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## Ken Ferrell is new Dean of Students

by Sonja Taylor

On December 1, 1981, Kenneth Ferrell officially became VSC's new Dean of Students. Ferrell had served as Acting Dean of Students since Andrew Bond vacated the position in June of this year.

Having served as Acting Dean for a short time, President Hugh Bailey asked Ferrell to remain in the position permanently. The Board of Regents officially approved the appointment on November 11 to be effective December 1.

Dean Ferrell's promotion leaves his former position as Associate Dean of Students for Student Activities vacant. This position should be filled by July of 1982. Until then, the responsibility of the office has been divided among present Student Affairs staff members.

Dean Ferrell is a familiar face around campus. He began working at VSC in July of 1968 as Director of Student Activities where he coordinated the activities of the College Union. In 1978, he was asked to move to the Dean of Students Office to become Associate Dean of Students for Student Activities. He remained in that position until this year's promotion.

Dean Ferrell received both his undergraduate and graduate degree from Valdosta State. He entered VSC as a

freshman in 1956. At that time, there were only 475 students at VSC. "I've seen VSC grow from a school of 475 to 5,000 students", Ferrell commented.

As Dean of Students, Ferrell is responsible for the supervision of the division of Student Affairs. Student Affairs includes Career Planning and Placement, counseling services, Financial Aid, health services, judicial and disciplinary concerns, international student affairs, minority student affairs, housing, student activities and organizations, the College Union, the Student Government Association (including student publications), testing and orientation.

"We handle everything that involves the student outside of the classroom", said Ferrell. He continued, "The whole concept of Student Affairs is geared toward upgrading the status of students in every aspect of college life."

"I'm dedicated to the betterment of our students and to represent them as best I can", Ferrell said. He added, "We will serve in every capacity that we have available. I will not accept anything other than 100% from the people who are charged with this responsibility."

"The Dean of Students serves

as a liaison between the students and the administration at VSC", said Ferrell. "Students are our customers, they pay to come to college and we are paid to serve them. Students are my number one priority. I never let people forget that."

Dean Ferrell stresses an open-door policy regarding the Dean of Students Office. He enjoys meeting and talking with students and is completely dedicated to his job.

"I'm never, ever discouraged to the point that I'm not willing to assist in any possible way I can to help young people accomplish whatever they endeavor to do", said Ferrell.

"I can't see myself in any other profession. If I had a million dollars and could choose any profession I wanted to be in, I would do exactly what I'm doing right now", he commented.

"There's an awful lot of personal satisfaction in knowing that maybe, just maybe, you had some influence on a student as he or she was preparing himself to become a productive citizen. That is the pay as far as I'm concerned", said Ferrell.

Dean Ferrell has a simple approach to dealing with students. "The key to dealing with students is to be up-front, honest and above board. Working with people is never



Ken Ferrell, VSC's Dean of Students

routine. Every day is different. That's what makes this job interesting", he said.

Dean Ferrell sees a bright future ahead for VSC and is excited about upcoming Blazer football. "Football will add a new dimension to student activities", he said.

"I want VSC students to know that they have an ally in the Dean of Students Office. I sincerely believe, and I reaffirm this every time I visit

another institution, that we have the best student body that one will find at any institution, anywhere", commented Ferrell.

Dean Ferrell and his wife Jerry are both from Grady County. They have two children, Scott, 18, a freshman at VSC, and Jill, 16, a junior at Lowndes High School. The Ferrells attend the First Baptist Church of Valdosta.

## Robins named Development Director

VALDOSTA, Ga. -- Richard Lee Robins has been named Director of Development at Valdosta State College, according to Dr. Hugh Bailey, president. His appointment to the post was approved by the Board of Regents at a meeting in Atlanta last week.

Robins comes to VSC from East Carolina University in Greenville, N.C., where he has been Annual Support Director since 1979. He is to assume his duties on the VSC campus Dec. 1. The position was formerly held by Dr. John Lancaster who resigned in September to join the faculty of the history department at VSC.

Following his graduation from the University of Georgia in 1977, Robins was Assistant Director of Annual Support at Purdue University and later Director of Development and Alumni Services at West Georgia College.

A native of Louisville, Ky., he has lived in Indiana and Athens, Ga., where he was graduated from high school.

He is a member of the Greenville Rotary Club, the University of Georgia Young

Alumni Council, the Council for Advancement and Support of Education and other professional organizations.

In 1980 he won the U.S. Steel Award for Improvement (in Development) and was runner up for the same award in 1981, both at East Carolina University. He is married to the former Janice Henderson of Riverdale, Ga., and they are the parents of a son, Jason, born in May.

"I'm really excited about coming to Valdosta State,"

said Robins, who is called Rick, in a telephone interview. "There are a lot of potentials at VSC, especially with the outlook for university status and football.

"My wife and I are looking forward to living in Valdosta and being a part of the VSC and Valdosta community.

"One of my immediate goals is to try to get the U.S. Steel Award for VSC," he added.

The Robins are building a home on Timberbrook in Foxborough subdivision, he said.

## Baileys to host annual tree lighting festivities

President and Mrs. Bailey will host the annual Christmas tree lighting festivities at their home on Thursday, December 3rd.

Refreshments will be served and Santa Claus is scheduled to drop by.

The VSC Madrigal Singers, under the direction of Ruth Sisson, will be performing.

The Brass Choir, directed by Dwight Satterwhite, will also be featured.

Members of the Delta Chi fraternity will be assisting with the tree lighting. The Baileys will open their home for visitors to tour.

The tree lighting festivities are always are always enjoyable so make plans to attend.



Workers risk life & limb? Fixing phones is risky business.

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French Honor Society members Tony Voyer, Mary Wissert, Alicia Andrews, and Ken Altman.

## Phi Delta Phi initiates four members

by Jim Barton

The Phi Delta Phi National French Honor Society initiated four members on Thursday, November 19, in the Powell Hall reception room.

The new members, Tony Voyer, Mary Wissert, Ken Altman and Alicia Andrews, were initiated by Lee Bradley, VSC's chapter moderator. Dean of Arts and Sciences John Upchurch, in a brief speech prior to the ceremony, congratulated the initiates and said that it is important to remember that 'as Americans,

we owe much to the French people.'

After Dean Upchurch's opening speech the ceremony was conducted entirely in French. Each of the initiated read a traditional French poem about the attraction France has to the author.

The four initiates then repeated the society's oath, which includes a vow to study and cherish France, signed the roll and received a letter of membership.

Refreshments were served

after the ceremony.

The Phi Delta Phi French Honor Society was founded in 1906 at the University of California at Berkley. At present there are 175 chapters of the society in the U.S. The VSC chapter was founded in 1974. The society holds one initiation each year.

In order to join the Phi Delta Phi French Honor Society students must maintain a 3.0 overall GPA and must have completed at least 3 upper-level France courses.

## Senate bill calls for four year computer programs

by James Hendricks

Valdosta State may soon have four year programs in computer science. A bill calling for the establishment of such a degree was introduced into the SGA Senate recently by senior senator Nolan Vickers.

Vickers explained, 'Computer science deals mainly with the software (programming) aspects of computers. I talked with other students on the subject and people in the Math Department expressed a desire for this type degree. A degree carries more weight than just a minor in the field and I felt it was something that deserved the attention of the administration.'

VSC Vice-President Ray Cleere said that Valdosta State has been considering such a degree for a number of years. 'The Senate bill,' he noted, 'shows continued encourage-

ment for the degree from the students.'

Cleere explained that VSC was attempting to get a three part package approved by the Board of Regents. The Business School would be in charge of a two year data processing (A.A.S.) degree and a four year management information degree. The Math Department would have a four year computer science degree. Cleere emphasized, 'We hope to have them approved within a year.'

Dean Cleere concluded, 'Already our students can get a strong minor in computer science. This would still be a good alternative for some students since some companies prefer people with a degree in a discipline area and a computer science minor. However, the addition of these degrees would open all options to VSC students.'

## Thaxton's portrait residing in Powell Hall

VALDOSTA, GA. -An oil portrait of Dr. J. Ralph Thaxton, president emeritus of Valdosta State College, has recently been hung in the reception room of Powell Hall at VSC.

The handsome portrait is a gift of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Thaxton of Watkinsville, son and daughter-in-law of Dr. Thaxton. It hangs beside portraits of other VSC presidents and important personages in the early history of VSC.

Dr. Thaxton came to VSC as president in March, 1949 and retired in July, 1966, after serving 17 years as president. His term of office was a time of growth and expansion of the school which first opened its doors in 1913. During his term of office the school

changed its name from Georgia State Woman's College, to Valdosta State College in 1950 when it became coed.

North Campus, formerly Emory Junior College, was acquired during Thaxton's tenure and many of the buildings on Main Campus were constructed during his presidency. Among them were Hopper Hall, Brown Hall, Lowndes Hall, Nevins Hall, West Hall Annex, the dining hall, Farber Infirmary, and two Powell Hall additions. A student center was built, later replaced by the College Union Building.

Dr. Thaxton, whose academic career was long and illustrious, is a native of Griffin. He now resides at Heritage House in Valdosta.

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# New Yorker finds VSC a big surprise

VALDOSTA, Ga.-- If anything could make a Southerner out of a Buffalo, N.Y., sergeant it would be Valdosta State College, if Paul Titorenko is an example.

Sgt. Titorenko of Moody Air Force Base arrived in Valdosta about four years ago and shortly after he got settled in, he discovered Valdosta State College. This is not unusual for young, single men at Moody--there are lots of pretty coeds at VSC and the sergeant is aware of this.

But it was the math department that first attracted him.

"I got out of high school in June, enlisted in the Air Force in September and showed up in Valdosta in January," he recalled. "That was about four years ago. I've been in classes at VSC almost ever since."

"I went to a very good technical high school in Buffalo and studied some computer math there. When I got to Moody they put me in computer work. Computers have a great future--a great potential--and I decided I'd like more training. So I found VSC and enrolled."

Because of his military involvement at Moody AFB, the sergeant hasn't been able to take a full load every quarter but he's managed to accumulate enough hours to qualify as a junior at the end of this quarter.

"The college is one of the biggest surprises I've had since coming to Moody," he said. "The credentials of the teachers, especially in the math department, are excellent. There are some mighty fine professors at VSC. This school has a lot to offer and I'm just glad I found it."

"The cultural involvement is so great in a city like Buffalo

and when I found I was coming to a small south Georgia town, well...I couldn't even find it on the map. But VSC offers the closest thing to a cultural program, what with the concerts, lectures, etc. VSC has taken up the slack."

The Air Force picks up about 75 percent of the college tab, so the financial end of getting an education has not been a burden on the sergeant. Finding the time to take college courses, however, while working full time is another matter.

"I work at Moody from 11 p.m.-7a.m.," he explained. "I live in town so I rush in, shower, change clothes and go to classes in the morning and sleep in the afternoon. I haven't been able to take a full load every quarter but I've racked up a few hours."

Will he get a degree from VSC?

"No," he said, "because the Air Force is pulling the plug. I'm being transferred to Gunter, in Montgomery, Ala. Just as I've gotten really involved with VSC and made a lot of good friends, gotten interested in an honor society and met a lot of nice folks, I have to leave in January."

"Gunter is the design center where they write all of the computer programs used world wide in the Air Force. Since I'm probably going to stick with computers, I'm glad to get this assignment if I have to leave Moody."

He's planning, however to continue his education.

"I've already called Auburn University at Montgomery and told them the courses I've had at VSC and they said there'd be no problem about accepting them," he added.

Meanwhile, he's going home for (a white) Christmas in Buffalo.

# VSC students to serve in Model UN

Eight VSC students were selected to serve as delegates for the Model United Nations Delegation in New York City, April 6-11. The students were selected by three faculty members and three student members.

The students are: Seniors: Charles M. DeCurtis, Robert Combs, Jr., and Martha Meads, Juniors: Donna Sheffield, Laura Jame-Marie Peden, and Kenneth Andrew Adair, Sophomores: Angela Carpenter, and freshman, Jayne C. Copeland. Alternates that were selected were: Perry Mitchell Everrett, Senior, Eva Angela Branch, Junior, and Wendy Lee Hammrick, Freshman.

The delegates will be involved in planning and pre-

the country they will represent.



Dancers, musicians, and court jesters will be featured at the Elizabethan Madrigal dinners this week.

# Elizabethan banquet to feature Madrigals

VALDOSTA, Ga.--Traditions come and go but one of the best at Valdosta State College is being revived on Dec. 4-5. It's the Elizabethan type Madrigal Dinners, complete with court jester, dancers, trumpeters, recorder consort, dancers and Madrigal singers.

In the early years of the college, an old English Festival was held each December before the students went home for the holidays.

Two dinners are planned this year for 7:30 p.m. in the South Wing of the dining hall and are open to the public. Seating is limited and reservations should be made by Dec. 2 to the Music Department, 247-3323, according to Ruth Sisson, Director of the program.

"The hall is to be decorated for a festive banquet as it would have been in Elizabethan days," said Miss Sisson. "It is a play within a VSC, and Queen Elizabeth (Beth McRae of the Speech and Drama Department) is the honored guest. This is all in

the manner of Merry Old England and in the traditions of Queen Elizabeth's time and those on the program will wear costumes of the period.

"There is to be a Boar's Head, Wassail, and Flaming Pudding in the procession, although actually roast beef is on the menu. Mike Floyd, Director of Food Services at VSC, has promised Banquet style meal to welcome in the Christmas season," she said.

Dr. John Huxford, head of the music department, has arranged the trumpet fanfares and the Christmas music will be of both the Elizabethan era and more traditional as we know it today.

Dr. John Curtis, department of Sociology, and Susan Loutit are to play the recorders and the Chamber Singers of VSC are to sing. Dancers are under the direction of Lee Hansen of the physical education department.

"The Master of Merry Disport is to be played by Walter James, professor emeritus of Florida State University, who

initiated and directed their Madrigal dinners for years. He is developing the script for this and will incorporate a lot of humor in it. He really acts as the master of ceremonies," said Miss Sisson.

Rick D'Onofrio of Warner Robins is to be court jester. He will be remembered by VSC theatre goers from his recent humorous and agile role as the servant in "Servant of Two Masters," and from "The Fabulous Fable Factory."

Dancers are Susan Akridge of Sale City, Elizabeth Hume of Peachtree City, and Rosanne Fochesatto of Brazil.

Michael Linger of Valdosta is the page.

Joan Cole and Richard Marshall, both of Waycross, are trumpeters.

Chamber singers are Debi Chandler of Tifton, Harry Graves, Hope Ince, and Michael Scott, all of Valdosta; Leslie Jones of Newton; Stan Smith of Pelham; Randy Worde of Lafayette; Mary May of Thomasville, and Susan Akridge.


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# Editorials & Opinions

## Speak for yourself — Sonja Taylor

The Student Government Association is holding a referendum today to find out the general consensus of students regarding Senator Joe Thompson's attempt to raise the legal drinking age to 21. The results of the referendum will be forwarded on to the State Legislature to let our representatives know how students feel about the issue at VSC.

It is important for our legislators to be aware of the feelings of the people they are representing. That is the purpose of the job. It seems that one senator, Mr.

Thompson, is trying to pass a law that is based on his own opinion and not that of his constituents.

Young people between the ages of 19 and 21 will be directly affected by this legislation, if it passes or if it doesn't. It is the responsibility of this group of people to speak up about what they want and don't want.

Don't let someone else make your moral decisions for you. Vote in today's referendum, or better yet, write your legislators. They'll never know, if you don't tell them.

Have a happy and safe holiday!

## Why ERA?

by Representative Peggy Childs

[Rep. Childs has been in the Georgia General Assembly for 7 years. She is married to Attorney Mobley Childs; they have a son, Moby, 15 and a daughter, Christy, 9. Rep. Childs chairs the 17 member DeKalb-Rockdale Delegation to the House of Representatives. Her legislation has included judicial reform, educational improvement and tax relief; her 1981 property tax relief legislation was one of the largest tax refund measures to pass last session. It was her legislation which made "Georgia On My Mind" our state song.]

From Albany to Rome, from Waycross to Cartersville, from Toccoa to St. Simons to Macon to Augusta and many points between, I have talked with and listened to Georgians about the Equal Rights Amendment. Let me share what I have learned.

There are a small number of people who oppose this amendment. They are committed to their fear of it and they are vocal in their objection to it.

There are a small number of people who favor the amendment strongly. They are willing to speak up vociferously.

The vast majority of people fall along a continuum between the two groups. Many lean toward passage, some lean against and most wish not to be forced to take a stand on it.

It is to this large middle group I address my opinion. Why ERA?

I graduated as Valedictorian from Tallulah Falls School and attended the University of Georgia on an academic scholarship. I thought I was pretty wise, and in my great admiration of Thomas Jefferson, who so beautifully penned the important cornerstones of this nation's democracy, I thought his phrase "all men are

created equal with certain inalienable rights" meant "all people." It wasn't until I saw documentation in the Tulane Law Review which responds to "does all men mean all people?" that I finally realized that around 1776 in this country "all men" meant "all men."

As Jefferson put it, "the ladies have enough to do to take care of the home and the family. Men must take care of government and business." I do not find that offensive; that's the way it was in 1776.

The Constitution was written for men, specifically white men. Black men were added by the 14th Amendment, which eliminated discrimination on the basis of race. The Equal Rights Amendment would, at last, add women or specifically assure that "no one be discriminated against on the basis of sex."

That's it! That's all there is to it: nothing sinister, nothing undermining! The Equal Rights Amendment would include women in the Constitution. If you think the Constitution should be for all citizens, you should be for all citizens, you should favor the ERA. If you think the Constitution should not be for all citizens, you should oppose the ERA.

The Constitution is the basic statement of principles in which a nation believes. It is the backbone, the framework, the single proclamation of belief on which our laws are based. Changes to the document must be ratified by the states.

If you feel Georgia should be one of the three remaining states to ratify this amendment to make the Constitution apply to all citizens, please let your state representative or state senator know. If you want more information, write or call me.

Oh, yes! About 60 years ago we were given one right in the Constitution. The ratification of the 19th Amendment gave us the right to vote.

## Letters to the Editor

### Blood Drive successful

Dear Editor:

As Co-Chairman of the Lowndes County Red Cross Blood Drive I would like to applaud the student body of VSC for their generosity and

commitment to the Red Cross program. The turnout was beyond my expectations and I was delighted to stay two hours late on Thursday so that

we could facilitate the processing of the one hundred students who came in during the last hour of the drive.

Being an employee of VSC I am also pleased that I saw so many students, the next thing

we need is for students to recruit professors!

Again, my plaudits are given to you one and all -- the 340 who gave, the 10 who tried to give and couldn't give quite enough, and the 25 who were deferred. Thank you!!

Sincerely,  
Barbara Wilson

### The professors strike back

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to Mr. Withheld's letter concerning irresponsible tardiness in returning tests to students. What Mr. Withheld fails to realize is that the grading of tests is frequently a torturous experience bordering on masochism. It is always

amazing how the simplest concepts can lead to such confusion on the part of some students. The trauma involved in grading these tests is compounded by the fact that one usually finds it necessary to give tests to all of his classes at roughly the same time. Maintaining sanity requires that the chore of grading be approached piecemeal. Moreover, after giving a test, it often takes us some time to determine the correct answers.

Sincerely,  
Joseph W. Kushner  
Associate Professor of Economics

### B. Reade on X-Mas

Dear Editor,

It's that time of year again. The Christmas season. It has been heralded in by the com-

pletion of Turkey Day and several Eric Hipple passes. Turkey Day, for the misinformed, is the commercial name for Thanksgiving. Christmas has been commercial since they started celebrating it on a pagan holiday.

Christmas has become plastic and, in some weird cases, spelled with an "x". X-mas is not Christmas. X-mas is the holiday heralded by Turkey Day.

Don't get me wrong...I've yet to turn back a Christmas present. That would be rude. I have exchanged levis that were too short though. Really, there's not that much high water around here.

There's also a little known fact about me. I am personal friends with old Saint Nick. He lets me read his Christmas letters. Here's what a few people want this Christmas:

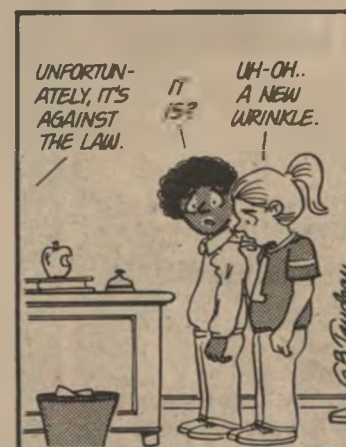
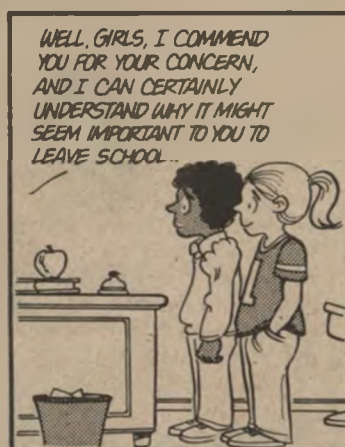
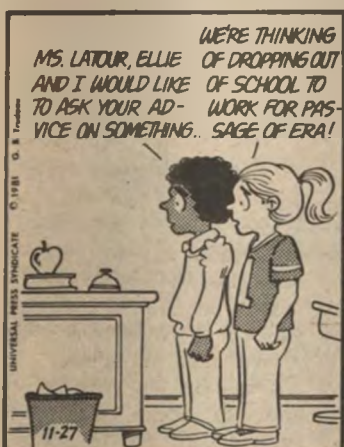
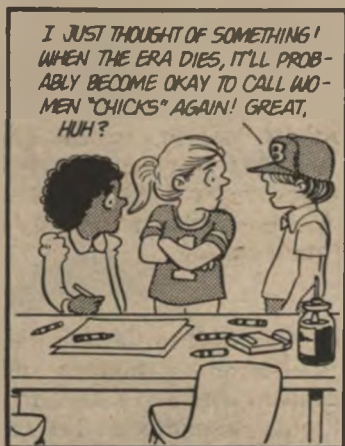
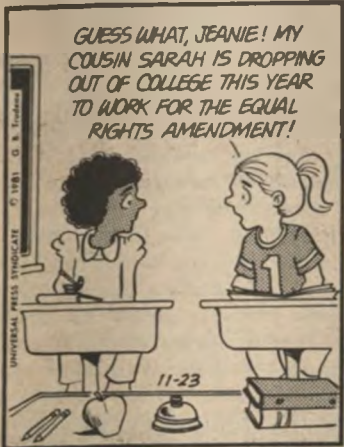
Dear Santa,  
I know you are real. All I  
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# DOONESBURY

by G.B. Trudeau

## DOONESBURY



## by Garry Trudeau

**Letter from p.4**  
 want is a name change. The University of Georgia at Valdosta would be nice.  
 Thank you,  
 Hugh Bailey  
 Dear Mr. Claus,  
 I do not want anything right now. Come visit me this spring.  
 Sincerely,  
 Tommy Thomas

Dear Santa,  
 I would like some new plates and forks that won't break or bend. Also, I'm getting low on parsley and dry lettuce. I will leave milk and cookies.  
 Merry Christmas,  
 Mike Floyd  
 (Santa plans on skipping this one.)

Also, Santa has asked me to forward these tidbits of information concerning the X-mas season;  
**MAIL LATE:** Everyone gets bunches of cards and presents on Christmas Day in the mail. Mail after December 10th. Your package will arrive sometime in February. Unless you picked something extremely tacky, it will be more impressive arriving alone.  
**SHOP LATE:** Crunch fenders and elbows. This is the true spirit of X-mas. Decisions are easier if you put off till the end. If you were torn between two presents, one of them will be sold by now. Maybe both. Always plan an alternative.  
**FORGET TO RECORD SOME CHECKS:** Sweat it out. Use rubberized checks. Send rich relatives cards early just in case.

**BREAK UP WITH YOUR GIRLFRIEND:** Girlfriends expect expensive presents. You can avoid some costs this way. Get back together in time for the New Year's Eve parties.  
**BELIEVE IN SANTA:** Or at least say you do. The quality and quantity of presents decline proportionately as this belief does.  
**BUY SOMETHING YOU WANT:** Just in case nobody gets it for you.  
**CELEBRATE AN OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS:** Make popcorn garland for the tree. Read "A Visit From Saint Nicholas" with a loved one in front of a fireplace. Don't go overboard spending for presents. Actually read your Christmas cards. Attend Church on Christmas Eve... Maybe you'll discover the true meaning of Christmas.

Sincerely,  
 Beauregarde Livingston Reade

## Horrible expansion

To whom it may concern:  
 I don't know what person/group/or department was responsible for the horrible presentation concerning the expanding universe last Thursday but I just have one question: What was the purpose? If you were attempting to just show off your facilities and throw around some big words, well... you were successful. However, if you were genuinely trying to

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# Our gift to you: Extra *Doonesbury*



### Letter from p.5

educate whoever happened to show up for the show...you blew it!!!

I was trying to be courteous and not be late for this big event, but ended up having wait for the 9PM showing anyway, which was no big deal. I went upstairs to look through the telescopes (I was already familiar with them due to an astronomy course that I'm presently taking this quarter) and to my dismay here were all these people milling about hardly knowing what was going on. Were there any lab assistants on hand to put back to order any telescopes that had gone astray of its target? Only one. Were there any lab assistants on hand to tell the visitors what they were viewing? Only one. I found this a little mysterious since so many seem to spring up on Monday and Wednesday night labs. Suggestion: Would have been too much trouble to perhaps number the 'scopes' and then print information concerning the targets of said 'scopes' on a hand-out sheet?

I'd like to make one other point. Although I have much respect for Dr. Marks as a teacher (I think that he is one of our better profs) I was dismayed at the manner in which the presentation inside the planetarium was handled. Why resort to a prepared speech? I couldn't understand what the Carl Sagan imitation was for! Dr. Marks delivers much better classroom lectures, and I can't help but think that the crowd that showed up would have left knowing much more if he had approached the presentation in this manner.

I don't believe that its  
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## You'd better watch out!

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Left to right: Comet, Cupid, Donner, Blitzen, and Pranzler. Not Pictured: the rest of the team. Ho Ho!





# Basketball season begins

## Blazers capture second in Cystic Fibrosis Tourney

by Bart Miller

The Valdosta State College Blazers opened their 1981-82 season in the sixth annual Cystic Fibrosis Tip Off Tournament. VSC got off on a positive note with an 87-72 win over Florida Tech. Ivey Hubbard's 31 points led the way for the Blazers while Ben Mackey had 19 and Lee Green chipped in 14. The Blazers

and had to be taken to the hospital. Ivey Hubbard and Ben Mackey had 22 points each but they were the only Blazers in double figures.

VSC then lifted their season's record to 2-1 with a thrilling 69-68 win over Jacksonville State. Bret Cambell was the hero as he hit a 15 foot jumper with only four seconds left to play to give the Blazers the win. Jacksonville State, who is

Valdosta State's Lady Blazers opened their 1981-82 season on Monday, November 23rd, and for the first time since the beginning of Lady Blazer basketball, they had a new head coach. Coach Charles Cooper, who had a brilliant career at Lowndes County, guided the Ladies to a 94-77 win over Albany State. It looked for a while like the Lady Blazers were in trouble in the first half, as they trailed by as many as six points. A late first half rally, however, saw the Ladies go ahead at half-time 48-44. It appeared as though it was going to be a nail-biting finish. It was anything but that.

The second half belonged totally to VSC as they out-scored Albany State 46-33. The Lady Blazers had five people in double figures, led by Pam Johnson and Janice Washington with 18 points each. Sheila Wilcox had 17, Sherri France 15 and Vicki Smith had 11.

On Friday, the Ladies traveled to Sanford, Florida to play in the Lady Sunshine Basketball Classic. VSC drew Georgia for the opening round and pulled off a stunning 83-82 victory. The Lady Blazers showed no respect for the 9th rated Lady Dogs as they stormed to a 48-44 halftime lead. VSC then seemed to have put the game away as they built a 16 point lead in the second half, but Georgia came back to close the margin to a single point. The Lady Blazers held on, however, for the victory. VSC was led by Pam Johnson's 30 points. Missie Milton had 20, while Janice Washington got 14 and Sherri France had 13.

The Lady Blazers then advanced to the championship game against Florida State.

The Lady Blazers, however, could never get untracked as FSU went on to an 82-69 win. Missie Milton, Pam Johnson and Janis Williams led the Ladies with 12 points, while Janice Washington and Sherri France contributed 11.

On Monday night, the Lady

## Lady Blazers upset Georgia 83-82



Janice Washington (42) and Debby Dernay (25) helped lead the Lady Blazers to a 3-1 start.

Blazers opened their home season with an 85-72 victory over Georgia Southern. Missie Milton's 22 points led the Ladies. Janice Washington had

21 and Sherri France added 15. The Lady Blazers next games are against Troy State and Albany State on Tuesday and Saturday.



Ivey Hubbard snags this errant shot. Hubbard led the Blazers in scoring and rebounding in their 2-1 start.

were in control of the game most all night and played very well for a first game.

The victory set up the championship game against North Georgia. VSC jumped out to an early lead and seemed ready to take home the championship trophy. Things soon went sour, however, as North Georgia came back and routed VSC 86-62. To add to their woes, VSC's Lee Green crashed into the gym doors

a member of the Gulf South Conference that the Blazers join next year, had one last chance to win, but a desperation heave at the buzzer would not fall. For the third straight game, Ivey Hubbard led the Blazers with 23 points. Cambell also found double figures with 13 points while Lee Green had 12. The Blazers will face another member of the Gulf South on Tuesday when Troy State comes to town.

## ROTC takes volleyball crown

Heavily favored and undefeated ROTC slammed their way to the championship of intramural volleyball. The tournament slated the four top teams of the regular season in a single elimination playoff. The first game of the night was between the second and third place teams, Sportsters and

Phi Mu. The Sportsters jumped out to a 15-4 first game win, but Phi Mu battled back only to see their efforts fall short as the Sportsters advanced into the championship with a close 16-14 win. The next game was between the KD's and ROTC. The KD's gave ROTC trouble early in the

year and they took this match to the final game. ROTC jumped out to an early lead but the KD's pulled even at 13. ROTC claimed the next two points to take the first game. The KD's got back into the

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# Lewis Grizzard is a hit at VSC

by James Hendricks

(NOTE: Lewis Grizzard is a columnist for the Atlanta Constitution and appears daily excluding Tuesdays and Saturdays. His column is syndicated and appears three times weekly in eighty newspapers throughout the United States. He is also the author of three best selling books.)

It is very difficult writing objectively about someone you admire. I began reading Lewis Grizzard about four years ago when he wrote a sports column for the Atlanta Constitution. I still enjoy reading him now. Lewis Grizzard is a graduate of the University of Georgia. While he was there, a rival newspaper started up. 'It was probably the best thing that could have happened to me then,' he said. 'Both papers hired college students to work for them. I got practical experience and learned more about newspaper work that first week than I did in four years of journalism school.'

Lewis left Athens upon graduation and went to work as a sports writer for the Atlanta Journal. He became sports editor there at age 23. 'I fulfilled my life's ambition then,' he commented. 'Never do that. You'll just have to find another one.'

He went on to become city editor, and finally decided to quit. 'I just played tennis for eight months,' he recalled. 'It's amazing how little money you need if you just play tennis all the time.'

After this period he went to work for the Atlanta Constitution as a special assignment editor. 'I've never really been a writer,' Grizzard said. 'Edit-

ing is what I've always wanted to do. However, I didn't like working till nine at night. It interfered with my tennis.' He quit.

At age 28, he moved to Chicago and became sports editor of the Chicago Sun-Times. 'Mostly what I did was babysit 40 people and go to court about it a lot,' he recalled. 'During one of my frequent court appearances, I thought about going home.'



He covered every story he could that was within 250 miles of Georgia. In 1977, he was covering the Masters Golf Tournament with Dorsey Hill for the Chicago paper. 'It was April. There was snow in Chicago, but it was 75 degrees in Augusta. A beautiful sunset. . . gorgeous Georgia coeds . . . on April 8th I decided to come back.' On April 21st he got his present job with the Constitution.

He wrote a sports column at first, but soon became disenchanted with it. 'Ballplayers

won't put on their pants when you interview them after the game in the locker room. This disturbed me greatly.

His column has a great deal of humor in it, but Grizzard is serious on occasion. 'Sometimes my column is a grind,' he commented. 'It's something you have to do. My main problem is coming up with ideas. It's like being married to a nymphomaniac. . . the first two weeks are fun.' Grizzard added, 'It makes you think all the time. It's difficult to escape. You begin to look for a story for the column all the time. It actually becomes your life.'

'Johnny Carson is the luckiest man alive,' Lewis said. 'He has writers to write his jokes. Ed McMahon to laugh when he tells them, and Mondays off. That's what I need.'

Grizzard does have time to travel and give talks however. 'That's what I do more than anything now,' he noted. 'I'm on the road all the time. I have a habit of speaking in



cities that are impossible to get to though.' After his talk at VSC Monday night, he drove to Savannah. From there he was to take a train to Richmond where he would rent a car to drive to Williamsburg for a banquet Tuesday night. 'I enjoy speaking on

campuses like this,' Grizzard said, 'mainly because there are no banquets. You don't have to sit there while they give everybody and his brother a plaque.' He added, 'College audiences are more receptive, too. I really enjoyed being here.'

## MSU protests Cheerleaders

BOZEMAN, MT (CPS)-- They judged the eight comely contestants by their general appearance and poise, and how they looked in swimsuits and cowboy outfits. The winner was appropriately happy. "It's great to be a winner," exulted Bernard Frievalds, who took the title despite an excess of body hair.

Frievalds and the seven others were part of a satirical beauty pageant at Montana State University held to protest

the campus appearance of the decidedly-more famous Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders squad.

The cheerleaders' music and variety show on the campus "is another example of using women's bodies to sell a product," contends protest organizer and MSU housing official Jan Strout.

The event, cooked up by Bozeman's Bobcat Booster Club, was designed to raise money for MSU athletic scholarships, according to Earl

Hansen, Montana State's assistant athletic director.

The Dallas cheerleaders, who perform in skimpy outfits, have been effective attractions before. In September, their appearance brought an all-time record crowd to Kent State's homecoming weekend.

"We do a lot of tours," points out Debbie Bond of the cheerleaders' organization. "USO, orphanages, hospitals, children's homes, state fairs, telethons. We're just trying to make people happy."

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very close games. Once again Sportsters challenged ROTC, but fell short as they lost 15-12, 15-9. Congratulations to Rodney Robinson and his girls who found out that talent and practice can take a team a long

match with an exciting game which they won 15-12. ROTC smashed the ball several times, but KD's played tough defense and returned most of the hard shots. ROTC woke up the next game and handily



Volleyball champs - ROTC

way even to a championship. Thanks also go to Ms. Judy Phillips and Missie Milton and her crew of referees who pulled off an excellent season without a hitch.

disposed of the pesky KD's. The championship pitted the Sportsters against ROTC. Earlier in the year these two teams played a very exciting match with ROTC winning two

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# Entertainment

## Speech & Drama Dept. bring back honors

VALDOSTA, GA. - The Speech and Drama department of Valdosta State College came home from the annual meeting of the Georgia Theatre Conference held in Savannah Nov. 13-15 with high honors.

Dr. Randy Wheeler, director of theatre at VSC, was named vice president for 1982. The conference is to be held in Atlanta next year and Dr. Wheeler is in charge of the program.

Eight of the 10 VSC students who attended the conference were selected to audition at the Southeastern Theatre Conference (SETC) to be held in

Louisville, KY., in March.

"We had double the number of students selected for SETC auditions of any other school represented at the conference," said Dr. Wheeler, "and we are very proud of them."

"Students had to give a reading or a song and they were judged by three professional directors. When they go to the SETC in Louisville they'll audition before producers of summer theatres from all around the country. Eleven states will be represented at SETC but I have full confidence in our students. I know they'll make a good showing."

Those named to attend the Louisville conference are: Chris Gillespie of Centerville; Janie Allen of Snellville; John Powers of Thomasville; Judge Luckey of Hinesville; Kelie Miley, Suzanne Coleman, Rachel Simonaitis and Bill Gilbert, and of Savannah.

Jacque Wheeler and Hope Ince sang a medley of show tunes at the luncheon Sunday and their rendition was so popular they were asked to repeat it at SETC in Louisville.

Students were accompanied by Dr. and Mrs. Wheeler, Dr. and Mrs. David Ince and Joel Boatright.



## VSC's Dr. Lavan Robinson recognized

Dr. Lavan R. Robinson has achieved special professional recognition by the Music Teachers National Association (MTNA) as a nationally certified teacher of voice.

Dr. Robinson was recommended for this advanced professional standing by the Georgia Music Teachers Association on the basis of academic achievement and

high professional standards in the field of music pedagogy. This includes musical competence, teaching preparation, and successful performing teaching experience.

The MTNA Certification Plan was adopted in 1967 and is a national standard for the evaluation and recognition of qualified music teachers. Individual teacher certification is maintained through continuing education, performance, and professional involvement which are key features of the National Certification Program.

MTNA was founded in 1876 and was the first professional music association in the United States. It has a membership of over 19,000, representing music teachers in independent studios, conservatories and music schools, private schools, and institutions of higher learning. Its primary goal is to raise the level of musical performance, understanding, and teaching in America.

## Cry Havoc at Whitehead

by John Griffin

A rock group called Cry Havoc made their debut performance at Whitehead Auditorium on Monday, November 30 at 8:00 p.m. The five member combo drew a crowd of about 500 people and the high energy music of the band was enjoyed by all who attended.

Featuring double-lead guitar riffs by Chip Tanner and Tom Davis, Cry Havoc played popular hits by such bands as Ted Nugent, Loverboy, and Led Zeppelin. Also on their agenda of songs were several original tunes written by John Terry, bass guitarist, and Chip Tanner.

After many hours of rehearsal at an old downtown theatre in Valdosta, Cry Havoc proved their abilities to go far beyond the typical, lightweight rock'n'roll sounds played by most other bands in the area.

An added attraction of the band was Miriam Hulse, the female vocalist of Cry Havoc. Her singing was especially impressive on the Led Zeppelin song, "Whole Lotta' Love."

Charlie Fields showed superior skills as a drummer for the group at their Whitehead performance. His drum solos were on the mark as the front row danced to the beat.

Tom Davis and Chip Tanner were true showmen in the performance. Davis impressed the crowd with several karate kicks while playing his guitar and Tanner sang several of his own originals.

Last but not least, John Terry, the unofficial leader of Cry Havoc, displayed a versatile ability as he switched from bass guitar to piano on a couple of songs. Terry and Tanner have worked together on getting a band together for the past year, and it seems as if their efforts have paid off.

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# Instead of a sleigh, an Air Force transport

MOODY AFB, Ga., Nov. 30, 1981--Some people say that Santa Claus bears a striking resemblance to 21-year old Mark Meeks, a Valdosta State College business administration major. To verify this resemblance, crowds of people gathered at Valdosta's Five Points Shopping Center Nov. 27 to see Santa parachute from a C-172 into the shopping center parking lot.

"I've been Santa's helper before," commented Meeks, who began his parachuting three-and-a-half years ago in the Philippines, when his father, Major Alfred W. Meeks, now a chaplain at Moody, was stationed there.

"On the way to church and other places, I would see the

parachutists in action," Mark remembers. "What I really wanted to do was to fly," he said, "but the aeroclub there kept being closed down by the Philippine government in an attempt to give the club Philippine government in an attempt to give the club Philippine certification, so I did what I thought was the next best thing--sport parachuting."

"For the last two years I have been helping the U.S. Parachute Association area safety officer, Steve Dean, who did the parachuting for the shopping center during the holiday season," Dean moved from the area and left his two-year legend to his helper.

The Five Points merchants will pay Meeks approximately

\$300 which will cover the cost of the aircraft flight and a million dollars worth of liability insurance required before his was allowed to parachute into the crowd of people.

"The old American Legion fire truck was there to drive Santa around the shopping center while he tossed candy to the children. There was also a photography trailer on hand so children could have their picture taken with Santa."

As for Meeks' previous parachuting experience, he says, "I have jumped into a few airshows, including a show for the Philippine president and last year's Nashville, Ga., airshow." Meeks has made more than 300 jumps.

Now involved in aerobic

jumping, Meeks says he prefers parachuting.

To help finance his education,

partment at VSC, where he says he hopes to graduate in March, he is also involved in



Mark Meeks is high flying Santa.

Meeks bags groceries part-time at the base commissary. In addition to his studies in the business administration de-

partment at VSC, where he says he hopes to graduate in March, he is also involved in the Reserve Officer Training Corps program and will be going into pilot training during the next year.



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## Jefferson Starship still in flight

by John Griffin

The Jefferson Starship, one of the longest surviving rock bands in history, recently performed in Gainesville and Lakeland, Florida. Several VSC students were fortunate enough to attend those concerts.

Featuring Mickey Thomas and Grach Slick on lead vocals, the San Francisco Bay Area-based Starship was spectacular in the shows.

Although Grace is getting a bit older than most of the younger generation of concertgoers, she again proved her ability to enlighten large crowds as she sang such songs as "Ride the Tiger," and "Need Somebody to Love" with the same vitality that she had during the sixties.

Mickey Thomas, a former VSC history major and a native of Cairo, Georgia, was outstanding in his performances with The Starship. He has become one of the most respected vocalists in the music

industry over the past few years. A pleasant surprise at the Lakeland Civic Center concert was a Jefferson Starship version of the former Elvin Bishop Group hit, "Fooled Around and Fell in Love." Mick's pure vocal qualities were complimentary to the superstar status of the group.

Paul Kanther, a driving force behind The Starship, was still up to his old radical ways, ripping newspapers apart on stage while voicing his contempt for the depressing front page news.

Veteran Starship members David Frieberg, Craig Chaquico, Ansley Dunbar, and Pete Sears provided inspired rhythm section backing for the band and included several incredible solos which delighted the audiences.

Valdosta State College can be proud of Mickey Thomas for his association with such a successful company as the Jefferson Starship.

# Good Luck On Finals!



# Registration Reminders

## National Direct Student Loan [NDSL] Borrowers

If you are not returning to VSC Winter Quarter you must complete an exit interview. Stop by the Office of Business and Finance, Nevins Hall, prior to the end of Fall Quarter, or call 247-3214 to make an appointment.

### Avoid Late Fees!

Students are required to pay all fees on Registration Day (January 4, 1982). If you need to apply for short term loan assistance, apply early so that your loan will be ready on registration day. Apply at the Office of Business and Finance.

### Avoid the Wait!

Avoid waiting in line on registration day. Pay all fines, parking tickets, etc. prior the December 10, 1981 and bring your receipt with you on Registration Day.



Ray Ifert and James Hendricks get ready to chow down on a traditional Thanksgiving feast at the VSC cafeteria. Christmas can't be far behind.

## Future Dr.'s of America engaged in cheating today

CHICAGO\* IL (CPS)-- Most medical school students are cheats, according to a new survey by a University of Chicago Medical School professor. The study indicates a majority of future MDs engage in occasional forms of cheating while in school.

The study, conducted by psychiatry professor Frederick Sierles among students at the Chicago Medical School and Loyola of Chicago's Stritch School of Medicine found that 58 percent of students at the two schools had cheated at one time or another during their

time in med school. In addition, 88 percent of all med students admitted to having cheated as undergrads as well. On the other hand, only two percent confessed to habitual cheating during their med school tenure, according to

Sierles. The survey also indicated students who cheated during their first two years in medical school were likely to cheat during their subsequent two years of clinical training on hospital wards — usually through inadequate or missed examinations of individual patients. The study concludes that those who cheat are inclined to take "a cynical attitude toward cheating" as a means of getting ahead. "I don't think things are that bad," counters Fredericka Oakley, coordinator of medical education research at the University of California School of Medicine at Davis, and a

friend of Sierles. "In my opinion, 58 percent seems a very high number. I don't doubt (Sierles') statistics, but the study involved only 428 students at two schools, and that's not a very high number."

Oakley feels Sierles used too broad a range to define "cheating" in his study. "He included everything that could possibly be construed as dishonesty, such as a student's including an article in a bibliography that he or she hadn't actually read. If one uses that kind of standard, one's inevitably going to get a very high percentage."

## Greek News KA's initiate three members

The brothers of Delta Rho chapter of the Kappa Alpha order are proud to announce the initiation of three men into the order: Jim Persons, of Sea Island, Ga.; Alex Sherrer, of Jacksonville, Fla.; and Kenny Welch, of Houston, Tex. These new brothers completed their formal initiation on Nov. 18, 1981.

The brothers of Kappa Alpha congratulate the following men on becoming a part of the Pledge class of the best fraternity on campus: Alfred Agüero, Sidney Bowdoin, Joey Cason, Greg Chance, Ty Edwards, Bill Holland, Grant Nichols, Mike Ruff, Brad Candbach, and Charlie Sweat, all of Valdosta; Jay Cochran, Peyton Hansen, Jim Henderson, Mack Jones, Mark Jones, Frank Jones, Mike Mayhew, David Munford, and Jeff Nichols, all of Macon; Rusty Hoyt, Cliff Montgomery, Mike Starling, and Jack Tanner, all of Jacksonville; Randy Bonanni, Homerville, Ga.; Keith Bowers, Lenox, Ga.; Ken Cain, Stone Mountain, Ga.; Rick Ivey, Thomasville, Ga.; Dan Elliot,

Warner Robbins, Ga.; Joel Cowan, Peachtree City, Ga.; Bob Colflesh, St. Simons Island, Ga.; Brad Collins, Dublin, Ga.; Robert Millican, Marietta, Ga.; Ricky Pollock, Pelham, Ga.; Matt Peeler, Gray, Ga.; Ross Meschke, Brunswick, Ga.; and Eric Guice, Donaldsonville, Ga. The officers elected by the Pledge class are: President- Joey Cason

Vice-president- Jim Henderson  
Secretary- Cliff Montgomery  
Treasurer- Charlie Sweat  
The brothers and pledges wish to congratulate Paula Perdue for being chosen as Pledge class Sweetheart. Paula is a resident of Valdosta. Nov. 19, 1981 was the eleventh anniversary of Delta Rho chapter of the Kappa Alpha order.

## KD has two new sisters

The Gamma Mu Chapter of Kappa Delta would like to welcome in two new sisters: Dawn Dorminey of Nashville and Sandra Gillis of Waycross. We would also like to congratulate Sandra on being crowned "Miss Winnersville Classic" here in Valdosta on October 13.

Our chapter is proud to announce that at our last National Convention we received two awards: one for scholarship and one for progress. We were represented at convention by our chapter president Beth Martin and our secretary Cil Kelly.

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# Grants to be severely restricted

WASHINGTON, D.C. [CPS]-- The Reagan administration has proposed drastically limiting student eligibility to get Pell Grants, the major federal aid program for needy college students.

Announced just a few weeks after more restrictive requirements went into effect for the Guaranteed Student Loan program, the administration's plan would make it tougher to get National Direct Student Loans (NDSLs), College Work-Study funds, and Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOGs) as well as Pell Grants for the 1982-83 academic year.

Many members of the Washington college lobby expect the proposal is just one of a series of aid cut measures due in the next few months, ones that go beyond the aid budget cuts announced last summer.

The administration hinted it will soon ask Congress to require applicants for all kinds of federal student aid to demonstrate financial need before getting aid. Currently, only the Guaranteed Student Loan program requires students to pass a "needs test" to get aid.

In January, the administration plans to unveil its 1983 budget, which many congressional staffers predict will include more cuts in federal education programs.

In this round of reductions, the administration wants to increase the minimum amount of money a family must contribute toward a student's education in order for the student to be eligible for aid.

This year, the government requires that a family contribute

a minimum of 10.5 percent of its discretionary income -- money not needed for basic living expenses -- to the student's education.

The proposed regulations, which appeared in the October 16 Federal Register, would require that a family contribute 40-55 percent of its discretionary income to college costs before the students becomes eligible for aid.

If the regulations make it through Congress, students from a family of four earning \$15,800 would no longer be eligible for a Pell Grant.

The income cutoff for Pell Grants this year is \$28,400 for a family of four.

The regulations go into effect July 1, 1982 unless Congress vetoes them within 45 days of their publication in the Federal Register.

Secretary of Education Terrel

Bell argues the changes are necessary not only to help balance the budget, but to reverse the "erosion of traditional student and family financial responsibility" for meeting college costs.

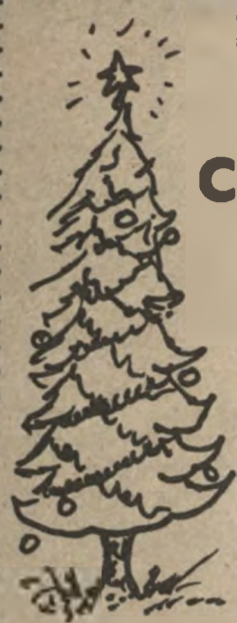
But Dallas Martin of the National Association of Financial Aid Administrators in Washington calls the proposals "absolutely absurd."

While unable to mention an exact figure, Martin predicts the new regulations would force "significant" numbers of students out of the aid programs.

Martin claims the administration may lose this fight in Congress, and that it seems ready to compromise.

Indeed, the administration is hoping to abandon the new regulations in return for congressional approval of some amendments to federal aid legislation.

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# Santa Claus-Music Refreshments

# More women participate in co ed sport

(CPS)--College women seem to be participating less in women-only intramural sports, but more in mixed-gender team sports on campus, according to various college intramural officials around the country.

"There's definitely a downward trend in exclusively-women's sports here," says Roy Tutt, the University of Minnesota's intramural program coordinator.

"But on the other hand, we have more women participating in co-ed sports like touch football and volleyball."

Most I.M. officials echoed Tutt's observation. "There's been a little downturn in some (women-only) sports," says Scott Steinman of the University of Florida, "but on the whole we've found women's participation on the increase, especially in the co-ed sports. Of course, we have an advantage climate-wise."

At Oregon, "we feel good if we have even 20 women's teams participating," says I.M. Director Karla Rice. "On the other hand, we have at least 60 co-ed teams active right now."

Athletic officials at Yale, Texas, UCLA and Penn State, among others, also report distinct increases in the number of women participating in mixed-sex sports.

They cite a number of causes for the phenomenon.

Women, says Minnesota's Tutt, "seem to find more fun and motivation getting involved in the co-rec sports. It's kind of a catalyst. Women don't have the same incentive playing woman-to-woman sports as they do men-to-women."

Tutt thinks "it seems the

quite natural and healthy direction to move in."

There are exceptions. At the financially-strained University of Michigan, Rochelle Bast the recreational sports department reports "a slight decline (in women participation), but not because of a lack of interest. Due to our financial problems, we had to cut our program slightly and also raise our entrance fees. We're down about percent, but that's across board, men as well women."

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