

# Shorty's changes atmosphere

*Coffeehouse offers light rock in afternoons, bar scene at night*

By Brent Blum  
Contributing Reporter

Shorty's is back again this semester, but with a few changes, as the one-year-old establishment serves as a coffeehouse in the afternoon and a bar at night that now features wine in addition to beer.

ARAMARK managers Scott Davis and Bob Hudson said that they want Shorty's to be a "light rock coffeehouse" in the afternoon.

They also said that they envision Shorty's as a place where large or small groups of friends can catch up on the week's gossip over a cup of coffee, or where students and faculty members can escape the hustle and bustle of The Pit for a more relaxing atmosphere.

According to Bryce Newman, Shorty's night manager, part of the reason for the emphasizing the coffeehouse atmosphere is that ARAMARK is not allowed to actively advertise and promote the sale of beer.

At 5 p.m., however, the atmosphere changes drastically — alcohol begins to be served, the TV is turned on and the stereo is turned up.

This year, Shorty's has added wine to its list of alcoholic beverages. The new wine list includes Sutter Home's White Zinfandel, Corbett Canyon's California Chardonnay and Los Vascos' Cabernet Sauvignon.

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future, though the short-term changes will not be significant. Soon to be added to the menu are "Skigo-Smoothies."

Featured at a vendor's fair, Skigo-Smoothies are similar to the smoothies found at The Pit, but with more of a slushy type feel.

Also in the works are a variety of Starbucks products, including gourmet tea, a Coffee Club and a variety of other types of merchandise.

Additionally, plans have been made for an improved movie-theater-style popcorn machine.

Shorty's may also offer more frequent specials. Recently, Shorty's offered free popcorn, Davis said.

In addition to the new beverages, Shorty's has affirmed its commitment to strict alcohol and noise regulations. Newman was unaware of who had dictated the new rules.

Davis said that the noise must be kept within reason.

Evidence of the enforcement of these policies was found at 4:30 p.m. on a Friday afternoon — the TVs were silent, the radio subdued and a patron requesting a beer was turned down.

Shorty's was doing plenty of business at the time, however, despite the self-imposed restrictions on sales.

Students were seen interacting with each other in just the manner Shorty's managers had intended. There were numerous small groups of friends chatting and enjoying each other's company, as well as the coffee.

No changes have been made to the decor. It remains a posh, contemporary hang-out, decorated with memorabilia from many decades of Wake Forest history.

The current menu features deli-style sandwiches, muffins, cheesecake and coffee.

As for entertainment, all of the standard amenities of a bar are present. Shorty's features music, TV and pool tables for entertainment. Shorty's has been the site of gatherings of fervent fans to watch the university's sports teams play on the large-screen TVs.

Despite tighter regulations, Shorty's employees still have the same objective in mind. "We just want to keep everyone happy," said Newman.

Davis also emphasized the importance they place on the customer. "We want this to be a place for you guys," he said.



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## In repose

Sophomore Michelle Howard enjoys a quiet moment on a swing near the Scales Fine Arts Center.

# Band loses practice fields to construction, intramural sports

*Conflicting schedules force marching band to use Davis Field for practice while waiting for new plot in Reynolda Gardens*

By Sarah Rackley  
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With the onset of construction and intermurals, the marching band was in danger of having no place to march, as it was supposed to receive a new practice field in Reynolda Gardens at the beginning of the

school year, but that facility are not yet ready.

After reaching an agreement with Ken Zick, the vice president for student life, the band was given the use of Davis Field, located near the Scales Fine Arts Center.

Though the band practiced on Poteat Field before classes began, the arrangement was only temporary as

Poteat Field has traditionally been used for club and intramural sports.

Kevin Bowen, the director of bands, said he also hoped to reach a compromise with either the field hockey or soccer teams. When schedules were found to be incompatible, Zick stepped in to offer Davis Field, which is controlled by Student Life, to the band.

The area on which the band practiced last year was taken over by a parking lot.

Having been president of his high school marching band and feeling that band is "a wonderful part of student life," Zick said he sought a location where the band could practice.

Zick and Bowen came to the decision that Davis Field was the best solution to the band's lack of a practice field.

Although the field is not ideal, Zick said, "My responsibility is to assure group needs are met in terms of resources available. We had a crisis."

Negotiations for the band's new field began in January 1996, but the field is still not in usable condition. Mud, rocks and bare patches cover the field where it has been difficult to grow grass due to the lack of rain.

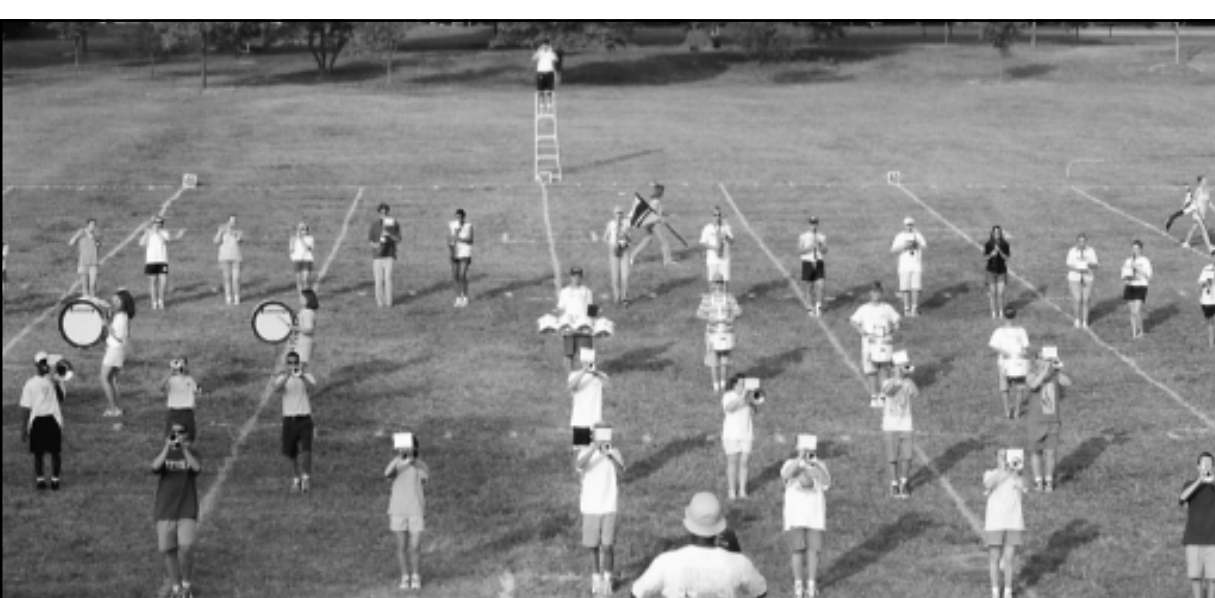
Additionally, an observation tower, storage building and shelter for bad weather that were promised to the band have not been constructed.

Construction may be complete by the spring, but for now the band practices on Davis Field, its makeshift home next to Scales Fine Arts Center. Practice lines have been drawn at the bottom of the sloping field in

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The marching band practices on Davis Field, its home while a permanent field is prepared.

front Scales.

After having only a few practices on there, band members do not feel that the facilities will significantly affect their performance, but Bowen feels that the relocation came at an unfortunate time.

"I hope we can get this taken care of quickly," Bowen said. "This is a time when the band is bigger, the playing is better, morale is good and everyone is excited about the new uniforms. Unfortunately we have to deal with a state of homelessness while we wait for our facilities to be finished."

On the positive side, its new location has given the band more exposure to the student body.

Band members have enjoyed positive comments from students, faculty and administrators who can now hear the band practice on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, Bowen said.

## BRIEFLY

Campus organizations may have their announcements listed by sending e-mail to [news@ogb.wfu.edu](mailto:news@ogb.wfu.edu), faxing to 910-759-4561 or writing to P.O. Box 7569. The deadline for inclusion in each week's paper is 5 p.m. Monday.

### Rosh Hashanah celebration dinner planned

The Jewish Student Organization is sponsoring a New Year's Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 23, at the home of Andrew Ettin, a professor of English.

Interested persons should RSVP by Sept. 19 to sophomore Julie Eling, at Ext. 6641.

### Drivers available to give rides to holiday services

Students desiring rides to Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services at Temple Emmanuel can contact Mary Jane Berman, at Ext. 5827 or [berman@wfu.edu](mailto:berman@wfu.edu), or David Levy at Ext. 5107 or [levy@wfu.edu](mailto:levy@wfu.edu).

### Run with the Deacs race planned for next week

The eighth annual Run with the Deacs 5K race will be held at 4 p.m. Sept. 26, with registration at 3 p.m. The entrance fee is \$10 and includes a T-shirt, which will be available soon in the Benson University Center.

All money goes to the Brian Piccolo Cancer Fund.

The race takes place on the cross-country course behind Palmer and Piccolo Residence Halls and is sponsored by Alpha

Sigma Phi fraternity and the men's and women's basketball teams, who will be in attendance.

Prizes from local merchants, as well as *Runner's World* and Nike, will be awarded to the top finishers in six categories.

There will also be a drawing for door prizes.

Last year's race had over 200 participants and raised over \$4,000.

For more information, call Ext. 5921.

### Fulbright grant offered for graduate study abroad

Competition for Fulbright grants for graduate study abroad in the 1998-99 academic year will be open until Sept. 29. Proposals may be in any field, including the creative and performing arts.

For applications and information, contact Mary Friedman, an associate professor of romance languages at Ext. 5429 or Peter Siavelis, an assistant professor of politics, at Ext. 5451.

### Deadline for Salamanca applications approaches

Applications for studying abroad during Spring '98 at the University of Salamanca through the Wake Forest program are being accepted until Sept. 30.

For more information, contact Teresa Sanhuesa in the department of Romance

languages. To pick up an application, stop by the department office in Tribble Hall B201.

### Informational meeting set for study in Venice

Students who would like to study in Venice in the Spring 1999 should come to an information session at 4 p.m. Oct. 1 in Scales 9.

The director will be Bernadine Barnes, an associate professor of art.

The deadline for the first round of admissions is Oct. 15.

For more information, call Ext. 5303.

### Registration held for art class at Anthro Museum

The Museum of Anthropology is offering an adult education course on traditional Chinese folk art in October. Classes will meet from 7-9 p.m. Oct. 9, 16, 23 and 30 in the Museum classroom.

The cost of the class is \$65 for community members and \$60 for Museum Friends.

The class is being held in conjunction with an exhibit on Chinese folk art and artifacts titled "The Good Earth: Folk Art and Artifacts from the Chinese Countryside" that will be on display from Oct. 8 to Nov. 26.

For more information, call the museum at Ext. 5282.

### Renewable upperclass Scholarships available

The Committee on Scholarships and Student Aid invites sophomores, juniors and seniors with outstanding records to compete to become Thomas E. and Ruth Mullen Scholars of the Upperclass Carswell Scholarships.

These scholarships carry an annual stipend of \$1,500, and once awarded they may be renewed for the remainder of the undergraduate education.

Applicants should submit to the Scholarship Committee a letter that indicates their major areas of academic interest, extracurricular participation and future plans.

Two faculty letters of recommendation are also required.

The deadline for the application is Oct. 15. Finalists will be interviewed and awards will be announced by Dec. 15.

### Gandhi's son to speak on nonviolence, teach a class

The Asian Student Interest Association along with administrative offices, Greek and non-Greek student organizations and different academic departments are co-sponsoring Arun Gandhi will speak at 8 p.m. Oct. 16 in Brendle Recital Hall in the Scales Fine Arts Center. He will also guest-teach a class either the same day or the following day within the philosophy, politics or religion department.

Gandhi will speak to a mainly student audience on nonviolence and will be present for a book signing and dinner reception as well.

For more information, contact senior Al-Husein Madhany at Ext. 6654.

### Free lessons offered in Arabic, Islamic studies

For those interested in learning Arabic or Islamic Studies, free lessons are being held at Majid Al-Muminun from 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 11-12:30 p.m. Sundays. For those interested please call Ebraheem at work (771-3135) or at home (377-3566). This service is provided by the Islam Awareness Organization.

For More Information, contact Lucy Mohr at (423) 576-0028

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