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## New year, more growth for UNCW

Sounds from hammers and drills are audible throughout the UNCW campus with five construction projects underway totaling \$12.5

The recent completion of three new parking lots has added space for 400 more cars. Parking lot Q is located east of the Marine Science building, parking lot R is located east of the Social and Behavioral Sciences building, and parking lot S is near the new residence hall under construction.

Costing approximately \$370,000, the parking lots are for student, staff and faculty use. The campus now has 3,061 parking spaces for registered vehicles.

Adjacent to the University Union in the center of campus, construction has begun on the \$1.3 million student support center. By fall 1985, the facility will house student development offices, health services, parking services and an expanded bookstore.

By next fall, UNCW also hopes to open a new 160-bed residence hall now under construction. The \$2.5 million dorm is designed to have three wings and three floors.

"The dorm will be a traditional residence hall, yet with more lobby and recreation space. Computer rooms will be an added convenience on each hall, providing needed space for mini computer use," said Charles King, business services director.

No decision has been made whether the new dorm will house male or female students, or serve as co-ed housing.

A 5,000-square-foot programming building for residence life staff offices will be constructed adjacent to the new residence hall.

"Future plans include three other buildings constructed around the new dorm for a quadrangle concept in student housing," said King.

The dormitory, student support center and parking lot construction projects will be paid for with student fees.

State-funded construction projects at UNCW include the renovation of Hinton James building and the expansion of Randall

The \$580,000 renovation of Hinton James building is underway to add 5,000 square feet to the facility. The building formerly served as the student union, but will be the future home of financial aid, registrar services, admissions, cashier, and the office of the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

"As a convenience for students, these offices, geared toward student services, will be located in one building," said Carl Dempsey, assistant to the vice chancellor for business

The project should be completed by spring 1985.

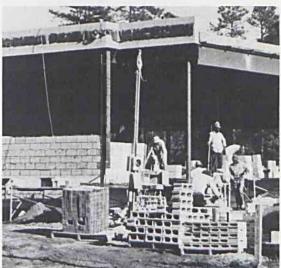
The expansion of Randall Library is in the planning stage, with construction bidding on the \$7.7 million project expected in March 1985. An eastward expansion toward Morton Hall will double the library size to an approximate total of 160,000 square feet. The building's exterior appearance will remain the same, although the main entrance will be relocated to the opposite side of the building.

The UNC Board of Governors has approved and forwarded to the General Assembly UNCW's budget request for \$6.3 million to construct a new building for the Cameron School of Business Administration and to renovate Bear Hall. Bear Hall currently houses the business curriculum and is overcrowded with both undergraduate and grad-

"By 1987, a new two-story building of modified Georgian architecture will house the business curriculum, if funds are allocated by the 1985 General Assembly," said Dempsey.

As planned, the new business building would be the largest classroom facility on campus, said Dempsey.

Upon relocation of the business program, Bear Hall will be restored to classroom use. Some classrooms in Bear Hall have been partitioned off to house administrative offices.



R. Brantley



student support center takes shape as construction workers brick up exterior walls. (Left) The architect's design shows the new dorm and programming building, which is scheduled for Fall 1985 completion.

(Top) The new



## Partners in progress for UNC system

(L-R) UNC President William Friday and UNC Board of Governor's vice chairman Jacob Froelich, Jr., share a moment with Miss North Carolina Francesca Adler during the reception held prior to the film program highlighting the UNC system on November 29. UNCW alumni and friends, as well as guests from the other 15 campuses of the UNC system, attended this special evening of fellowship and information.

## **UNCW** to benefit from Level I status

Termed as one of the most important events in the life of this university, UNCW's academic status will be upgraded to Comprehensive Level I upon approval of additional funds by the General Assembly. The UNC Board of Governors has approved the promotion of UNCW's academic status and forwarded funding requests to the General Assembly.

Comprehensive Level I status entitles UNCW to additional funds for improvements and expansion. With General Assembly approval, the transition from Level II to Level I status would take place with the upcoming fiscal year beginning July 1985.

Faculty raises for the 1985-86 and 1986-87 budgets reflect a seven percent increase over the \$8.7 million that UNCW budgeted in 1984 for instructor salaries. The 1985-86 budget shows faculty salaries increasing by a total of \$237,189 and by \$484,294 for the 1986-87 school year.

As UNCW's enrollment grows, the demand for more books increases. Approximately \$619,000 is earmarked in the 1984-85 budget to purchase books, journals and microforms to keep the library up to date. Level I program funds will provide an additional \$150,000 over a two year period to continue an increase in library services, including the purchasing of more books.

As the number of volumes grow, there is need for more space to house additional books, along with student study areas. Funds were allocated by the 1984 General Assembly to double the size of UNCW's Randall Library, and construction bidding on this expansion is expected March 1985.

Although no decision has been made to determine which baccalaureate programs will expand to master's degree level, UNCW

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