

# THE BLUE BANNER



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## VCAA interviews complete

Whitney Setser  
News Reporter

UNCA hosted interviews for William Frawley and Mark Padilla, the last two candidates for the position of vice chancellor of academic affairs (VCAA), March 21-22 and March 28-29.



COURTESY OF BUCKNELLE.EDU  
William Frawley

"The search has been an incredible amount of work," said Cathy Mitchell, professor of mass communication and search committee member. "I have been really pleased with the exceptional quality of the candidates who applied."

The current VCAA is Thomas Cochran, who was appointed to the position in August 2000. Cochran served UNCA in many other positions during the last 25 years, according to the UNCA Web site.

"(The VCAA search team) looked for a lot of things when we reviewed the files," said Pamela Nickless, professor of economics and search committee member. "We wanted to find someone that had come through the ranks. We looked for people who had to make hard decisions about personnel and resources."



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Mark Padilla

The VCAA position is the chief academic advisor at UNCA and the person in charge when the chancellor leaves campus, according to UNCA's Web site.

"The position starts July 1," said Tracy Brown, professor of psychology and search committee chair, in

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## Construction continues on Weaver



RACHEL CRUMPLER/NEWS EDITOR

Construction workers pave the corner of Barnard Avenue and W. T. Weaver Boulevard. The construction should be complete by May.

UNCA's main entrance on W. T. Weaver Boulevard will undergo massive changes as the semester rolls to an end.

When workers complete the renovations in May, W. T. Weaver will be fully equipped with a roundabout entrance and an extended greenway.

Weaver Boulevard will have two single lanes, a median and a circular entrance leading into campus.

The university is implementing the renovations in cooperation with the North Carolina Department of Transportation and the city of Asheville, according to Tom Byers, executive assistant to the chancellor.

## Student dies over spring break

Stuart Gaines  
News Reporter

A UNCA student died at his home during the spring break holiday March 14.

Jared Enoch Warren, a sophomore computer science major, died due to asphyxiation from helium gas. He was nineteen years old.

"Jared was in my Humanities 324 course. He was a bright, soft-spoken and thoughtful student," said Ken Betsale, chair of the political science department.

"His loss has meant something to me as a teacher. We have to be more ourselves with our students," said Betsale. "They have to know that we all struggle with being human."

Dr. Massey taught three of Warren's classes, and he had been making excellent grades in all of them.

Funeral services were held at Zion Christian Assembly of Asheville where Warren was a member as well as the pianist, according to the obituary from the *Asheville Citizen-Times*.

The UNCA counseling center is available to help students affected

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## Remembering

# Jared Enoch Warren

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assistant vice chancellor for student affairs

by Warren's death, according to Carol Schramm, assistant vice chancellor for student affairs.

"It is a great loss for the university and the Warren family," said Schramm.

Warren graduated as the salutatorian from Temple Baptist School in 2000, and was a member of Campus Crusade for Christ at UNCA. "I can only say that we are very sad

over the university's and community's loss," said Robert Yearout, faculty advisor to Campus Crusade for Christ. "We offer our condolences to his family and those who knew him."

Warren was a lifelong resident of Asheville, and is survived by his parents, Patrick and Peggy Warren, and three siblings, according to the *Citizen-Times*.

Warren appeared on the chancellor's and dean's list while at UNCA, and volunteered with the Western North Carolina Rescue Mission.

"It was an absolute shock," said Charles Massey, one of Warren's professors this semester. "Jared was a quiet student. He was one of those students who come to class, do their work and go home."

## Newspaper's practical joke upsets readers

Elizabeth Moe  
News Reporter

Rachel Crumpler  
News Editor

The *Transylvania Times* received many complaints concerning a story they printed as a practical joke April 1.

The article, which ran on the back page of the newspaper, claimed a visitor at a Brevard picnic ground captured Eric Rudolph. Then, the fabricated visitor forced Rudolph into a trashcan and called the police, according to the *Transylvania Times* article.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has named Rudolph one of their 10 most wanted criminals. He has been charged in connection with at least six bombings, including the bombing in Atlanta's Centennial Olympic Park in 1996, according to the FBI Web site.

"I think it's cruel," said Ryan Stanford, a junior German major. The newspaper is "mocking what (Rudolph) did, in a way. He did



COURTESY OF THE FBI WEB SITE  
Eric Rudolph

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## UNCA retirement center gains national recognition

Geoff Cantrell  
*Asheville Citizen-Times*

The contributions of older residents can reward their community as well as help them lead richer lives.

The National Council on Aging recognizes that and is in turn recognizing the N.C. Center for Creative Retirement at UNC Asheville for helping older people make those contributions. The center's example is now being used across the country and is considered a flagship program for older-learner programs in

the United States.

Ron Manheimer, the center's executive director, will accept the Jack Ossofsky Award at an annual conference in Denver this week. The award is presented to individuals or organizations that have taken a creative, new idea and developed it into a successful program, service

or policy that helps older people to achieve vital living.

That is exactly the avenue Jack Ingersoll wanted to pursue in his retirement from a career in law enforcement, including serving as police chief of Charlotte in the 1960s.

"This is an opportunity to learn, to keep the brain cells active and

participate in meaningful things," Ingersoll said. "I spent my working years trying to prevent bad things from happening to people. Now, I am working on making positive things happen through the Center for Creative Retirement."

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