

Professor finds inspiration in Oregon

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The difficulties of teaching students a second language inspired Constance Dickey to begin to research her upcoming book. The assistant professor of romance language's book will address the effects of classroom discussions of language from elementary to graduate school levels on students' abilities to learn a second language.

Dickey got a Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation leave for the spring semester of 1995 in order to complete the research and writing of her book. She finished her extensive research process while she stayed with family members in Oregon in January.

"Oregon is peaceful, quiet and free of distractions," Dickey said. "You're out of the ivory tower of the university, where we often tend to forget the real world and exactly what ordinary people's lives are like."

The escape from the ivory tower enabled Dickey to focus on concluding research that she began about three years ago. She has written a series of papers related to the book's topic for conferences.

When Dickey realized that the papers were leading to a potential book, she formulated a concrete thesis and submitted a proposal for a leave grant a year in advance of her semester of leave.

After completing a study of published literature on theoretical linguistics, the philosophy of education and the teaching and learning of the English language, as well as theoretical books on semantics and functional grammar, Dickey began writing her book.

She completed a rough draft by the end of July, which she has sent out to readers.

"Not all of my readers are people in the field. I desired feedback from intelligent, educated people who could suggest revisions

avoiding technical jargon which would lose the interest of the general community. I might have lost some of the general appeal of the book to a lay audience," Dickey said.

Dickey's book includes a discussion of a broad range of domains. The first part of her book analyzes the difficulty students have learning a second language, typically at secondary levels.

Dickey also presents the various theories of second language acquisition and methodology. She said that the difficulties are directly related to the discussion of English and language in general throughout the field of education.

"If we talk about language differently, students will have a better understanding of language in general and will be able to learn languages better," she said.

After establishing the importance of a proper role of language in the American system of education, as well as the relevance of language to our everyday lives, Dickey devotes the second part of the book to a more concrete discussion of some grammatical notions and their relationship to second language acquisition.

Dickey said she intends to spend the Christmas holidays working on the revision of her rough draft. She will send a revised version of the book to publishers by the end of the spring semester.



from a perspective outside the world of linguistics," Dickey said.

Dickey's greatest concern while writing her book was determining her audience.

"I wanted to communicate to a general audience, rather than just to teachers; but I also wanted to address English and second language teachers. By largely aiming my writing at people who teach, I had trouble

Rat population falls after extermination

By DANIEL JOHNSON
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Do you miss the rats?

Over the past three weeks, an exterminator from Terminix has been treating the problem areas for rats on campus. Both students and the exterminator have seen a noticeable decrease in the amount of rats outside the Benson University Center and around Davis House.

Dennis Lloyd, the administrative services manager for the university, said that the bait traps set outside of Davis and Benson appear to be working. Lloyd said that black plastic bait stations are being used outside of Benson while smaller, less noticeable bait packets are being used around Davis.

The exterminator from Terminix has been making weekly reports about the rat population, Lloyd said.

At first, the exterminator noticed a large number of rats in the reported problem

areas. In his last report, the exterminator noted a decrease in traffic patterns around the rat habitats.

These decreased traffic patterns are a concrete indicator that the population is being controlled.

"We will continue to monitor the (problem) areas," Lloyd said. He encourages students and faculty to report any new problem areas that they notice.

In addition to the bait stations that have been set, the cold weather helps to reduce the amount of rats on campus.

"As the weather turns cold, students may notice a decrease in the (amount of) rats on campus," said Peter Weigl, a professor of biology.

Scott Ownby, the campus director of ARAMARK Food Services, said that exterminating the rats is not an overnight process but added that he has noticed some improvement.

"As far as the rat population goes, it's a little early to say," Ownby said.



LeeAnn Hodges

Mother figures

Patricia Hill Collins, a professor from the University of Cincinnati, delivered a colloquium titled "Will the Real Mother Please Stand Up?" Monday in Benson University Center, sponsored by the women's studies department.

ROTC's dining out gives break

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The members of the university ROTC don't just march, run, do drills and wear camouflage.

ROTC held its annual dining out Thursday night. A dining out is a formal social dinner and gathering of an Army unit which unit members and dates or spouses attend. Assistant professor of military science Major James Brand said that the ROTC dining out was more subdued than active army dining outs due to the absence of alcohol.

A number of guests from Winston-Salem State University and Wake Forest are invited each year, in addition to the Cadets and Cadre (active duty military personnel who teach the military science classes). Worrell professor of philosophy Richard Helm spoke about the history of ROTC at the university.

Other guests were Residence Life and Housing Assignment Coordina-

tor Nancy Priddy, Professor of History Ed Hendricks, Professor of Health and Sport Science Paul Ribisl, Associate Professor of Health and Sport Science Leo Ellison, Dean of Student Services Harold Holmes and Elizabeth Warner of the admissions department. Also in attendance were Winston-Salem State University's vice chancellor for academic affairs Everette Witherspoon and assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Claudia Warren.

The dining out is an event steeped in tradition. Its most notable tradition, at least from the perspective of university ROTC, is the penalty punch. The Demon Deacon battalion's particular brew this year was, as usual, a mix of stale Coke, Sprite, an old sock, a cigarette wrapper, a hunting magazine, and some tabasco sauce.

The formality of the event is maintained by a strict set of rules for conduct and dress. Cadets and Cadre who violate these rules receive a variety of

embarrassing punishments.

Cadets accuse each other of violating the rules, called points of order, during dinner. Violations include failure to wear a uniform correctly, failing to address the people at the head table correctly, and not displaying proper manners. The punishments are dealt out by Mr. Vice, a cadet who sits at a separate table at the rear of the room. Mr. Vice decides what the violator should do for penance.

Penalties include having to sing in front of everyone, paying a fine, or telling a joke. Punishments are always followed by drink from the penalty punch.

Junior Marni Neely, the cadet who drank the most from the punch, said she was impressed with the potency of the punch. "It was awful. I got the worst stomach ache from it," she said. The points of order provided most of the entertainment. Cadets also performed skits making fun of other cadets, cadre and ROTC practices in general.

Donations

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other items. The proceeds from the endowment alone made up 11.8 percent of last year's revenues on the Reynolda Campus.

"What I try to do is endow a line item in the budget," Joyner said.

In most cases the money is used to endow buildings, scholarships or a professor's salary. Joyner said he gets his directions on what to try to endow from the deans' and vice presidents' offices.

"That's what the 2000 Plan does for me, too. It helps me see things I need to endow," Joyner said.

But many things that get endowed, such as Perritt Plaza now being constructed in front of the Benson University Center, are not essential to the day-to-day operations of the university.

"The only way we could justify the tuition increase is to show value added," Joyner said.

The endowment is budgeted to

reach \$1 billion in 10 years according to John Anderson, the vice president for finance and administration, and Louis Morrell, the vice president for investments and the treasurer. In the past 20 years, the endowment has grown by 90 percent.

This phenomenal growth has been a result of increased donations and good investments.

"This institution has improved. That makes me more effective in what I do," Joyner said. "When the *OG&B* or the debate team wins a national award, or Randolph Childress makes that shot, that helps."

One major way the department raises donations is through the annual campaigns, which include direct mail and the telethons.

Joyner said there are about 40,000 to 50,000 alumni, parents and friends who are contacted through these means. Money from them totalled about \$11.4 million for the Reynolda Campus last year.

The university relations office convinces alumni, parents and friends to make these large donations by emphasizing that the donation is an investment in the future.

"I really think that we have something here really worth investing in. I think every donor gets a return on his investment. Students are getting something here or they're bringing something with them ... that's not happening at other universities," Joyner said.

Some of the many donations from the 1994-95 fiscal year, according to the university's Form 990 non-profit income tax return, include:

- President Thomas K. Hearn Jr. and his wife Laura gave \$19,620.
- The R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company gave a total of nearly \$1 million to the Reynolda and Hawthorne campuses. On the Reynolda Campus, one of its largest donations was chemistry equipment.
- Summit Cable Services donated \$7,500 of free advertising air time to the athletics department.
- Despite the split with the N.C. Baptist State Convention in 1986, it gave \$30,114.
- Over \$200,000 in automobiles were donated. Most of the vehicles were valued at \$5,000, based on their estimated benefit to the university and not the sticker price.

"It's not a student's right to have a student counselor," said senior Christopher Leonard, the head of the Student Counselors.

Leonard said that because Emmet admitted to the crime, it would have been a waste of a counselor's time to defend him. Members of the Judicial Board assisted him prior to the trial and senior Laura Wilson, the former co-chairwoman of the board, sat with Emmet during the first part of the trial.

Students are guaranteed the right to an open trial in the Student Government Constitution.

This is only the second open trial in the past four years. Senior Jamie Keller was the last person to choose an open trial in March of 1994.

Senior Tee Gatewood, the other Judicial board co-chairman, said, "Due to the fact that Wake Forest is such a small community ... I think most people try to keep it a private matter."

Trial

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first-hand what his policy was because he was only a visitor to the suite.

"If I see it, I will enforce it. ... I have to enforce it, that's what they pay me for," Leonard said.

He said that he told his residents at the beginning of the semester that "drinking is inevitable on the Wake Forest campus. Everyone knows that, so my job is not to go looking for it. ... If I see alcohol I will confront it."

Yeazel said that the board ruled that Emmet had misunderstood the RA's precedent because he did not live on the floor.

Emmet represented himself in the trial because the Student Counselors were not willing to help him.

demarc Affairs unanimously passed the Availability of Course Syllabi Bill. They had revised the bill to say that faculty will be encouraged, not required, to place their syllabuses on file in the library.

tee announced that holiday lights will come to the Quad. John Anderson, the vice-president for finance and administration, provided half of the money for the lights, but the committee will be forced to get the remaining money from campus organizations.

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