

The Ridgerunner

Voice of the Students

Vol. 9 No. 6

The University of North Carolina at Asheville

September 28, 1973

Energy Crisis Strikes Campus

Social Science Building OK'd, Construction Set

Construction on a new social science building, costing in excess of one million dollars, is scheduled to begin in a few days.

On Sept. 21 the Advisory Budget Commission in Raleigh, approved final plans for the \$1,048,000 building to be located in the wooded area beside the Infirmary across from the tennis courts.

The structure will house the economics, sociology, political science, psychology and education departments. The building will also provide psychology laboratories a computer center, provisions for social science work, seminar rooms and office space.

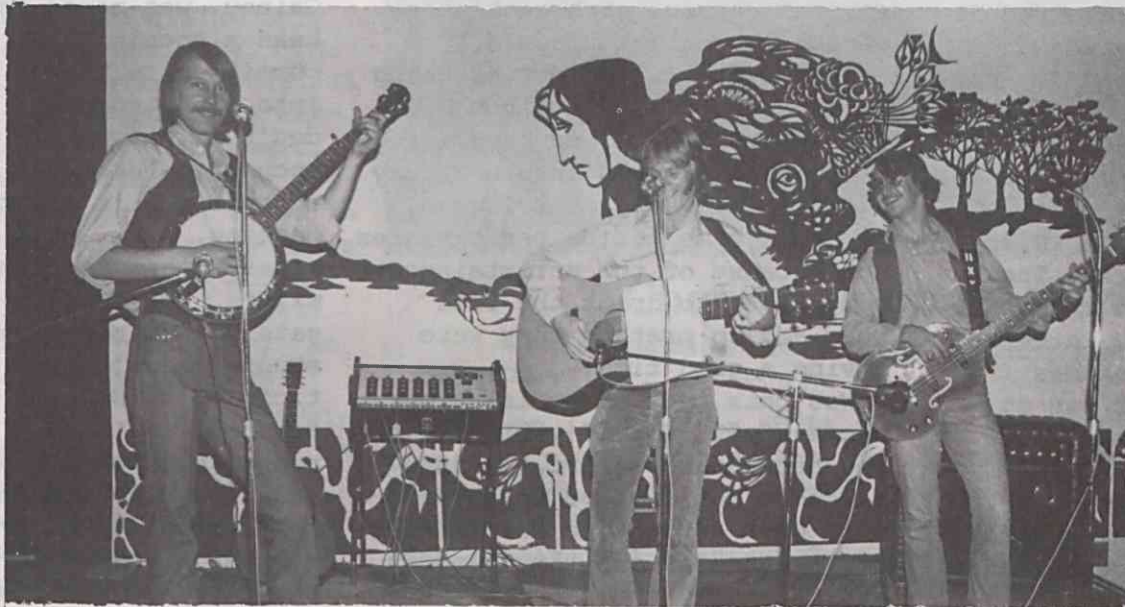
The Learning Resources Center, presently located in the basement of Ramsey Library will be moved from the library to the new building.

The building was originally proposed in June 1971, at the cost of \$950,000. However, delays in ob-

Continued on P-4

Index

Editorials.....	2
Classifieds.....	6
Debate Team.....	5
Financial Aid.....	4
Features.....	3
Pollution.....	4
Senate Report.....	2
Student Leaders.....	5
Sports.....	6



Morrison and Swann in Concert

Morrison and Swann Plus, a folk group from Asheville provided the entertainment at last Friday night's Coffeehouse performance. (Staff Photo by Sam Ferguson)

Students Told To Expect Cooler Buildings

For the past few months the news and broadcast medias have been swamped with stories of gasoline and fuel oil shortages along with stories of electrical blackouts, now the energy crisis has hit home.

Campus maintenance engineer, Sam Millar has 30,000 gallons of fuel oil on campus, with no guarantee of receiving any more.

Chancellor William Highsmith has issued a warning that students and faculty members may have to wear heavier clothing this winter and be prepared to work in cooler buildings.

"There's no indication that we will have to shut down, but we are going to have to learn to do without some of the necessities of life that we have become used to," Highsmith said.

All the buildings on campus, with the exception of the dormitories and the Infirmary, are heated by fuel oil. Last year these buildings used 166,000 gallons of fuel oil which cost \$21,950,000. An average of 13 cents a gallon.

The price of fuel oil has increased by 70 per cent in the past year. Last year, fuel oil was selling for 11.84 cents a gallon, compared to 20.4 cents a gallon this year.

Millar having anticipated the shortage as early as last April, has taken measures to conserve fuel oil.

Continued on P-4

SGA Reverts, Plans To Serve Beer

After a week without beer, SGA has decided to serve beer on a limited basis at the Coffeehouse this year.

It was only a couple of weeks ago that SGA declared that no beer would be served at Coffeehouse performances. The change in policy regarding

the serving of beer was bought about by student sentiment, according to Sam Ferguson, social commissioner.

Beginning with the next performance, this Saturday night, one keg of beer, accounting for approximately 250 cups of

beer will be served.

The cost of beer will be approximately \$20 per performance and will be served on a first come first serve basis.

Speaking of the new change, Ferguson said the beer drinking crowd had better come early.

Newspaper Course Offered

By PAULA TINSLEY
Staff Writer

Have you ever wanted to take a course which incorporates all the fields of study? "America and the Future of Man" is such a course.

This is a college level course offered by newspaper. It will focus on the effects of change in society, the implications of advances in medicine and genetics and how

technology will influence life in the future.

Unusual in more than its content, only two class meetings will be held and two exams given in the course.

The course is comprised of 20 newspaper articles, all of which will appear in the Asheville Citizen Times on consecutive Sundays.

In addition to the

lectures students must purchase an additional kit.

The additional kit is to be used as a study aid by the student. The kit includes contributions from the authors of newspaper lectures, a study guide, and a recording.

The lectures will be written by scholars from various universities includ-

Continued on P-4