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Fans all across the nation  
celebrate the 40th anniversary  
of Charlie Brown.

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Young baseball team gears up  
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Warren Wilson.

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Friday and Saturday will  
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chance of showers and a  
high near 90, cooling off  
by Sunday.

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"Where there is an open mind, there will always be a frontier." — Kettering

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## UNCA adopts drug testing policy

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UNCA has implemented a new drug education and testing policy for its student athletes, according to Athletic Director Tim Dillon.

"There was no drug policy beforehand," Dillon said. "President (C.D.) Spangler wanted all Division I programs do something about drug testing. He felt there was a real need."

The new policy, which includes random testing of athletes throughout the school year, is designed to focus on education rather than testing, Dillon said.

"The key is drug counseling and education," he said. "You can't just have drug testing without the other parts."

The program is designed to educate the athletes about the dangers of drug use and competition.

"We are educators here. That is our first priority," he said. "The reason we have testing is to round out everything else we are doing."

According to Dillon, the students are required to keep a log of any medication he or she takes, whether it is prescribed or an over-the-counter drug. Dillon says this will keep a false positive from surfacing against the student.

"It is the responsibility of the student to keep a log of every drug they are taking," he said. "Some asthma medications have a form of a drug that will show up positive. This will make sure people are being held accountable."

As directed in the policy, if a student fails, or the test yields a positive result, then he or she will be re-tested within 48 hours, Dillon said.

If the second test is also positive, "a confidential meeting will be held to evaluate the nature and extent of drug involvement," the policy states.

Dillon says confidentiality is an important factor in the testing. "(It) is key for the protection of the student athlete," he said.

Dillon also says the confidential meeting between the student and athletic department officials will greatly influence the decision of how to handle a positive test result.

Dillon stresses that the tests are performed outside of the campus by an Asheville laboratory.

"We are not doing the actual breakdown of chemicals," he said. "If someone tests positive, it could ruin someone's life if not handled properly. There has to be that confidentiality."

After a student with a positive test receives counseling, then an evaluation of the student will be completed by the Head Athletic Trainer and the counseling center, the policy says.

An additional aspect of the policy is "notification of parents."

"If the student is a minor or is a 'dependent student' (viz., essentially, one who is financially dependent on the support of his or her parents, which would include most undergraduate students) his or her parents will be informed of the known facts concerning drug abuse...," the policy states.

In severe cases, Dillon says an athlete's eligibility could be affected for illegal drug use.

"It must be a very serious problem for us to suspend a player. The last thing we want to do is cancel someone's eligibility," he said. "There is no black and white. It will just depend on the severity. We must give the student athlete the benefit of the doubt."

According to Dillon, 29 percent of the total number of athletes will be tested during three testing

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New furniture decorates the new edition of Ramsey Library.

Photo by Miranda Wyatt

## Library project not complete

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Although the D. Hiden Ramsey Library may look complete, Mel Blowers assures students it is not. "We have not accepted the building. Neither inside nor outside is completed," said Blowers, university librarian.

He expects the physical work to be completed and approved in the next one to two months.

"The larger part of the project right now is the completion of the renovation of the old building, which is going to require just short of \$4 million for completion. We are waiting for the money," explained Blowers.

Work on the renovation will not begin until the money is appropriated. But for the money to be allocated, the project must be named the number

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## Students not immune to crime

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The recent murders surrounding the University of Florida (UF) campus has raised questions concerning college student safety. In the 1970s, a Chi Omega sorority house was broken into and three women murdered by serial killer, Ted Bundy. Colleges today have learned to handle a deluge of assault, rape, gang related violence and thefts on campus.

Though UNCA has rarely had to deal with such violent crimes, the recent murders at UF show no place is 100 percent safe. Whether a student lives in a dorm or off campus, serious safety measures must be taken. No student is immune to possible dangers that exist.

Jeff Van Slyke, chief of UNCA

security, believes many crimes could be avoided. "Students, especially freshmen are naive," Van Slyke said. "They forget to take safety precautions." He stressed taking such measures as not walking alone at night, keeping dorm doors locked and scratching social security numbers into valuables.

Van Slyke has noticed a dangerous habit students are developing. The propping open of fire exit doors in the Mills Hall and Highrise dormitories is an invitation for anyone to enter.

This has caused problems in the past and Van Slyke believes the potential is there for even greater problems as the campus continues to grow.

Van Slyke says security can only do so much. "Students must become more responsible and learn to adopt a smarter attitude

towards safety," Van Slyke said. Not believing it could happen to you is a mistake a student could make once and regret for a long time.

Lara (not her real name) is a transfer student at UNCA who was assaulted at her previous college.

Late one evening, Lara left her dorm room unlocked as she went to the hall bathroom. She returned to find three men whom she believed to be friends of her roommate. Their odd behavior led her realize they didn't know her or her roommate. Lara immediately tried to get out of the room. She was physically prevented from doing so and was sexually harassed for hours.

"The dorm was empty; the RA wasn't even there. Even if I had screamed nobody was around to

hear," Lara said in retrospect. "When they wouldn't let me leave (the room) I said to myself, 'I'm going to be raped tonight.'" Fortunately for Lara, she wasn't.

However, during the hours she spent in the room with the men she was repeatedly touched and told to do sexual acts. Luckily, a fire alarm sounded sending the three men running from her room before the violence could be carried any further.

"I knew better than to leave my door unlocked," Lara says now. "People said what could happen and I just didn't think it would happen to me."

Unfortunately, it can happen. The best way to keep it from happening is awareness. No one and no place is completely safe.

Students need to develop some simple habits that could possibly save their lives.

## Fewer classes offered for spring semester

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UNCA's spring schedule will consist of approximately 50 fewer classes than were offered for the fall semester. This cutback is due to state budget cuts imposed on the university.

"We don't have enough money to teach the same amount of classes we taught last semester," said Tom Cochran, associate vice chancellor for academic affairs. "We just can't pay the faculty to teach them."

Cutting 50 classes from the schedule eliminates over 1,000 enrollment spaces. "It will mean classes will be fuller and larger. It could conceivably be that students can't take as many classes. Registration for spring could be a real nightmare trying to get classes," said Cochran.

According to Cochran, the budget cuts at UNCA are the result of over optimistic forecasting at the state level.

"Every biennium there is a forecast of projections for the next two years. They basically say this is the amount of revenue we think the state of North Carolina will generate the next two years and then the legislature appropriates a budget based on those forecasts," Cochran said.

Cochran also said it is up to the governor and his staff to monitor the revenues that come in and the expenditures that have been approved in order to assure there is a balanced budget at the end of the year.

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Look, up in the sky!  
Students enjoy an afternoon of frisbee on the Quad.

Photo by Miranda Wyatt

## Women eligible for management program

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Professional women in WNC are eligible for the fifth annual Women in Management Program at UNCA. The registration deadline for the eight-month program is Sept. 7 and the program begins with a three-day training session Oct. 8-10, according to the office for special academic affairs.

The program is designed for area women with management potential, or women who are first-time managers. Women in Management addresses special issues confronted by women managers through two days of training each month through May. Special attention is paid to developing leadership skills.

The Women in Management Program at UNCA gives women the skills, knowledge and

confidence to be successful leaders and managers in the 1990s," according to the program's literature.

Participants also learn to deal comfortably with issues which affect them as women managers.

The Women in Management Program has many course objectives. Participants assess their strengths and weaknesses as leaders and managers, they clarify their work role and responsibilities, negotiate conflict creatively, manage change constructively, examine stereotypes, give and receive feedback easily, diagnose the needs of work teams and prevent and solve problems.

This course is offered to women already in the management field and first time managers, according to the office of special academic affairs.

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