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Staff photo—Sarah Gottfried

## Chemical confusion?

Chemistry professor Leo Bares showed visiting students the equipment in the chemistry laboratory as part of the Science Day presentations on campus last Wednesday.

## UNCA's recruitment helps enrollment

By John Coutlak's  
Staff Writer

Although many universities around the country are losing students due to a shrinking number of high school graduates, recruitment efforts at UNCA have helped increase enrollment during the past five years, admissions office officials say.

Many schools have launched extensive "recruiting wars" to delay the huge enrollment

drop that college admissions directors nationwide had predicted for the 1980s, according to a report by the Educational Testing Service.

One UNCA admissions official said that UNCA didn't need to engage in a recruiting war to attract students.

"We're not in any recruiting war," said Fran Jones, associate director of admissions. "We try to open our-

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## Democrats dominate Tuesday's elections

By Scott Luckadoo  
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Despite close races for most offices, Democratic candidates dominated local and state elections on Tuesday.

On the state level, former N.C. Gov. Terry Sanford defeated Republican incumbent Jim Broyhill in the U.S. Senate race. Gov. Jim Martin had appointed Broyhill to the post after the death of Sen. John East in June.

The Democratic Party also claimed victories in local elections. All six incumbent Democratic state legislators from Buncombe County won their re-election bids. Bill Thurman, classics professor at UNCA, lost his effort to gain a seat for the 51st District of the N.C. House.

Four Democratic incumbents defeated Thurman and three other Republicans in the four-seat race. Thurman commented on the loss yesterday.

"There were 24,193 voters in 3 counties that voted for me," said Thurman. He finished second among the Republicans.

"To the best of my knowledge, my campaign spent the least amount of money, besides maybe John Schafer's," added Thurman. Schafer received the least number of votes in the race.

John McNeil, treasurer for the Thurman for House committee, said last week that they had spent less than \$3,000 on the campaign.

Of the campaign, he said "I think the 'Asheville Citizen'

could have handled it much more fairly." The 'Citizen' didn't send reporters to events where the candidates compared their views, according to Thurman.

The 'Hendersonville Times-News' did cover such events and "was very fair in their coverage," said Thurman.

Thurman was the second highest vote-getter in Henderson County.

Thurman, who took a salary cut in order to campaign this fall, said he planned to return to full-time teaching in the spring.

"Since I lost, it doesn't look like there is a threat"



U.S. Rep.-elect Jamie Clarke  
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of losing my job, he said.

Despite the defeats at the hands of the Democrats, Republican C.V. "Buck" Lyda upset 16-year veteran Tom Morrissey in the Buncombe County Sheriff's contest.