

Ticket office fumbles on ticket distribution

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It is now more difficult for students to get tickets to home football game.

Students can no longer pick up football tickets the way they have in the past. The athletic department has enacted a new system of handing out football tickets using the athletic pass.

In past years, students received a strip of tickets for all the home football games at one time. These tickets allowed them entrance into the student section, where they had their choice of any seat.

This year, the system for student football ticket pick-up is similar to that of basketball ticket pick-up. A student must go to a table set up in Benson University Center a few days before a game and present his athletic pass to receive a ticket for an assigned seat in the student section for that game only.

According to sophomore Amanda Berger, who works in the ticket office, the ticket office designed this

new system in conjunction with Student Government to keep better records of how many students attend each game.

Student response to the new format has not been favorable. "We did not intend for this to happen," said SG President Evan Peverly. The athletic department has been made aware of this and plans to change the system back to the old format next year.

Judy Cunningham, the ticket manager, said that after Parents' Weekend, the tickets for the Georgia Tech and N.C. State games will be distributed together. Because they have already been printed, seat assignments will still appear on the tickets.

Cunningham said, "All decisions regarding the new system were made with the Student Government."

In a change from previous years, the athletic department mailed an athletic pass to every student at the university. This change is well-liked by students, according to Cunningham, and will most likely be continued next year

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exist on Roatan," Poe-Kennedy said. The rapidity of the changes taking place on the island is most striking, she said.

Several students in the program taped interviews with island resi-



Rita Bodden, a long-time resident, has served as a valuable resource for Evans' research.

dents Evans has known for some time. One of these people, Rita Bodden, lives in the community of Diamond Rock on the eastern end of the island. Evans said, "She knows the environment unbelievably well."

Helen Woods is an 82-year-old woman who lost a set of twins in a hurricane that hit the island. He said she is the sort of person who has seen all of the changes the island has undergone in the last several decades and can comment on them.

The Arch family of French Key is another group Evans has known for a long time. Evans said the father of the family built a small topsail cutter Evans used to sail from the island back to the U.S. in 1965.

Evans said he likes the students to meet as many of the older residents as possible since they can provide such extensive information about how the island has changed.

Students were required to read background material and take an exam before traveling to Roatan. They engaged in much field work while on the island. Evans said, "It offers them an opportunity to apply what they've learned. ... The area is chock-full of history. The western Caribbean is not a region people know much about."

Poe-Kennedy said, "You get to experience culture shock and ... the



Residents of Roatan Island in the Western Caribbean demonstrate some of their traditional customs, which are now beginning to integrate modern amenities.

biases other cultures have that are different from yours."

This summer students lived in a hotel on Roatan because no university facility exists for their use. Evans said the university's Spire of Excellence funds were useful in funding the trip for some students.

Evans has plans to build a facility on his own land on the island that can be used by future groups of students. He said he will rent the building to tourists in the winter to offset the costs. He encourages other depart-

ments, such as history, politics, biology and economics, to take advantage of the opportunity to study on Roatan.

According to Evans, in past years the Overseas Research Center has sponsored research in Belize, Costa Rica, Venezuela and the Orkney Islands north of Scotland, among other places. The center was created when Evans came to the university in 1966 with support from two grants from the National Institutes of Health.

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outside the Panhellenic and IFC office, Benson 347, Monday through Thursday morning and be added to a weekend guest list.

The number of guests for a party will be three times the membership of the fraternity and sorority sponsoring the party. Social chairmen from each group will compile the guest list from member requests and the Benson list and will post it outside Benson 347 Friday morning.

According to Wilt, students who sign up for a party are agreeing that they understand the Panhellenic policy and will follow its guidelines. Graham and Wilt said that exclusivity is not a goal of the new policy, but that guest lists are required by almost every national policy.

"I'm hoping people won't be shy about it and will go sign up," said senior Kim Howden, the president of the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. "That's just what you have to do here now."

In addition to guest lists, the new policy requires that students who wish to and who

are 21 bring no more than six beers or four wine coolers in a cooler to be checked behind the bar. A bartender who is 21 and not a member of the party's sponsoring fraternity or sorority will retrieve students' drinks from their coolers. Students may bring six beers or four wine coolers to each party they attend and exit parties with alcohol, but they may not re-enter a party with alcohol.

Party sponsors must hire a security guard, who will supervise the members of the fraternity and sorority who check identification for those over 21 at the door. Students must sign in at the door, and will not be allowed to exit the party except through the front entrance.

Though the policy is a result of concerns about legal issues, sororities also wanted to demonstrate to the administration that the Greek system could regulate itself, according to Wilt. The policy also creates a Greek-run judicial committee that will sanction groups that don't comply with the rules, Wilt said.

Many students said that they were unsure about how well the policy would work this semester, but that in time it will present few problems.

"We realize that it's something we have to do, so we're going to have a good time doing it," said senior Patti Fehl, the president of the Delta Gamma sorority.

Telecom

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referred to Northern Telecom, Wake Forest Telecom's parent company.

Currently, Telecom has 12 dial-ups to their voice mail system that cannot be accessed, and the system has crashed four times in the last week while attempting to bring them online.

Bayliff said that the problem appears to be lodged in the software.

"We've been coming down on Northern Telecom pretty hard about getting this thing up and running," Bayliff said.

Bayliff said that he expects to have most of the problems solved by the end of this week.

He said, "This is the worst year we've ever had."

The dataphones will eventually be phased out as more students begin to make use of the ethernet connections in their room. Each room will have an in-room connection to the ethernet once the current round of campus renovations is completed.

Presently, 650 students have dataphones and 600 students have subscribed to UMail.

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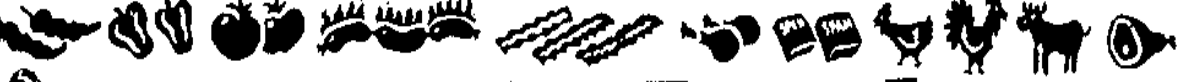
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