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Demonstration planned against CIA recruitment

By Julie Ball
 Editor

One UNCA student is in the process of organizing a peaceful demonstration to protest the Central Intelligence Agency's (CIA) recruiting on campus.

Hilary Dirlam, senior music major, is calling various organizations to participate in a peaceful demonstration Feb. 24 at 2 p.m. in front of the Career Development Center. The agency is scheduled to be on campus all day on Feb. 24.

"I want the CIA recruiters to know that there is an active group who does not welcome them," said Dirlam.

"I think if anybody wants to work for them that's fine, but we certainly have a right to protest their coming here," she said.

In addition to the protest, two UNCA freshmen are trying to organize a faculty panel to discuss the ethical implications of working for the CIA, the conflict between the liberal

arts education and "the reality of what the CIA does," according to Michael Rhoades.

Derek Proffit and Rhoades are trying to organize the faculty forum. So far, no time or place has been set.

The goal of the forum is to "enlighten the campus community with regards to the organization (CIA) and what becoming involved in that organization might mean to the individual," said Proffit. Keith Bramlett, of the sociology department, said he is committed to the concept of discussing this issue in an open forum.

"In a way, it's a compliment that they would come to our campus. They look for the best and the brightest. In a way, it's a contradiction because students who are liberally educated and more humanistic in their world view, one would assume, would be less likely to get involved with an organization like the CIA," said Bramlett.

"As a teacher, I am pleased to see students raising questions concerning representatives of

the CIA recruiting on campus.

"It demonstrates, to me at least, that UNCA students are aware that activities of the CIA are frequently and fundamentally at odds with some of our most basic principles, especially peoples' right to self-determination -- a concept in which we established our own independence," said Bramlett.

Despite the planned protest, the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) could prove to be one of the most popular recruiters on campus next week, according to David Johnston, director of career placement and planning.

Johnston said that of the 13 available time slots for interviews 12 have been filled.

In addition to the interviews, a representative from the CIA will be speaking on Feb. 23 at 4 p.m.

The CIA recruits at 45 to 50 universities and colleges per year in the Southeast, according to Jon Kaplan, recruiter for the CIA.

Kaplan said the agency provides a "unique work environment," and the job opportunities

include intelligence collection and analysis.

Despite Johnston's positive outlook for UNCA, several students expressed reservations about CIA recruiting on campus.

Tom Blue, junior political science major, said, "I don't think any other organization with the reputation for illegal activities that the CIA has would be welcome here, and I don't see why we should make an exception in this case."

"For instance, the CIA was instrumental in overthrowing a popular government in Chile in the mid 70s, and now the human rights situation there is abominable. It's unfortunate that the CIA was involved in an act which denies Chileans the basic rights that we Americans hold in so much esteem," said Blue.

Lorena Russell, senior literature/philosophy major, was also critical of the CIA. "I think it's misleading. They present a facade of glamorous honor, but the mechanism functions through manipulation and deceit," she said.

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Religious freedom protected

By Joan Schnyder
 News Editor

Protection of a student's religious freedoms assured by the First Amendment to the Constitution is one of the main purposes of UNCA's Campus Ministry Office, said David Smith, director of religious affairs.

The services provided by the office help interested students keep their ability to exercise religion while on campus, he said.

"Our responsibility is so that a student does not give up Constitutional rights while on campus," he said.

The First Amendment to the Constitution protects American citizens rights to a free press, freedom of expression, freedom of religion, freedom to assemble and to petition government for "redress of grievances." However, the entanglement clause of the Constitution, which separates church and state, makes the practice of religion in a public institution a sticky issue, said Smith.

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Staff Photo--Crystal Smith

Let them eat pie

Mike Mosley (left) and Al Winston of the MUD 500 Club participate in the pie throw held last week to raise money for April Dawn Stocker. Groups like the MUD 500 club and SGA have been trying for a number of months to raise money for Stocker, a UNCA student who has leukemia. Stocker, who was captain of the 1987 Woman's Soccer team lapsed out of remission in the fall. The fund raising drive will continue for another week

Winterfest filled with highs and lows

By Benny Smith
 Staff Writer

Winterfest '88, a festive week sponsored by Underdog productions, was a good first try that included great highs and its fair share of lows as well, said Beth Yates, special events chairperson.

"Considering that this is the first time for Winterfest, pieces of the program went well and other parts of it people did not know about," said Yates.

The planners of Winterfest tried to include events that would interest everyone, said Anita Rose, assistant to the vice chancellor for student affairs.

"Anytime an event like Winterfest is sponsored, chances are you will have some sort of activity that will interest everybody," said Rose.

Winterfest '88 began with the Volkswagen cramming contest outside the Highsmith Center. "The Pi Lam fraternity crammed 16 people in the car, but we (Underdog Productions) beat them by cramming 17,"

said Yates.

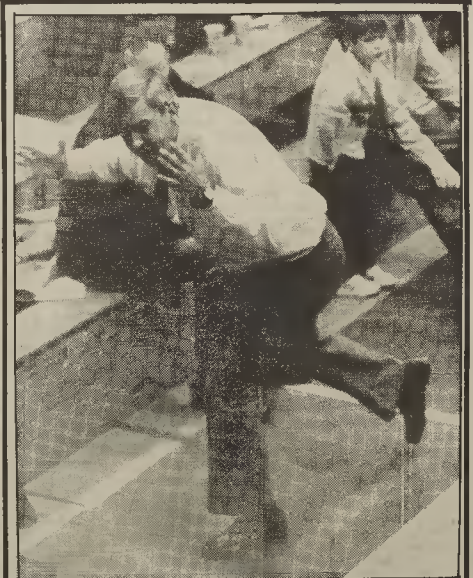
Next, on Feb. 9, the "clue hunt" was ready to get underway. The clue hunt started in the cafeteria around 6 p.m. It took participants to places like McDonalds, Ramsey Library and Krispy Kreme Donuts.

Underdog Productions announced the winners as Milton Jones, Vince Lenny, Tom Robinson and Valeria Sinclair.

"I really had fun with the hunt because the clues ranged from simple on-campus things to complex off-campus ones," said Valeria Sinclair, freshman SGA senator.

"It would have been more challenging and fun if other people would have participated, but we had fun and that is what counts," she said.

The clue hunt was completed within two and a half hours, setting a record. "Next year, we hope to beat this record at least within two hours," said Sinclair.



What???

Staff Photo--Sarah Gottfried

Coach Jerry Green pleads his case with the referees

Weather

Friday: A chance of rain. Morning lows in the mid 30s. Afternoon highs in the upper 40s.
 Saturday: A chance of rain. Morning lows near 40. Afternoon highs in the mid 40s.
 Sunday: Clearing. Morning lows in the 30s. Afternoon highs in the 40s.

The UNCA Atmospheric Sciences department provides this information to the campus community weekly in the Banner. The 24-hour weatherline is also available at 251-6435.

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Job recruiters coming to campus

By Kristin Wike
 Staff Writer

Recruiters will be on campus from late February to early April to interview graduating seniors to fill positions in their companies.

David Johnston, director of placement and career development, indicated that, so far, 10 companies are definite, but more recruiters will be scheduled later.

Interested seniors need to take a resume to the career center and register on the recruiter schedule. All majors are needed.

Johnston suggested several ways students should prepare for their interviews. Applicants should "research the employer and know something about what the company is

doing; write a very good resume, and practice interviewing skills," said Johnston. "Also anticipate the kinds of questions the recruiter would ask and how you would answer them ahead of time."

There are other options for seniors who do not wish to interview with recruiters, Johnston said. "There are 5 different ways a student can get job listings," he said. "This (on-campus recruiters) is just one way."

Students interested in finding a job can also make use of the placement registration program, career library, job board, or the job book. The fastest growing part of placement is

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