

### Student fees:

## How are they spent?

Every semester UNCC students "like good little boys and girls" pay their student fees (i.e. general fees) which amount to \$74.50 each. According to the records office enrollment for last semester was 4,068.

With figures as such, total student fees should amount to \$303,066.00

The money is neatly packed away by the administrators and records are diligently kept of every penny spent. What then? Where does the money go? What is it used for? And most important, if the money is paid by the students who has control of it? Who has the final authority?

Also for the last couple of years, a certain percentage of all student fees are automatically separated from the rest of the money and placed in a "contingency fund." To date the "contingency fund" amounts to approximately \$10,000.00

Once again students should know who has final authority of this fund. What is it used for? And is there a ceiling on this fund or will it continue to grow in the hands of the administrator?

This editorial is the first of a

series designed to explain the division of and the expenditure of student fees. Along with this, the Journal will answer all other questions concerning student fees and report the opinions of certain individuals and groups on various issues that involve student fees.

The Journal firmly believes that if every student is required to pay \$74.50 each semester under the ambiguous category of "general fees," then every student is entitled to an explanation; in any forms but "general," as to what happens to his \$74.50 fee.

### Editorial policy

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legislators. The bill was defeated, however, by a vote of 7-6.

Beth Timanus made a recommendation from the cheerleaders that Chet Snow, in contest to the constitution, be allowed to participate as a cheerleader for the remainder of the year. LaVera Farnsworth proposed that if "Mr. Snow had been interested enough at the very beginning of the year, that he would have tried out with the rest of the cheerleaders." This question was left unanswered when the motion went to a vote and Mr. Snow was instated as a member of the cheerleading squad.

President Hickok, in his report to the legislature, reminded the assembly that elections for members of the to-be-formed University Senate were slated for March 3. He also expressed some disquieting thoughts about the Senate's possible effect on the already existing SGA. He stated that there were some "frightening" aspects to the Senate constitution. He cited the representation factor saying "we're very much outmanned on the Senate." He explained that "this in itself is not bad" since it gave students authority in areas which they could not tread before, however, he said, "if they

operate against each other, (the Senate and the Legislature), they can surely destroy each other." Speaking of the Senators to be elected Hickok pointed out that "if they are against the SGA, they can destroy it; they can destroy the legislature." He suggested that, in order to keep this power in control, Senate nominations must be reviewed by the Ways and Means Committee of the legislature. "There should be an investigation of each person who wants to run; if nothing else, just to make sure that they ARE students," he added.

Ed Wayson made the suggestion that the legislature should consider withholding any nominations until certain changes be made in the Senate constitution. This thought was left hanging, however, since no formal recommendation was presented.

Marlene Whitley, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee made an announcement pertaining these nominations. She said that any perspective candidate for the Senate will have to put, on sheet of paper his name, school address, phone number, present Q.P. average, and anticipated number of semester hours to be carried next year. This information should be given to her or placed in the Ways and Means Committee

box behind the Union information desk.

She further explained that this is with the understanding that all nominees must present themselves for interview before the committee Friday, February 19 at 11:45 in the Sanford Hall Library. If, for any reason, a candidate cannot attend this meeting, he must present a written explanation for his absence. Nominations accepted at this meeting will be presented before the SGA assembly.

## Unions

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The \$15 a day loss estimate was based, in part, on the number of dorm students.

According to the contract between the administration and Saga, the administration pays Saga 2 cents per day per dorm student to keep the Union cafeteria open from 2 to 6. The administration also receives from 5% to 8% of the total revenue from food services.

Thus, the \$15 "loss" could have been interpreted as the amount saved by closing the cafeteria since the figure was related to a fixed cost of each dorm student instead of the actual operation of the snack bar.

# Course Evaluation book on the way

Student Body and Faculty Members:

A lot of complications have developed since the course evaluation packets were handed out during the week of January 5. These complications are being worked out, but it brought an important matter to my mind--the UNCC community should be informed about course evaluation. The purpose of this letter is to fill you in on what has gone on, what is going on, and what is planned for the future.

Course evaluation is an effort to bridge the lack of

communication between the faculty and students concerning their common interest in attaining the best education possible. I am not stating that there is a present lack of communication, for it is evident that there exists a student-faculty understanding from the atmosphere in the classrooms and committee efforts.

The purpose of course evaluation is not to evaluate a faculty member unjustly or put "the word" on him when he doesn't deserve it. It is hoped that the faculty can use the booklet as a guideline to help them in the

classroom. Also, it is hoped that the student can depend upon the

## LETTERS

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booklet as a reliable guideline for course selection.

The main problem, we as a staff have to deal with, is attaining these goals using the course evaluation forms handed out. Much criticism has been voiced on the course evaluation form itself. The form was developed by a course evaluation committee composed of faculty members and students. A year of thought was put into the form.

The question at hand is whether or not the form was definite in its stated goal. The most criticism has been made upon that contention. I feel that it was fairly obvious the form dealt more with teacher evaluation than course evaluation, although some course evaluation was incorporated into it.

In order to provide a better evaluation form next time, a questionnaire will be handed out to both students and faculty

members this spring. The questionnaire will be an evaluation of the evaluation; I know that it sounds like the beginnings of a beauracracy, but this is the only way we can develop a form that will be of value to UNCC.

Space will be provided for comments, either specific or general. From the returned questionnaires the staff, with outside opinions and help, will develop a better form for this spring's courses. I might also add that student concern will determine how often the booklet will be published.

Presently we are working on the content of the book. It will be available to students during the last week of April. To meet the publisher's deadline, much help is needed. Opinions and help are much welcomed. If interested, slip your name or suggestions under the SGA door in the University Center.

Vicki Hinson

Dear Editor,

In my capacity as a poacher, I roam the back woods of the university. Recently, however, I have been appalled to find that the university community is turning its land into a garbage heap and making my job, and sole source of income, extremely unpleasant. I would like to address the following ditty (derived from an idea willed to my great-grandfather by his old friend Jay Keets) to the university community:

Ode to Garbage

Thou still unravished woods of quietness,

Thou forest child of silence and low pine, Sylvanhistorian, what canst thou express

A need for green more awkwardly than rhyme: What cast off beer cans hunker on thy trails

From hunters or from students, or from both,

Intemperate in the woods of UNC?

What paper bogs and bottles these? What pagans loath

To pick up trash? What struggle to escape

The glass and garbage? What absurdity?

Sincerely,  
Joey Collegey  
Resident Muskrat  
Trapper

## Dorm court a farce?

Dear Editor:

Attending a "trial" in the "Sanford Residence Hall Court" January 12, 1971, I was able to observe a most complete farce of a trial.

The two girls on trial were obviously guilty of having males in their room during hours other than those designated for visitation, but the manner in which they were tried was ridiculous. No one was given any type of oath before he took the witness stand, and no effort was made to clear up an obvious contradiction in the testimonies of two witnesses.

Peggy Fox, our Chief Justice, was obviously unprepared for any deviations from standard procedure, (e.g., a move for dismissal of the case), and had to ask advice from mere observers in the courtroom.

The council for the defense,

who had been recommended by the school, was sadly lacking in defensive skills and seemed to be hurting the defendants more than he was helping them. He appeared to enjoy the audience before which he was performing and to expand the whole story in order to give himself a larger part.

Dean Rash and another supposedly neutral bystander were meanwhile writing notes of advice to the prosecutor.

There is also a possibility of sorority prejudice in this case, since two of the five judges and two of the three witnesses against the defendants just happen to be in the same sorority which both defendants have dropped out of within the last year.

The final blow to our "judicial system" came when the judges returned with a verdict of "guilty" with a penalty that the dorm court is not authorized to

impose.

The penalty was "Definite Disciplinary Probation," which, according to our constitution, is not within the dorm court's power to impose, and a "paper of not less than 500 words, including in your paper the hours of visitation in your house, how you were able to find out the hours, and an explanation of what you feel is the purpose of having rules."

Does that sound as much like junior high to you, as it does to me?

I would appreciate it if you would print this in the Carolina Journal, so that everyone may be made aware how urgently in need of drastic revision our judicial system is. Perhaps something can be done BEFORE another trial is as big a farce as this one was.

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