The Dorms Turn Three

by Brendan Buttimer

It's kind of hard to believe, but this fall will mark the beginning of the dorms' third year. Many may think, so what? I don't care about the dorms. Well, my friends, this is a very important year for the dorms. This is the final year of the first "contract" on the dorms; you see, after this year the administration, led by Mack Palmour, Director of Housing, will review the dorm situation and decide what changes, if any, need to be made.

Are any changes being planned? To be honest, it's hard to say. In a recent interview with Mack, he gave no hint of any possible changes in dorm policy. In fact, he suggested that one major factor in the popularity of the dorms is the consistency of policy. He also pointed out that the residents themselves participate in policy making. "One of the features of the dorms is that the residents will sit down and set aside a quiet time for study. I think this adds up to a relaxed atmosphere that is really quite enjoyable," he added.

Additionally, Mack spoke of many features he felt were unique to Armstrong's dorms. Perhaps the most important were the large rooms, quite different from the typical sardine-can type dorms found at other colleges, and the fact that any problems that arise can be addressed both promptly and personally.

Looking ahead, Mack is bubbling over with enthusiasm (well, he's excited). He predicts that next year the dorms should house about 150 students, about 30 more than this past year. This would be about a 75 percent occupancy rate; just about what is needed to pay for the dorms (the dorms are leased by the school). He also says that a major push to make the dorms known last year has resulted in a greater response from outside the area; just prior to our interview he was speaking with a student in Richmond and had earlier talked to a man in Ohio.

Finally, Mack says that the students in the dorms are a great deal to do with the pleasant atmosphere. He adds that not all students in the dorms are athletes (actually there are only twenty or so), and not all are from out of town. What the dorms have is a balance, along with a director like Mack Palmour, that make the dorms a more than bearable experience for students.

If you are interested in staying in the dorms, here is some important information you need to know.

Students can have a double or single occupancy room. The cost (per quarter) for a double occupancy room is $835; a single occupancy room is $970.

The above fee includes a meal plan consisting of 3 meals per day 5 days a week; this meal plan is mandatory unless a medical exemption is necessary. Mack readily admits the cafeteria food is the least popular aspect of dorm life. However, he stresses that preparing a meal for 200 is not the same as cooking at home for 4 or 5 people.

Kitchen facilities are available in the dorms; however, microwave ovens and mini refrigerators are allowed and most students do use them.

Students are matched up through a questionnaire; for instance, students are asked if they smoke or care if their roommate smokes.

The dorms are not co-ed in the traditional sense. Males occupy the first floor of the dorms, while women have the second floor.

Facilities are available for handicapped students.

The alcohol policy of Armstrong is in effect at the dorms.

The dorms have an off duty Savannah police officer on watch at night in addition to the staff security. Also, a new lighting system has been installed which should help reduce the chance of criminal activity.

This is but a few of the facts about our dorms; for more information, drop by Mack Palmour's office in Student Affairs or give him a call at 927-5269.
The Student Government

by Stephanie Norman

Are you a leader? Or even a follower? How about a politician? Or are you just an ordinary student? If any one of the aforementioned pertains to you and you think you would be interested in the Student Senate, the College Union Board or the Student Court, then you should read further.

The Student Government Association (or the SGA) is the official governing body of the students at ASC. It is composed of all the student body officers, the Student Senate, the Student Court and the Court’s Representatives. These elected officials seek to express the will of the general student body and to provide experience in democratic living. All students are automatically members of the SGA and are entitled to vote in SGA elections. Furthermore, the college faculty and administration rely heavily upon this group in seeking the participation of the student body in matters concerning student welfare. The Student Government Office is located in Room 201 of the MCC (Memorial College Center).

The Senate is composed of the student body officers and Senators elected from the relative field of study. There are two Freshman Senate seats, two Sophomore seats, two Health Professions seats and five Arts and Sciences and Education seats. As a matter of fact, two freshman seats will be elected in October, so if you are interested in serving on the Student Senate, pick up a Student Leadership Application in the Student Activities Office in the MCC. Afterwards, you will be notified of meeting dates, campaign rules and the dates of the election. The other officers and senators are elected via the same process but during spring quarter.

The Student Senate oversees many committees. The traffic committee hears all appeals of traffic tickets on Armstrong’s campus and sees whether to grant or deny the appeal. The faculty looks to the Senate for appointments to their committees. One student is needed for each of the following: Academic Board, Academic Standing Committee on Admissions, Academic Standing Committee on Scholarships and Academic Conduct Committee. Two students are needed for the Athletic Committee and Library Committee. Three students are needed for the Student Activities Committee. If a student has an interest in any of the aforementioned, she/he should leave his/her name, address, a phone number to be reached and the name of the committee of interest in the Student Activities Office. This will be given to the Vice-President of the SGA and the Senate will appoint from the candidates. Other committees that the Senate oversees include the Elections Committee, Blood Drive Committee and Student Alumnae Committee.

The judicial branch of the SGA, the Student Court, has jurisdiction over students in all cases involving infractions of the Honor Code and Student Conduct Code. For the programming branch of the SGA, there is the College Union Board. It is composed of two senators appointed to be Publicity Chairman, a Concert and Dance Chairman, a Films and Video Chairman, a Fine Arts Chairman, a Special Events Chairman, a Program Chairman and the SGA officers. These students and their respective committees are responsible for providing a planned program of social, educational, recreational and cultural activities for the community.

For more information on these committees please consult your college handbook or the Student Illustrated.
Gettin’ Into the Greek of Things

Phi Mu and Alpha Gamma Delta, the two national sororities at ASC, would like to invite all women to this Fall’s formal rush (September 17-20). Phi Mu and Alpha Gamma Delta participate in many campus activities throughout the year such as Homecoming Week, intramurals and other sports events, student dances and alumni activities. Besides Student Activities, organizations play an important role in Greek involvement. The CHAOS team, cheerleaders, College Union Board and Senate, Baptist Student Union, and honor societies all have Greek support. On the more personal side, each sorority keeps busy with its own social and philanthropic functions. Weekend excursions, social mixers, dinner outings and banquets, as well as dances keep the campus Greeks moving. Fund sales such as bake sales, flower and balloon sales, car washes and bowl-a-thons help Phi Mu and Alpha Gamma Delta assist their national philanthropies.

If that’s not enough, the Greeks spend some of their holidays helping local organizations. For example in December both sororities gift-wrap in the Ogletorpe Mall to help the Retarded Citizens’ Association. Besides the individual activities of Alpha Gamma Delta and Phi Mu, Panhellenic, organized in order for the Greeks to work with each other, has covered dish suppers and Mixers which help to bring the two sororities together.

Going Greek leads to a future full of fun. The women you meet will become part of long lasting friendships; they are a source of support, help and understanding. Greek life is a fantastic experience for those who join; so “GO GREEK!” and have the experience that will last a lifetime. For more information on how to join, come by the Student Activities Office in the MCC.

Organizations at ASC

by Janice Waters

New college graduates have a pretty barren resume. So, how do they get the job they want? Involvement in college activities is often the deciding factor in landing that first all important job.

Employers want to know, “Is this guy a leader?” or “Can this gal get along with others and work well with a team?” Your involvement in clubs, organizations and activities while at Armstrong can say a lot about your potential to succeed, your willingness to take on additional responsibilities, your ability to lead others, and your level of motivation.

That’s one reason why it’s important to expand your educational experience by getting involved. Besides, it’s fun, too. That’s another bonus.

Many programs of study have a club or organization geared to a specific discipline. Other clubs are service, religious, or performing oriented. And, of course, there’s a full range of scholastic and honorary societies and social organizations.

The recognized student organizations on the Armstrong campus are: Alpha Sigma Chi, American Chemical Society, (Student) American Dental Hygiene Association, ASC Engineering Society, Association for Computing Machinery, (Student) Association of Educators, Baptist Student Union, Beta Beta Beta, Data Processing Management Association, Ebony Association, Georgia Association of Nursing Students, Joel H. Hildebrand Chemistry Honor Society, International Club, Kappa Delta Phi, James Moore Wayne Law Club, Medical Records Association, Medical Technology Association, Music Educators National Conference, Phi Alpha Theta, Phi Eta Sigma, Pi Mu Epsilon, Radiologic Technology Association, and E. B. Twitmeyer Society.

There is also a variety of co-curricular activities to enjoy. They include sports related activities such as cheerleading and pep band, performing arts such as Jazz band, chorus, and Masquers drama club, and contributions to or positions on the staffs of Calliope, Geechee, and Student Photographic Services. Armstrong also has teams competing in Quiz Bowl and other scholastic competitions.

If you are interested in finding out more about any of these organizations, consult your ‘Students Illustrated’ or contact the office of Student Activities.

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JOIN THE CROWD!

There's room for you in the ASC Residence Center

- 2 bedroom, apartment-style suites are shared by 4 students
- On-site laundry facilities, private phone jacks, air conditioning
- Special activities and events

Call 927-5269 to reserve your room

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**ATTENTION**

The 1987-88 INKWELL is in need of staff members. Anyone interested should contact Michael West in the INKWELL office in the MCC.
"AWESOME" AL STEPHENSON
Enjoys wild parties, loose broads and Mad Dog 20/20. But he was accepted anyway.

"MOONIN' " MICHAEL WEST
Still seeking his first date with a college-aged female.

"SCARRED" SANDI DEROCHER
Escapee of "Spittin' Bob's Passion Pit." Eluded the proprietor and salvaged her sanity.

"A.J." VICKI ASGER
Not related to Fort, but drives like him. Offered to drive the CHAOS bus to Brunswick; the CHAOS leaders knew better.

"BREAKIN' " BRIAN BLANTON
Has a strange fetish for palm trees.

"HANDSOME" HAROLD OGLESBY
It was "Weird" Harold, but he's changed since a stairwell incident closely related to that of Beach Bum's and Klutzy's.

"HOME BOY" LEE HARRELL
Last year's SGA President; now he ain't nothin' but the GEECH editor.
"MUSIC" MALCOLM FULLER
Music am his business.

"SHUFFLIN'" SHANNON TRAVER
Shannon declined an offer from the INKWELL staff to pose for a centerfold, so we had to put this lousy lay-out here.

"KLUTZY" CARLA ENGLISH
Carla slipped down the stairs in Solms Hall; that's why her neck is crooked. Is suing the school for trillions of dollars plus a free game of pool.

"SECOND" STEPHANIE NORMAN
This year's SGA secretary and staff writer for the INKWELL. Oh yeah, she's Lee Harrell's slam-piece.

"SPITTIN" BOB LONG
This year's SGA Vice-President and proprietor of the infamous "Spittin' Bob's Passion Pit." Is still recuperating from lacerations and abrasions sustained in brawl with Scarred Sandi.

"BEACH BUM" BILL KELSO
This year's SGA President and big cheese. Obviously was on the stairwell the same time as Klutzy Carla.

"PECULIAR" PAM WALKER
Was caught streaking outside the Civic Center one night after a Runnin'Pirates' B-Ball game. Had "no comment" after the incident. Still doesn't understand why people call her peculiar.
Inside ASC Athletics...

As is with every other college, athletics plays an integral part in Armstrong life. And if you thought that this is just "small time" athletics, well think again.

While Armstrong may not have a football team (a la UGA, GSC), Armstrong does have one of the top collegiate baseball teams, regardless of what NCAA officials who decide who goes to the College World Series and who doesn't say. Last year the Pirates' baseball wreaked havoc on its competitors and very narrowly missed a trip to Omaha. This year will hopefully prove to be just as successful.

However, the baseball team will once again be competing in Division II baseball. Because of a decision made by ASC Athletics...

We're off and running again.

B-Ball Team looking to the future.

Flag Football at its finest

ACADEMIC CALENDAR
FALL, 1987

Advisement and
Advanced Registration
Advanced Registration
Registration/Advisement
First Day of Classes
Late Registration
Last Day to Withdraw without Penalty
Mid-Term
Last Day of Classes
Reading Day
Thanksgiving
Final Examinations Begin
Final Examinations End
Graduation
Regents' Test
Application deadline
Regents' Test
Administration

July 6-10
July 13-17
Sept. 14-15
Sept. 16
Sept. 16-17
Sept. 24
Oct. 20
Nov. 24
Nov. 25
Nov. 26-27
Nov. 30
Dec. 2
Dec. 2
Oct. 6
Oct. 27

Sometimes it's kind of scary being new on campus, even one as small and friendly as Armstrong State. A new course, ASC 101, will be offered for the first time next fall. Its goal is to provide students with skills, information and guidance to make their transition to college easier and to improve their chances for success in college.

ASCI 101 gives freshmen
• a helping hand
• good advice
• tips for college success
• study techniques
• career guidance
• that first friendly face
• a chance to belong right away
Check Out Lane Library

Whether you need to write a research paper, study, find out about careers, get information on a particular technical topic, or just take time out to read a hometown newspaper, you will find the resources you need in the Lane Library.

You would expect the ASC library to have materials to support its curriculum in the arts and sciences, health professions and education. It does, in fact, Lane Library houses over 150,000 volumes, 80 newspapers, journals, and magazines, 35,000 audiovisual materials, and over half a million microfilms. What you may not expect are features such as continuously changing art exhibits, new best-selling books, and a special collection, the Minis Room where significant through the Inter Library Loan System. This network of cooperating libraries allows the library to borrow materials for you from all over the country. The library is similarly linked to sources of information and bibliographies through a computerized information retrieval system called DIALOG. Through the DIALOG service, the librarian can search databases in all disciplines from agriculture to zoology for the latest most, comprehensive literature.

The library is open Monday through Thursday from 8am to 10:30pm, Friday from 8 to 5, Saturday from 10 to 3 and Sunday from 1 to 9. We welcome you and invite you to take advantage of Lane Library's resources and services.

FINANCIAL SENSE:

Armstrong State College

Office of Student Financial Aid

Types of Aid

GRANTS — Awards you are not required to pay back.
1. Pell Grants are federal grants based on need. Awarded to undergraduates attending at least half time.
2. Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG) are federal grants based on need. Awarded to undergraduates attending full-time.
3. Georgia Student Incentive Grants are state grants. Awarded to full-time students who are legal Georgia residents.

LOANS — Money you borrow and repay with interest
1. Guaranteed Student Loans are administered by participating banks. State loans. Undergraduate and graduate students may borrow up to $2500 and $5000 per year, respectively. Repayment begins when you leave school.
2. Georgia Service-Cancellable Guaranteed Student Loans are offered for certain "critical" health and teaching fields. May be repaid by specified length of service after graduation instead of cash.
3. PLUS LOANS are available to parents of dependent students and to independent students when the student is ineligible for a GSL.

COLLEGE WORK-STUDY PROGRAM
Undergraduate students who qualify for this federal employment program may work up to 15 hours per week on campus to help earn money to meet educational expenses.

SCHOLARSHIPS
1. Privately Endowed Scholarships generally require recipients to be enrolled full-time, and have demonstrated academic excellence (3.0 GPA on previous college work, or a minimum 1000 SAT composite score for entering freshmen).
2. Regents Scholarship recipients must be undergraduates in the top 25% of their class. Must be employed in Georgia after graduation.
3. Regents Opportunity Scholarship recipients must be graduate minority students.

Application Procedure
You should apply for financial assistance at the same time you apply for admission to Armstrong State College. No financial aid awards will be made until you have been accepted by the college.
1. Complete and return the ASC Student Affidavit/Information Sheet and an eligibility letter.
2. Fill out and file the Financial Aid Form (FAF) of the College Scholarship Service (CSS). Instructions for completing the form, fee information and appropriate addresses are contained in the FAF packet.
3. Submit a copy of your income tax form from the previous year. Dependent students must also submit their parents' return.
4. It may be necessary for you to complete additional forms depending on your year in school, major course of study, and eligibility for a particular program.
5. We will notify you concerning aid awarded with instructions for receiving your award.

* Students must be enrolled for at least 12 hours each quarter to qualify as full-time.
** CSS is an independent agency that determines students' financial need according to a federally approved, uniform needs analysis formula.

Further Assistance

CONTACT
Director of Financial Aid
Armstrong State College
11035 Abercorn Street
Savannah, Georgia 31419-1997
or call 912/927-5272

Student making use of Lane Library
Counseling Services...

by Janice Waters

Regardless of a student's age or position in society, college is a time of changes when many decisions with long-reaching effects must be made. The Office of Counseling and Placement at Armstrong offers a variety of services to help students make informed choices concerning academic, career and personal issues.

Lynn Benson, Director of Counseling Services, says she gets excited when a student discovers new and important information. Success stories are numerous, he reports. There is the freshman who thought she wanted to be a geologist until she found she wanted to help people in the medical or social services. Then there's the freshman who earned two years college credit by taking advantage of the credit-by-examination program coordinated by Counseling Services. An adult returning to college never expected that, at Armstrong, career decisions and study skills could be computer assisted. Students who have left Armstrong occasionally return to say they've become architects or accountants or dental surgeons. The list goes on and on.

Many students have also benefited from the wealth of community resources available to help them find part time work while still in school and full time work during the summer or upon leaving Armstrong.

It is well worth the time and effort to make an appointment or drop by to find out a little more about how the Office of Counseling and Placement can enhance your college experience.

Some Final Tips...

by J.J. Rutland

1-Do not eat in the cafeteria; it is for socializing.
2-If you are late for class, drive directly to the back of the parking lot; miracles seldom happen.
3-Budweiser is not your best bet for breakfast.
4-Don't be afraid to ask questions; professors appreciate knowing you aren't napping.
5-Take big dollars to the bookstore.
6-Expect to be very broke on at least one very important occasion.
7-Be nice to the slouch in the hall; he might be your history professor.
8-Try to keep things in perspective. You might ask yourself, "will I die if I don't make dean's list?" or "will my father kill me if I flunk p.e. twice?"
9-If all else fails, take a nap; it'll clear your head.
10-Relax and enjoy, after a couple of quarters you'll wonder why you were ever nervous.