THE BLUE BANNER

Boo! Happy Halloween, folks.



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INCA jazz ensembles will sent vocal and instrumenmusic in Lipinsky Auditoımat 4 p.m. Nov. 2. David ilken, assistant professor of usic, will direct. Admission five dollars at the door or e with a valid student ID.

ASHEVILLE

rivers stuck behind school ses will breath easier next ronce new pollution con-Is are installed. The West-North Carolina Regional Quality Agency will retfit 320 buses used in Bunmbe, Madison, Haywood d Transylvania counties. esel oxidation catalysts will luce carbon monoxide issions as well as other emicals that contribute to one depletion and haze. The 275,000 grant for the retrotting directly stems from the wironmental Protection ency's (EPA) Clean School s USA program. Federal culations requiring cleaner esel engines won't take efctuntil 2007, but older dievehicles will remain on the ds for many years, accordg to an EPA official.

NORTH CAROLINA

olice investigating a bomb ax in Concord discovered a al bomb plot at Concord igh School involving homeade napalm and incendiary y. A 15-year-old student sarrested after police found tailed plans, aerial maps of e school, explosives and a orpse list" in his possession. he list included 20 nickmes and descriptions of ople based on how they ssed. The boy's own name appeared on the list, as ll as that of an adult not olved with the school. The t had been planned since Spring, according to po-

UNITED STATES

ne Southern California dfires claimed the life of irefighter Oct. 30. 2,000 nes have been destroyed nd 20 people have died ce the blaze began Oct. Flames currently cover 0,000 acres and damage mates are passing the \$2 lion mark.

WORLD

nternational health experts eeting in Geneva proposed three-tier system for couning future SARS outbreaks. e system would divide the orld into three zones based risk of infection, with hina likely to be the hight-risk zone. The system is eant to relieve pressure on ^{calth}care systems by double lecking tests to eliminate e positives.

The University of North Carolina at Asheville

Sorority organizes Halloween philanthropy for disabled

Erin Bereit News Reporter

The Zeta Tau chapter of Alpha Xi Delta organized a Halloween carnival for developmentally disabled adults and children at the Irene Wortham Center Oct. 25. The phithe center has held such an event.

"We can see a need in our community," said Brittany Kemp, a sophomore member of Alpha Xi Delta. "It's great because we see where we are needed and immediately see the

"(Alpha Xi Delta) just came in and they had always been involved with The women of Alpha Xi Delta them," said Ann Hensley, program

lanthropy event marked the first time dressed in costumes and hosted a director for the Irene Wortham Cen-several events in which students from variety of events including arts and ter. "So many times these groups at crafts, cupcake and pumpkin deco- the Irene Wortham Center have rating and a beanbag toss with people outings amongst their own community of special needs people, but it's so good when they can socialize like were so relaxed with the people like this. I just think this is so wonder-

The Halloween carnival is one of

UNCA's Greek organizations have participated in as a part of ongoing

'Service to others is one of the important pillars that national so-

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Staff nurse Sheila Kindley jots down information in Weizenblatt as the cold and flu season draws near.

Students prepare for sick season

Kristen Ruggeri

News Reporter

Students will need to formulate plans for staying healthy this winter season, and student health services can help by offering advice and prescriptions.

"I plan on getting plenty of sleep. Go to bed at a decent time and don't wake up too early," said Hazel Willis, a junior sociology

For college students it is especially important to get plenty of rest, according to Carrie Bradley-Koppe, a professor of Health and

"When you're tired, you are more likely to get sick and catch the



Justin Hunnicutt, an undeclared sick. freshman said he will get a flu shot in the winter.

Flu shots are especially important for students living in dorms or sharing close quarters. It's also important to keep stress under control, according to Bradley-

Koppe. Shanna O'Farrell said she also tries to get plenty of exercise and eat a nutritional diet in order to

"Basically, I just try to eat right," said O'Farrell. "I try to get enough meat, which I don't usually do."

Bradley-Koppe recommends moderate exercise to boost the immune system, which helps the body fight off viruses.

"I've been working out a whole lot lately and I take

vitamins," said Keith White,

HILARY MCVICKER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

double major. "I rarely ever get

Dressing warm in the winter is also important to staying healthy, according to Willis

"I think the biggest thing for me is that I never wear hats or gloves. I never used to wear socks. I would just wear flip-flops in the winter," said Willis. But she added, "I think if you keep your head and your feet warm, you'll be

However, it is a myth that the flu or a cold is caused by going outdoors in cold weather. In fact, flu and colds have nothing to do

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Many people turn to Vitamin C, herbal tea, Echinacea, honey and zinc (left) as well as traditional remedies to help fight off sickness during the changing seasons.

UNCA's student health services offers flu and meningitis

Health services, located in Weizenblatt Building, are open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. They may be reached at 251-6520.

White House yields portion of Iraqi control after mounting criticism

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Matthew Farrell

sophomore literature major

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News Reporter

The Bush administration, facing criticism at home and accusations abroad, will surrender some control in Iraq in exchange for reconstruction donations from Europe and Asia.

Several nations pressured the Bush administration to cede some authority in Iraq before they would commit any funds, because they want a say in how their money is spent. Bush will let an independent

agency run by the World Bank and the United Nations determine how funds from other countries will be spent in

"Îf I were another nation, I wouldn't want to give any money to the U.S.," said Matthew Farrell, a sophomore lit-

erature major. "The U.S. has shown a surprising lack of ability to credits. Kuwait pledged \$500,000 handle itself, both in the situation in the war and everything leading up to that, and in handling funds over the last few years in general," said Farrell.

American officials requested \$55 billion, but donations are expected to fall far short of that goal, according to The New York Times.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan had urged potential donornations to "give generously," according to Voice of America.

Experts predict Iraq will need \$36 billion for 2004 to 2007, according to Channel News Asia.

"The United States should take it however we can get it," said Shelly Hammond, a junior literature major. "Whatever can get the funds for the (Iraqi) people.

Hammond's husband is an army recruiter who knows soldiers killed

"His whole unit is over there right now," said Hammond. "And they were under attack almost daily. He wishes he was there to help out. I'm glad he's not there.'

Officials from 55 countries met last week in Madrid to discuss funding for the rebuilding of Iraq. Japan, South Korea, Canada and various European nations have pledged a total of \$3 billion, while the World Bank may provide \$4 billion in loans over the next four years if certain conditions are met, according to The New York Times.

The European Union pledged

\$812 million, less than the \$931 million pledged to Afghanistan last year, after France and Germany decided to postpone any potential donations.

Toward the end of the two-day conference, Saudi Arabia pledged \$1 billion. Half would come as loans, the rest will export as

on top of the \$1 billion it has already donated, according to The New York Times.

The United Arab Emirates pledged \$215 million, but did not say when the money would be available, according to The New York Times.

More than 350 companies will also meet in Madrid to discuss "opportunities for the private sector in rebuilding Iraq," according to the Reuters news service.

The British Charity Christian Aid accused the U.S. and British administrators in Iraq of mishandling approximately \$4 billion in oil and other revenues meant for reconstruction, according to Reuters.

L. Paul Bremer III, head of the U.S.-led Coalition Provisional Authority in Iraq, told reporters that

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Poet promotes literacy with campus visit

Cindy Steele News Reporter

Poet Edward Hirsch read his work to a full house in Lipinsky Auditorium Oct. 20. The event helped raise \$600 for the Literacy Council of Buncombe County.

said Bunny Halton-Subkis, director of the UNCA cultural and special events series, which co-sponsored Hirsch's appearance. "The best thing we could do was to assist the community in finding out about some of the great com-

ken and written word.'

The money that Hirsch's event raised for the literacy council will help combat adult illiteracy by training tutors to work one-on-one with adult

more than 300 adults last year to improve their reading and math skills, to learn to speak English or to pass the GED.

Buncombe County has 12,000 adults who did not finish ninth grade and an esti-The volunteer tutors of the mated 15,000 foreign immi-

"I have a special spot in my heart for the literacy council," munity service opportunities Literacy Council of Bun-we have concerning the spo-combe County worked with glish, according to the literacy council.

'Taking part in events like this is a way of getting new volunteers for our program," said Janna Lutovsky, director

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