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NEWS BRIEFS

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CAMPUS CRIME

UNCA Campus Police arrived behind Founders Hall after Heather Hanami, resident director on duty, found an intoxicated male behind Founders Hall Sept. 11, according to Campus Police.

Emergency Medical Service workers took 18-year-old Henry Hardman to the emergency room at Mission St. Joseph's Hospital. Campus Police charged Hardman with underage possession of an alcoholic beverage, according to police.

Police questioned sophomore Kimberly Ries at the scene and they found she had been drinking. Ries refused the "alco-sensor" test. UNCA police issued a student conduct citation to Ries for underage possession of an alcoholic beverage, according to the police report.

Campus Police charged 24-year-old Eric Patton with an N.C. state citation for wreckless driving. Police stopped Patton at 4 p.m. Sept. 12 on W.T. Weaver Boulevard near the intersection of Broadway Avenue. His motorcycle was clocked at a speed of 80 mph, according to the police report.

Campus Police issued three citations to UNCA students for underage possession of an alcoholic beverage in a Founders Hall dorm room, according to police.

Police received a call from Heather Hanami, resident director on duty, complaining of a noise violation. When police arrived, they noticed a strong odor of alcohol. All subjects present in the room claimed to be 18 years old, according to Campus Police.

Freshmen Nick Miller, Ryan Arant and Sean Dwyer tested positive for alcohol during an "alco-sensor" test. Police issued student conduct citations for underage possession of an alcoholic beverage to the three students, according to the report.

A fourth individual, 18-year-old Bjorn Goodwin, was issued a state citation for underage possession of an alcoholic beverage, according to UNCA.

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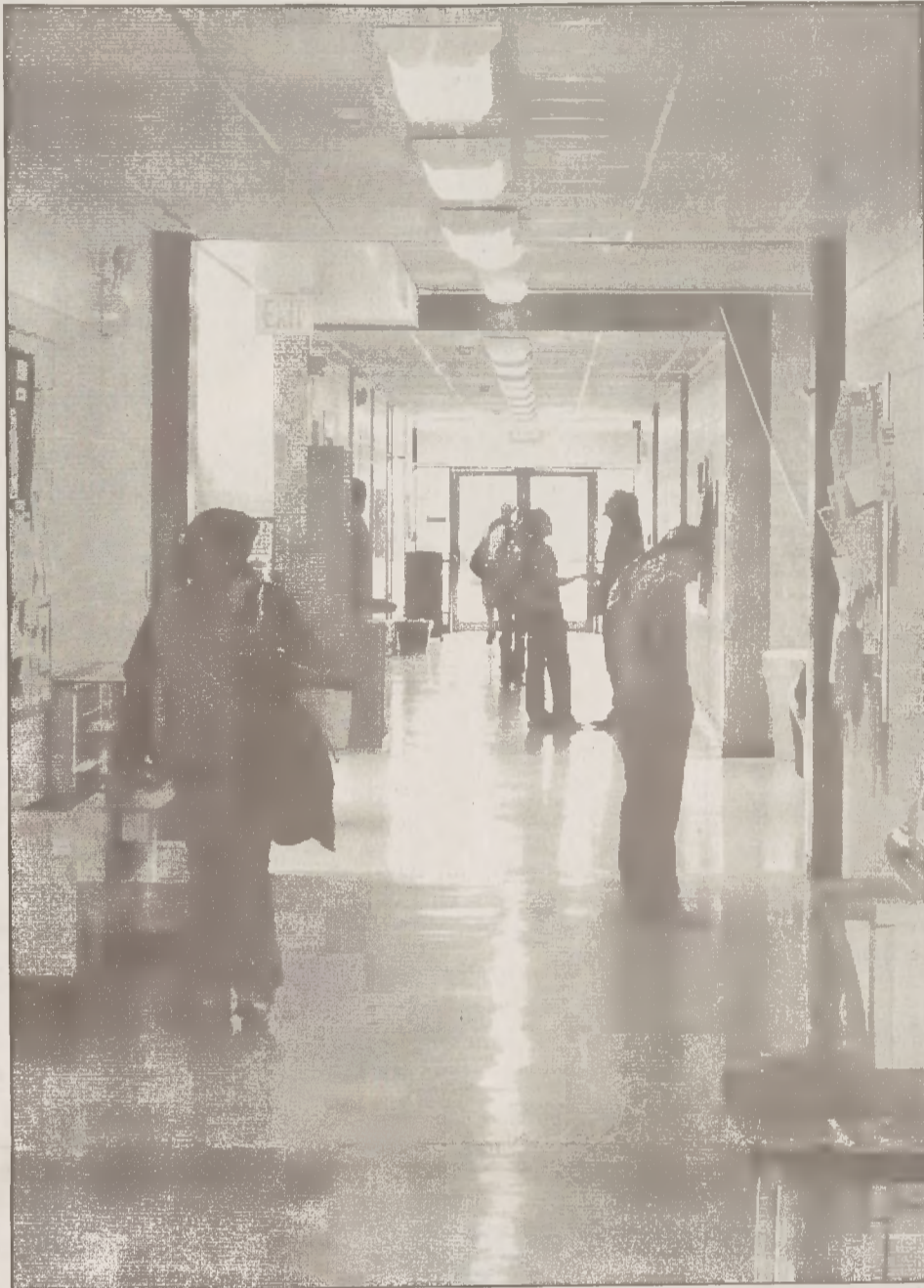
Residents in the Asheville area continued to go without safe drinking water through this past weekend. Restaurants served canned and bottled drinks and use disposable dishes to serve meals as a result of Hurricane Frances.

Almost all of the city's water is back and safe for drinking. Residents are bracing for another potential disaster with Hurricane Ivan in its way to the area. Ivan could bring more heavy rains to the already saturated grounds and fill rivers and streams in the area, according to the Asheville Citizen-Times.

NEW YORK CITY

Families and friends of those killed in the Sept. 11 attacks filled the streets in New York to observe moments of silence at 8:46 a.m. and

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Students who find the current classroom setup of the original Carmichael Hall rather cramped will appreciate the more spacious and modern building.

UNCA continues to expand campus facilities

BY Matthew Beardsley
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Site work is underway on UNCA's newest building, the new Carmichael Hall. Once completed, it will act as the hub of many of UNCA's departments all of which will benefit from the building's modern design and smart classrooms.

"The new Carmichael Hall will house the classics, foreign languages, history, philosophy and drama departments along with new state-of-the-art classrooms, seminar spaces, drama rehearsal space and a student computer lab, all with audio-visual/digital projection equipment and network connections," said Joel Helms, an architect with PBC&L Architecture, the building's designers.

The project is the current effort in a campus-wide construction and renovation campaign. Governor's Hall dormitory, the Highsmith University Union and the Reuter Center are completed projects while plans are in motion for a new science and multimedia building and renovations on Zagier Hall.

Campus-wide renovations include upgrades to existing facilities, high speed Internet lines in Ramsey Library and Karpen Hall and the continuing addition of smart

classrooms. UNCA's power grid has also been updated to meet growing needs.

These are the first results of the Higher Education Bond Referendum approved by North Carolina voters in November of 2000. The bond appropriated \$49.9 million to UNCA, \$5.5 million of which is going to the 31,855-square-foot Carmichael Hall project.

Carmichael Hall will incorporate several environmentally sustainable features, according to the public information office. It will include a "green roof" that will help reduce the energy needed to heat and cool the structure, and geothermal heat pumps, which employ the earth's near-constant temperature in the heating and cooling process.

"The most unique design feature of the building," said architect Joel Helms, "will be the 'Philosopher's Walk,' a roof-garden which is accessible from the two-story, daylight-filled lobby." The garden will be planted with native species and will include a seating area.

The building will "provide an environment for faculty and staff to interact with each other and students both formally and informally in a manner that is conducive for intellectual growth," said Helms. "Construction is currently underway and is expected to be completed in August 2005."

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Finance class helps students find success

BY Sarah Schmidt
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The Department of Special Academic Programs at UNCA will offer a financial investing class aimed at teaching students to manage their financial future through investing.

The instructor will teach "Educating Investors Through the 21st Century" in Asheville, and the class will be open to students of all majors.

"Is it a good idea to be invested? Yes, it is a good idea to be knowledgeable, regardless of what your major is, to have some idea of the fundamentals of investing," said Joe Sulock, economics professor. "Why? Because there will be at least two things that you will be doing.

One is that students will hopefully have meaningful jobs that will require that they have pensions and require them to make investment decisions where they have to choose from a menu of investments. It's hard to make those choices without any knowledge of investing, according to Sulock.

"Two, you'll be buying a home with a mortgage, it helps to know a little bit about that too. Investing is probably something

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National Convention highlights republican agenda and motives

BY Angele Mainhart
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The Republican National Convention of 2004 took place from Aug. 30 through Sept. 2 at Madison Square Garden in New York City.

"Zell Miller is a democrat senator from Georgia who gave the keynote address at the Republican Convention, which was significant for the party," said Brandon White, senior political science major. "He stood up on that stage and said that John Kerry wouldn't be able to defend this nation except with spitballs.

"That's ludicrous, and Jimmy Carter, a democrat from Georgia, called him out on that and said that this is a man who once called John Kerry a good friend and excellent leader just several months ago."

Television networks showed a portion of both conventions during the allotted time slots. During these times, candidates and their supporters spoke about their ideas and reforms along with the typical remarks about their opponents.

"Conventions are conventions these days," said William Sabo, political science professor. "They used to be interesting and exciting because there was important stuff to decide in conventions. Now they're just showcases for nominees so they're kind of boring."

Sabo conceded that the Republican Convention was a success due to the timing more than anything else. While the Democratic National Convention occurred from July 26 through 29, the Republican Convention began over a month later, causing a gap between the two.

"I think the great success of the Republican Convention actually occurred in the planning months where they decided to bump it back as close to September 11 as they could," said Sabo. "Kerry got a big boost out of his campaign which is normal, but then nothing happened. There was this lull in the campaign so the Republican enthusiasm was built up much later and closer to the stretch run."

Both conventions received a large crowd and dealt with protests during the speeches, which normally occurs. One student felt that although people have the right to protest, they should respect others ideas.

"The turnout was extremely good despite the large amount of protestors," said Noah Gibson, sophomore political science major. "That certainly is their freedom of speech right and I respect that, but I think it's sad that American citizens take freedom of speech out of context. I have no problem with them voicing their opinion, but I think Americans need to work on respecting all opinions and not just the ones that they want to hear."

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Not all of the speakers held the same conservative stances as the majority of Republicans usually have. This allowed the Republican Party to focus on appealing to a wider range of people.

"The Republicans didn't show a lot of their more, what I would call, mainstream Republicans with the exception of Bush and Cheney," said White. "There were people like Rudy Giuliani, the mayor of New York and a very centrist Republican, who is opposed to a constitutional ban on gay marriage, which is one of Bush's big planks.

"He's also pro-choice, which is the number one plank of the Republican platform. He can appeal to moderates and that's who both campaigns are now trying to target because they have their bases covered fairly well."

Bush included in his speech some words against his opponent, John Kerry. Bush went further with his attacks against Kerry than what is usual for the incumbent during a convention, according to Sabo.

"What surprised me a bit was how aggressive Bush was," said Sabo. "Usually attacks on the opponent are done by surrogates, such as Cheney or other speakers, but Bush carried it further in his speech than what I think is normal.

"What the nominee is supposed to do is outline a vision of the future and be positive and upbeat, but what I got from his speech is that he's identifying himself as an alternative to Kerry."

Bush veered away from sticking solely to the typical republican ideas and used what people could consider as more demo-

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