

MARY NESBITT

(Note: Rep. Mary Nesbitt of Asheville, a three-term member of the General Assembly and an alumnus of UNC-A's parent institution, Biltmore Junior College, died in Asheville August 1, 1979, after a long illness.)

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Mary Nesbitt was a true and loyal friend of the Alumni Association of UNC-Asheville. Her interest and loyalty went back to her Junior College days and remained strong through all the years until her untimely death. We of the Alumni Association will surely miss her presence and support.

Mary and her late husband, Martin Nesbitt, established and maintained UNC-A's A.C. Reynolds Founder Award, given at each year's commencement exercise to the student chosen most outstanding in citizenship. Her latest bequest was made shortly before she died.

An editorial tribute to Mary in the NCAE News Bulletin included these lines: "Mrs. Nesbitt was a mother, a teacher, a specialist in reading, president of the state's classroom teachers, a member of the Association's Board of Directors, a member of the NCAE staff and, finally, an effective spokesman for public education in the North Carolina House of Representatives.

"Our world is diminished with the passing of Mary Nesbitt. But it was enhanced immeasurably because of the life she lived and the battles she fought."

RUNNING, ANYONE?

A group of students interested in running and cross country are forming a club. Specialists in these fields will be asked to share their knowledge with members to help them develop their own running programs. The club plans eventually to take part in cross country meets.

All interested students, faculty and staff members are invited to attend the organizational meeting at 5 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 11. The meeting will be held in the dance studio of Justice Gym.

RATING

UNC-A's Student Affiliate Chapter of the American Chemical Society has been notified that it ranks as one of 66 "commendable" chapters among 723 such student organizations in the U.S.

UNC-A COACH JERRY GREEN LOSES TO BASKETBALL MACHINE

UNC-A's Great Basketball Road Race, an event largely unheralded, unattended and unsung, was run the afternoon of September 24th by Coach Jerry Green, 13 of his players and one volunteer, Dr. C. Russell Reynolds of the Foreign Languages Department. The results said a lot for youth.

The race covered a three mile route that went a couple of times around the asphalt track, took off across the campus, came back for another lap of the track and made a final tour of the campus and the asphalt.

Coach Green had announced some weeks earlier that any player reaching the finish line behind him would be in for some "stiff pre-season training."

Spurred on by this threat, 11 team members sweated across the finish line ahead of the coach. Two players who started out tired or didn't feel threatened enough managed to come in after Green, who was escorted to the finish line by five cheerleaders. The cheerleaders all appeared to be in good shape.

Leg injuries spared two players the ordeal of pitting their endurance against the coach. David Stickel was sidelined with a cast on one leg and Eddie Latta was recovering from a collision with the bleachers during practice.

Dr. Reynolds, 58, started modestly behind the pack and finished in the same position, but not far enough behind to be out of touch.

Green, as the only other non-youngster in the bunch at 35, complimented Reynolds for being the only representative of faculty, staff or administration to accept his invitation to join the race.

Reynolds conducts adult physical fitness classes at the University. He and Lt. Col. Marc Galyean are now organizing the first annual UNC-A Autumn Walk, a community event scheduled Saturday, Oct. 27.

TARHEEL TAGS

The Alumni Association is selling license tags - "I LIKE CALLING NORTH CAROLINA HOME." The cost is only \$2 and it will benefit the Alumni Association. See Chris Royall in the Alumni Office or call 258-0200, extension 306.

ROCK CLIMBING TRIP

The Recreation Department will sponsor a combined climbing and camping trip to Mt. Yonah in North Georgia during term break. Instruction, equipment and meals will be provided.

To sign up or get more information contact Marney Richards at Recreation & Intramurals, extension 223.

UNC-A SKIERS

The UNC-A Ski Club will have its first meeting at 4 p.m. Oct. 10 in the upstairs classroom of the Gym to talk about plans for trips to be made this winter. All interested skiers are invited.

JOBS

Placement Service has information and applications for: flight attendant, Pan Am Airlines; the Peace Corps. All seniors interested in interviewing with recruiters are urged to contact Sherry Bouldin in TC & A immediately.

'SURVIVE TOGETHER' FESTIVAL

Popular professors will get dunked, a professional troupe of madrigal singers called "Going Baroque" will entertain and a representative from Westinghouse Corporation in Pittsburgh will debate questions on nuclear power with local spokesmen.

Those are a few things scheduled to take part at a campus festival called "Survive Together" set for Saturday, Oct. 20, from 11 a.m. until dusk.

The festival for the community and the campus is being arranged by the Alternatives club, formed at UNC-A this summer to stimulate interest in other lifestyles than those generally followed.

The "Survive Together" festival will follow the energy seminar being conducted earlier Saturday morning by visiting energy expert Amory Lovins. It will be held on the green in front of Lipinsky Student Center.

Alternatives President Chuck Hooper said the festival will feature an all-day buffet of natural foods for a small charge. Booths and exhibits will be set up by various environmental groups to provide information on subjects ranging from natural foods to holistic medicine.

There will also be folk and bluegrass music and UNC-A students singing old English ballads. The festival is open to everyone without charge.