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Hart and Roeders capture office in record turnout

By Julie Ball
Editor

UNCA students elected new Student Government Association (SGA) officers last week with the largest election turnout in recent years, according to Athena Fox, SGA elections commissioner.

Rosalee Hart was elected SGA president with 57 percent of the vote. Hart took 317 of the total 553 votes for president, according to Fox.

Hart's opponents in the race split the rest of the vote with Vivian Lackey obtaining 23 percent and Lynda Kroeger obtaining 20 percent of the vote.

Around 600 students or 20 percent of the total student body voted for at least one candidate in last week's election, according to Fox. This is the largest turnout in the past nine years, according to SGA records.

Marcus Roeders won the race

for SGA vice president in a runoff election yesterday. Roeders received 254 out of 502 votes defeating Karla Jacobson by eight votes.

The runoff for the vice presidential office was scheduled after no candidate received a "50 percent plus one vote" majority in the original election held last week, according to Fox. The "50 percent plus one vote" majority is required by the SGA constitution, according to Fox.

Fox said she was pleased with the large turnout for the runoff election. "Nobody expected this many people to turn out. We were all very pleased," said Fox.

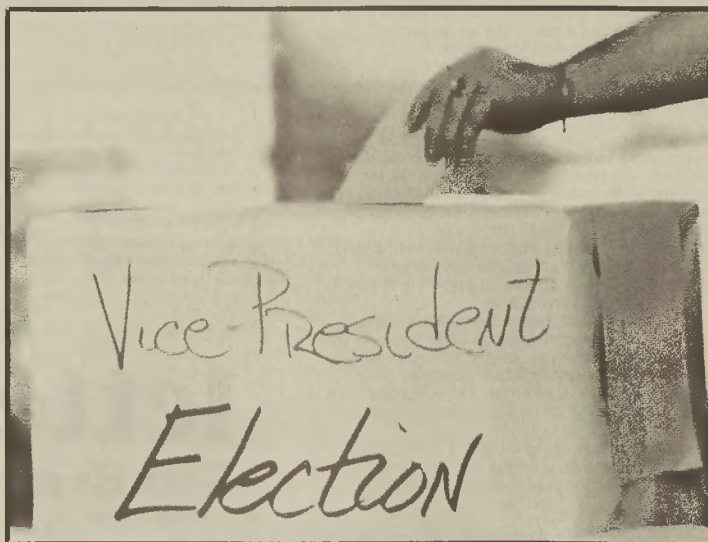
The turnout of last week's election was nearly double the turnout of the first election held in March.

Members of SGA organized a second election after receiving numerous complaints about the procedure of the first election.

Increased publicity was one reason for the increased turnout, according to Fox. Fox also cited a candidates forum and speeches as possible reasons for the increased turnout.

Hart said she thought that the increase in turnout was due, in part, to an increase in publicity. "They (voters) knew the names but not the faces in the first election. This time they knew the ideas behind the names," said Hart.

Dr. Bill Sabo, assistant professor of political science, agreed increased publicity created increased voter turnout in the second election. "Information costs are the biggest barrier to people getting involved," said Sabo.



Staff Photos--Sarah Gottfried

Students voted in the run-off election for SGA vice-presidency held Thursday.

Increased publicity lowers information costs and increases involvement, according to Sabo.

Sabo said the turnout was "good for a UNCA student election."

In addition to president and vice president, the following students were elected to office:

Treasurer: Shawn Fitzpatrick
Senior senators: Jerry Buckner, Tom Nye, Sharon Lance
Junior senators: Richard

Disser, Micheal Todd, Russell Ratcliff

Sophomore senators: Josh Bernstein, Tommy Dewar, Cynthia Fox

Dorm senators: Rob Young, Maria Dickerson, Amy Thompson

Commuter senators: Nicole Benton, Amy Jones and Robert Straub.

The newly elected SGA president said her top priority is increasing communication between SGA and students and faculty.

Hart, who took office last week, said she is currently working on getting "computerized signs" placed in the Highsmith Center, Carmichael Hall and Zagier Hall. SGA is also in the process of submitting budget requests for the coming year and revising the SGA Constitution, according to Hart.

"There's a lot to learn. I'm still learning," said Hart.

Student Government Election Winners

President:	Rosalee Hart
Vice President:	Marcus Roeders
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Controversy surrounds proposal to end remedial math

By Joan Schnyder
News Editor

As the controversial proposal by the math department to end remedial math courses comes before the Academic Policies Committee (APC), a group of students are organizing an effort to save the courses.

The proposal which calls for the elimination of remedial Math courses: 102 Basic Math I, 103 Basic Math II, 104 Basic Math I and II, 105 Intermediate Algebra and 151 Finite Mathematics, was proposed to APC in late

January. Earlier in the year, the math department had voted 8 to 3 to eliminate the courses. APC members will meet tomorrow to discuss the proposal.

This proposal will "without a doubt improve the quality for a UNCA education. They will establish us as a front runner in compliance with recent actions by central administration and will expound our commitment to the elimination of remedial courses at the college level," said Dr. David Kay, chairman of the mathematics department.

However, not everyone on campus agrees with Kay's assessment of the proposal, and a group of UNCA students interested in saving the courses distributed flyers throughout the campus in an attempt to encourage other students to attend the APC meeting.

In the flyer, prepared by Basic Math student Joyce Ann Jones, the group appealed to students to show support for the courses. The flyer states, "Even if this decision doesn't directly affect you, if you agree that students have the right to the benefit of these courses come Thursday and show your support so others

may benefit."

There is also some controversy about the proposal among the faculty of the mathematics department.

One member of the math department who is opposed to the change is Dorothy Sulock, instructor of mathematics.

"The best way to improve the quality of UNCA math education is to continue to systematically correct the weakness in the students who come to us, allowing us to

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Weather

Friday: Decreasing cloudiness and cool. Lows in the mid 30s. Afternoon highs in the 50s.

Saturday: Sunny. Morning lows in the mid 30s. Afternoon highs in the low 60s.

Sunday: Sunny and warmer. Morning lows in the upper 30s to low 40s. Afternoon highs in the 60s.

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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Enrollment expected to increase

By Jerri Henderson
Staff Writer

The number of students at UNCA is expected to keep growing next year, according to Archer Gravelly, director of institutional research.

The applications for freshmen this year are up 39 percent compared to last fall, said Larry Wilson, vice chancellor for academic affairs at a recent Faculty Senate meeting.

As far as the next fall semester goes, it's "going to be tight." The projected enrollment is 3200, where last fall's enrollment was 3061, said Gravelly.

This increase in enrollment is not unique to UNCA; it is happening all over the country, said Dr. Pamela Nickless, chairperson of the Faculty Sen-

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Staff Photo--Crystal Smith

WLOS anchorman, Ken Owen was on campus this week as the editor in residence for the mass communication department. He talked to students personally and in class about careers in broadcasting.

New law will not cause change

College Press Service

The new law to force colleges not to discriminate probably won't change things in the near future for campus women and minorities, various observers predict.

They say it's because colleges already try to provide equal opportunities for people and because they don't expect the U.S. Department of Education, which is supposed to enforce the law, will pursue it aggressively.

Nevertheless the law is "a positive step in ensuring in law what already exists in practice," said Sheldon Steinbach, lawyer for the American Council on Education, a Washington, D.C., coalition of college presidents from around the

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