

SG debates new residence hall, curriculum review

By Dan Durand
Contributing Reporter

Focusing on orders of special business during the majority of the Nov. 4 Legislative Assembly, Student Government discussed two developing issues on campus including particulars surrounding Polo Residence Hall and several recommendations arrived at by the Curriculum Review Committee.

Due to a local labor shortage, construction on Polo Residence Hall has fallen slightly behind schedule. Apparently, masons have become a precious and costly commodity because of several current construction projects in the Winston-Salem area. When completed, Polo will house 20 student studio apartments and 37 townhouses, with six units being reserved for handicapped residents.

Designed according to recommendations from students and alumni, Polo will be

unlike any other residence hall on campus. Improvements in privacy and security were showcased in a presentation given to SG by Life and Housing.

Foremost among these innovations are open, well-lit stairwells visible to the outlying grounds through large windows. These will serve to eliminate the possibility of intruders taking refuge in these traditionally poorly lit areas while providing aesthetic appeal.

Additionally, the dorm has been designed so that through traffic within the dorm will not interfere with the living space of first-floor residents.

Connie Carson, Director of Residence Life and Housing, capped the lengthy presentation on Polo Residence Hall by opening the floor to a question and answer session. Greek and non-Greek issues dominated, as a barrage of emotional inquiries regarding blocking schemes and housing preference were fired at Carson. An asser-

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Carson held that Polo would remain, as was originally planned, a center for independent life on campus.

"Polo was to be established as a center for non-Greek life at the university and we are holding true to that statement," Carson said.

The Philomathesians and Euzelians have been guaranteed offices at Polo, while several other groups will compete in the application process for the remaining space. As for blocking, Carson said she suspects that she will be approached by groups of four

students wishing to live together for the townhouses and pairs of two for the studios.

Following the Polo proceedings, junior Greg Trimble, a student representative on the Curriculum Review Committee, presented possible changes to graduation requirements in the distant future. The Curriculum Review Committee has carried out a study comparing the university's curricula with that of other national universities. "Wake was on the high end, but not at the top, which is where we want to be," Trimble said.

Trimble speculated that some curriculum reform will probably be taken, but the extent to which it will be taken is unclear at this point. Thus far, the recommendations have been organized into separate appendices, of which Trimble summarized.

The appendix that legislators found most interesting was Appendix D, which proposed ambitious and sweeping reforms to the course requirements. Notable sugges-

tions in Appendix D include a devaluation of four-credit classes to three-credit classes and five-credit classes to four-credit classes, with no subsequent reduction in credits required for graduation. One and two-credit sections were not discussed.

Other innovations listed as part of Appendix D include a new scheduling system in which fifteen weeks of classes would be broken up into three blocks, with four weeks of class followed by an intervening week off to be used for research projects.

Additionally, instructors teaching first year seminars would be forced to focus more on acquainting students with their laptops.

"The final appendices do not reflect majority opinions," Trimble said. "They are merely recommendations that will go to the faculty at the end of the year."

Trimble also indicated that foreign language requirements will most probably remain as they are.

Recycling variety, amount increase

Cardboard recycling more common

By Mark Rabuano

Old Gold and Black Reporter

Five years ago, recycling became a campus-wide issue with increasing awareness of the nation's limited landfills and the ability to recycle and reuse aluminum and plastic products.

Currently, the program is maintained through Facilities Management and Jim Coffey, the superintendent of grounds.

He said that there are now multiple containers for various recyclable materials in all the resident halls.

In addition, the Benson University Center and Reynolda Hall have containers for cardboard, because they generate a lot of that material as well.

"All the residence halls also have cardboard containers at the beginning of the year with students moving in," Coffey said.

The respective housekeeping staffs take the recycled items to the curb where other members of the staff take them to the recycling facilities near the Physical Facilities plant.

The items are then deposited and the waste management staff removes them and takes them away.

The recycling project on campus receives a \$10,000 annual budget from the university, which is really not used because of the money generated from the recycled material.

Coffey said that the only money the university makes from this process is \$500-600 per month generated from the cardboard, but that this is generally a sufficient amount to fund the program.

This money is used to fund new containers and a campus-wide recycling brochure detailing what is supposed to be recycled, which will

be published soon after winter break.

"The money is basically a slush fund in the event that something happens," Coffey said.

Coffey noted that students' tuition dollars go to have the waste removed and that recycling can save the money that would be spent on removing the waste.

"It would be nice to see recycling increase, even though the university does not receive money, because the more recycling, the less we pay for non-recyclables and the less the landfill cost will be," Coffey said.

Coffey said that the increase every month in the recycled items implies that many students are recycling more often.

"The trend is getting better as generations are raised in an atmosphere of recycling. We are still not recycling as much as we should, due to lack of awareness," Coffey said.

Coffey said he hopes that publishing the brochure and placing an insert in the *Old Gold and Black* will increase awareness and thus recycling.

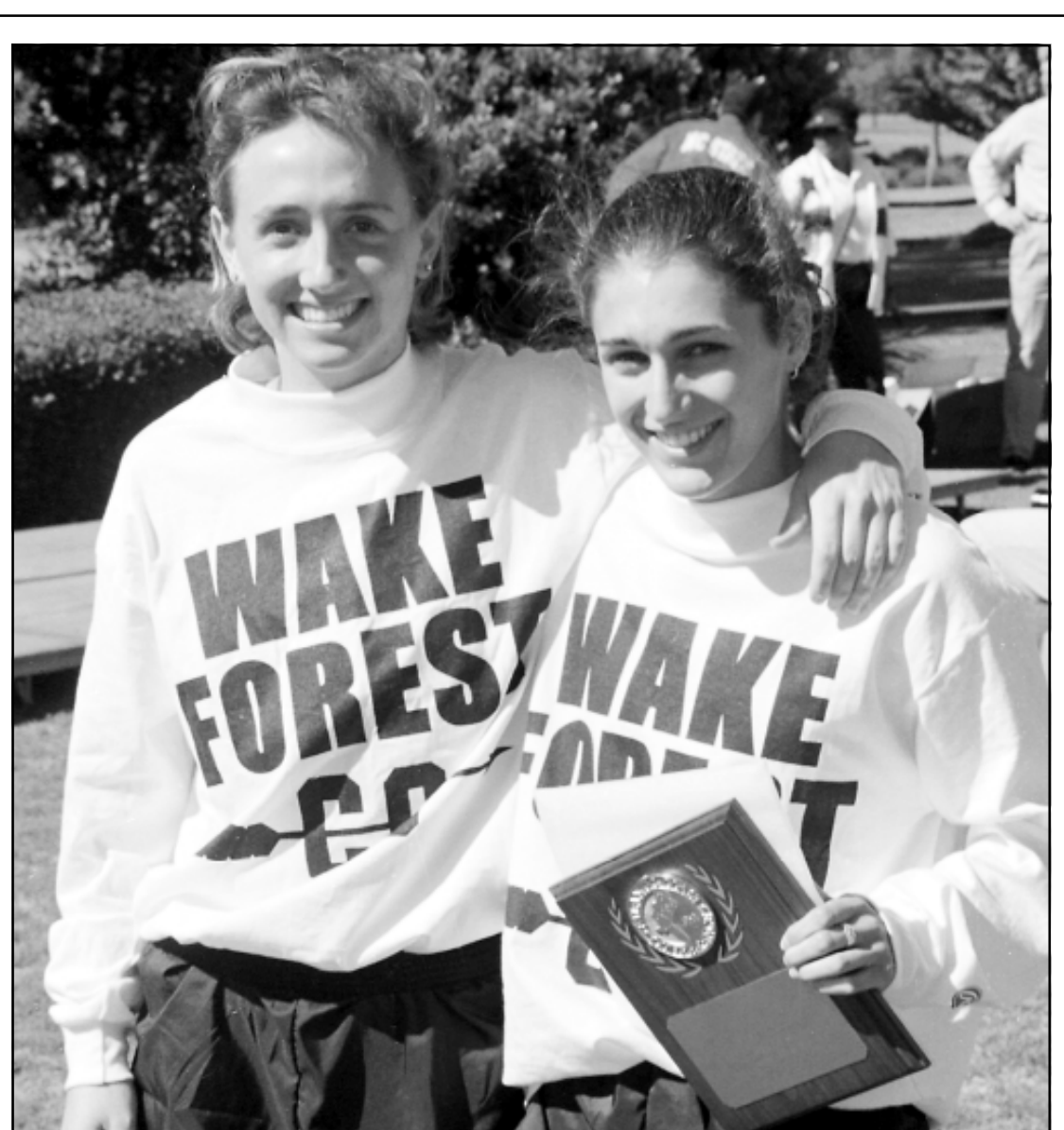
He also expressed interest in having students contribute to the effort.

"I would like to have a student group to help communicate with the other students about recycling," Coffey said.

There used to be an on-campus environmental awareness group that did part of the work, but it apparently dissolved, according to Coffey.

He also used to meet with resident advisers at the beginning of the academic year, but due to lack of interest and time that was abandoned.

"We think that students assume that recycling will just happen, but the more we educate, the better off we will be," Coffey said.



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Winning smiles

Freshman Kelly Brady and sophomore Janelle Kraus were both named All ACC. The cross country team won the ACC championship.

Results not yet released

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The results of the university's investigation into Kappa Sigma fraternity's hazing practices have not been released. Harold Holmes, an associate dean of student services who is conducting the investigation, was not available to say when the results will be announced.

Holmes did say that the division of student life had decided not to discuss the case any further until a finding is reached. Ken Zick, the vice president for student life and instructional resources, said that the policy decision regarding the release of information had been reached by the department. The investigation into Kappa Sig began Oct. 13. A hearing in front of the Group Advisory Panel was held Oct. 22. Holmes has since been investigating the matter further. The fraternity's lounge has been locked by Residence Life and Housing pending Holmes's decision.

Zick said that a delay of two weeks or more for a judicial finding is not unusual for an investigation of this complexity and that a finding is expected within the next week.

Student followed by suspicious person

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At 10:08 p.m. Nov. 4, University Police received a call from a female student who reported that she had been followed by a suspicious-looking individual from parking lot Q, near the Scales Fine Arts Center, to North Residence Hall.

The suspect was described as a 5'8" black male weighing 200 pounds and wearing a black

leather jacket, a hooded pullover and dark blue jeans. He was traveling toward North on foot, though he may have left the scene via car, according to University Police Chief Regina Lawson.

University Police have no leads on the identity of the suspect and have been interviewing people who were in the area at the time to get further information. Anyone who was in the vicinity of Lot Q or North at the time of the

incident should call Detective James Ray at Ext. 5590, Lawson said.

Also, anyone who saw an individual, either on foot or in a vehicle, who matches the suspect's description, should call.

Lawson said that police have so far been unable to determine whether the suspect was a student. The description does not match that of individuals suspected in other campus crimes, she said.

BRIEFLY Campus organizations may have their announcements listed by sending e-mail to news@ogb.wfu.edu, faxing to 910-758-4561 or writing to P.O. Box 7569. The deadline for inclusion in each week's paper is 5 p.m. Monday.

Symposium to focus on multiculturalism

A symposium on multiculturalism in Germany and the United States will be held Nov. 7-8 in the Benson University Center.

The conference will feature experts from a variety of fields, including politics, literature, cultural studies and history.

Registration for all symposium events, including a reception and refreshments, is \$15. The fee is waived for all full-time students.

For more information or to pre-register, call Michael Hughes at Ext. 5557.

Study in Dijon info meeting scheduled

There will be an informational meeting at 4:30 p.m. Nov. 13 in Tribble A207 for students interested

in studying abroad in Dijon, France, for the fall 1998 semester.

Students who are interested but cannot attend the meeting may pick up an application from Cathy Harris, an administrative assistant, in Tribble B201, or contact Sally Barbour, an associate professor of Romance languages, at Ext. 5486.

Business professor awarded fellowship

Yvonne Stewart of the Calloway School of Business and Accountancy was recently awarded the Coopers & Lybrand Junior Faculty Fellowship.

Stewart, an assistant professor of accounting, is the fellowship's first recipient. The Charlotte office of the Coopers & Lybrand accounting firm established the fellowship for pre-tenure accounting professors in the business school.

The fellowship, awarded during a professor's first three years on the

faculty, provides summer stipends for academic research and writing to help build a portfolio of published scholarly articles.

Stewart's research focuses on financial institutions and costs associated with tax-exempt organizations.

Her professional experience includes financial consulting and five years in public accounting.

Stewart, who joined the university this fall, has a bachelor's degree in accounting and a master's in business administration from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

She earned her doctorate in accounting from the University of Tennessee.

Psychologist to give lecture on speech

Anthony Perry, from the department of psychology at North Carolina A & T University, will give a

lecture titled, "Is Speech Special? Evidence from Normal Aging and Spoken Language Processing."

The lecture will be at 3:15 p.m. Nov. 19 in Winston C, and a social will follow in Winston 236.

It is part of this year's Colloquium Series, which is sponsored by the department of psychology.

For additional information, call Ext. 5424.

Religion commentator to speak at university

Bill Moyers, one of America's best-known commentators on religion, will share his insights on the spiritual journey of the United States at 8 p.m. Nov. 19 in Wait Chapel.

The speech, "Religion in American Life: Reflections from a Long-time Observer and Participant," is a part of the Year of Religion in American Life. The program is free and open to the public.

During his 25-year career in tele-

vision, Moyers has been the executive editor of the highly acclaimed series, *Bill Moyers' Journal*, a senior news analyst for the *CBS Evening News* and the chief correspondent for the documentary series *CBS Reports*.

His work has earned Moyers more than 30 Emmy Awards.

Scholarships available for overseas study

Applications are now available for the Berlin exchange program and the Sanders scholarships for study in Germany or Austria.

One full-tuition scholarship will be offered for a year's study at the Free University of Berlin. The scholarship is open to rising juniors who have completed at least intermediate German.

The W. D. Sanders scholarships are open to rising sophomores, juniors or seniors who have completed at least intermediate German.

Applications are due in the German department office by Dec. 1, and the selection will be made by mid-December.

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