logically. However, please allow me to correct the absolutely false statement attributed to Rabbi David Ostrich in the Inkwell review that "the Catholic Church did not outlaw abortion until two or three hundred years ago." Although Catholic theologians have speculated when "consent" occurs, there has never any change from the very earliest days of Christianity in the anti-abortion stand of the Catholic Church.

I am tempted to also suggest to the good Rabbi and his debate companion that they review any Biology 101 textbook to learn that life begins at conception, not birth. I leave it to the audience's good sense to dismiss such arguments as they view the nation's soaring abortion rate which also inappropriately provides an immense financial windfall to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest provider and supporter of abortions and which your review discloses Ostrich serves as a local board member.

Roe v. Wade, the 1973 Supreme Court abortion decision, was based on a so-called "privacy right" of women generally taking precedence over any right of the state or of the unborn child. A "privacy right" the Court eventually interpreted as including a mother's legal right to kill her unborn child up to the moment before actual birth. Sadly, we often becloud the horror of the last sentence with euphemisms such as "fetus" and "terminate" and "choice," but they do not change the sordid reality or soften the pain or sorrow involved.

Pro lifers realize the Roe Case and in progeny deprives the unborn child of all due process rights as a person, while the delegating a father's rights to the state of rapist. "Choice" is afforded in the time before the conception of human life, while supporters declare, except in the admitted difficult cases of rape, where a minor cent lies then must be considered. Although rape cases are an infinitesimal percentage (1%) of the nation's now million and a half plus annual abortions, the abortion debate focuses arguments for a total right to abortion on the highly emotional rape situations. A claim of "rape," now admitted as completely fraudulent, was often infused into the testimony of the woman "victim" in the Roe Case, undoubtedly to arouse understandably intense emotions even of the courts.

Unfortunately but logically, once the value of innocent human life is discounted, whether it be by accepted abortion, euthanasia, or selective elimination of "useless" human beings, then we all must inevitably also accept the logic of the accusation it is parallel to the despicable Nazi Holocausts.

You were right, Rabbi, in stating during the debate that "life is hard" - but as he was saying goes, "no one promised a rose garden."

Sincerely,

J.H. Murphy
Graduate

LETTERS POLICY:

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OPINION

Faculty Speaks

The times they are a changin'

by Larry Babits

Bob Dylan, a sixties songwriter, was a particularly well spoken observer of the American people but his theme is perhaps more timely today than when he first sang those particular words. In the last year, we have seen a whole of people, from Tiananmen Square to Burchells, rally forth to defy their governments and demand certain rights.

Tom Jefferson might not have liked it, but Tom Paine would have been ecstatic. While Patrick Henry was recounting his statement about “Give me liberty or give me death;” Citizen Tom Paine took up a musket and served as a private soldier. Colonel Henry resigned his commission as soon as he heard about the shootings at Lexington, Concord and Bunker Hill.

So much of history is about talkers that we forget the doers and those who die. Just who was that guy in the white shirt who stopped the tanks? What became of him?

Students today simply do not realize the changes which are going on around them. Today is probably the third “biggest” revolution in history. After the development of Culture which separated humankind from the animals, the next revolution was the domestication of plants and animals about ten thousand years ago. The third revolution is still going on and showing no signs of peaking. This is the information revolution which really began when Gutenberg used movable type for the first time. The machines have changed but my word processor is just another machine making information available.

Dick Nordquist’s comment that students should not expect baked goods from professors is particularly succinct in this regard. Marie Antoinette reportedly said that the ritzers in 1789 Paris could eat cake lost her head. Teachers can give students all sorts of examples and all sorts of facts but the student has to work them up into a meaningful whole. Unfortunately, few of those entering college today have been trained in thinking. Too many teachers have just gone through their lesson plans and followed the script without teaching thinking.

This lack of clear thinking can be seen in all sorts of high places but those in power who do not think clearly and articulate their views or commands in a clear concise fashion are poor excuses for leaders. Knowledge is power, but power is definitely not knowledge, no matter how much newspeak the politicians and bureaucrats and administrators put out.

We can see a growing fear of those in power at all levels of society but their power is not god given. We are encouraged to be anonymous and avoid responsibility right from the beginning. “Vote in secret,” “don’t sign your name,” and for christ’s sake “don’t rock the boat.” If we ever found out how disgruntled and turned off by our leaders everyone else is, there would be a revolt. If this is true, why can’t we have a white ballot which would allow us to vote for no one?

By forcing people to either vote for a Democrat or a Republican, the powers that be create a situation where someone must vote at all and many vote for a candidate who is perceived as less objectionable than the other. This keeps the people quiet but the silent majority is not better off without a voice as the people in Romania demonstrated.

It is an ideal situation for our leaders though. The bad ones can lie, cheat and steal without fear of being held responsible as long as the electorate does not care or remains ignorant. Why do you think that PELL funding was cut in half a little bit each year over the course of the Reagan administration? Most of the really good potential leaders seem repelled by power while those who are corruptible are readily attracted to it.

In the eighteenth century we had two models for good leadership. The first one was “virtue.” Virtue meant that a person would see what was needed and do it, even if it meant some expense because it was good for the country. Virtue is dearer than those buried in Grant’s tomb unless I am mistaken in Congress voting themselves a pay cut and increasing taxes to cut down the deficit.

The model was Cincinnatus. He was a Roman farmer who was called up to be a general, successfully prosecuted the war and went home when the war was over. When they tried to make him a political leader, he told them to stuff it. He served as the model of the sturdy yeoman farmer taking up his musket and leaving his plow which stands at Concord Bridge. Today, our military leadership can’t wait to get listeners into the civilian world and sell junk back to the military.

Why all this revolutionary gibberish? Look around you and see the turmoil the world is in. The same sort of turmoil took place here in the southland 209 years ago and today marks an anniversary of a major turning point in America’s military struggle to obtain independence. The short, but very nasty, little fight at the Cowpens sent Cornwallis and his army on the road to Yorktown where they surrendered.

Okay, that is history in the sense of dealing with the past. How it relates to the present is another thing. That’s just one of many风格. Where were you when you heard about the space shuttle blowing up? Where were you when a man first walked on the moon? What are birthdays but a remembering of the past?

Today we are the accumulated product of those who have gone before; our ancestors and their experiences should help us to avoid past mistakes. However, we have to know about those mistakes to avoid them. You have to know about the past.

That’s where so many students come up short today. They just want to be put at the end point of their own successful road. Sorry kids, you are what you eat. If all you do is read more, you’ll be a graduate of Washout Tech. If you do not rise up to overcome challenge, your diploma might read “failed.” A college education is NOT your birthright; it must be earned. In the same sense, a journeyman’s rank must be earned long before one becomes a master carpenter.

I don’t feel guilty about failing people who don’t learn a single definition and 200 words in ten weeks, even if it includes spelling them correctly, too. I got excited by a student who starts out poorly and finishes really well. Ecstasy is reached when a student provides a well written, logically argued response to a question on an exam, especially if they were to argue an opposite side from mine. That student met the challenge head on, rose to the occasion and surpassed expectations.

It is not easy but no one gets better playing downhill. Nebraska and Colorado should realize that they did not get ready for Kansas State. Joe Roberts, ASC’s baseball coach, once told me he wouldn’t recruit poor students any more because he couldn’t teach them how to play baseball. He doesn’t give his players a very sheltered life on the baseball field. The proof of his challenges lies in the trips to the College World Series. Anything given casually or out of hand is hard to value. If you have to work for something, it is automatically worth a lot more. Maybe that is why so many descendants of the American Revolutionary soldier realized as Tories than Patriots. The modern folks don’t have to face up to what the Revolution was all about and grew up enjoying what their ancestors had to fight for.

The same thing seems true today for some black adults who see many younger blacks as squandering what their parents got for them through the demonstrations of the fifties and sixties. The younger blacks were given what their parents strove for and their parents do not see them appreciating it.

Babits: The lack of clear thinking can be seen in all sorts of high places

Back in the early sixties, the German Democratic Republic erected a wall across the occupied city of Berlin. This was an economic necessity because East Germany was suffering a major drain of skilled labor and needed to keep them at home. It worked as a temporary solution. People still tried to leave, but the danger and penalty were increased. Some got killed. In 1964 and 1965, I did a stint of patrolling on the Berlin Wall.

In the last two months the wall came tumbling down. This revolt was peaceful but the long term economic effects are going to be hard on East Germans because they have to cope with freedom. They’ve already been in the situation where they felt there was nothing left to lose. Now they have freedom but will have to work hard to make something of it.

This rebellious activity is illegal. In some countries, the response was very violent and many died. The survivors, in most cases, seem to have triumphed. In the words of Eldredge Cleaver, “the spirit of the people overcame the technology of the man.” The deal with Mao’s axiom that all political power came from the barrel of a gun.

They had to struggle for an idea which was, for them, an outlaw idea. They were born again. Both Abe Lincoln and Bob Dylan addressed this. Lincoln did it in his Gettysburg Address and Dylan in his statement that, “He who’s not busy being born is busy dyin’.”

Here at Armstrong students have to cope with history, both in the past and the present as well as creating something for the future. What the future entails depends on challenges met, or avoided, but the lessons will not go away. You either profit by the mistakes of the past, or you don’t. College is just another rite of passage leading to another stage of your existence in society and your being born again here is just part of the changes the world is facing.

Editor’s Note: Dr. Larry Babits is an associate professor of history and archaeology, and he attended Woodstock. He may currently be seen in the new film Glory.
The Close of My Days
The end of a friend’s days
by Art Brooks

His name was Bob Benson. He attended Armstrong years ago. As far as I could learn he later switched to Georgia at Athens. He was a short man, sort of overweight and as argumentative as he could be, especially if he disagreed with your opinion.

Shortly after I moved to Savannah early in 1988 I met Bob and we became friends. He had great knowledge of Savannah and its history and often during our walks around the city he would steer us to the building that once was a school that he attended.

A veteran of World War II, the Korean and Vietnam Wars, he would spend hours telling me about his experiences, punctuating his remarks often with, “Did you ever know that?” He was easy to talk to and just by remaining silent, letting him do the talking, I learned a lot about Savannah, its history and during our walks around the city he would steer us to the building that once was a school that he attended.

He walked very fast and would stop now and them to let me catch up. He had hundreds of books which he lent freely and then sort of quizzed me on the contents. So when Bob lent a book to you, you read it.

Early last December I left for Helen, GA, and a short vacation in the mountains. I told Bob I would be back in a week. Actually I returned in five days.

For two days I put messages on his answering machine. On the third day I learned that Bob had died. I am still uncertain what caused his death, but I do know he probably had a book in hand when he was called home.

I attended Bob’s funeral on a cold, damp day. An honor guard was present and rifles were fired. Should I be ashamed to say that I cried?

Well, he’s gone now and there is a hollowness in my life that will never end.

What can I say about Bob by way of an eulogy. Only these few words: “I knew you Bob, I loved you and I miss you.”

Sayings of the Wise by Joseph Babula
“Character is what you know you are, not what others think you are?” — J.P. Tarden

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Dear Ebony and Ivory,
I have a terrible problem. I am in love with a married older man, a professional colleague, who unfortunately likes me also. We first consummated our relationship one night late after school during a champagne dinner. He is committed to his marriage, but he says he really loves me. Plus he is great in bed or should I say on the desk.

I really feel like this is the big one in my life. Things in my life are finally coming together. He sends me roses which conjure up images of our favorite symphony by Stravinsky. The horrid part of this beautiful relationship is that people are beginning to talk. I worry about my reputation, but he says to forget it and think of our love. I really love him and the way he makes me feel, but if we keep carrying on I feel that my future will be ruined. Should I live for today, or think about tomorrow?

Sincerely,
The Rose.

Dear Rose,
Get real!!! Are you confusing orgasms with love? Married men are trouble from the start. They are looking for “a walk on the wild side” and young women are just that. Their wives are safe and comfortable and once the novelty of your and your relationship wears off, you’re in the gutter and he’s back with his wife, until someone else comes along. Our advice to you is to leave him in the past, look for someone your own age who just happens to be unattached (until you find him try cold showers and Valium), and work on establishing yourself in your field of expertise. Remember, you’re a person, not a sex toy!!!!

Love,
Ebony & Ivory

Your letters to Ebony & Ivory can be placed in the white box by the entrance to the cafeteria line in MCC. Your letter could be next!

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The Macintosh Sale.
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ASC Bookstore
Resolutions for a new destiny

by Dee Shurling

What is it about the start of a new year that seems so magical? After all, it’s just a new calendar, a new date most of us won’t remember to write on our checks until at least February, a new income tax return to worry about. So why do people go nuts?

Popular reaction to New Year’s Eve is easy to explain, of course, because people never pass up an excuse to dress differently, get ridiculously drunk and kiss people they normally wouldn’t have an opportunity to do so. These desires are easily understood, but the urge to make New Year’s Resolutions is not. What is it about humans that makes us want to make drastic change in our lives corresponds with the change in the calendar?

Whatever it is that causes this “new leaf” syndrome, I will admit to being a full-fledged victim of it. The beginning of the year is the one time in particular I vow to change my wardrobe, my attitude, in short, my destiny. I go into the new year with a fresh start, when I pass pre-cal, when I getforking, when school is out, when school starts, when I pass pre-cal, when I get caught up with bills, when I have less stress, when I can get more sleep, when I learn to adhere to a completely transcendental philosophy and meditate for seven hours a day. When I drop dead.

So what made me decide to quit now? Was it the fact that the Inkwell office, where I have spent so much time hunched over a keyboard in a cloud of smoke, puffing for inspiration, has gone for real smoke free? Was it my four year old sister’s fearful pleas that I not die from cancer or my twelve year old brother’s “smoking” of cigarettes? Was it simply the disgust I feel when I see non-smokers give off so freely to people who light up in their presence?

Of course not, it was the beginning of the 90’s!!

Yea, the 90’s, the last decade of the century. The day of the 80’s, also known as the Reagan Era, may it rest in peace for eternity. As of this year I leave behind my teenage days forever, which is cause for some nostalgia but much more relief. In other words, its time for a major new leaf to be turned, and just any old wimpy resolutions wouldn’t do.

As I mentioned before, I have a few minor resolutions that will help me keep the big one. The first is to keep up with my classes, so I never again have to endure a marathon all night writing session to turn in something I knew about since the first day of the quarter. Last quarter I smoked a carton in the course of a 12 page term paper. The second is not to get mad and cuss at people while I am driving my car. In the past, the amount of smoking I did in my car tended to increase in direct relation to the flow of traffic and in inverse relation to the intelligence of those drivers around me.

My worst day so far has of course been the first day of class. First there is the horrible realization that the magical month of Christmas vacation is really truly over and you have to (gasp) return to scholarly pursuits. Then there are all the hassles of the first day, which this quarter for me included the search for the elusive mobile Spanish 102 class. This class switched to three different rooms in one day (obviously in an effort to combine education with exercise) and I was always one step behind.

My first day was made even more stressful by the fact it was also my first day on a new job. I came in two days before my department’s biggest luncheon of the year, which made things very hectic.

My frustration reached its peak as I was driving back to school that day. I was trying to decide if I really should go back to work the next day, or if they would buy some tropical disease excuse if I got my mom to call. It was 5:30, which meant I was struggling not to call the sun going 35 miles an hour in front of me a few choice ones. And the whole reason I was stuck in cross town rush hour traffic was I was trying to make it to the bookstore to buy the book I needed to turn in for the first day of class.

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Here comes the 1990 Miss Armstrong

Cheryl Andrews
History
Sophomore

Karen Boyette
Nursing
Sophomore

Marla Brannen
Math
Freshman

Laurie Butrymowicz
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Freshman

Jackie Cooley
Occupational Therapy
Junior

Melissa Dove
Chemistry
Junior

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Undecided
Freshman

Lisa Hamilton
Nursing
Junior

Natalie Hendrix
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in Political Science

Ginger Oliver
Undecided
Freshman

Angelisa Savage
Nursing
Freshman

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Cheryl Weech, a junior music education major, and a duet from Guys and Dolls. The pianist will be Kathleen O'Neal, a junior music education major. Cheryl is a student of Dr. Lucinda Schultz, and Kathleen is a student of Mr. Kerica Vogelsang. The admission is free and everyone is invited to attend the performance.

Snow White puppet show to come

The puppet show of Snow White will be performed by the Center for Puppetry Arts Monday and Tuesday, January 29 and 30. The show features some well-known characters and will take place at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday. Call refundable 1-206-736-0775, Ext. 826.

To place a classified ad just call the Inkwell office (927-5351).
Lady Pirates much improved

by Chris Foster

The Armstrong Lady Pirates are off to an amazing start this year, posting a 5-2 record. This is a remarkable achievement for first-year coach Lenny Passink, already improving on last year's 3-21 mark. Passink and the Lady Pirates playing inspired basketball this season and the outlook is good for the team to have a winning year.

The Lady Pirates started the season with a tough win over the Florida Institute of Technology, with Michelle Shinholster scoring in 16 points. Then Moore got the rebound and led her team to victories over A.E. College, Coker College, and Tampa University before getting blown out by 38 points by the team from Florida Atlantic University. They recovered quickly to defeat St. Leo College by a handy margin of 21 points. Then came the rematch with the team shown from the Florida Institute of Technology. This time the Lady Pirates were playing away from home. FIT dominated the boards on the way to defeating the Lady Pirates by 23 points.

One reason for the team's outstanding improvement is the play of senior Jackie Moore. Moore is leading the team in scoring with a 12.3 points a game and in rebounds, pulling down 5.9 game. She also leads the team in field goal percentage, shooting 59% from the floor. If she continues at her current pace, the Lady Pirates should continue their winning ways.

Another reason for the Lady Pirates success this year is Dawn Berguson. The 27-year-old Berguson is averaging 10 points a game coming off the bench and leads the team in assists with 3.7 a game. She is also the catalyst that keeps the team motivated. Assistant coach William Buckley feels that she is one of the most intense players on the squad. Buckley also sees Toni Bell-Yon and Walleid Widener as major contributors of the bench. Bell-Yon is leading the team in three-point percentage, hitting four treys in the team's win over St. Leo College. She also is among the team leaders in scoring, rebounding, and steals. Widener has also contributed in key situations, scoring 10 points to help defeat Coker College and 11 points in a close win over Tampa University.

That is not to say that the rest of the team should go unnoticed. Dina Mulholland and Michelle Shinholster have contributed in some of the unappreciated areas on the team. Mulholland leads the team in blocked shots and is in the top three in steals, behind Shinholster and Berguson. Melissa Rhodes is also a solid performer, contributing in all areas. It must be said that the entire team, from the starters to the bench, must be credited with the outstanding season. Coach Passink and Buckley must also be commended for the great season thus far. Only time will tell if the Lady Pirates will be one of the best teams in recent history. They have a tough schedule ahead of them, starting with cross-town rival Savannah State on January 11. They then have to face some of the tougher teams like Eckerd College and the University of South Carolina-Spartanburg. Buckley is glad to see the team coming out and support the Lady Pirates. 

Lady Pirate B-ball Action

Jan 22 Eckerd College (4:00)
Jan 24 USC-Spartanburg (5:30)
Jan 27 U of Ala.-Huntsville (5:30)
Jan 30 Coker College (5:30)

Upcoming Men's Basketball

Jan 17 Claflin College (7:30)
Jan 24 USC-Spartanburg (7:30)
Jan 31 USC-Aiken (7:30)

Winter intramural extravaganza

by Mel Buchheit

The most important event to happen in intramurals this year is the arrival of Lynn and Joe Roberts' new son. Because of this blessed event, Lynn is going to be a little late in joining us back for the beginning of the Winter quarter intramurals. I am going to try my best to get the ball rolling for her so that we can start as soon as possible.

The most popular sport this quarter will be basketball. Usually an average of 10 to 20 teams form up to face each other in head-to-head competition. If anyone wants to form their own team or needs information on the sport, please run by the gym lobby to pick up an official roster. If you already have a roster filled out, please drop it off in the P.E. office.

If their are any women who want to participate in a team sport, Pillo Polo will also be offered this quarter. Since it starts later in the month, there is plenty of time to form teams and turn rosters in. Schedules have been printed and will hopefully be in the mail soon. If you have any questions, I will try to be available somewhere near the gym form 11:30 to 12:30.

If you miss me, leave a message in the P.E. office and I will try to get back with you. Anyone who still needs their Fall quarter awards shirt, please try to catch me or leave a message. I'll get back with you as soon as possible.

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5 Insane 36 Young oyster
8 Shoemaker's tools 37 Quarrel
12 Sea in Asia 38 Above
13 Transgress 39 Nicklaus is one
14 Fervor 42 Looks fixedly
15 Servant 46 Exchange
16 Oolong 48 Premium
17 Choir voice 49 Nerve network
20 Polo stick 50 Sworn
21 Concerning 52 Flock
22 Corona 54 Still
23 Rage 55 Offspring of pl.
24 Containers 56 Slight
27 Surflets 57 That's it
31 Mature 3 Church officials
32 Savory 5 Ammunition
33 Native metal 6 Exist

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1 Tibetan priest 7 Patriarch
2 Spoken 8 Theatrical
3 Metal fastener 9 Source of water
4 Church officials 9 Gold
5 Apportion 10 Tardy
6 Exist 11 Narrow opening
7 Theatrical 12 Earth goddess
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How to make registration fun
Popular board games could be adapted

by Milton Parker

Do you like to play board games? How about boring games? How about frustrating games? Well, if you do then you must have loved Winter registration. Winter registration had all the thrills, chills and excitement that you find in your favorite board games such as Chutes and Ladders, Trivial Pursuit and Twister.

This Winter quarter there were six different lines in the MCC which the poor student had to traverse in order to continue on to the road to higher education. The six lines could be seen as the chutes of the old children’s game Chutes and Ladders. The premise of this game is to get to the top of the board, like getting out to your car with your schedule and receipt of payment for your classes. The trick of this game is to not land on a chute and lose ground. The best place to land is a ladder in order to move up higher. The ladders are the only item missing in the Winter registration for here (hopefully the right one for what you want). The time you spend in line is equivalent to playing two hours of twister. First you start with one foot in front, then you cranean your body around to see how much longer you have to go. While you are in this position, the person behind you leans over your back and to see how many people are in front of him.

All in all, Winter registration was great fun. We came out a little smarter, a little more patient (ha ha) and a little more physically fit. A heartfelt thanks to all those who made Winter registration all that it was.

Your advisor's signature, which they had forgot to put even though they did advise you. Once you have the signature on the little scrap of paper, then you toddle off to the registration line only to find out that you’re in the drop/add line (fat lot of good that will do since you don’t have anything to drop or add!). But back to advisors. The advisors can turn the advisement process into game of Trivial Pursuit.

Now, you know how to play Trivial Pursuit. You land on a space and are asked a question like “how many steps are there to Sherlock Holmes’s flat, 221B Baker Street.” Of course everyone knows the answer to that one, it’s just like the question you’re asked by your advisor “What’s your major?” Or better yet, “what classes do you need?” Well, isn’t that their job to help you pick classes?

Well, say you have your advisement slip signed and are in one of the six lines (hopefully the right one for what you want). The time you spend in line is equivalent to playing two hours of twister. First you start with one foot in front, then you cranean your body around to see how much longer you have to go. While you are in this position, the person behind you leans over your back and to see how many people are in front of him.

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The official Inkwell Top Ten List
From the home office in Pooler

10. Air Acx.
9. It's a cheap date.
8. Watch Doug Riley's face turn pirate maroon.
7. To wait for a serious injury to occur during one of the cheerleaders' stunts.
6. Watered down coke and cold hot dogs -- it doesn't get much better than this!
5. Hear new swearing phrases from Reggie Riley.
4. The Truck!! The Truck!!
3. To see the cheerleader routines from the behind angle.
2. Gives you the cheerleader routines from the behind angle.
1. Experience the excitement when someone other than a halftime contestant make a freethrow.

Suggestions for the Inkwell

1. Should the Inkwell focus on more events outside of the campus scope? YES ☐ NO ☐
2. Should there be more or less humor MORE ☐ LESS ☐ (no answer means no change)?
3. What do you like the best? ______________
4. What would you like to see more of? ______________
5. What needs to be changed? ______________

other comments: ______________

Sayings of the Wise by Joseph Babula
"A true friend is someone who is there for you when he or she'd rather be elsewhere."
The rose quartz on his desk is part of a group of other rocks, which are used in his Geology and Physical Science classes. Together with vast amounts of charts, papers, brochures, books, and boxes, they make up a typical scientist's office. Yet Dr. John Brewer, Professor of Chemistry in the School of Arts and Sciences is not your average science professor. Appreciated by his students for his broad knowledge and practical approach to this subject, he has another professional side: He is also the Director of the ACS Intercollegiate Athletic Program. His experience as the former Faculty Athletic Representative and his love of sports were important considerations for the President of ACS when he wanted Dr. Brewer for this position.

Between these responsibilities and the professorial duties in the Science Department, there isn't much free time left. But those weekends spent in pursuit of college athletics reach over into his private life: He does enjoy all forms of sports and can be seen sometimes on the golf course playing a few rounds. What little time is left, he spends with his family: His wife and a eight year old son, who does well in second grade and is interested in everything around him, already aware of the world we are living in.

Dr. Brewer's own childhood was quite different, and this is where the fascinating part comes in: He grew up in a small Georgian town with a typical rural school system in which he was confined to the basic three R's. It just wasn't the place or the time to be aware of or reach beyond a rather restricted environment. His father had signed his marriage license with an X. But wanting to get out of the dreary working conditions of a cotton mill, he let his wife teach him how to read and write and later became literary in many fields. From him Dr. Brewer claims, he inherited the desire for knowledge and from his mother tenacity which, in terms of his own personality he calls "bulleheadness", a streak which has helped him pursue his career.

Interestingly, he wasn't exposed to chemistry until his sophomore year in college, but was immediately hooked. His first job was as an analytical development chemist in a large chemical plant, producing nylon. In spite of a certain direction there was exciting freedom and latitude to try almost anything and to explore new techniques almost every day but eventually he longed for more education. He went back to school as a graduate assistant and on to a new position in a new facility of the same company, where he started to train and educate a general work force of about 2000 and 45 specialists.

This first exposure to teaching was to him at the same time "terrifying and exhilarating." After his decision to go into the academic world and choosing between teaching and research, he began his professional career at the Citadel and has been at Armstrong since 1968.

Like many of his fellow professors, he gets frustrated the most with "the part of the system that is not suitable to every temperament" — the bureaucracy. To the students whom he encourages not to limit themselves to just one field of interest but to reach their potential by being open for everything, he has this to say: "Realize that you don't go to college to learn about what other people have done but by looking at these other people to learn to think for yourself."
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