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Student body elections plans underway for spring

By Kathy Espin

The Student Legislature approved the appointment of a co-chairperson of the Elections and Publicity Committee.

Tom Chumley, chair of the committee, announced Cathy Allred would be his new co-chair.

The committee will also include two or three other people along with the Nuggets, who will help run the student elections scheduled for March 27-28 and a vote on a constitutional referendum to be held on March 5-6.

Chumley said he sees no conflict of interest in the Nuggets working the elections even though Kim Burns, a candidate for student body president, is president of the Nuggets. "We have had candidates who were connected with the Nuggets before and we have never had any problems," Chumley said, "besides, Cathy and I will probably be at one or the other polling places at all times during the elections."

Polling places for the elections will be in the dorm cafeteria and in the Cone University Center. Dorm students will vote in the Residence Hall Cafeteria from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and commuters and campus apartment students will vote in the Cone

University Center from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Chumley said he is planning to have three voting machines at each location.

"I would like to get at least 15 percent of the student body to vote this year," Chumley said. "The usual turnout is less than 12 percent. We have a higher percentage (of students voting) than at Carolina (UNC-Chapel Hill). It's not really a matter of life and death to vote around here. This is the 1970s, the age of every man for himself, but I will do everything possible to increase the turnout."

Nominations will be open in the next five school days, Chumley said. Any student interested in running for a position in the Student Association should watch for the nomination dates and then go by the student government offices in the Cone University Center and fill out a nomination form.

"I think everything will run smoothly this year," Chumley said, "with the voting machines it should be fair and honest. The people at the County Elections Board will come and count the votes for us and the results should be out one hour after the polls close."



(Photo by Pam Freeze)

Cathy Allred is to serve as co-chair of the Election and Publicity Committee with Tom Chumley.

Carolina Journal gets new racks

The *Carolina Journal* is starting a new "rack-ette." Beginning next Monday, Feb. 26, the *Carolina Journal* will be located in designated areas around campus. Six "mean green" racks have been placed around campus, in an effort to distribute the paper to as many students as possible.

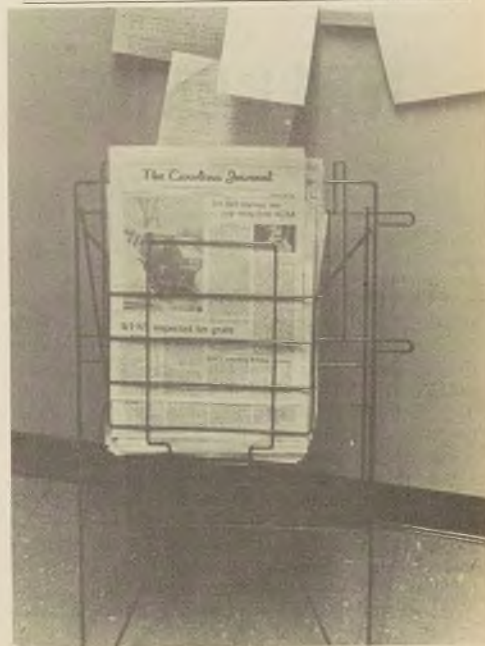
Every Monday and Thursday afternoon, newspapers will be placed in these racks located in the following areas: outside the Commuter Cafeteria, beside the candy counter, in the Residence Hall Cafeteria, in the Denny overpass and outside the Bookstore. Bundles will also be dropped off in the dorms, the academic buildings and the gym.

Presently, the *Carolina Journal* is studying to see where the best pick-up areas for students are. If any students have suggestions or ideas, please call 597-2325.

Plans are being made to order more racks and locate more distribution locations. For now, the

staff will be looking at pick-up in these designated areas. If any theft or damage is done to the racks, the service will be discontinued and past distribution methods

will resume. Hopefully, students will cooperate with this effort and report any distribution ideas that may prove beneficial to the newspaper.



(Photo by Pam Freeze)

Carolina Journal distribution will be made simpler through the use of these new racks.

Kim Burns announces her bid for student body president

By Kathy Espin

Another student body president hopeful has declared her candidacy for what looks like an interesting race.



(Photo by Bob Henderson)

Student body presidential aspirant Kim Burns.

Kim Burns, a junior in the English department, said she had decided last semester she wanted to run but there have been many points of indecision since that time.

"You know, every time someone else mentions they might run, you stop and think, 'do I have a chance against them?'" Burns said.

Burns said the theme for her campaign will be "Participation, the key to productivity." She said if she is elected she will concentrate on getting more qualified people to participate in student government. "I'm still talking to people about things they would like to see changed and improved but one issue I have heard a lot of people talk about is changing the allocation procedures for student funds," Burns said.

Burns, 20, is a native of Charlotte and a graduate of West Mecklenburg High School. She is now a work-study student working in the Student Bank. She has served as freshman class president, a member of the Student Legislature, chair and vice-chair of the Student Legislature Rules Committee, special legislative committee chair and as news editor of the *Carolina Journal*.