

## Faculty Activities

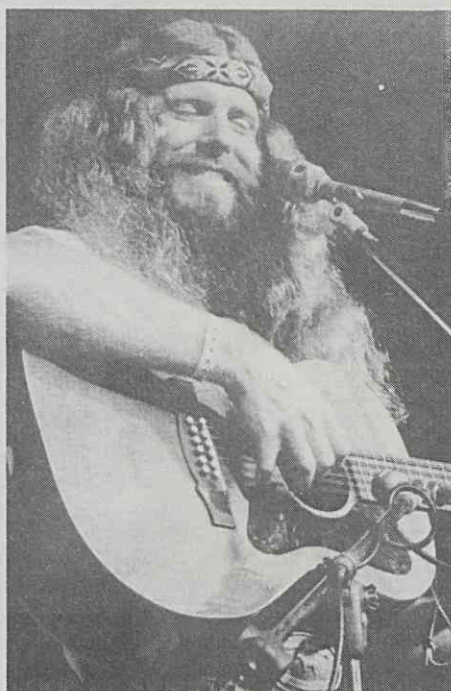
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Meetings" in Asheville for Foreign Policy Association; conducted annual Inter-Nation Simulation Competition for high school teams at UNC-A; served as moderator on Middle East discussion panel for U.S. Naval Academy; conducted Inter-Nation Simulation for cadets at West Point Military Academy; named director of Community service programs for UNC-A; appointed president of North American Simulation and Gaming Association; organized Great Decisions program in Western North Carolina; consultant to Foreign Policy Association.

--Dr. Robert Detjen, Physics: publication of paper on study of liquid crystals; received research grant to continue this study at UNC-A with assistance of chemistry students here.

--Dr. Tom Chisholm, Management: Papers on urban rehabilitation and simulations, underdeveloped nations; seven papers with co-authors for professional associations.

## Composer-Singer Mike Williams To Perform In The Coffeehouse



His songs have been recorded by John Denver, Mike Cross, The Irish

Rovers, Patchwork, and Ladd Roberts.

He has helped open the show for such better known performers as Jimmy Buffet, Arlo Guthrie, Olivia Newton-John, the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Earl Scruggs Revue, Steve Martin, and Doug Kershaw.

By himself, said one reviewer, Mike Williams is "one hell of an entertainer." Singing his own music and playing the 12-string guitar, Williams is said to have "a terrific voice, unique rap...an outstanding show."

An audience at UNC-A will have the opportunity to judge for themselves at 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 18, in The Coffeehouse. Williams will travel to Asheville from a concert at Johnson City, Tenn. He is on tour from his home in Austin, Tex.

He has played more than 130 colleges and at almost as many clubs throughout the U.S.

## \$5 Million Construction

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University system and the members of the General Assembly."

With one exception, Western North Carolina state legislators who had worked for the project were not able to be in Asheville for the groundbreaking as they were in Raleigh for the summer session of the Assembly. Neither were city or county officials, who were engaged in crucial discussions of water service

Former legislator Claude DeBruhl, now an officer of the Alumni Association, was recognized by Dr. Highsmith for his legislative assistance.

Inclusion of the UNC-A project in a capital improvement budget for the university system last year was the first time since 1955, Highsmith said, that the General Assembly had approved the use of public money to build a student center or a student union. Since 1967, he said, there has been no public money to construct dormitories on university campuses owned by the state. Architect J. Bertram King, whose firm designed the buildings, said they will be energy-saving structures with double-insulating panes and reflecting glass to prevent heat buildup from the sun. King said the budget for the work was frozen three years ago, but initial

low bids came within three per cent of the expected cost.

Speaking briefly were Dr. Eric Iovacchini, vice chancellor for student affairs, who hailed the project as an asset to the community as well as the university, Felmet and Brett Pangle of Brevard, president of student government.

Insufficient housing on campus has obliged most UNC-A students to commute from housing in Asheville or nearby.

The residence hall, with more than 100,000 square feet of floor space, will be divided in the center into separate quarters for men and women. All rooms will be for two people.

The buildings will be placed so that rooms in the residence hall will have a view of the mountains east and west.

The building will be of fireproof steel frame and masonry with two elevators in the center and stairs at each end.

Each floor will have study rooms.

The living quarters are arranged so that no more than four students will share a bathroom. Every floor will also have a tub room for those who prefer tub bathing. The basement floor will include a student laundry.

The new student center, covering

38,000 square feet, will give the university a new main dining room designed for more privacy than a conventional dining hall, though it can seat 400 at a time.

The center will also provide "fast food" service for 125.

Other features of the center will be lounges that can accommodate 100 people for meetings, recreation rooms, private lockers for commuting students, office space for student activities and two small private dining rooms. Along with the main dining room, these will open through glass doors onto a large dining deck facing Sunset and Town mountains to the east.

Large restrooms, a vending machine room, a photographic darkroom, television viewing rooms, a news stand and sales counter are other features of the center.

More parking space will be built next to the buildings, and a third entrance to the campus is already being made. It will lead to the back and around the buildings from W. T. Weaver Boulevard. The general contractor is Buncombe Construction Company of Asheville.