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Loans on the rise

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There is a national trend in higher education of shifting financial aid from grants to loans, according to the United States Student Association, making it harder for students to pay for schooling over the long term.

Marianne McKiernan, University of South Dakota Financial Aid Office associate director, said loans promote the work ethic, but saddling students with an all loan package is unrealistic. She said some students' salaries will never match the debt they incur by taking out loans.

An appropriations bill passed by the U.S. House of Representatives may reduce the federally funded Pell Grant awards for undergraduates. Students do have the chance to oppose the bill during the reducation Act of 1965. The Act will go to Congress in 1991.

Fraternity suspended

Alpha Tau Omega fraternity at Georgia Tech, which has been on social probation since the spring of last year, has been placed on a 45-day suspension by the province chief of the national ATO fraternity.

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The suspension came after ATO held a lake baptism involving three blindfolded and bound fraternity brothers. One of the three apparently slipped or was thrown into Lake Lanier before he was untied.

There was no report of any serious injuries sustained by the student. Bill Barnes, assistant vice president of student affairs, said the Lanier lake incident was not hazing.

"It did not involve hazing of any sort, and in noway did it violate Georgia state law or Georgia Tech law," said

Rape crisis training

The Rape Crisis Center of Buncombe County, in conjunction with A-B Technical College will conduct a 30 hour training course entitled, "A Community Response to Sexual Assault."

The course will begin Jan. 8.

Sexual Assault."
The course will begin Jan. 8 and will be held from 9 a.m. to noon, Tuesdays and Thursdays through Feb. 8.
The course is designed to expand the knowledge and awareness of sexual assault a mong community professionals and to train volunteers for work with the

volunteers for work with the Rape Crisis Center.

Male and female volunteers are needed to provide support and information for victims of sexual assault and also to provide crisis intervention services for friends and family members of the victims.

For more information call 252-0562. Registration deadline is Dec. 31. Spaces are limited, so early registration is encouraged.

From USA Today College Network, CPS and

Weeklend Franker

The extended forecast for

The extended forecast for Friday through Sunday calls for a chance of rain Friday, possibly changing to snow before ending late Friday. Saturday will be partly cloudy, windy and cold becoming fair and not quite as cold Sunday. Highs Friday and Saturday will only reach the 30s, warming to the 40s by Sunday. Lows are expected to drop into the 20s Friday and down into the teens on Saturday and Sunday.

Jim Owen Atmospheric Sciences

Nativity scene

These pictures are part of the nativity scene on display outside St. Joseph's Hospital on Biltmore Avenue. This is the famous night in Bethlehem as seen by UNCA art department Chairman Tucker Cooke. UNCA students served as models for the life-sized characters, painted in 1988. Clockwise from top center, the characters gather around the child, angel Gabriel the heralds the news and a wise man from the East brings gifts.

Photos by Stacey Higdon







UNCA among 'little gems'

by Lee Pearson

UNCA, along with Warren Wilson College and Guilford College, is cited in this month's issue of Changing Times magazine as a "Little-known Gem in Higher Education."

Higher Education."

The article, written by associate editor Nancy Henderson, named 13 colleges nationwide for their solid educational value. It listed UNCA for its interdisciplinary, four-semester Humanities Program covering topics from the "Odyssey" to Freud.

The university was also

The university was also singled out for its location. The article called Asheville "both scenic and cosmopolitan, with plenty of cultural and arts-oriented activity."

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The article also noted the UNCA requirement of a course in "The Physical Self," which covers nutritional and emotional well-being and assesses students' fitness levels.

John White, UNCA admissions director, said that such national recognition helps attract more students who are better-suited for the special offerings at each campus. "It offerings at each campus. "It also speaks well of North Carolina's commitment to education that we are the only state with three colleges named to this See GEM, Page 12

After 6 1/2 years

Cameron leaves admissions office

by Kimberly Cooley

After six-and-a-half years of service to the UNCA admissions office, Lois Chamberlain Cameron, department receptionist, will be leaving Dec. 12. She will take on receptionist resposibilities at Consumer Credit

Counseling Service of Western North Carolina on Dec. 15, according to department officals.

Cameron has been with UNCA since 1980, when she started working with the Western Carolina University Nursing Program. In the spring of 1983, Cameron came to the admissions

Cameron said she would miss the contact with the students the most.
"I'm a student advocate; I really enjoy
the people." Cameron said that
students and families are often scared and lonely when they first come to school. "I think it's important for them to hear a friendly and caring voice and to be as responsive to their needs as possible."

Diane Maney, a junior environmental Diane Maney, a junior environmental studies major, said Cameron was always very nice to her. "She always was very sweet and seemed like she knew everything I needed to know before entering UNCA," said Maney. Cameron said working with UNCA and the students has taught her that

people are her life. "It's a great feeling being able to help the students. It's real interesting to see them come in as freshmen and watch how blossom," said Cameron. they

Cameron said she got a lot of satisfaction from getting to know the students, but she feels honored to be asked to work for the Consumer Credit Counseling Service. Cameron will tole over the constitutions. will take over the receptionist position at the service. "I will still be in contact with people and helping them. People are very important to me."

"She always seemed so willing to help me with anything. And she was also so polite to everyone the tell."

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Lois Chamberlain Cameron

Top profs draw top dollar

by Mike McQueen

<u>USA Today/Apple College Network</u>
William Glenn, an expert in high-definition television, finds that universities covet

finds that universities covet him like they would a golden-armed quarterback or a 7-footer with a silky-smooth jump shot.
"I'm constantly getting job offers — one every two months, it seems," said Glenn, one of the superstar professors suddenly benefiting from a brain

boom on college campuses.

Even little-known universities seem willing to fork out up to \$150,000 a year to academics who will set up nationally recognized programs. The offer that lured Glenn away from New Iured Glenn away from New York Institute of Technology came from tiny state-run Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton. They agreed to pay him \$114,550 to head a high-definition TV research

team. That means Glenn will pull down three times the average of his FAU teaching colleagues.

"It seems like a dream offer — the warm climate, the university was aggressive about beefing up its electrical engineering program, and they had bright graduate students to work with," he says.

The demand for these professors — who typically See PAY, Page 12

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Schools paying top talent well

Top rated professors often command salaries of \$100,000 when recruited to work at the nation's top research-oriented universities. For example, technology wizard William Glenn made \$114,550 last year at Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, Fla. On average, college professors eam \$39,410. Below are some well-known schools and the average salaries of professors there:

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Average salary, institution
\$67,700, Calif. Institute of Technology, Pasadena
\$64,500, Stanford (Calif.)
\$60,000, Univ. of Calif. Berkeley
\$59,500, Harvard, Cambridge, Mass.
\$55,500, Univ. of Chicago
\$55,300, Princeton, (N.J.)
\$54,500, Yale, New Haven, Conn.
\$54,100, Duke, Durham, N.C.
\$50,800, Univ. of Virginia, Charlottesville
\$50,600, Rutgers, New Brunswick, N.J.

