

# **AREA RESIDENTS OBJECT TO CONFERENCE CENTER**

#### **By Lizzy Pressley Editor-in-Chief**

The construction company working on the Chestnut Ridge construction site reported two incidents of vandalism after surveyor's stakes were discovered missing over the summer.

The first incident took place during the July 30-31 weekend when ten stakes were removed from the site, causing the university to spent \$1,200 more to re-survey and replace the stakes, according to E.F. Simones, Cooper Construction Co. project superintendent. A second incident occured in early August.

Controversy over the construction of a conference center began when residents of Chestnut Ridge protested the construction of the road leading to the site.

Tom Cooper, president of Cooper Construction Co., the company contracted for the project, said several incidents of vandalism have occured

since construction began on the road to the conference center site. He said several safety signs, flagging and other equipment have been torn down or removed.

Workers on the project have also reported tampering with equipment.

In an Aug. 3 public meeting on the matter, Chancellor Patsy B. Reed said the university is considering the concerns of the Chestnut Ridge residents.

"At the university's request, the architects have revisited an earlier plan in order to make it more environmentally sensitive," said Reed.

According to Reed, the university is in compliance with the state's requirements regarding environmental studies and related permits.

The construction of the road is only part of the first phase of the conference center project. Funding for this phase was given to the university as a result of the bond referendum in November.

The cost of building the road to the site and the



extension of utilities from the campus to the site is \$3.9 million.

The Chestnut Ridge conference center is only one of several construction projects the university has underway this year.

The new dining hall, whose completion was originally planned for the beginning of the fall semester, is expected to be completed in December in time for the spring semester.

The new dining hall will seat 490 people, with seating for an additional 76 people in a private dining room. The project, including kitchen equipment and furniture, will cost \$4.8 million.

Renovation on Ramsey Library will also be completed with \$3.97 million the university received in November from the University of North Carolina's repair and renovation budget. The project should be completed by July 30, 1995, ready for use that fall semester.

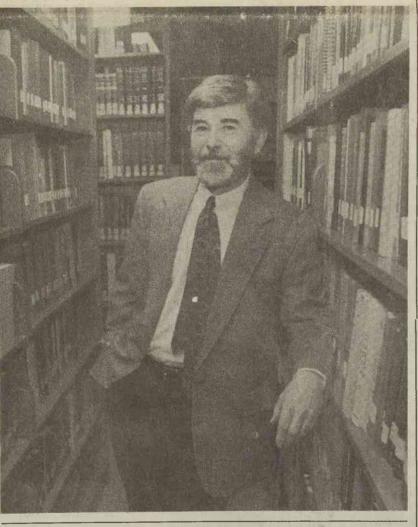
An addition to the Justice Center also will be underway this fall as a result of funds received through the November 1993 bond referendum.

## Highland Hospital Donates Books to UNCA

#### **By Janice Stilton Staff Writer**

UNCA recently received a donation from the Highland Hospital, a former privately owned psychiatric facility in Asheville. The donation included the hospital's entire library, and will become available to the campus and surrounding community when renovations at the library are complete.

"This extraordinary collection, the most extensive psychiatry and psychopathology collection in Western North Carolina, will be a rich resource for generations of Ramsey Library users," according to Malcolm E. Blowers, the UNCA



### **Parking Spaces Are Limited**

#### By Teri Smith **News Editor**

Photo by Albert Di Martino

Students returned to campus last week to find many of their parking places from last year either displaced by construction or reassigned as faculty and staff parking. Campus police began issuing parking citations on the first day of classes to students, faculty and staff who parked illegally.

"It is important to remember that the parking permit is essentially a hunting permit," said Arthur Foley, vice chan-cellor of financial affairs. "It doesn't guarantee you a place to park, it gives you permission to operate a motor vehicle on our campus. But, there is nothing in our regulations that guarantees that we're going to have a parking place for everybody. That is true for the faculty and staff as well as students." "The general philosophy, endorsed by the vice chancellors and Board of Trustees, is that the faculty and staff will have the closest spaces and students will have the farther away," said Eric Iovacchini, vice chancellor of student affairs. "And, we have generally said that we will try, even though we are not at one space per employee, but we're at a better ratio for employees than we are for students."

90% of the faculty and staff have a space somewhere and maybe 30-40% of the students have a space somewhere, realizing that students, particularly commuters turnover, and don't need one to one. But pretty much for faculty and staff we need a space for every employee that we have," said Iovacchini.

Iovacchini said that UNCA's parking fee is one of the least expensive in the UNC system.

Foley cited a case at UNC-Chapel Hill where a staff member pays \$98.00 for a parking sticker that entitles him to park a mile from his office.

"If you want to park at Chapel Hill as close as we park here, those permits go for \$300-\$400," said Foley.

University Librarian.

The professional library, which contains 12,230 volumes, mainly covers the areas of psychology, psychiatry, medicine, and social sciences, and is valued at an estimated \$300,000. This library is comprised not only of books, but of 365 audio and 110 video cassettes as well. Bound journal sets also make up approximately one-third of the total volumes. The library has been acquired throughout this century, but many of the volumes are more recent.

The 1,890-volume patient library, once available to the patients, consists of fiction and various literature. The library

Please see "Books," page 8 Malcolm E. Blowers, UNCA's librarian, stands in front of volumes donated by Highlands Hospital. Photo courtesy of UNCA Office of Public Information

"We are probably in the vicinity of

"The best use when you have scarce resources is to leave as much open as possible," said Iovacchini. The most effective use of parking would probably be open for everybody, but I don't think the faculty and staff will tolerate it."

The parking lot closest to the library, that was restricted to faculty and staff, now has been appointed for open parking, according to Iovacchini.

We can certainly help alleviate some of the [parking] difficulties with class scheduling," said Foley.

"The state of North Carolina does not

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### **TWO GRADUATING SENIORS RECEIVE FUL** IT SCHOLARSH tion, with final selections made by presidentially an outspoken opponent of Nazism and euthana-

By Greg Deal **Staff Writer** 

Two UNCA graduating seniors have received Fulbright Fellowships to study abroad during the 1994-95 academic year. Travis Bradley will be a teaching assistant in conversational English during a nine-month stay in France and Carleton Murrey will travel to the University of Munster, North Rhine-Westphalia.

The Fulbright program was established by Congress in 1946 to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and those of other countries.

Fellowships are awarded through open competi-

appointed Board of Foreign Scholarships.

"It still hasn't hit me that I am leaving for France," said Bradley. "I am very happy."

Bradley majored in French and Spanish while he was a student at UNCA. He also worked as a teaching fellow and has his teacher's certification for grades K-12.

"It is a nice way to put a finishing touch on your undergraduate experience," said Bradley.

Murrey, who majored in German and minored in history, will be conducting research on Clemens August von Galen while at the University of Munster.

Galen was a Catholic bishop in 1939-45 who was

sia.

Both students speak highly of the education they received while at UNCA.

"I'll always look back on [my time at UNCA] as an important experience," said Bradley. "Not only in my major, but also the liberal arts aspect."

Bradley said that the Humanities program at UNCA contributed to his expanded world view.

"I think it made me more open-minded and gave me a chance to examine different ways of living," said Bradley.

Murrey said that he is pleased with the flexibility that his liberal arts background provides him.

"I am able to look at many different graduate programs, as well as explore the possibility of working in international affairs and living abroad," said Murrey.

Murrey was a 1987 graduate of First Evangelical Church School in Greenville, South Carolina.

Bradley graduated from Erwin High School in 1989 and has been abroad twice before. He traveled to England through UNCA's Cambridge program and to Cuenca, Ecuador, through independent study with UNCA's Foreign Language Department.

Bradley said that his prior travels will help him adjust to the new situations he will face when he travels to France.