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Staff Photo--Crystal Smith

Governor Jim Martin speaks with Chancellor David Brown outside the Phillips Administration building.

The two met last month to discuss the new Center for Creative Retirement in Hendersonville. See related story page 3.

## State legislature allocates funds for Kellogg renovation

By Julie Tilka  
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The General Assembly recently awarded UNCA \$150,000 for renovations on the Kellogg center in Henderson County in a last minute addition to a budget bill.

The 50-acre center, which also includes an 1,800-square-foot house, is located about 25 miles from the UNCA campus off of N.C. 191 on

Rugby Road. The center will eventually be used for conferences, seminars and retreats.

UNCA was originally in line for \$515,000 in funds, but was cut from the budget list in the last week of the legislative session. Sen. R.P. "Bo" Thomas, D-Henderson County, went to state Sen. Aaron Plyler, chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and received a promise of \$150,000 this year and

the balance of the appropriation during next year's session.

The land, house and a sum of money was originally donated by the R.H. Kellogg family to Wake University. The university felt the land was too far from their campuses to be used to its potential and turned it over to the state.

The state legislature subsequently  
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## Enrollment record broken

By Trey Harrell  
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UNCA broke enrollment records again this fall and freshman applications were up 25 percent from last year, according to Kip Howard, assistant vice chancellor of enrollment services.

The Enrollment Services office's estimate of enrollment at the university this term "definitely exceeds 3,000," according to Howard.

If the estimate is correct, this will mark the fourth consecutive year that attendance records at UNCA are broken, surpassing last fall's record enrollment of 2,939.

The increased interest in attending UNCA, Howard said, may be because "more students are seeking liberal arts education when planning their careers because of the wider possibilities for employment such schooling provides."

Howard said admissions applications for full time students enrolling in the fall semester came in at a rate almost eight percent higher than for same the period last year.

Applications by freshmen for admission to UNCA was also up approximately 25 percent over freshman applicants a year ago.

Transfer students also filed at a higher rate than last fall, up about three percent higher, according to Howard.

Howard stressed that even though more students were being accepted and attending UNCA, entrance requirements have not been changed.

Note: Official enrollment figures should be released in time for the next edition of "The Blue Banner."