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1,000 condom surveys distributed this week

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A survey asking UNCA students for their views on condom machines is being distributed in classrooms this week.

The SGA along with the Student Health Advisory Council (SHAC) has compiled 1,000 copies of the survey and begun distributing them in order to collect data to take to Chancellor Brown.

"The survey serves many purposes. It's not just for condom machines on campus. It's to get an idea of what the true knowledge of the students are and their feelings," said Milena Vari, co-chairperson of the SHAC.

The survey would also inquire how parents and faculty feel towards this issue, said Vari. SHAC and the SGA are encouraging other campus organizations to help in the distribution of the survey.

Vari said other organizations would make the distribution much easier and also encompass a wide range of students. "It doesn't take much of their time to take it to their class—five minutes at the end of class, and another ten minutes to bring them back to us next Thursday."

Chris Sampson of the SGA said the condom machines would benefit students by

"increasing the anonymity and availability of them. Right now, the health center closes at five, and you can't get them (condoms) after that."

The survey is being conducted in order to present Chancellor Brown with the consensus opinion of the campus on condom machines.

"We want to meet with him and find out exactly why he does not want condom machines on campus, and what his feelings are towards this issue," said Vari.

Delacy Bradsher, a member of the BSA, feels condom machines are needed when students are dropping out because of pregnancies. "The administration focuses on enrollment, and by having condoms in the bathrooms" unwanted pregnancies could be prevented. "There are a drastic amount of people who have dropped because they became pregnant. That's something the administration should keep in mind," Bradsher said.

Page Jerzak of Underdog Productions said, "I think there's such a social stigma with STD's and pregnancy that I don't see how the chancellor could not put condoms on this campus."

Jeff Clontz, secretary/treasurer of the SHAC, said the age group of those already surveyed ranged "from 17 to 51." Clontz said

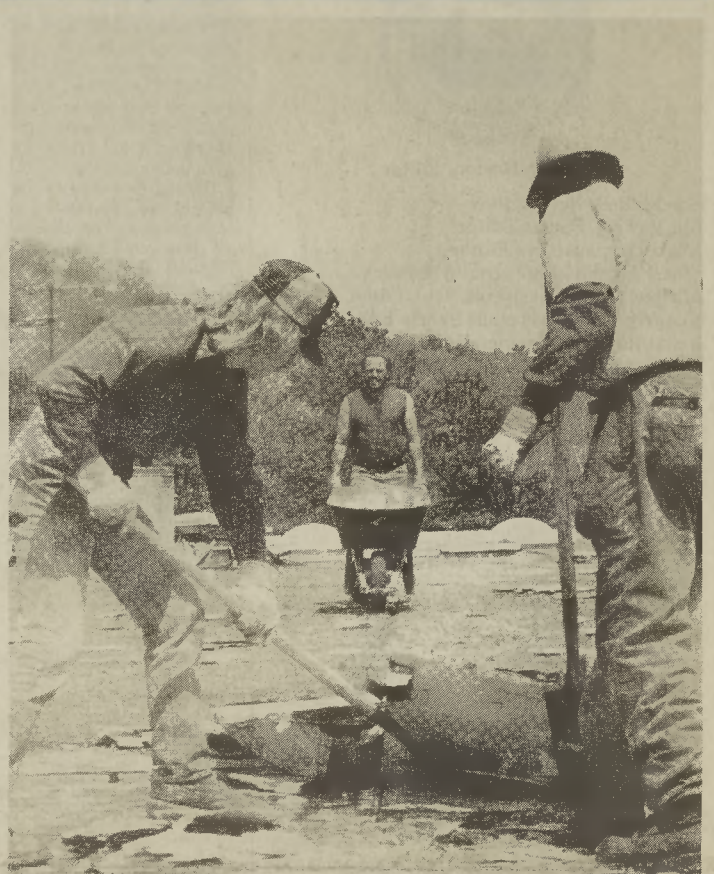
so far, "Practically everyone said they wouldn't mind condom machines at all." Clontz said, "The chancellor said the public reaction would be negative." The survey, Clontz said, is designed to find out exactly what the public reaction would be.

"I think if we promote it (condom use) the right way, as a safety measure, not as promoting sex and decadence, it can only help the university," Vari said.

Chancellor Brown has objected to the installation of condom machines because he feels the machines would create an inappropriate image to parents and visitors to the university. With the availability of condoms at the health center, the administration feels the needs of the students are adequately served, SHAC members said.

The campaign to bring condom machines to UNCA has been organized almost entirely by students. "We wanted it to be a student effort. We want the administration to see we care, and this is what we've done to show it," said Vari.

For further information on the condom machine/safe sex survey, contact the Student Health Advisory Council, located in the Weizenblatt Health Center, 251-6513.



Staff Photo--Susan Dryman

Workmen began re-roofing Carmichael Hall this week due to severe leakage in several offices and classrooms. Facilities Planner Jim Efland said the new roof was a "desperately needed project," for which the university received emergency funds to complete.

Proposed lot not recommended by committee

by Scarlet Bell

News Editor

A Faculty Senate committee has compiled a report, to be presented to the entire faculty senate this afternoon, that recommends the proposed parking lot below the Highrise dormitory not be built at this time.

Dorothy Sulock, member of the Faculty Senate committee and mathematics lecturer, said though the final draft of

the report will not be completed until all three members of the committee have made their final revisions, the substance of the report completed by Wednesday afternoon would be basically the same as the final report they will present.

The draft recommends that the administration should not proceed with the parking lot, under the rationale that "the needs met by this lot can be

satisfied in other ways that provide more conservative protection for the Botanical Gardens. The adjacent Gardens are a unique and irreplaceable asset of UNCA that will grow increasingly precious as Asheville develops into a larger and less green urban center."

However, the Student Government Association passed a formal resolution on April 11, initiated by Dorm

Senator Kevan Frazier, in favor of building the proposed parking lot.

Arguments supporting the construction of the parking lot contained in the bill include the issue of accessible parking being a necessity for the safety of resident students.

In addition, the bill says that no alternative parking lot sites on the south end of the campus are as safe or as

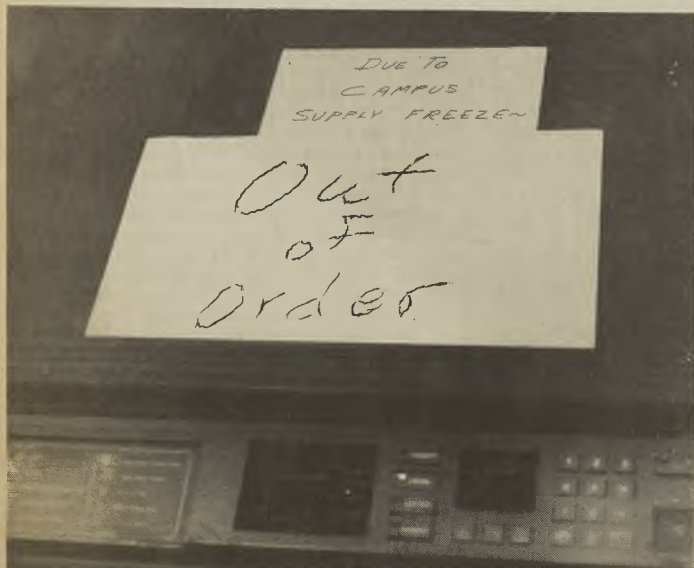
aesthetically beautiful as the proposed lot. And, due to the projected increase in student population for the 1989 fall semester, additional parking will be needed at that time, according to the bill.

The draft compiled by the Faculty Senate committee recommends that an alternative lot be built across the access street from the proposed lot and residential parking for students be

reallocated.

Moreover, the committee recommends that the administration set up a parking system under three categories, which includes residential, central and perimeter parking. They suggested increasing parking fees for "central" parking permits, which they say would "decrease (parking lot)

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UNCA copy machines will not see very much action, due to recent state budget cuts.

Budget cut

UNCA to tighten belt on operating costs

by Scarlet Bell

News Editor

Due to budget reductions by the state of North Carolina, UNCA will be forced to cut its operating expenses by one-third until the end of the semester, according to Dr. Thomas Cochran, associate vice-chancellor for academic affairs.

UNCA was aware in January that the state would make budget reductions, according to Cochran, and at that time, the university set aside \$175,000 to cover the cuts.

However, the state is now requiring UNCA to cut its budget by \$375,000, which leaves a \$200,000 budget deficit, Cochran said.

"We'll get through the

semester, but it won't be fun," he said.

The cuts will affect items such as xerox paper, stationery, equipment

have a budget surplus to carryover to the next year, so that they can raise state salaries and have capital for building.

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purchases and printing ribbon for computers, according to Dr. Phyllis Betts, director of the University Scholars Program.

Cochran said that all operating supplies would be distributed frugally because "there is no room for waste. Smaller institutions do not have a lot of extra fat."

Betts said the state makes budget reductions in order to

Though Betts said that the state "does this kind of thing all the time," she said the budget cut was more than usual.

"It's jerking people around is what it's doing," Betts said.

Cochran said that though the state does not allow appeals on the budget cuts, UNCA plans to appeal the state action.