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New on-campus apartments look promising for fall 2006

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The newly-constructed Seahawk Village apartments (above) consist of six buildings and 524 bedrooms. Construction for a second phase of the Seahawk Village is scheduled to begin in late April and is projected for completion by the 2007 fall semester. The second phase will add 609 bedrooms.

SGA elections are around the corner

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A new year has begun at UNCW, and it is time for new leaders to take positions in Student Government. There are 33 positions available, including senior class president, and representatives for the junior class, sophomore class, College of Arts and Sciences, Cameron School of Business, Watson School of Education, School of Nursing, graduate school, Non-Traditional Student representative and At-Large representative. All of the positions have two seats that will need to be filled, with the exception of at-large representatives, which will require 15 new students.

All applications for these positions were submitted to the SGA office by Feb. 10. The Election Board Committee examines all application materials and monitors election activities in order to ensure all candidate requirements are met and campaign rules are followed. All candidates meet with the board prior to campaigning to discuss the rules and regulations of campaigning.

"I believe the election process is a good one, and I hope it will engage a lot of students this year," said Bradley Ballou, current SGA

President. "I am willing to talk with any student who has questions and/or concerns about the voting process if they contact me," Ballou said.

Campaigning for all positions began yesterday at 8 a.m. On March 20 from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., the class officers will debate at the amphitheater on campus, giving students a chance to listen to the contenders speak on a variety of subjects concerning their aspirations for office. Later that day there will also be a Presidential and Vice Presidential debate from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Hawk's Nest.

"I think in the past years the process of the campaign has been very clear. I felt that I was made aware of the candidates and how to vote for them. The debates were helpful because the decision of who to vote for was based largely on presentation," said Nathan Branson, UNCW junior.

Students will have the opportunity to vote online at their convenience beginning March 21 at midnight and continuing through March 25 at 5 p.m. If no campaign regulations are violated, the tentative date for election results to be announced will be March 23. Inauguration will follow on April 7 at 6 p.m.

Delta Chi fraternity opens chapter at UNCW

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The 115-year-old Delta Chi fraternity is expanding to UNCW. Leaders of the fraternity began looking for founding members for the school's newest Greek organization last week.

Reed Davis, the director of expansion and colony operations for Delta Chi, will be at the University Union recruiting members until March 3. He said the fraternity is a good choice for men because it is new to the school, and it gives them a chance to lay the foundation for a new organization.

"We're offering the opportunity to create the fraternity. (Members) can make it what they want. They

have the chance to do it right from the beginning," he said.

Delta Chi claims a 91 percent success rate for their colonies and a 2.4 GPA or better is required to

new chapters on campuses throughout the nation," she said.

Massey said UNCW reflects a national trend of low membership in Greek organizations, but that



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become a member. According to Davis, the initiation fee is \$200, with dues of around \$400 per semester.

Tracie Massey, coordinator of Greek Affairs for UNCW, said a strong national presence and support is what attracted the university to invite Delta Chi.

"They are very supportive of

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- Reed Davis, director of expansion and colony operations for Delta Chi

promotion and awareness among students of what Greek life is like would increase the numbers joining.

She said students will see two more fraternities coming to school next fall, and that plans for a future Greek village are being discussed.

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Results from last week's online poll:

What do you think about Kanye West coming to UNCW?

33 % Bring back the All-American Rejects

24 % Kanye who?

22 % I am camping out for tickets!

Go to theseahawk.org for this week's poll:

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