

Rape Awareness Week focuses on support

By Ben Donberg
Contributing Reporter

Soon students may notice an increase of yellow ribbons being worn around campus, signifying the annual Rape Awareness Week. Events will be held Feb. 9-13 to increase students' knowledge of rape and sexual assault.

"Prevention through education is our theme for Rape Awareness Week," said sophomore Dan McNair, one of the organizers of the event.

Students can honor rape victims by wearing yellow ribbons around campus. "Each one of those ribbons is intended to represent somebody affected by rape, as well as increase sensitivity," McNair said. There will also be yellow ribbon tape passed out for students and faculty to form chains in the Quad in remembrance of known victims of rape and sexual assault.

At 7:30 p.m. Feb. 10, a mock trial will take place in Carswell 111. A local judge and two local lawyers will come and perform a typical acquaintance rape trial, with a simulated story line. At the end of the trial students will be able to ask questions and make their own decision on the verdict. "A lot of people have no idea what the definition of rape is," McNair said. He said he hopes this trial will help change that.

At 7 p.m. Feb. 12, the events will culminate with an event called Speak Out, in Wait Chapel. Speak Out is a candlelight program in which a speaker recounts

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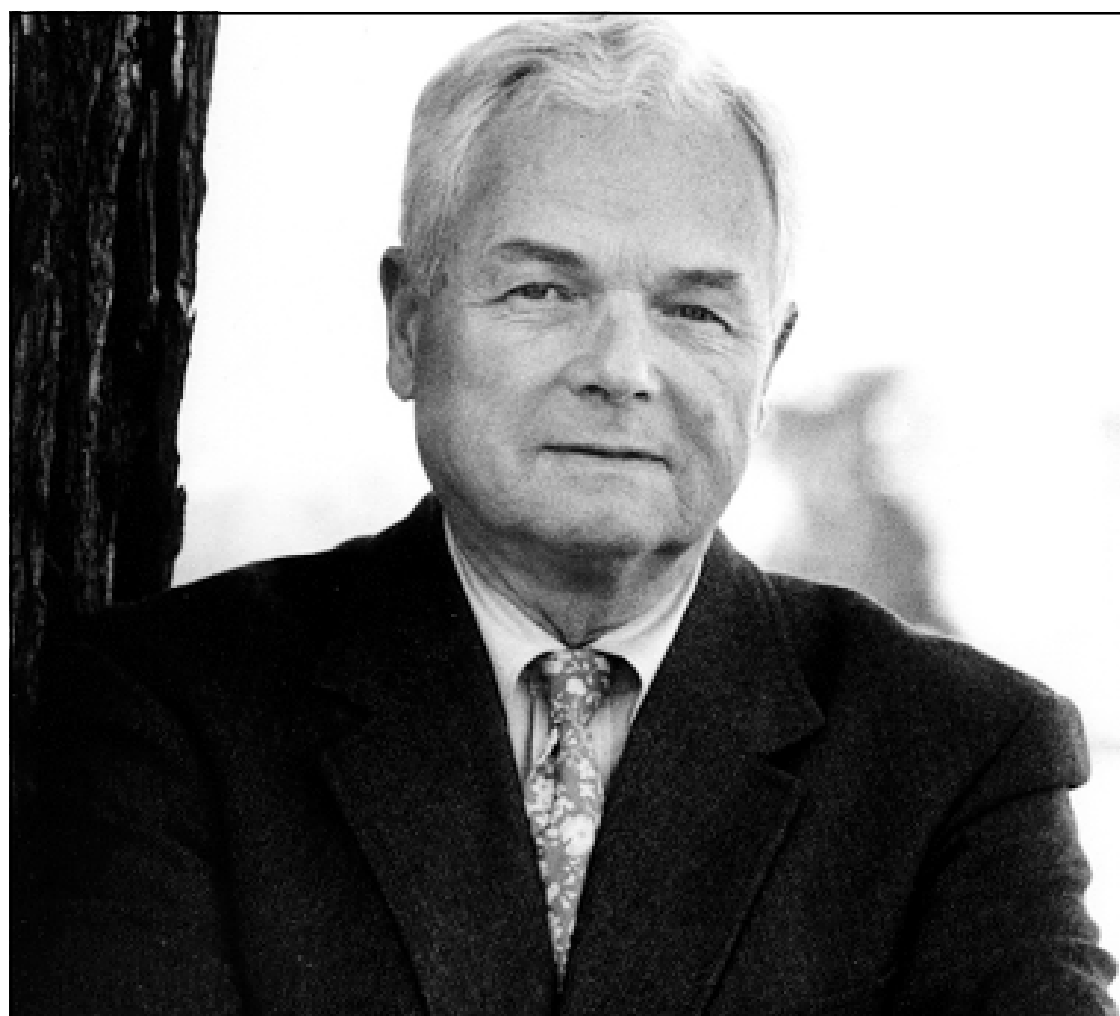
personal testimony of students, faculty and friends who have been affected by rape or sexual assault. President Thomas K. Hearn Jr. will speak, and Chi Rho will perform. "The purpose of the night's events is to give the entire community a chance to express their feelings about rape and sexual assault," said Betsy Taylor, a counselor at the Counseling Center and with Policy Group on Rape Education, Prevention and Response.

Although the majority of rape victims are women, men can also be forced to deal with rape both directly and indirectly, McNair said.

"One of the purposes of Policy Group on Rape Education, Prevention, and Response is to train people to help their friends get through (rape)," McNair said.

According to McNair, a lack of sensitivity toward rape is one of the major concerns of PREPAR. "A lot of people think rape can't happen to them," he said.

Flyers containing statistics were posted around campus. McNair said he hopes these facts will help show both men and women that rape really does affect them.



Courtesy of Wake Forest University

Newsworthy

Bob Abernethy, a former Moscow Bureau chief for NBC News, will speak at the Faith in Focus: The Media and America's Search for its Soul conference, to be held at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 7 in Carswell 111.

White House interns enjoy working in the capital

By Laura O'Connor
Contributing Reporter

In the midst of the recent scandals and controversies surrounding the White House and interns, it's refreshing to know that some interns have wonderful experiences in Washington, D.C.

Several students from this university worked as interns at the White House last summer. Among them were seniors Anne Burkett, Shannon Gardner and Dave Slade.

The students applied for the internship through Career Services. "I applied around early January to mid-February for the internship," Slade said. "I found out that I got the job around March." Slade worked in Washington from May until July.

"The application required two recom-

mendations, an essay on why I wanted this position, a resume and a writing sample," Burkett said.

"After I got the job, there were pages and pages of FBI paperwork to fill out, which asked me for my background," Gardner said.

Each of the students had a different job at the White House. Slade worked at the vice president's office with Al Gore's press secretary.

"I helped with press releases and worked with the White House press corps in planning different vice presidential activities," Slade said.

While working there, Slade did get to meet the vice-president. "I worked in the office right next door to Al Gore, and at first I was in awe to see him," Slade continued.

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Shannon Gardner
Senior

"But after awhile I got used to seeing him around. He's a great guy."

Burkett worked in the travel office. "(I) coordinated press rooms for the president and worked out schedules with the press when they wanted to interview with the president," she said.

Although Burkett did not have an opportunity to meet the president for any great length of time, she did see him when he spoke at a dinner that was put on for the interns. "It was hard to see him," she said.

Shannon Gardner worked in the scheduling office. "I passed out the president's schedules, did a lot of photocopying and worked on the phone with scheduling the president's day," Gardner said.

"Working at the White House was something that I always wanted to do. I'm a politics major and hopefully this internship will help me find a job after graduation," she continued.

Although their jobs varied, the students' responses to the job were the unanimous. According to Slade, "This was the best experience that I've had. It prepared me for

what I will one day do, and it allowed a hands-on experience with politics and an exposure to government officials."

Slade said he hopes to return as an employee after graduation and work with the vice president or chief of staff.

"I loved it," Burkett said. "The staff at the office was wonderful. It was the best job I had," Gardner agreed with Burkett. "I would definitely do this job again."

Gardner also added that the White House likes to hire interns because they do a lot of hard work and they perform many difficult tasks.

"The interns that work at the White House deserve the jobs they receive after their internship," she said. With her intern experience, Gardner would like to find a job on Capital Hill, she said.

BRIEFLY

Campus organizations may have their announcements listed by sending e-mail to news@ogb.wfu.edu, faxing to Ext. 4561 or writing to P.O. Box 7569. The deadline for inclusion in each week's paper is 5 p.m. Monday.

Registrar asks seniors to verify information

All seniors who are candidates for graduation in May 1998 should check the two lists posted outside the Office of the Registrar for accuracy.

Diploma orders and approvals for all majors and minors will be requested in February, so it is important to verify the information now. Also, this is the first graduation report from the new student records system, and the registrar's office wants to verify that the information transferred correctly.

Foods president to give Babcock lecture

Margaret Urquhart, the president of Lowes Foods, will deliver the fourth Babcock Leadership Series lecture for 1997-98 at 11:40 a.m. Feb. 6 in Worrell 1312.

Urquhart was one of only two women in the nation to lead a grocery store with 50 or more stores when she joined the company in 1995.

She received the Tribute to Women in Industry award in 1989, and she was honored with the Distinguished Alumnus Award by Southern Connecticut State University, where she earned a degree in psychology.

She serves on the board of directors for Forsyth Technical Community College and Salem Academy and College.

Testimonials needed for annual Speak Out

The Policy Group for Rape Education, Prevention and Response invites students to submit anonymous testimonials of an instance of

rape or sexual assault for consideration for reading at the annual Speak Out candlelight ceremony Feb. 12 in Wait Chapel.

The Speak Out is the culmination of Tie-A-Yellow-Ribbon Week (Rape Awareness Week).

Testimonials should be no more than two double-spaced pages, should include no identifying information and may take the form of a personal account of an experience of rape or sexual assault, feelings about the experience of a close friend, a poem or any other creative format.

Submissions are welcome from men or women.

Please mail your typed, anonymous testimonial to Betsy Taylor, University Counseling Center, P.O. Box 7838, or bring it to the Counseling Center in Reynolda 118 no later than Feb. 6.

Town hall discussion to relate media, faith

The university will host a town hall-style discussion of media coverage of religion titled "Faith in Focus: The Media and America's Search for its Soul" at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 7 in Carswell 111.

Bob Abernethy, a former Moscow Bureau chief for NBC News, and Sharon Green, the senior cultural affairs editor for National Public Radio, will be among the discussion leaders.

Other panelists will be Cecile Holmes, a religion editor and writer for the *Houston Chronicle*, and Scott Libin, a former news director at WGHP-TV in High Point and the head of the Poynter Institute's broadcast media and ethics training.

Abernethy was a correspondent for NBC News for more than 40 years and is the executive editor and on-camera host for the weekly magazine produced at WNET-TV.

Green established the cultural desk at NPR in 1993 and is now the

network's religion editor.

Holmes is the president of the Religion Newswriters Association and worked as a reporter at *The Greensboro News and Record*.

Libin specializes in broadcast leadership and management at the Poynter Institute and has worked as a Congressional press secretary.

The event is co-sponsored by the Poynter Institute for Media Studies in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Openings still remain for Venice program

There are still a few openings for the Venice program in spring 1999. The director will be Bernadine Barnes, an associate professor of art. Interested students should call Barnes at Ext. 5303 for information and an application. Applications are due Feb. 16.

Meeting to be held about Salamanca

An informational meeting for students interested in spending the spring 1999 semester in Salamanca, Spain, will be held at 4:30 Feb. 19 in Tribble A304. For more information, contact Candelas Newton, a professor and the chairwoman of Romance languages, in Tribble B201 or at Ext. 5485.

MBA Program info sessions scheduled

An information session for anyone interested in the Evening and Executive MBA Programs at the Babcock School of Management will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Feb. 28 in Worrell 1117.

The Evening Program is for professionals and managers who have at least three years of work experi-

ence. Individual courses meet from 6 to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday at the Worrell Professional Center. The degree may be earned in three to five years.

The Executive Program is tailored to mid-career professionals and managers and can be completed in four semesters over two years. Classes meet in Winston-Salem on Saturdays, with occasional Friday sessions.

For more information, call Ext. 4585 or 800-428-6012.

Summer internships offered at Georgetown

The Fund for American Studies is recruiting student leaders to participate in its 1998 summer institutes at Georgetown University. Undergraduates can gain critical work experience through internships in public policy, politics, business, journalism or international affairs and will earn credits through course work at Georgetown.

The final deadline for application is March 15. There is no minimum GPA requirement, and students who have been active on campus are encouraged to apply.

For brochures and applications, contact The Fund for American Studies at 1-800-741-6964 or at www.dcinternships.org.

Scholarships to foster international relations

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship applications are now available. Both the Academic-Year Ambassadorial Scholarship and the Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarship are intended to improve international understanding and foster positive relations among people of different countries. The academic-year scholarship is for one year (1999-2000) in an academic setting, and the cul-

tural scholarship for three months of intensive language training and cultural immersion.

Applicants should call Susan Faust, an assistant to the senior vice president, for additional information or to set an appointment. Students are ineligible if they, their parents or their grandparents are Rotarians. Applications are due March 20.

Leadership/ethics fund to give intern stipends

The Fund for Leadership and Ethics will award five summer stipends for undergraduates who complete internships at non-profit organizations this summer. Winners must continue at the university in the fall. Each stipend will be \$2,400. Internships must last at least eight weeks.

Applications will be considered by a faculty and staff committee, and awards will be made based on the committee's recommendation.

Applications are available in the Internship Office, Reynolda 4, and the Volunteer Service Corps office, Benson 317. They are due April 1.

For more information, call Ext. 5903.

Classical studies scholarship offered

The department of classical languages invites applications for the William Royall Scholarship, established in 1991 by a gift from the family and friends of William Royall, who came to Wake Forest in 1859 as a professor of classical languages and later was the first full-time professor of English, and William B. Royall, his son who was a professor of Greek for 62 years until his death in 1928.

The scholarship provides an award of \$500 for excellence in classical studies, with preference given to students who plan to travel abroad to classical sites.

Application forms, which are due March 6, are available in the department of classical languages, Tribble B6.

Mortar Board honor society open to juniors

Juniors who would like to join Mortar Board may pick up applications at the Benson University Center Information desk. Mortar Board is a national honor society for college seniors.

The society recognizes superior scholastic performance, outstanding leadership and dedicated service to the community.

Applicants should have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA. The application deadline is 5 p.m. Feb. 9.

If you have any questions call senior Jennifer Drennan at 659-3899 or senior Leigh Hatchett at Ext. 6638.

Howler seeks section editor, staff members

The yearbook is looking for interested students who would like to be a part of the Howler staff.

Openings include staff positions on all sections, as well as a section editor position.

Positions may lead to editorial opportunities for the 1999 book. Contact senior DeAnna Lewis at Ext. 6605 for more information.

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