

# Ice hockey: Migrating south

By Donna Obrecht

Ice Hockey is traditionally a northern sport. But it's a sport that's migrating south this winter.

UNCA students will get a chance to see North Carolina's Pinebridge Bucks play ice hockey on student night, Dec. 8 in Spruce Pine, N.C.

Robert Bailey, owner of Buck Stoves, started the Pinebridge Bucks two years ago.

Mike Tompkins and Scott Robins, two rookies from the Bucks, came to campus last Wednesday to promote this game.

Tompkins, who is from northern Illinois, said "not one person on our team is from North Carolina." Both Tomkins and Robins think the

Bucks are the southern-most professional team existing.

They think the reason for this is the lack of opportunity for Southern children, including North Carolina youngsters, to learn ice skating.

"I started playing ice hockey when I was five," said Tompkins. And Robins, who is from Detroit, began playing when he was four in a backyard rink his father built.

The Pinebridge Complex, where the team is based, may change all this however, as it also contains facilities for public ice skating.

The Bucks will play the Salem, Vir. team at the Pinebridge Complex on student night. Both teams

are part of the Atlantic Coast Hockey League.

Robins and Tompkins hope playing with the Bucks will be a stepping stone to playing in other leagues. UNCA's Student Government Association is promoting the event and will be providing transportation. Tickets are available at the SGA office—\$3 for 18 and under; \$5 for over 18.

Besides the game, there will be: a tailgate party; an ice skating demonstration by gold medal winner Janice Moran; door prizes and free skating after the game (skate rentals are \$1.25).

Melissa Beavers, a SGA freshman senator, said, "I believe we will have a large turnout," though few people have expressed interest so far.

Beavers said ads have been placed in the Asheville Citizen and on radio stations.

Students from 18 western North Carolina schools, elementary to university level, are expected to attend. Participating schools will compete for prizes based on school spirit.



## Earn while learning at home and abroad

By Anna Wilson

UNCA students interested in expanding their horizons, expressing their talents, excelling in their field and earning money have a number of opportunities to do so.

The following are a few examples of these opportunities.

Would you like to work in Scandinavia summer/fall of 1985? The American-Scandinavian Foundation is seeking qualified students for its training program in

the five Scandinavian countries: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden.

The Foundation offers more than 100 positions for students majoring in agriculture, business, chemistry, computer sci-

ence, engineering, food technology, forestry, geothermal science, horticulture, or physics.

Student trainees work with Scandinavian firms for two months or longer, May through December 1985, to gain practical work

experience while living in a Scandinavian community.

The trainee receives sufficient income to meet living expenses during training. English is sufficient; no foreign language requirement needed.

An applicant should be: a full-time student majoring in the field in which training is sought, with a minimum grade point average of 2.5 or C+ in major; at least a junior by summer 1985 with some previous, related work experience; able to meet round-trip airfare; and a US citizen or permanent resident.

Deadline for application: Dec. 15, 1984. Application fee: \$35 at time of application. For more information and applica-

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## Pranksters on a roll at UNCA

By Debbie Weeks

Early campus comers who were not quite awake Friday morning surely must have blinked a few times at the sights on the Quad.

Was it this year's first snow or misguided leaflets dropped from an airplane?

After focusing, one could tell that it was none of the above, but in-

stead that old familiar bathroom buddy—toilet paper.

In fact, some Village dormitory dwellers may have found themselves in a very uncomfortable position due to their loss of one of life's little necessities.

In addition, one special tree sparkled with the pastels of several items of ladies' intimate apparel.

Who were those vandals; those desecrating hoodlums; those disrespectful thieves; those students?

Rumors flew as the day passed and more and more people viewed the "decorations."

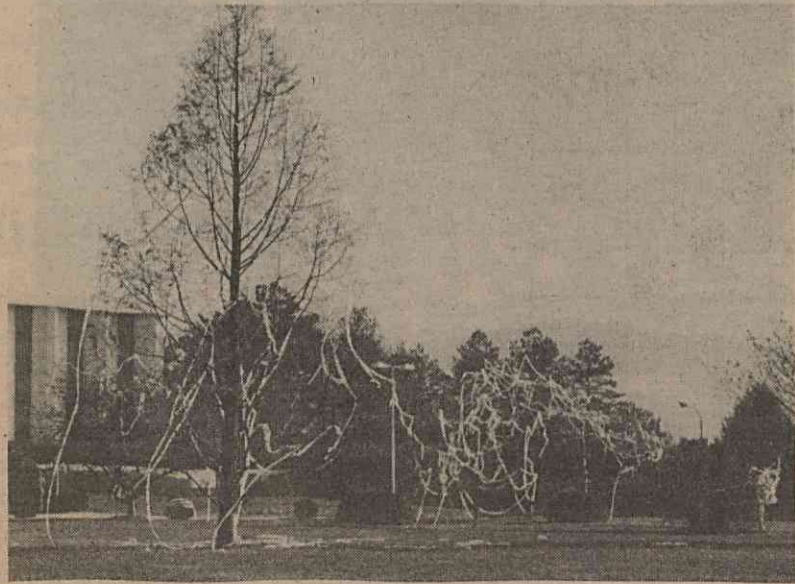
Of course, no one con-

fessed. That would be high treason. Fellow students could only appreciate the need for "recreation" before the day(s) of reckoning.

A popular philosophy among students is the more stress and pressure a person is experiencing, the more need there is for relaxation and fun.

Surely no one really needs to be reminded that term papers are due, finals are around the corner, and there is more to do in the next two weeks than there was all semester.

Is it any wonder that evidence of tension is not only thick in the air, but also hanging from the trees?



Staff photo by Penny Kramp

**THIS ISN'T EXACTLY what students had in mind for a white Christmas!**

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