

ROTC program receives host status

The Army Reserve Officer Training Corps unit at UNCW now stands on its own with a new name, the Seahawk Battalion. In September the unit was elevated to host status and will no longer be an extension of the Army ROTC program at Campbell University. The elevation signifies increase in resources, better training opportunities for cadets, and direct contact with the Army's regional ROTC command at Fort Bragg.

As a host battalion, the ROTC program budget will almost triple, increasing from \$221,765 in 1985-86 to \$588,832 in 1986-87. Army personnel assigned to the campus will also increase from four to seven. The unit commander's rank has been promoted from major to lieutenant colonel, and all ROTC instructors hold faculty rank commensurate with their academic qualifications.

Increased funding will allow the program to offer four-year ROTC scholarships to cover student's

tuition, fees and expenses except room and board, plus \$100 a month. The extension program only offered two- and three-year scholarships.

UNCW is one of two universities in the First ROTC Region to receive host status in 1986. The First ROTC Region, headquartered at Fort Bragg, is comprised of 16 states in the Eastern United States as well as Panama, the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico. Only 112 colleges of 500 from the Eastern Seaboard have been granted host status.

ROTC Commander Martin sees a high potential for growth in the newly designated UNCW program. "There's much potential here," he said. "The number of students in ROTC can easily double in a short period of time."

Brig. General Peter W. Lash, commander of the First ROTC Region, said that host status signifies the confidence the U.S.



(Far right) Brig. Gen. Peter W. Lash, commander of the First ROTC Region, presents the general order designating UNCW as a host battalion to Chancellor William H. Wagoner (c) at a ceremony held on campus in September. Lt. Col. Ronald Martin (l) commands the UNCW ROTC unit.

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Army has in the UNCW program. "Our mission is to commission the future officer leadership of the Army. We are committed to excellence just as this university is. Our presence on this campus publicly underlines that point," said Lash.

The ROTC extension program was established at UNCW in 1981. The program has grown from six cadets, commissioned in 1982, to 110 students enrolled in the current program, plus 30 second lieutenants completing their degrees at UNCW.

A fighting Seahawk



UNCW's mascot has remodeled look

It is still green and gold, but its chest is proudly protruding, its arms are locked in a fist-clenched swing, and a teeth-baring stare snarls from its sailor-capped head.

The UNCW Seahawk is not just a bird anymore.

"The remodeled Seahawk is a more easily identifiable figure with which to promote UNCW athletics," said Jim Bass, associate athletic director and executive director of the Seahawk Club.

"The feedback on the logo change has been 90 percent positive."

The new Seahawk was introduced in August. Local media immediately tagged the bird as a "fighting" Seahawk.

"That name may well stick as the new look is not a timid one," said Bass.

The remodeled logo followed a move by the athletic department to purchase a new Seahawk mascot uniform to replace the worn-out one familiar to home game audiences. The new uniform was made by a company in Cincinnati that designed the Louisville Cardinal and the Wake Forest Deacon.

"We believe the new Seahawk will evoke the same response by UNCW students, graduates, and fans as the ECU Pirate or the N.C. State Wolf," said Kitty Parker of the UNCW athletic department.

"The look shows a sense of pride in this university," said Allan Dudley, president of the UNCW Student Government Association.

"It was time for a change. Other schools have updated their looks with logo changes, and we need to keep up with the current trends," said Dudley.

The new Seahawk is quickly becoming associated with UNCW athletics. The logo appears on all athletic department stationery and publications, and will be featured on promotional items and apparel. The new Seahawk mascot will be introduced at UNCW's exhibition basketball game against Dalhousie University, November 13 at 7:30 p.m., in Trask Coliseum, and will continue to be featured at all home games.

1986-87 UNC-WILMINGTON MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Nov.		
13	DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY	7:30 p.m.
29	ARMY	7:30 p.m.
Dec.		
2	at DePaul University	7:30 p.m.
6	AUGUSTA COLLEGE	7:30 p.m.
12	at Indiana Univ. Classic	TBA
13	(UNCW, Indiana, Southern Illinois & East Carolina)	
20	at Wake Forest University	7:30 p.m.
27	NIAGARA UNIVERSITY	7:30 p.m.
30	ATLANTIC CHRISTIAN COLLEGE	7:30 p.m.
Jan.		
3	*at Navy	2:00 p.m.
5	*vs. American (at GMU)	7:00 p.m.
10	WILLIAM AND MARY	7:30 p.m.
12	UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND	7:30 p.m.
14	at Coastal Carolina College	7:30 p.m.
17	*at East Carolina University	7:30 p.m.
21	CAMPBELL UNIVERSITY	7:30 p.m.
24	*at James Madison University	7:30 p.m.
26	*at George Mason University	7:30 p.m.
31	NAVY	7:30 p.m.
Feb.		
2	*AMERICAN UNIVERSITY	7:30 p.m.
7	*at University of Richmond	7:30 p.m.
9	*at William and Mary	7:30 p.m.
11	COASTAL CAROLINA COLLEGE	7:30 p.m.
14	*EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY	7:30 p.m.
16	at Boston College	8:00 p.m.
18	at Campbell University	7:30 p.m.
21	*JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY	7:30 p.m.
23	*GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 28 & Mar. 2	CAA TOURNAMENT	HAMPTON, VA.
	*CAA Games	

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