

# Campus

## Campus Events

by Natalie Jones  
Staff Reporter

**April 28**  
**Ewabo Caribbean Steel Orchestra:** Noted music group Ewabo Caribbean Steel Orchestra will be at UNCA for a workshop and performance.

Ewabo will present a drumming workshop in the Highsmith University Union's Mount Pisgah room at noon. They will perform a concert at the Highsmith University Union Café at 8 p.m.

**Jazz Concert:** UNCA's Jazz Combo will present a concert at 8 p.m. in Lipinsky Auditorium. Featured compositions include music by George Gershwin, Tanguito Santamaria and Duke Ellington. Admission is \$5 at the door.

**Meditation Club Meeting:** The Meditation Club will be meeting at 8 p.m. in room 103 of the Highsmith University Union. The meeting is open to everyone. For more information, contact Margaret Paige at 252-9667.

**"Asheville Revisited:"** An art exhibit featuring 25 paintings by local artist Gloria Gaffney will be on display at UNCA's Blowers Gallery. This is the last day of the exhibit. The exhibit includes oil paintings and pen and ink drawings of downtown Asheville. Blowers Gallery is located on the main floor of Ramsey Library and is open during regular business hours.

**April 29**  
**Spring Ceramics and Art Sale:** UNCA's Art Department will hold its annual Spring Ceramics and Art Sale from 4 to 7 p.m. in UNCA's Owen Conference Center. There will be a variety of functional and decorative items crafted by UNCA students. Prices begin at \$5. Proceeds will benefit the art department.

**"Out of Many Waters" Painting Exhibition:** The "Out of Many Waters" exhibit opens at UNCA and will be on display until May 11 at University Gallery. The exhibit will feature a variety of paintings by UNCA senior Cindy Walton. An opening reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m.

**"Dissections: Synthesis" Art Exhibition:** The "Dissections: Synthesis" exhibit opens at UNCA and will be on display until May 10 in UNCA's Owen Hall second floor gallery. The exhibit will feature 50 drawings by UNCA senior Aaron Darty. An opening reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. in the gallery.

**"Atmospheric Conditions" Ceramics Exhibit:** This exhibit is featuring 60 functional ceramic pieces by UNCA senior Heather Newman and will be on display until May 15 at UNCA's Highsmith University Union Gallery. An opening reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. in the gallery. The gallery is free and open to the public from 8 a.m. until midnight on weekdays and from 10 a.m. until midnight on the weekends.

**April 30**  
**Spring Ceramics and Art Sale:** UNCA's art department will hold its annual Spring Ceramics and Art Sale from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in the Owen Conference Center.

**May 1**  
**UNCA Strings Concert:** The Concert Band, University Singers, String Ensemble and String Quartet will perform at 4 p.m. in Lipinsky Auditorium. Admission is \$5 at the door.

**May 3**  
**Bluegrass Jam:** A bluegrass jam will feature acoustic music by UNCA students, and will be held from 9 p.m. until midnight in the French Broad Room of the Highsmith University Union.

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## Haircut party raises money to battle cancer

by Jessica Chale  
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Several students agreed to cut their hair or shave their heads in support of Alpha Xi Delta's effort to raise money for Mission Hospital's childhood cancer oncology ward.

"Basically, we go out in the community and the campus community and find people who are willing to shave their heads or cut their hair," said Stephanie Hedrick, philanthropy chair of Alpha Xi Delta and senior psychology student.

"Professional stylists will be there doing the cutting and shaving."

The Haircut Party is not designed to donate the trimmed hair. Instead, participants raise money by soliciting donations, according to Hedrick.

"A lot of people think this is Locks of Love, but it isn't," said Hedrick. "With Locks of Love, you have to have 10 inches of hair and it is not offered for people who have short hair."

The hair length becomes more important to the Locks of Love project than how much money is raised, according to Hedrick.

"A lot of people will call and say, 'I've been growing my hair out,'" said Hedrick. "We will donate the hair anywhere we can, but we aren't greatly affiliated with the organizations that would accept hair donations."

This year's Haircut Party will take place in the Asheville Mall's food court from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 30.

"We will have all of our sponsors there," said Hedrick. "The Asheville Tourists have been helping us, and they will have their mascot there. A lot of the kids from Mission's cancer ward will also be there."

Six participants agreed to shave or cut their hair this year, and not

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Stephanie Hedrick  
senior psychology student

all of them were students. Some people decided to join after witnessing the event at the mall, according to Hedrick.

"We had this girl last year who had hair down to her knees, and she shaved her head," said Hedrick. "One lady had a granddaughter who died of cancer."

People are welcome to walk up and either participate or donate money, according to Hedrick.

The group raised more money at the mall than on campus last year. That unexpected outcome resulted in an adjustment in the way the Haircut Party will be handled this year.

Participants raised a total of \$5,000 last year, \$4,000 of which they raised off campus, according to Hedrick.

"Last year's event was at the Asheville Mall from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and then we moved back on campus," said Hedrick. "We didn't get as much money on campus, so this year we are going to keep the event at the mall."

About 70 percent of the money raised last year went to the National Childhood Cancer Foundation. This year, Alpha Xi Delta felt it would be better to use the money locally, according to Hedrick.

"We are going to keep all of this year's proceeds local," said Hedrick. "This year, our proceeds will go to Mission Hospital's



COURTESY OF ALPHA XI DELTA

Members of Alpha Xi Delta help raise money for pediatric cancer research at the sorority's annual Haircut Party. The event raised \$5,000 last year, and raised \$4,000 of that off-campus.

Children's Oncology ward." Mission Hospital's pediatric and adolescent cancer care treats patients from infancy to their late teenage years. Patients receive care for many different illnesses leukemia, brain tumors and other solid tumors.

Participants stated a variety of reasons for participating in and raising money for the event.

"Both of my grandparents died of cancer last year, and they really respected pediatric cancer research," said Erin Donahue, sophomore history and education student.

Participation in the event honored her grandparents' wish that more money be spent on children's cancer, according to Donahue.

"I heard about it last year, and I decided I would do it this year," said Megan Gray, junior environmental studies student. "I heard about it about one month ago at a SOC meeting."

Gray said she plans to cut her hair very short, but not shave it. "It's a good cause, and my hair will grow back," said Kari O'Dell, sophomore economics student.

O'Dell said she has raised around \$600, mostly from family. "This year, we will be on the radio on April 28," said Hedricks. "We will also be live on 13 WLOS April 29."

13 WLOS will air the event at noon April 29. "I think that sorority girls get a bad rap," said Hedricks. "Even if

you don't like sorority girls, you can join us in an event like this."

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Erin Donahue  
sophomore history and education student

## Panel agrees: Acquaintance rape is never the victim's fault

by Nealy Bernard  
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A panel of counselors and educators explored the issue of "acquaintance rape" on college campuses in a discussion held at UNCA.

"I definitely got emotional during certain points of the discussion, not because I've been sexually abused, but merely because I am a woman, and I am in college. I do get angry when I hear the common viewpoint that it is the woman's fault," said Laura Eshelman, undeclared sophomore. "I like the fact that they brought to light that it is not the victim's fault. They said that very straightforwardly."

Approximately 90 percent of the time, a rape victim knows their attacker, whether it's a date or just someone they know from around campus, according to Megan Pacey, a community educator for OurVOICE.

"OurVOICE is a sexual assault center for Buncombe County," said Pacey. "We have been around for a little over 30 years."

OurVOICE started out as The Rape Crisis Center, which served five counties. As of July, they will only be serving Buncombe County.

The name changed to OurVOICE five years ago. VOICE is an acronym which stands for victim, outreach, intervention, counseling, and education, according to Pacey.

The discussion panel included UNCA Outreach Coordinator and Counselor Maggi Saucier, Megan Pacey, OurVOICE Crisis Line Coordinator Neela Rao and Laura Walton, senior psychology student and OurVOICE volunteers.

"I liked it because it was really open and it was a small setting," said Galen Goodrum, sophomore Spanish student. "People felt like

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Laura Eshelman  
undeclared sophomore

they could talk about it, and it was mostly guys that were talking, surprisingly. It was very informative."

That males in the audience outnumbered the females in the audience is very optimistic, and demonstrates that there is a lot of concern for the issue from all gender perspectives, according to Eshelman.

Goodrum said the fact that the rape victim's attire or looks has nothing to do with the rape is surprising. It is a misconception that dressing provocatively is an invitation for sex.

OurVOICE doesn't talk about avoiding or preventing rape, because can put the responsibility on the victim to prevent the assault from happening. They do talk about risky behaviors like drinking alcohol.

Pacey said it is important to remember that, no matter what happens, the crime is never the victim's fault. The blame instead belongs 100 percent to the perpetrator.

"I would encourage victims to talk to somebody, whether they want to report it or not is up to them," said Pacey. "The sooner somebody talks about what happened to them the less likely they are to develop post traumatic stress disorder. Talk to your friends, talk to your counselor,

stand the mentality behind everyone involved in the conflict," said Eshelman.

"That was my favorite point in the panel discussion. They even discussed the rapist's point-of-view, and that was a good way to go about it."

OurVOICE currently has seven staff members and is growing. April is sexual assault awareness month, so their events are slowly winding down, according to Pacey.

"I don't know if I necessarily learned anything that I didn't know before," said Eshelman. "I guess I just gained another opportunity to speak my voice on an issue that I feel strongly about."

Students also come to counseling to talk about depression, anxiety, stress, relationship issues and anger management, according to Saucier.

"I think if more girls knew where to go then they might seek out resources to help themselves," said Eshelman. "They did say that most college campuses don't have an on-campus rape crisis center. For friends of mine that have suffered sexual assault, they said that it would help them to have a center."

One in three women will be sexually assaulted in their lifetime, compared with one in six men. Children, the elderly and people with disabilities are more vulnerable than other people, according to Pacey.

Students should know that they can report sexual assaults to the Campus Police or the Buncombe County Sheriff's Department. Victims don't have to choose one. They can go to both, according to Pacey.

"I wish that more students, not just males, but students in general, could understand that it is not the female's fault, and also under-

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Galen Goodrum  
sophomore Spanish student

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