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Campus News

Homecoming '89

Homecoming '89 will kick off Saturday, Oct. 7 with the Fourth Annual UNCA Run in the Gardens.

The 5K for walkers will begin at 9 a.m. followed by a 1 mile Fun Run at 9:30 and the 5K for runners at 10. For entry information call 251-6512.

A Homecoming barbeque will be held on Greenwood Field from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. UNCA student meal cards will be accepted.

The Homecoming soccer game between UNCA and VMI will begin at 1 p.m. A special halftime presentation of the Homecoming Court is planned.

The Homecoming dance, "Moonlight and Roses," will begin at 9 p.m. at the Radisson Hotel (formerly the Inn on the Plaza). Tickets are available in the Highsmith Center Room 27.

Earning less

College professors in the South, particularly in Louisiana, are earning less than their colleagues nationwide, the Southern Regional Education Board reported.

Faculty members at four-year public colleges across the country earned an average of \$40,348 in 1988-89, while those in the South made \$37,890, the SREB said in its yearly state-by-state salary survey.

Louisiana profs fared the worst, with those at public colleges earning an average of \$30,913. Not surprisingly, the state is experiencing a severe faculty shortage. Louisiana State University's accounting department, for instance, has lost 10 of its 18 faculty members since January, 1989. Not all Southern salaries are lousy. Maryland, Florida and Virginia wages exceeded the national average, with faculty making \$41,041, \$42,229 and \$43,678 respectively.

Animal rights debate

The UNCA chapter of the Students for America will sponsor "Public Firing Line: The Animal Rights Agenda" tonight in the Simulation Lab in Ziegler Hall.

The public is invited to attend. Students for America is a non-partisan conservative group concerned with the preservation of balance and non-bias on the UNCA campus and elsewhere.

Housing Now!

Housing Now! is encouraging Western North Carolinians to come and be homeless for 36 hours.

The group is organizing a trip to Washington, D.C. Oct. 7 to participate in the National March for Housing Now! Buses will be leaving from Asheville and full scholarships are available.

For more information, call 669-6677 or write WNC Housing Now! c/o Hospitality House, 44 Circle St., Asheville, N.C. 28801.

From CPS, press releases and staff reports

Weekend Weather

The extended forecast for Friday through Saturday calls for a slight chance of rain Friday, becoming fair on Saturday and Sunday with a gradual warming trend.

Highs Friday will be in the low 70s warming to the upper 70s to near 80 on Saturday and Sunday. Lows will be in the 50s through the weekend.

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Photo by Natalie Reinbold

Tropical Storm Hugo toppled several trees and power lines across Charlotte, leaving the state's largest city looking "like a war zone."

UNCA students feel effects of hurricane

by Vicki McCoy

Assistant News Editor

Hurricane Hugo came inland last Friday, and students as far away from the coast as UNCA felt its effects.

Days after Hugo destroyed parts of the Carolina coastline, some families of UNCA students are still suffering from the damage. Senior Natalie Reinbold, whose parents live in Charlotte, said she was in Charlotte as the storm went through the area.

"By 5:30 a.m. (Friday) we were all huddled under blankets downstairs in our house just waiting for the roof to blow off," Reinbold said. "We were so scared."

Reinbold said the trees in her yard were uprooted, and the creek behind her house flooded her yard.

"We probably won't have any electricity until Friday of this week, but we do have telephones and water," Reinbold said.

Reinbold said she had been planning to go home

last weekend even before reports of the storm reaching Charlotte were a reality.

"Charlotte looked like a war zone," Reinbold said. "Nobody could know what it's like unless you were there."

Sandra Sigmon, a UNCA student whose mother lives in Gastonia, said she did not know the storm was going to reach that far inland.

"My mom called Friday morning to let me know she was alright, but I didn't know the hurricane was going to hit in Charlotte," Sigmon said. "It was very frightening for them."

According to Sigmon, her mother must rely on friends for drinking water and other necessities.

Sigmon said her mother's house was not damaged, but large trees in her backyard were uprooted.

"We have about eight huge trees in the backyard, and one of them landed in our neighbor's swimming

pool. We couldn't get out of our driveway either," Sigmon said.

Another problem Sigmon said her family is experiencing due to the storm is getting medical treatment for her younger brother who has asthma.

"My brother caught a cold, and that just made his asthma worse," Sigmon said. "There weren't any doctors available except at the hospital, but there weren't any drug stores open to get the medicine he needed."

Sigmon's father and his other son's family live in Clover, S.C., which is about 30 minutes from the North Carolina state-line.

"My brother has a baby, and they had to go to Fort Mill (S.C.) to get heat and water because the whole town is demolished," Sigmon said.

"My whole family was affected by the hurricane," Sigmon said.

Kristin Wike, a senior majoring in mass

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Students travel to meet Hugo

by Vicki McCoy

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Last Friday morning, Hurricane Hugo swept across the Carolina shores, ravaging communities from Wilmington to Charleston, but coastal residents were not the only ones affected by the storm.

While some people were fleeing from Hugo's wrath, five UNCA students were on their way to the coast to experience the storm firsthand.

Meteorology students Tim Speece, Mike Grogan, Michelle Cowan, Mary Traugher and Phil Hysell left Thursday at 5 p.m. on their way to Charleston.

Traugher said the decision to go to the coast was sudden. "We just decided on Wednesday night to go," Traugher said.

Due to a shift in the storm's path, the group viewed Hugo from Conway, S.C., which is about 20 miles from Myrtle Beach. According to Hysell, there was some doubt as to the exact direction the storm would take.

"When we saw that the storm was going to hit South Carolina, we decided to go because it would be a short enough drive for us to get there," Hysell said.

Once in Conway, the group tried to find a safe

place to view the storm, but due to the evacuation of coastal residents, no shelter was available.

"We ended up staying in our car in a shopping mall parking lot," Cowan said.

Hysell said the group was not worried about their personal safety until they learned that Hugo had developed into a category four hurricane.

According to Grogan, there are five levels of intensity by which meteorologists categorize hurricanes. The categories are based on wind speeds.

A category one hurricane has 75 mph winds, while a category five storm has winds exceeding 155 mph.

"When we left Asheville, it was a category two, but we heard on the way down that they had changed it to a four. We were slightly concerned," Hysell said.

Grogan said the main rush of the storm hit Conway about 3:30 a.m.

"The rain came in sheets. It was rain bands off the hurricane," Hysell said. "We recorded winds with a handheld anemometer of 85 mph, and that was just right next to the car. I didn't venture out into the parking lot."

The group said the wind caused the car to rock back

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To donate to Hugo victims:

Area relief agencies are taking donations for hurricane victims for the next few weeks. All will collect non-perishable food, blankets, outdoors cooking equipment, batteries, battery-powered radios, flashlights, clothing, bedding, baby supplies, can openers, paper plates and plastic eating utensils.

UNCA Student Government Association, Highsmith 39, 251-6587.

The American Red Cross will accept only money donations. The Naval Reserve Center requests donations of food, clothes, pet food fuel for Coleman heaters and propane tanks.

Companies and agencies collecting goods include: American Red Cross-Asheville Area Chapter, 100 Edgewood Road, Asheville, 258-3888.

Salvation Army, 204 Haywood St., Asheville, 253-4723. Sky City department store, 895 Patton Avenue, Asheville, 254-0711.

K-mart, 4-S. Tunnel Road, Asheville, 298-2400. Manna Food Bank, 37 Garfield St., Asheville, 252-4602. AAA Travel Agency, 660 Merrimon Ave., Asheville, 253-5376. Naval Reserve Center, 721 Merrimon Ave., 253-4441.

Broadway nears completion

by Jerri Henderson

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The construction work on Broadway is not far from completion, according to Joe Buckner, division construction engineer from the Department of Transportation (DOT).

The work began on Broadway early this year and "has a contract completion date of Dec. 16," said Buckner.

The project includes widening Broadway into a four-lane highway with a central median and a left-turn lane, according to Tom Byers, special assistant to the chancellor.

"It will provide two lanes of traffic in each direction, plus a left turning lane to make it easier to get on campus," said Byers. "The

turning lane will be about 350 feet long coming from the north."

Traffic lights are also part of the project plan, including a light at the intersection of Weaver Boulevard and Broadway.

"There are traffic lights planned for the Weaver Boulevard intersection," said Buckner. "They will start going up probably the beginning of next week, some of them anyway. We're building in stages."

Construction thus far has run on schedule, according to Buckner, and they've had no major setbacks.

"We've run into nothing unusual, just utility connections and things of that nature," said Buckner.

Although the project is to

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Quiet please

Photo by Sandra Sigmon

Mark Tygh catches a quick nap by the magazine rack in Ramsey Library this past week.

Blue Banner article incorrect

In last week's issue of *The Blue Banner*, the article "Confusing intersection blamed for accident" incorrectly stated that a traffic accident involving Darrin Germany was the result of Germany's misjudgment.

The cause of the accident has not been determined by police and *The Blue Banner* apologizes for any misunderstanding, confusion or connotation of guilt resulting from the article.