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serve as 'Something more than just a building' and provide a learning and safe environment for all of the community."

Some students said they are concerned the new renovations will cause more traffic in Highsmith. Bewick said the renovations might slow down the service speed in places like the food court and mail-room.

"I am excited for the new renovations of Highsmith but I am a little worried about how much traffic this is going to draw in," Bewick said. "Sometimes I have a short amount of time between my classes and currently for me to grab lunch at Highsmith it is typically not very long. I feel like more students will be going to Highsmith after the renovations and I will not be able to grab a quick bite between my class-

es like I do now."

Recently, a beam from the old Highsmith was displayed in front of one of the main entrances for students to sign with a UNCA blue marker. The beam will be incorporated into the "new" building.

"I signed the beam because I am a senior this year. I have only been here at UNCA with what new students will be calling the old Highsmith," said Mel Gomez, se-

nior Spanish student. "I am kind of sad that I am going to be missing the finished renovations because it is all things I would have loved to have. I think I would have used Highsmith a lot more if I was going to be around here after all of the renovations."

Students can see the plans for renovations on the lower level of Highsmith and the work going on inside and out of the building.

TAXES

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"I do plan on filing, I just haven't received all of my W-2s yet," Tugle said.

State Employees Credit Union offers tax filing services as well. State Employees Low-Cost Tax Program

offers tax filing services this year for \$75. Preparers will be able to complete both federal and North Carolina tax returns.

According to the IRS, most refunds are issued in 21 days or less. According to the IRS, more than

nine out of 10 refunds are issued in less than 21 days. It can take longer to receive your refund if there is a delay in your tax return or if additional information is needed.

The deadline to file a tax return is April 17. Gathering documents

needed for this process can take some time. Photo identification, W-2 forms, a Social Security card and 1098-T forms are all needed when seeking preparation services. The earlier the process is started the earlier a refund will be received.

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UPCOUNTRY

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beer sales, so not just one beer, but all beer sales will be going towards The House That Beer Built," Davenport said.

Davenport said she hopes patrons of the event would gain awareness, not only for Habitat's mission but also to learn about the many other nonprofits and charities that provide ways to give back in Asheville.

Natascha Leitner, a mother and journalist, said she had not heard about the fundraiser taking place at UpCountry, but she was familiar with the organization they would be benefitting.

"I love how, especially in Asheville, people are connected and taking care of each other. It makes me feel like I live in the right place," Leitner said. "I do a lot of work for local nonprofits myself, so I'm actually surprised I've not heard about this one yet."

Kjellquist said the home's pro-

jected completion date is May, when Chrisman and her son will be able to move in.

"From pint nights or a special Habitat brew to volunteering to help build the house, there are a variety of ways local breweries are joining in and we also invite local beer lovers to get involved by attending events and making donations," Kjellquist said.

The benefit starts when UpCountry opens at 2 p.m. The event will be family friendly with face painting for kids from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., all donations going to Habitat. UpCountry also has a full food menu and a large outdoor area.

"Asheville is a very giving city, I think, and it's just one more way for people to contribute, and to learn about The House That Beer Built, maybe they will make a donation, maybe not, it's just awareness and people helping people is the main thing," Davenport said.

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