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CCR plans arouse controversy

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Confusion abounds on UNCA's involvement in the Center for Creative Retirement.

Students, and faculty in particular, question the amount of time spent on the project by UNCA administration and faculty.

UNCA commitment to the Center for Creative Retirement (CCR) funding and classroom space are also concerns, according to faculty and students interviewed.

"The whole thing is very vague to me," said Dr. Merritt Moseley, associate literature professor. He said that the faculty perceives the center as a competitor, and they don't really understand all that it involves.

"There is a lack of what I see as seeking a consensus of the university community before going forward," Moseley said.

The center is a non-profit organization affiliated with UNCA. The stated purpose of the center is "to advance the quality of life for retirees and pre-retirees and the quality of the communities in which they live by enhancing their creative talents and leadership."

The center was originally appropriated \$100,000 in planning funds by the state legislature during the 1987 session. As part of the budget the General Assembly reappropriated \$100,000 for the center.

CCR plans to operate a variety of programs including a pre-retirement institute, adult wellness center, senior leadership academy, public

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A clown captures the attention of this admiring youngster at the Greek Festival at City-County Plaza

Staff Photo--Michele Samuel
last weekend. This was the first year at the downtown location for the festival.