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## Charge 'Discrimination'

# Students Denied Dorm Housing

the time to read the Student Bill of Rights, for this type of action will not be tolerated."

Thus far, approximately four female students and four male students have received copies of the letter from the Housing Office. A check with that office revealed that a total of eleven University students have been "designated" to receive the notices.

The letter from the Housing Office, as shown in a student's copy dated April 19, reads as follows:

"As a result of reports concerning your activities and our careful analysis of same, we have decided that your life style is not compatible with the best interest of the rest of the students living in the residence hall.

"Consequently, your \$50.00 deposit is being returned and your name taken off our list (for housing next year).

"If you wish to discuss this decision with me, please feel free

to make an appointment to do so. "I hope you will be able to find suitable housing accommodations off campus for next fall."

The letters were signed "Sincerely, Lon Weston, Director of Housing."

The decision to mail the letters to the students' parents "was not deliberate," said Weston. "The letters were simply addressed to the home of record of the student."

A check of University records, including all judicial actions, revealed that none of the "suspected" students have ever been cited or tried for any violation of Housing rules or University laws, except parking violations.

According to Dean of Students Dennis Rash, "the students do have a right to appeal this matter to me for consideration." Two of the students have contacted Rash for this action.

In other responses, several

of the students have contacted lawyers in the area for legal counsel on the matter, including possible suit against the University for slander and defamation of character. Several parents of the involved students have contacted the Housing Office to find out exactly what charges have been made against their sons and daughters, and by whom these charges were leveled.

One of the students contacted stated, "This is blatant discrimination against us who are freaks. We have not bothered the other people in the dorms. Actually, the juice freaks (alcohol users) have created constant disturbance, broken furniture, and disrupted the dorms more than any other group. yet, no action has been taken against them. We are being singled out as guilty of something because we are freaks and they don't want freaks here."

The actions of which the students are "suspected" include alleged drug activity, according to

the Housing Office. The move was an attempt to remove from the dorms those "suspected" of "heavy drug use," the Journal has discovered.

Another student, a male of twenty, who received a letter commented that "we are being subjected to action without trial or the right to defend ourselves from rumors, hearsay, and gossip. This could happen to anybody -- at any time-- and it is as repressive and discriminatory and as obvious as the tactics of the Nazi SS."

The Housing Office did make it clear that the students were not barred from attending UNCC next year; however, they are barred from on-campus housing "for the reasons stated."

The Journal is withholding publication of the names of the students involved so as to not further cause them anxiety or public condemnation for activities of which they are only "suspected."

The Housing Office, acting with Administration approval, began on April 19 an unprecedented denial of dorm housing next year to certain University students. The denial was apparently based upon undisclosed information about the students' activities gathered from "sources" which, according to Housing Director Lon Weston, "we cannot reveal because the sources have a real fear for their lives."

Student Body President Alan Hickok and newly-elected President Charlie Sutton have both expressed dismay at the discriminatory indications of the action. "Mr. Weston's recent action," said Sutton, "and the letter were second rate. His arbitrary and irresponsible actions showed a complete disrespect for any assimilation of due process (of law), or student rights.

"Mr. Weston indicated in his letter that 'we have decided' and 'our careful analysis;' I would like to know exactly who these unknown judges were, and what means of appeal are available for these students.

"I hope Mr. Weston will take

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## Summer, Fall

### Pre-registration

### Next Week

by charlie peek

Final examinations are now less than a month away and pre-advising for both the first Summer session and Fall Semester begins next week.

The Fall Schedule of Courses Booklet and Instruction Sheets for advising and Summer pre-registration will be available on April 30, in Room 135, Administration Building. All eligible students should participate in May advising unless certain of not returning to UNCC for the Fall semester.

Pre-registration will take place the week of May 3-7, inclusive.

Final exams will begin on May 18 and end on May 26. May 17 is designated as a reading period. Exam schedules will soon be available at the main desk in the Administration Building and at other campus locations.

The last day of classes for this semester will be May 14.

## Ervin-Tydings

### Debate Postponed

The special discussion on gun control has been rescheduled for May 14, according to Burwell Ware, chairman of the Student Lectures Committee.

Originally the lecture was to be held on April 26, but Senator Sam Ervin of North Carolina was unable to attend.

Senator Ervin was detained by "pressing legislation" which required his attention in Washington.

Former Senator Joseph Tydings of Maryland will "debate" with Senator Ervin in the gymnasium at 11:30 a.m., tentatively, on May 14, on the question of gun control.

## First Co-ed Cheerleaders Picked

by patt stone

Five girls, five boys, and two alternates were chosen on Tuesday night, April 27, to represent UNCC in varsity cheerleading during the 1971-72 academic year. The tryouts were held in the gym at 8 p.m. with judges from UNCC, Johnson C. Smith University, and Sacred Heart College making the selection from the thirteen girls and six boys that participated.

Patti Gray, Dot Burgess, KoKo Knight, Annie Howell, and Vicky Rowe, with Carol Solomon as alternate, were picked as varsity female cheerleaders after performing two group cheers and one individual cheer of their own choice.

James Cuthbertson, Pat Taylor, Bill McGill, Marty Beam, Kenneth "Fish" Foster, and Chet Snow

(alternate) were chosen for male positions on the squad by performing one group and one individual cheer.

The judges were Valerie Willis, Pamela Chandler, and Norma Withrow from Johnson C. Smith University; Nita Mansour and Donna Patillo from Sacred Heart College; Dottie Hahn and Roy Davis from UNCC.

The judges from the two other schools were nominated from their athletic departments because of their knowledge of cheerleading. Mrs. Hahn, secretary of UNCC's Athletic Department, and Roy Davis, Administrative Assistant to the Dean of Students, were chosen for their close involvement with cheerleading here in the past.

On May 3, Monday, the new squad will elect their head cheerleader for the coming year.

## Honors and Awards Day

# UNCC Students Honored

by jan deese

Yesterday, at 11:30 a.m., in the Parquet Room of the University Center, the annual Honors and Awards Convocation was held to honor outstanding UNCC students.

A small crowd of under 200 watched the transfer of Student Government to Charlie Sutton and the end of the term of Alan Hickok. Mr. Ed Yoder, associate editor of the Greensboro Daily News, addressed the convocation. Marlene Whitley presented the

UNCC flag, which was designed by Donna Stewart, during the event and Dean of Students Dennis Rash presented the awards.

The award the winners for 1970-71 are:

The Analytical Chemistry Award--Edward Micahel Gupton  
The Chemistry Award--Robert B. Glassgow

The Wall Street Journal Award--Frank R. Rayburn

The Charlotte Panhellenic Award--Miss Cora Pearson

The Nursing Honors (continued on page 3)

though commuter students outnumber dorm students 3-to-1, the match-up in voting was much closer. Six hundred and fourteen dorm students cast ballots while only six hundred and eighty-four commuters went to the polls.

Unopposed VP candidate Stan Patterson polled 1,015 votes in his home-free race and the new Student Constitution, drafted by retiring President Hickok, sailed through the student body 865-234. Dorm and commuter (continued on page 3)

## Election Analysis

by michael mcculley

Newcomer Charlie Sutton outpolled veteran legislator Ed Wayson 773-526 to win the Student Body Presidency for '71-'72. The margin was surprisingly wide in the April 21 and 22 elections, with Sutton taking both the dorm (346-268) and the commuters' votes (427-257).

A large turnout, for UNCC as predicted, of 1,298 went to the polls. Still, this represents only 33% of the student body. Even



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