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## NEWS BRIEFS

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### LIPINSKY HALL

In a concert open to the public, French octet Les Yeux Noirs will perform a unique blend of high-energy Gypsy jazz and Jewish music at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, at UNCA's Lipinsky Auditorium. Tickets for the Les Yeux Noirs concert are on sale on campus, or by phone 232-5000 and cost \$18 general admission. Tickets may also be purchased by cash or check only at Malaprop's Bookstore/Cafe, 55 Haywood St., downtown Asheville.

### CAMPUS CRIME

The side rear view mirror was shot out of a car parked on the UNCA campus Jan. 19. Someone vandalized an area outside a Mills Hall dorm room Jan. 30.

UNCA-Campus Police began applying a tire boot to cars that are illegally parked and have five or more citations pending this semester. Campus Police booted one car a couple weeks ago, and towed five cars for parking in a no parking dumpster zone Feb. 5.

### ASHEVILLE

Police cleared an estimated 100 youths out of Carmike 10 Cinemas Jan. 31 after a firecracker exploded in one of the theaters. Police were originally called to clear out unruly teenagers at about 9:22 p.m. Officers were then called back an hour later to help calm a situation where a firecracker was set off. There are no reports of injuries.

### WASHINGTON, D.C.

President Bush signed an executive order to begin an independent inquiry into U.S. intelligence later this week. The commission, created under pressure from both political parties, will look into information dated prior to the invasion of Iraq, as well as other international affairs. David Kay, chief weapons inspector for Iraq, issued his final report, stating that he has not found significant evidence of banned weapons and had little expectation that they would ever be found.

### IRAN

In Majlis, or Iran's parliament, 124 lawmakers in the 290-seat body resigned Feb. 1 in a symbolic gesture intended to force others to reinstate thousands of liberal candidates disqualified from a Feb. 20 vote. One of the issues associated with the mass resignations is whether or not Iraq will become a democracy or dictatorship.

The incident began in early January when the Guardian Council disqualified more than 3,600 of the 8,200 individuals who filed papers to run in election polls. After protests and a statement from Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, the council on Friday restored 1,160 low-profile candidates to the list.

### SAUDI ARABIA

At least 244 people were trampled to death and hundreds more injured Sunday under the crush of worshippers during the annual Muslim pilgrimage to Saudi Arabia. The stampede occurred during The Stoning of the Devil ritual, where individuals frantically throw rocks, shout insults or hurl their shoes at three stone pillars, expressing their disdain for Satan.



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UNCA closed off the Campus Drive while facilities management inserted speed bumps.

## UNCA places speed bumps on Campus Drive following accident

BY AMANDA EDWARDS  
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A recent one-car accident on Campus Drive sped up university officials' decision to put in speed bumps along the road.

"On that particular road, and in that particular area people drive way too fast," said Jerry Adams, University Investigator and Police Sergeant. "If (speed bumps) help them slow down a little bit, then we are all for that."

Public Safety officials deem Campus Drive a dangerous road because of its short, twisting curves and heavy flow of traffic. The road stretches for about a mile and a half and curves around the athletic fields.

"That road is only designed for 25 mph and that's how it was approached when it was built," said University Police Officer Bobby Barcafer. "If you were going to maintain 25 mph, you can stay in your lane. But if you start

going over that, there is a real potential for accidents."

The idea to insert speed bumps along the road sprung from an incident in June when a car on campus drive hit a grounds worker. This incident prompted members of the UNCA physical plant to order stop signs for the Reuter Center section of the road, and then speed bumps, warning signs, and speed limit signs for the rest of the road, according to David F. Todd, director of the UNCA physical plant.

"After the grounds worker got hit, there's been a head on collision out there and other small fender benders," said Todd.

Facilities management inserted stop signs over Winter Break when there was less traffic on campus. Facilities management ordered the safety precaution equipment from Barco Industries, and received it between

July and August, according to Todd.

Five students were involved in an accident on Campus Drive, Jan. 19. All of them obtained some sort of injury. The students reached an estimated speed of 60 mph by the time they hit a curb, according to Barcafer, the officer called to the scene of the accident.

"It was just basically reckless driving," said Barcafer. "They were speeding way too fast for conditions and lost control of the vehicle. All five went to the hospital and were mainly treated for lacerations. The front passenger had head injuries, but it wasn't life threatening."

The accident made people realize the need for immediate action.

"That was just another flag that we've got to get these things out here," said Todd.

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Numerous accidents on Campus Drive influenced the school to put speed bumps along the road.



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UNCA placed speed bump warning signs along the road prior to placing the speed bumps.

## Civil rights activist Julian Bond visits UNCA

BY ADAM McMULLIN  
Staff Reporter

To kick off UNCA's observance of Black History Month, Julian Bond, a civil rights activist, will visit UNCA on Feb. 6 and deliver a keynote address.

"Julian Bond is one of the truly important figures in the civil rights movement in the United States," said Chancellor Jim Mullen. "He has truly devoted himself to the support of respect for human dignity and individual promise."

During his speech, Bond will address the historical significance of the 1954 case of *Brown vs. Board of Education*, which challenged segregation of schools.

The effort to bring the civil rights legend to UNCA to speak began last semester. UNCA's Black Student Association (BSA), the Office of Student Activities and the Office of the Chancellor worked together to bring Bond to campus, according to Tarik Glenn, sophomore and co-president of BSA.

"A lot of times we bring in speakers that no one really knows

very well," said Glenn. "We wanted someone big to come in so that not only students would be involved, but also the community. We wanted someone that is known nationally."

Bond has worked tirelessly throughout his career promoting social justice and the importance of individual rights, serving as chairman of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) since 1998.

Bond began his fight for civil rights in 1960 while attending Morehouse College, according to the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee's (SNCC) Web site. While at Morehouse, Bond helped found SNCC and the Committee on Appeal for Human Rights (COAHR).

COAHR led anti-segregation protests that in turn led to the integration of movie theaters, lunch counters and parks in Atlanta.

Bond became the first African-American ever elected to the Georgia House of representatives in 1965.

Bond's fight for social justice as a young, black college student gave

hope and cause to others who were also pushing for social change.

"(Bond) is a person who has given his full measure to enhancing social justice in this country and I think he is a wonderful example in that way for all of us," said Mullen.

Although Bond is known nationally as a civil rights legend and accomplished writer, most UNCA student's still probably have no idea who he is, according to Glenn.

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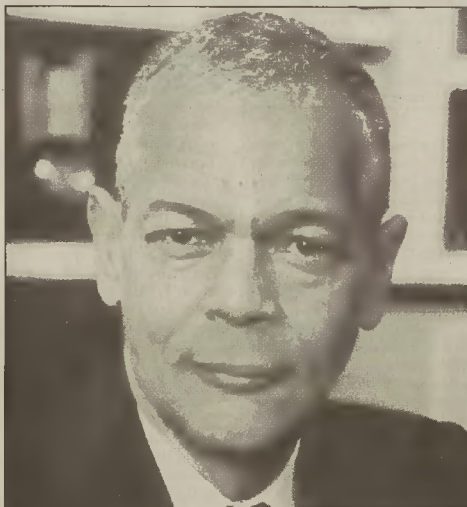
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Julian Bond, a civil rights activist visits UNCA this Friday in Lipinsky auditorium at 1:00 p.m.