

# News

## Banner Briefs

### Civic Center skating rink opens to public

The Civic Center's ice skating facilities, presently used by the Asheville "Smoke" hockey team, will be opened to the public starting Tuesday. For \$5, anyone can rent skates and access the rink for 90 minutes. The rink is expected to be open for public skating most days and evenings when the hockey team is not using it.

### Boston colleges restrict alcohol

Boston area colleges are cracking down on alcohol consumption, a pastime that costs about 30 students' lives a year. Twenty-four colleges in the area, including Harvard, are adopting policies that require freshmen to live in alcohol-free dormitories, ban liquor from fraternity and sorority rush functions, and prohibit commercial delivery of alcoholic beverages to university-approved campuses. These policies have been described as the most comprehensive plans proposed by any university to curb under-age drinking and bingeing.

### Controversy continues over cloning possibilities

British scientists are trying to overturn the present ban on cloning. While some feel the science is "of great benefit" to medical advancement (for creating replacement organs, tissues, etc.), others voice support for the full removal of the ban, allowing legal cloning of full human beings. Japanese scientists have successfully cloned eight copies of one cow. Although half of the clones died, cloning is expected to be at least as effective as in vitro fertilization.

### Mistake leaves San Francisco in the dark

San Francisco experienced a city-wide blackout after a construction crew failed to follow exact procedures. Traffic lights, trollies, elevators, businesses, and homes shut down for seven hours while the power was off.

### Lawsuit arises over restroom

A San Diego lawyer filed a \$5.4 million lawsuit against the city when he was forced to share a men's restroom with women at a crowded concert. The court fined him for filing a "frivolous lawsuit."

### Group performs Latin and Afro-Cuban rhythms

The UNCA Percussion Ensemble will perform in concert at 8 p.m. on Dec. 10 in Lipinsky Hall. The ensemble will perform Latin and Afro-Cuban rhythms and Salsa-style jazz. Admission is free, but a \$5 donation to the UNCA music department will be requested at the door.

## Candlelight dining



As part of the Holiday Cultural Showcase in the Dining Hall, there was a Candle Unity Service at 7 p.m. on Dec. 4. Resident students are not allowed to burn candles in their rooms, even in case of a power failure, but candles are permitted in controlled environments.

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## Fees continued from page 1

and maintenance fee" each year, said Iovacchini.

Although UNCA consistently ranks as one of the safest schools in North Carolina and the nation, student concerns about safety have prompted SGA and the administration to examine safety issues. Iovacchini attributes students' lack of safe feelings to the campus' location.

"Even though we're in a residential area, we aren't right in it. It's a rolling, hilly campus. The lights don't go through the trees and don't go down the hills," said Iovacchini. "I think it's the way it feels, as opposed to the way it is." Increases in other areas also trouble Jones, who said he was wary of fee increases for which there was no "justification given" during the committee's last meeting. The increase for athletics was one of the proposals presented to the committee without a reason for the increase.

Jones said that these increases needed justification before he

Line Items	1996	1997	1998	1999 (projected)
Athletics	\$365.00	\$365.00	\$379.00	\$385.00
Health Services	\$94.00	\$103.00	\$105.00	\$109.00
Recreation	\$82.00	\$92.00	\$105.00	\$109.00
Campus Commission	\$72.00	\$76.00	\$76.00	\$78.00
Cultural Special Events	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00
Student Center Special	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
Student Center Operations	\$88.00	\$89.50	\$92.00	\$106.50
Student Center Expansion	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Parking	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$60.00	\$75.00
Educational & Technology Fee	\$50.00	\$59.00	\$64.00	\$70.00
Student Center Indebtedness	\$220.00	\$220.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$1043.00	\$1082.00	\$1124.00	\$1174.50

GRAPHIC BY ERIN KING

could fully comment on them.

Tom Hunnicutt, director of athletics, said that the increase in fees that were requested for the athletics department are standard and are based on the rising costs of tuition.

"Each year, tuition (and) the cost of scholarships normally go up each year. Also, the salaries we pay are keyed to this basic inflation. That would be the majority of any increase," said Hunnicutt. Once the Fee Review Commit-

tee has made a final determination of a student fee increases, it presents those numbers to the chancellor, who then gives that to the Board of Governors for further adjustments. Following trustee approval, fee increases are passed to the General Administration for final approval.

Fees have increased at UNCA each of the past several years, and are currently the highest fees in the UNC system.

## Arrest

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to public safety at their request on Dec. 2, according to the arrest report. A preliminary court hearing will be held on Dec. 17.

Vines also voluntarily withdrew from school, said Investigator Jerry Adams. They were originally going to remove him from the dorms, he said.

"I don't think Kelly is a bad person," said Irons. "Maybe this will be good for him, and he can seek some help."

Although Irons spoke at the student hearing, she said she was not told what the school is doing about Vines. She said she received a call later that day from Amy Justice, assistant director of student development, about Vines' withdrawal. "I think the victims should know what's being done," said Irons.

Vines and Irons had broken up several weeks before the incident, said Irons. "I tried to remain friends," said Irons. "But I found out he was slandering me behind my back."

Irons said she thinks Vines had heard that her friends had told her about his slandering and that is why he was angry.

"He was a little drunk," said Irons. "When he was upset, he would drink."

## Suspect charged in more campus crimes

By Mat Peery  
Staff Writer

A man arrested last month in connection with a series of on-campus thefts has been charged with those break-ins.

James Roy Foyles Jr. was charged with four counts each of breaking and entering with larceny, forgery and uttering, and financial card fraud, and one count of financial card theft.

Foyles was arrested last month by officers from UNCA public safety and Buncombe County Sheriff's Department. Public safety initiated its investigation after receiving a stolen credit card complaint.

Investigator Jerry Adams said that Foyles apparently gained access to Governors Village dorms, walked the halls, and waited to hear the sound of a shower running. He then would check doors until he found rooms that were unlocked and unoccupied.

"We have really got a good case against this guy," said Adams. "He would go into the rooms and take money, checks, whatever he could find," said Adams.

Foyles may have once attempted to enter one room through a window, but was startled by the room's occupant, said Adams.

Foyles has been charged with other crimes in the area, including possession of a stolen vehicle, filed by Asheville Regional Airport security.

Foyles may also be connected with one report of indecent exposure that occurred on campus.

"Officer Darrell Rathburn and Sergeant Steve Lewis have done a real good job of handling this case and bringing the charges" against Foyles, said Adams. "We're really pleased with how it's turned out."

Adams stressed that residents need to lock their doors anytime they are out of their rooms. "We can't be everywhere at once. (Students) can't prop doors open at night. There's a bad habit of that," he said.

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