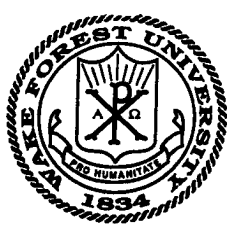


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New party rules require BYOB

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If you're ready for another semester of carefree party hopping, think again. This year, you may need to consider more than just remembering your key card on Friday and Saturday nights. The Panhellenic Council's new alcohol policy, which goes into effect this semester, requires that campus partygoers who are 21 bring their own alcohol to parties. Students who are not members of the sponsoring fraternity and sorority must be added to a guest list by Thursday morning to attend a weekend party. The policy, which will reduce the liability so-

rorities face as social hosts, was designed by the presidents of the seven campus sororities after they reviewed the standards each individual chapter must meet to satisfy its national leadership. "All the presidents were receiving pressure from their national officers to be more strict with their alcohol policies," said junior Erin Wilt, the social and education chairman for Panhellenic. "They decided to make a blanket policy so it would be fair when (the sororities) are planning parties with fraternities." While the policy applies only to sororities, fraternities must follow the new guidelines when a party is co-hosted. According to senior Emily Graham, the president of Panhellenic, it is the sororities' recent

establishment on campus that necessitated a more restrictive policy. "The national fraternities have been on campus a lot longer and had established a policy with Wake Forest that fit their needs," she said. "When sororities came (to the university), their nationals wouldn't agree to that policy." Graham and Interfraternity Council President senior Roger Young said that they believe the new policy will reduce the number of co-hosted parties but that they don't believe this will damage sororities' visibility on campus. There are no co-hosted parties planned for Pledge Night Friday. Under the new policy, any student may sign up See Party, Page 3



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Bloomers showing

Though summer is drawing to a close, it is now the perfect time to enjoy the beauty and fragrance of the roses in Reynolda Gardens.

Telecom services plagued by bugs

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Have strange voices whispered late at night on the phone? Have silence or beeping been the only response on the other end of a ringing phone? If so, be assured that it is not the twilight zone. Many members of the campus community have been experiencing such problems lately with the university's Telecom services. Telecom handles the university phone system. It also provides the additional services of dataphones, which provide students with a connection from their rooms directly to

the academic computer and a voice mail system. This service costs \$100 per academic year. Telecom also provides UMail, which is the same voice mail system that the dataphones access, but for a charge of 25 dollars an academic year. Neither of these services is working correctly. Senior Ryan Murphy, has a dataphone. He cannot connect to access from his personal computer. "I was under the impression that WakeNet would be functional when we arrived. I guess nine weeks just wasn't enough time," Murphy said.

Buck Bayliff, the director of telecommunications services, said that there are several causes of the problems. Some of the most obvious were physical problems, such as bad connections and phone, ethernet and cable connections that had been painted over and into by physical facilities workers over the summer. Other problems included student room changes by Residence Life and Housing where the change was not noted in the phone book, resulting in students being listed under an incorrect number. Also, some students reported hav-

ing calls cut off randomly, having crossed lines that result in garbled conversations being overheard and having long waits to access voice mail. Telecom has brought in four technicians from BellSouth. These people, in addition to the two technicians employed by Telecom, have been working to correct the problems. "They've been out in the field so long that we haven't had a chance to call them back in to find out what the specific problems are," Bayliff said. The slow access times have been See Telecom, Page 3

Shorty's renovation plans now under administrative review

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The vision of a cafe or pub on campus is closer to becoming a reality. Student government leaders await the administration's response to the Shorty's renovation proposal they presented to President Thomas K. Hearn Jr. and John Anderson, the vice president for finance and administration, two weeks ago. "Nowhere on campus is there a place where students

can meet, socialize and be entertained like this. For people under 21 there are very few alternatives except going off campus and, we think the university could provide other options," said senior Graham Goodrich, the SG treasurer. The proposal calls for the remodeling of Shorty's into a university cafe and pub. Tentative plans include decorating the walls with photographs and memorabilia from different eras of the university's history and naming menu items after famous alumni. The plan includes a stage for performances and perhaps a patio for outdoor seating. The new Shorty's would also

serve alcoholic beverages to those 21 and over. "We want it to be attractive to all students. A lot of people enjoy the club atmosphere and want to be around that even if they're not drinking. ... It will be a place where students can see people drink responsibly. Shorty's will not be a place where students go to get intoxicated," said Goodrich. SG's written proposal for the renovation envisions a new Shorty's as a means to fill social and intellectual voids on campus. The plan describes it as a meeting place that would

allow more faculty and student interaction outside of classrooms, offer alternatives to Greek social events and educate the students and faculty about its history and heritage. "It's open to everyone — students, faculty, all kinds of staff, alumni and alumni's children. We don't have that now. The Benson (University Center) food court just doesn't cut it," said Tina Schippers, the SG secretary. The proposal also includes a plan for students to raise a portion of the renovation costs through a fund-raiser. See Shorty's, Page 5



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Sweet tooth

Freshman Andrea Dempsey samples the wares of Sharon Patterson, a representative of Tropical Fruit and Nut Company, on the Reynolda Patio Wednesday.

Meyers makes Fulbright trip

History professor travels to Latin America to study cultures

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Most people think of a vacation from work as an opportunity for rest and relaxation, perhaps involving sipping drinks on some exotic foreign beach. Though Bill Meyers, an associate professor of history, did spend much of his year-long leave in foreign countries, he spent much more time studying the economic, political and environmental difficulties of the cultures than relaxing on the beach. Meyers spent the first half of his leave finishing a book that dealt with the origins of the Mexican Revolution. After receiving a Fulbright Grant from the U.S. Information Agency, Meyers left on a tour of Mexico, Peru, Argentina and Brazil with several other American scholars. The group studied the problems of the countries and met with people from different backgrounds in each of the countries. Each country provided a unique

experience for Meyers. "We think that all these countries speak Spanish, all of them are Catholic, so they all must be same," Meyers said. His experience, however, was quite the opposite: each country in Latin America has its own distinctive



tiveness and a high level of nationalism, he said. In Mexico, Meyers, who lived and taught in the country for eight years, studied the political and economic crises of the country as well as the Chiapas rebellion. In Peru, he studied the political

process of democratization, which included consideration of the Shining Path terrorist movement. "There hadn't been any trouble from the Shining Path in three years, but the week I got there they started bombing again," Meyers said. When he traveled to Argentina, Meyers studied in particular the economic development of the country, which is largely tied to the American dollar. Officials in the country hope to achieve eventual economic stability by opting for high levels of unemployment now rather than soaring inflation. Out of all the countries he visited, Brazil most captured Meyers' interest. He said that he intends to change the focus of his studies from Mexico to Argentina in the short run and, ultimately, to Brazil. Meyers studied environmental and ecological issues in Brazil, especially in three major ecological zones, one See Meyers, Page 5

Students study past of Roatan Island to make documentary

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In 1961, Roatan in the western Caribbean was a poor, undeveloped land emerging from British control. Today, the island is covered with tourists and boasts a growing seafood industry. Professor of Anthropology David Evans, who has studied the culture of Roatan for 34 years, has devoted a lot of time and resources to chronicling the cultural changes on this

narrow, mountainous island. Evans directs the Overseas Research Center, which sponsors summer study programs on Roatan. Last summer, Evans took along a group of students to engage in course and field work and to begin compiling footage for one or more documentary films based on aspects of the Roatan culture. "It's kind of an unusual opportunity, actually," Evans said of the chance to study one location over such a long period. Evans said that when he first visited the

island in 1961, there were very few Hispanics or Native Americans living there. The island was very much under British influence, with most people speaking English, he said. However, in subsequent years numerous economic refugees emigrated from Honduras to Roatan, changing the population demographics dramatically and introducing bilingualism. While they are not always appreciated by the natives, Evans said the immigrants are making some positive contributions in pro-

ducing more fresh foods and in bringing in useful skills, such as masonry. Junior Shannon Poe-Kennedy, who participated in the program for the second time, said there was actually a lot less racism than one would expect in such a situation, though long-time residents are more supportive of tourists than the Honduran immigrants. There were no cars, roads or televisions on Roatan in 1961, Evans said. But today the technology is more advanced. The tourist industry has brought in hotels and transporta-

tion, including a new airport on the island. "Tourism is rapidly becoming an important source of revenue on the island," Evans said. The shrimp and lobster industries have also grown rapidly in recent years, but most people who live on the island are still very poor, he said. Poe-Kennedy said, "When students come over they are faced with such a plethora of problems that they are startled." "All the problems you hear about today See Roatan, Page 3



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