

Euzelians discuss Middle East

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Have you ever wondered about the land of flying carpets, magic lamps and fabled genies? Or perhaps, more realistically, the land of religious conflict, cultural strife, soaring mosques and the *Koran*?

The Euzelian Society will journey to the Middle East in their Thursday evening lecture series titled "Arabian Nights," with will discuss topics including the politics, religion, literature, art and architecture of the region.

"The Middle East is a powerhouse in world politics and deserves our careful probing," said junior John Whitmire, the lecture chairman of the Euzelian Society. "It seems that citizens do not know enough about this area of the world, and we are attempting to combat that in our lecture series."

Junior Karin Dudziac, the president of the Euzelian Society, said, "The purpose of the lecture series is to give students, faculty and the Winston-Salem community an opportunity to explore, through a series of interactive discussions, a topic that may be outside their everyday studies."

"Whitmire said, "In organizing these lectures I tried to span a broad array of topics to fully address the subject and to appeal to a large and diverse audience."

The Euzelian Society is now entering its second semester back on campus, after a hiatus of more than 30 years.

The Euzelian Society first met 161 years ago on the old campus in Wake Forest. Chaplain Ed Christman, who joined the society in 1948 when he was a student there, said he is happy that students know about its history and are eager to resurrect the society.

"There is a need and a recognition that talking about ideas is what we ought to be about in a non-graded environment where persons who are interested in science, religion, philosophy and English can discuss things," Christman said.

The Euzelians of old held declamation contests and debates with the Philomathesian Society, according to Christman.

Dudzian said, "In studying the Middle East we are looking at politics, religion, literature, art and architecture."

Each lecture is free and open to the public and refreshments will be

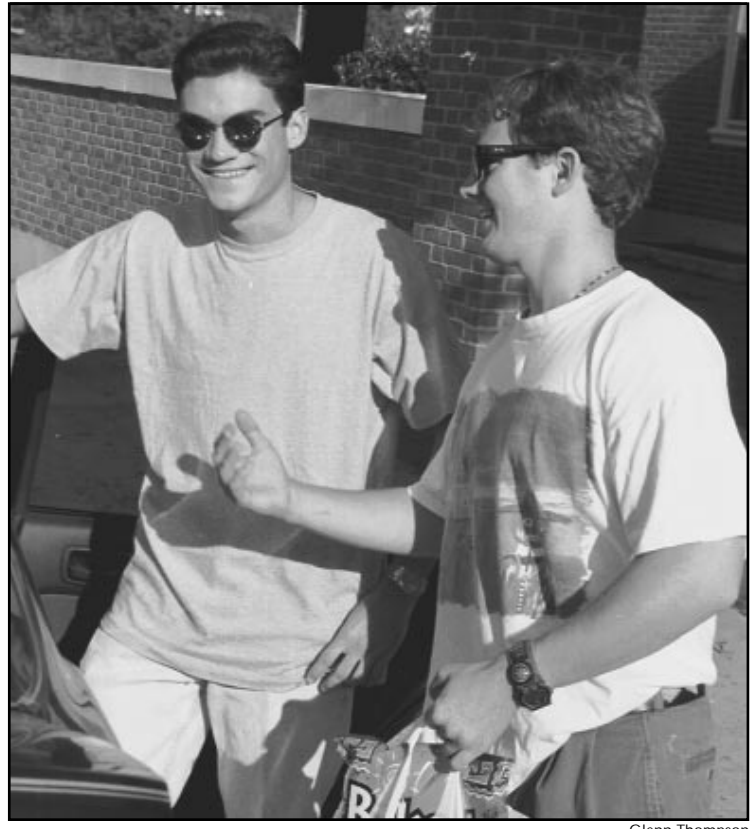
served afterwards. Among the lectures offered in the "Arabian Nights" series are:

■ "The Arab-Israeli Peace Process," led by Professor Charles Kennedy and Assistant Professor David Weinstein of the politics department, and Instructor Joshua Landis of the history department at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 26 in Carswell 111 (Annenberg Forum).

■ "Religion Roundtable: The Current State of Affairs of the Dialogue Between Christianity, Judaism and Islam in the Middle East," a roundtable discussion with Fred Horton, who is a professor of religion, Andrew Ettin, who is a professor of English, and K. Griggs of the Imam Community Mosque of Winston-Salem and it will be moderated by Ed Christman. This discussion will be held at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 2 in Carswell 111.

■ "The Literature of the Middle East," led by Bashir El-Beshti, who is an assistant professor of English, at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 16 in the Rare Books Room of Z. Smith Reynolds library.

■ "Art and Architecture of the Middle East," led by Harry Titus, who is an associate professor of art, at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 30 in Scales 102.



Glenn Thompson

Packing the car

Senior Ryan Nusbickel and junior Bill Greene load food into their car as they prepare to leave for fall break.

Honor

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Harold Holmes and Associate Dean and former Judicial Adviser Paul Orser, and the students who were last year's chairmen of the Honor Council, the Judicial Board as well as the Student Government Judiciary Committee.

Senior Emily Graham, a co-chairwoman of the Judicial Board last year, said that she and senior Graham Goodrich, the other co-chairman of the Judicial Board last year, submitted a written proposal to the Judicial Council last spring.

"They just asked us for our input about the strengths and weaknesses in the total system," Graham said. "We just gave them insight from our positions and our viewpoint."

The report lists seven major findings.

■ "There is little knowledge among the faculty and among many of the students about how the judicial process works."

■ "Many faculty, students, and administrators lack confidence in the current method of selection of Honor Council members."

■ "Among the faculty who do not understand the system, there is little confidence that the Honor Council will handle the cases ad-

equately. As a consequence, many of these faculty choose to bypass the system rather than send their cases into it."

■ "Most faculty do not discuss the honor system, plagiarism, or cheating in their classes.... They do not think it is their responsibility to do so and they assume that students already know this information from other sources."

■ "Faculty advisers, administrators, student defenders, and members of the Judicial Council believe that students find it increasingly difficult to sit in judgment of their peers and that their difficulties in group process/deliberations are aggravated by the lack of faculty adviser input."

■ "There is a considerable delay in the system caused by the congruence of a number of factors, including the busy schedules of all involved, the 'channeling' process... , and the intentional strategies of students seeking to avoid hearings and penalties."

■ "In recent cases the student judicial bodies have attempted to fashion new sanctions than using the presumptive sanctions for some forms of misconduct. While well-intentioned, these efforts are problematic...."

Proposals for change in the report include the cultural solution, the "tinkering" solution and the fundamental change solution.

The cultural solution involves changing the atmosphere on campus to invoke a stronger commitment by all members of the campus to an honor system.

"One might argue that this solution must also be a part of the two approaches that follow. Without a community commitment to the system, the other changes proposed will have little meaning," the report states.

The tinkering solution aims to fix specific parts of the system that are perceived as flawed. One of the three particular suggestions is to screen applicants for the Honor Council in a manner similar to the way the student trustee is selected.

Other specific suggestions listed under this solution are changing the process of assigning cases so that administrators decide the path of every case rather than a judicial conference and requiring faculty advisers to be present during the deliberations of the Honor Council.

In the fundamental change solution, the entire organization of the system would be changed to include administrators, faculty members and students at all levels of the judicial process, either by adding administrators and faculty members to the Honor Council or by collapsing the Honor Council and Judicial Board into one body that includes representatives from all levels of the campus.

"Proponents of fundamental change note that we are among only about two percent of the colleges and universities in the country that have a judicial process with as much student responsibility as ours has," the report states.

Lockdown

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that money to the vending strip on the ID cards. The fourth part of the proposal includes installing keycard readers on suite doors in North Residence Hall.

Toward the end of the meeting, a member of the North and Satellites hall government said his residents want keycards in North so that it would make it easier for residents to have visitation between suites.

He said that currently North residents have two keys, one for their suite door and one for their room door, in addition to a keycard.

Only the members of each suite can enter their own suite; the residents are not able to visit between suites in North because one must have the suite key to do so.

Moody said that the issue of changing the lockdown hours originally came up almost four weeks ago. He also said that RSA will hopefully hear some response from RLH in about two weeks.

After being sent to Connie Carson, the proposal to change the lockdown hours must then be sent to Regina Lawson, the chief of Campus Police, who will evaluate it and then approve or disapprove it.

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