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New computer system makes personal home pages available to students

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A new computer system that will enable students to create their own home pages on the Internet was installed over the summer, according to personnel in the Computer Science department. The system, called UNIX, will be available to all UNCA students.

'The Internet and the World Wide Web are very hot right now," said Amy Hargreaves, secretary of the Computer Hardware and Information Processing Society (CHIPS). "In the last year, e-mail on this campus has boomed and all television commercials have Web addresses now."

According to Mary Austin, a senior and a member of CHIPS, UNIX is an operating system that allows the user more power than the VAX system still used on campus.

"Users can do more things (with UNIX)," said Austin. "In some ways it is more user friendly because it's not as cryptic as the VAX.

Hargreaves said that the new system will allow students to have a much larger disk quota, which will enable them to store more in their accounts.

Students must get an account in order to have access to the UNIX system.

"In order to get a Bulldog account, run, it is going to be a whole lot nicer nal in the computer lab in Robinson 006," said Hargreaves. "Just follow the instructions taped next to it, and in a few days you can go to the Computer Center to pick up your account." Although the new system is available for all students to use, those students with class work have priority, according to Hargreaves.

Class work comes first," said Hargreaves. "If a student who has to type a paper is looking for a machine, they have a priority over a person who is surfing the web."

Some students are very excited about being able to utilize the UNIX sys-

"I'm looking forward to using the new system," said Natalie Grinnell, a sociology major. "I'm tired of looking at the amber VAX screen. Plus, I can create my own home page free of charge, and you can't beat that."

"It will be nice to be able to look at pictures on the computers," said junior Shelly Stone. "The new system is something that I will definitely use

According to Hargreaves, the UNIX system still has a few glitches.

"The UNIX system is in it's early stages, so it may crash occasionally," said Hargreaves. "But, in the long

you simply go to the first VAX termithan the VAX, which locked up quite a bit last year because there were so many people using it."

It is not required for students with VAX accounts to switch to UNIX accounts, according to Austin.

"All new accounts are being given out as Bulldog accounts, they are not giving out VAX accounts anymore," said Hargreaves. "However, you do have to request to get a Bulldog ac-

According to Hargreaves, UNIX is unlike VAX, so questions from students are anticipated. Because of this, there will be workshops available to help students use both UNIX and the World Wide Web.

"CHIPS, in conjunction with the Computer Center, will be offering four workshops," said Hargreaves. 'The first two will be on UNIX on September 5 and 9. The second two will show students how to build their own home pages and will be held September 12 and 16.

There will be sign up sheets for these workshops on the doors of Rhodes-Robinson 022 and the Computer

Hargreaves added that space for the workshops are limited, so they will be offered on a first-come, first-served

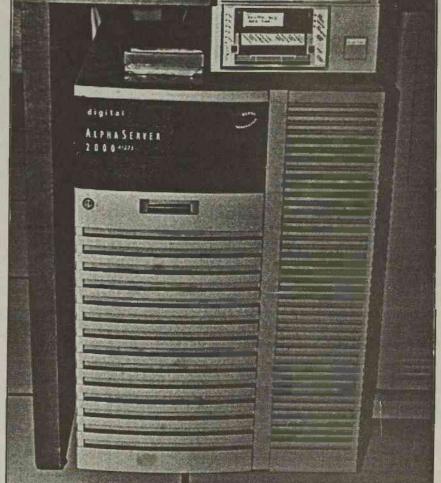


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The UNIX system, which was installed over the summer, will be available to all UNCA students. The new system will be replacing the VAX system.

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a suspended indoor running track."

Incoming freshmen also said that they were upset about the sluggish construction of the new gym addition.

Some said that the addition was bragged about when they came to UNCA for Open House

"One thing that is taught here in college is responsibility," said Holly Collins, a new freshman. "They should be teaching us by example, and not having the new gym done when we got Elliott. "Don't you think that would be the best here is not a good example of responsibility.

"I walk about two miles a day," said Collins. "Where am I going to walk when it's raining if the indoor track is not completed?"

Some students were really excited about the new gym addition being completed when they arrived to UNCA, only to be disappointed to hear that the gym would not open until next spring semester.

Many students had the news broken to them by their Resident Assistants.

"My RA told us that the gym wouldn't be done until spring," said Ty Elliott, sophomore. "We were promised and that promise was broken."

"I came up here three times this summer and never saw any construction being done," said time since there aren't a lot of students here?"

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"I think that once people realize what we're trying to do, they'll be happy that we've listened to their complaints and actually acted on them," said Pittman.

'The new system is going to be easier for us to deal with, and also easier for students to deal with because there will be less people working on it," said Pittman.

"Hopefully it will help students to appreciate and respect the system more," said Metz.

Even with all the changes taking place within the system, those involved with the reorganization are hopeful.

Problems are expected at first, Pittman said, but he also believes that the students will react positively.

"I think at first it's going to be a little confusing," said Pittman.

"There are going to be some positive and negative reactions," said Metz.

"I'm hoping students will be happy with the new system and that reaction will be a lot more positive than negative," said Metz.

"I'd like to think the reaction to the new system will be a positive one because of some of the changes that we made," said Pittman.

UNCA faculty

changes

Several UNCA faculty members recently received promotions.

Promoted from associate to full professor were: Joseph Daugherty, Ph.D., computer science; James Heimbach, Ph.D., atmospheric sciences; Donald Lisnerski, Ph.D., management; Steve Patch, Ph.D., mathematics.

Promoted from assistant to associate professor were: Christopher Bell, Ph.D., economics; Kenneth Betsalel, Ph.D., political science; Robert Dunning, M.F.A., art; Heidi Kelley, Ph.D., sociology; David Steele, Ph.D., mathematics; Mark West, Ph.D., mass communi-

Several new department chairs and program directors were also named

They were: Peter Caulfield, Ph.D., chair, department of literature and language; Bruce Larson, Ph.D., chair, department of economics; Rick Maas, Ph.D., director, environmental studies program; and Dan Millspaugh, M.F.A., director, arts and ideas program. Shirley Browning, Ph.D., economics, has been named a half-time associate vice chancellor for academic affairs. He will continue as an economics professor.

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the traffic on Edgewood was from UNCA, students should share some of the responsibility for the

"Students go through there a whole lot," said Crawford. "So, I think we (students) are a big part of the problem."

Matteson had also heard that some UNCA students have said the Edgewood neighbors have no right to expect college students to stop speeding.

they feel like when people moved into the area, they should have expected heavy traffic from the students, and that they are wrong to expect the college students to

a college," said Matteson. "I don't know what the reasoning is." The Edgewood resi-

"Some people have told me that

drive slow because it's

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dents pushed for these new stop signs to make the area

safer for everyone, including students, said Whitley.

people on the street," said

Whitley. "There are lots of

people on the road out jog-

"This is something that ev-

eryone can benefit from," said

Whitley. "We are all in this

together, and we do not want

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dor connects the UNCA cam-

pus to Merrimon Avenue, and

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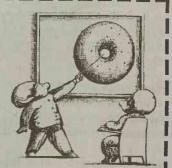
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