

OLD GOLD AND BLACK

Officials clamp down on alcohol

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Don't fret over calling your parents about that alcohol infraction. They'll know about it. In response to what they deem high rates of abusive drinking among students, the administration enacted stiffer sanctions, which include notifying parents, for students who violate alcohol regulations. A letter to all returning students that went out today from Ken Zick, the vice president for student life and

instructional resources, details the changes in the alcohol policy and the reasons behind them. The letter said, "All intoxication or alcohol related incidents will be forwarded to the Dean of Student Services or the Judicial Advisor for hearing and deposition. ... First offenders will continue to be sanctioned by impositions of fines and service hours. Alcohol education will continue to be a part of this process. "However, offenders may also be required to seek private assessment and counseling at their own ex-

pense as a condition of continued matriculation. Moreover, the parents of financially dependent students will be informed of such violations of existing University policy. A second violation could result in suspension or expulsion from the University." Two recent national studies, sponsored by Harvard and Columbia Universities and cited in the letter to students, state that almost half of university students are binge drinkers, which is defined as a person who has had five or more drinks at a sitting in the past two weeks. The See Alcohol, Page 5

Hipp replaces Orser, is new judicial adviser

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Students charged with judicial infractions may notice a new face across the desk. After four years as the judicial adviser, Dean of Freshmen Paul Orser handed over the reigns this summer to Clay Hipp, an associate professor of business and accountancy. Hipp brings to the job an enthusiasm for students and for his new position, and his credentials include a law degree and experience practicing law. He said that he does not think such experience is necessary to handle the job, but that his legal background will bring a useful perspective to the position. "I think it's a good idea to bring some legal experience to the process," Hipp said. The new position started for Hipp July 1. He has spent most of the time since then learning the procedural aspects of the job from Orser. Orser said that the two worked together on two interim judicial panels this summer and that Hipp also worked with the chairmen of the Judicial Board and the Honor Council during their orientation sessions and in preparation for freshman orientation. The students who have worked with Hipp

voice approval. "I think he's great," said junior Bryan Yeazel, a co-chairman of the judicial board. "He's an extremely capable person for the job." Hipp plans on spending his first year learning through experience. He said he does not foresee initiating any changes in the near future, since change should be based on experience. He did acknowledge, however, that some judicial procedures will be affected by changes in university policy. "There will be some evolution based on the institution's approach to the alcohol policy and other issues," Hipp said. He said students are very important in the judicial system, despite the large percentage of cases that are decided in an administrative hearing by the judicial adviser outside the presence of students. "Clearly, a lot of cases are handled administratively, but that is when everything is agreed upon factually, substantively and in regard to sanctions," Hipp said. Students always have the option of requesting a hearing, he said. Although Orser is no longer the judicial adviser, he said he does not think he will be lacking things to do. His continually larger See Hipp, Page 4



Spike

Volleyball players match skills on Davis Field Wednesday.

Kristin Thompson

Sophomore starts as student trustee

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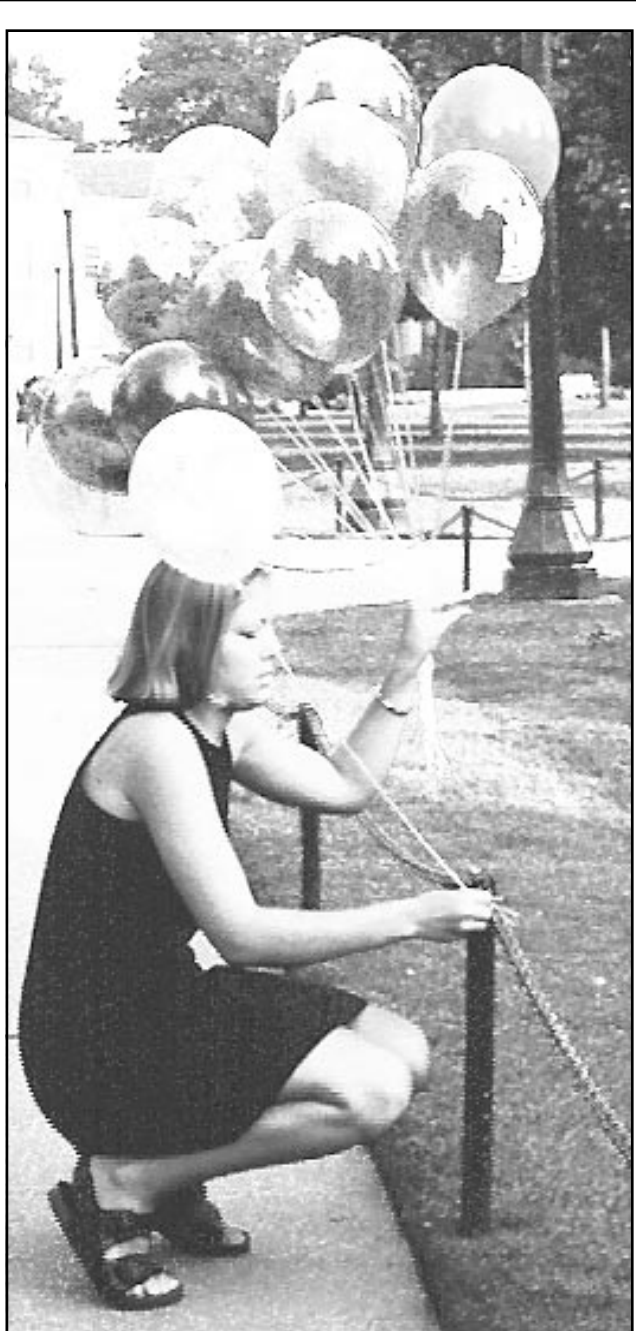
Communication between students and the board of trustees tops the list of priorities for the newly-elected student trustee, sophomore Joy Vermillion. "One of the things we were looking for was a student who seemed to be very cognizant of the issues students are concerned about," Wilkerson said. Election results were a factor in the selection process, according to senior Madeline Cashdollar, a third-year member of the Student Life Committee. "(The election results were) discussed, but after viewing all factors we still thought Joy would do the best job. I just think that the committee thought she presented herself the best as a candidate and really had her head on her shoulders," Cashdollar said. "The role of the student trustee is also to work with faculty and lots of deans so I think it's important for candidates to meet with the Student Life Committee. We want to make sure it's someone who not only represents the students' voice well but ... will also be tactful with the board of trustees," Vermillion said. Vermillion said her plans as student trustee include addressing student perception of a lack of diversity on campus. She said she also wants to ease students' concerns about the Plan for the Class of 2000. "I got the feeling that a lot of students haven't even looked at the plan. I would like to be sure that this year it is more highly publicized so students understand all of the details and how it will or will not affect them."

knowledge of campus issues, ability to articulate those issues and the quality of the proposed solutions for existing problems on campus. "My role is to be the liaison between students and the board of trustees. ... I want to make sure students know what the trustees are doing and that the board knows about what's going on in students' minds," she said. Vermillion was chosen as student trustee by the Student Life Committee last spring after receiving the third-highest number of student votes, 20 percent, among six candidates in a campus-wide election. The process for appointing the student trustee calls for the Student Life Committee, composed of faculty, students and administrators, to select the trustee from among the top three vote-getters in the student election. After interviews with these candidates, the committee nominates one of the students as their first choice to be the trustee. This nomination is then submitted to the board of trustees for final approval. Ken Zick, the vice-president for student life and instructional resources, would not speculate about the purpose of the Student Life Committee's role in the appointment process or about why the appointment was not determined strictly on the basis of election results. Zick said, "I just think that was the way it was originally set up by the trustees. You know, the trustees determine their own standards." Jack Wilkerson, an associate professor of business and accountancy and the chairman of the committee, said several criteria were considered during the selection process. In addition to interviewing the three candidates, the committee reviewed each candidate's resumé and application. Wilkerson said the committee then evaluated each candidate based on

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Joy Vermillion
Student Trustee

The new student trustee said she plans to keep in touch with student concerns by attending student government meetings, going door to door in residence halls and attending various campus group meetings. "I'm a typical student. I make decent grades. I'm struggling just like everyone else is, but I don't want people to think I'm not reachable. I'm certainly available. I want to hear as much as I can from as many students as possible," Vermillion said.



Wendy Coulson

Airborne advertisements

Junior Kate McKune ties balloons onto the chains around the Quad Wednesday in preparation for the Volunteer Service Corps Fair.

Trustees adopt sex orientation clause

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Sexual orientation now appears in the university's anti-discrimination statement after a special committee of the board of trustees reviewed the matter for more than a year. The board approved by a unanimous vote April 13 a policy which states "...no person affiliated with Wake Forest should be judged or harassed on the basis of perceived or actual sexual orientation." The statement on sexual orientation will appear as a supplement to other statements that reject other forms of discrimination. The approved policy differs somewhat from the original proposal brought to the faculty in April 1993 by Mary DeShazer, a professor of women's studies and Perry Patterson, an associate professor

of economics. Their recommendation suggested the addition of "marital status and sexual orientation" to the university's existing anti-discrimination statements. According to Murray Greason, the chairman of the special committee that composed the supplemental policy, the existing policy is required by law. Since the addition of sexual orientation to the anti-discrimination statement is not required by law, it should not be included in the same statement, he said. Greason said the board intends for the required supplemental statement to directly follow the anti-discrimination statement. "We think we got it right," Greason said. "We think it's responsive to what the faculty and students wanted and I hope it will be accepted as such."

DeShazer and Patterson said they are pleased with the board's decision. "It looks like a very strong statement against discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation," DeShazer said. Their proposal was passed by the faculty by a margin of 84 to 16 in 1993. The faculty senate passed the proposal in the fall of 1993 and presented it to the trustees in the spring of 1994. Once the special committee was formed, it met with faculty and considered letters from students and others concerning their experiences with discrimination on the basis of their sexual orientation, according to Greason. "I am very pleased to see that the university has taken this step," Patterson said. "I think it is positive for the development of the academic and social climate on campus." See Clause, Page 3

Multi-function ID cards implemented

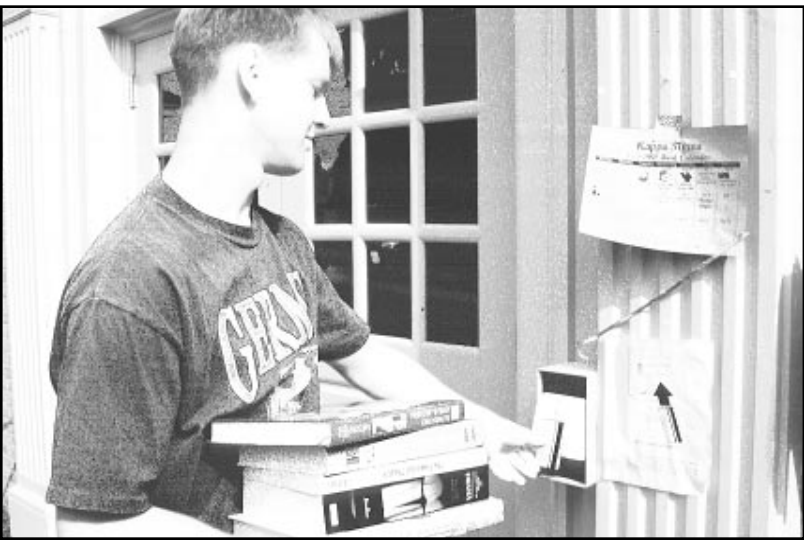
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If they wanted to make copies, buy food on campus or get into their residence hall, arriving students had to

pick up an ID card at the College Book Store. This one card takes the place of several cards students carried last year to perform separate functions. The new IDs' key card building entry func-

tion is controlled by a barium ferrite strip embedded in the card. A separate narrow magnetic stripe on the back will allow students to make copies and purchase soft drinks from vending machines in the future. Deacon Dollars and the Deacon Dining Club meal plan are accessed by a bar code on the face of the card, and there is an additional wide magnetic strip on the back of card that contains the same information as the bar code on the front. Students will find they need a key card more often this year than last year because residence halls and suites are locked 24 hours a day. From 10 a.m. to midnight, all students with key cards can gain entrance to any residence hall, but from midnight to 10 a.m. the key cards will function only in the building where the cardholder lives. Only the residents of a given suite can enter their suite at any time. Day students also have residence hall access during the day. In addition, doors can no longer be propped open for more than one

minute. After one minute, Campus Police are alerted and an audible alarm sounds in the dorm. Public buildings will eventually be restricted by key card access, but Campus Police Chief Regina Lawson said that renovation will only occur as funds become available, and priority has been given to the residence halls and suites. The empty box on the front of the card is not for a signature or a validation sticker. In fact, it's not for anything at all. Initially, the bar codes used by the Worrell Library and the Z. Smith Reynolds Library were not compatible, and two bar codes would have been necessary. This incompatibility has been fixed, but nothing was done with the remaining space. David Dyer Sr., the director of university stores, urges students not to sign their cards. "Any deformation of the cards could damage their ability to function," he said. Also, if students need to have a hole punched in their cards, they should not punch it themselves but go to the police office in See ID, Page 3



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Junior Brett Wendling enters Davis House using his universal ID in the newly installed key card readers.

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Caffeine and Counterculture

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