

## **Club Football Budget Incorrect**

## To the editor:

One of the marks of a good paper is its ability to investigate situations and report the facts. These facts should be true and representative of the area probed. This was not so in the 'Viewpoint' article on the probed. This was not so in the 'Viewpoint' article on the Student Legislature allocations, at least as far as the football club is concerned. Our allocation was grossly misquoted. Mr. Larlwe also failed to indicated that the majority of our budget, the football club members themselves raise. Below is the totaled and correct budget for the Football Club's fall season. Insurance: Allocation(A)-\$0.00, Raised(R)-\$1630.00, Total(T)-\$1630.00. Game equipment: A-1190.00, R-0.00, T-1190.00. New equipment: A-0.00, R-538.30, T-538.30. Medical expenses: A = 115.60, R = 196.70, T = 312.30. Game expenses: A = 1773.00, R = 1000.00, T = 2773.00. Miscellaneous: A = 0.00, R = 835.00, T = 835.00. Total fall budget: **\$7278.60**. Student Legislature allocations: **\$2078.60**. Club allocation: \$3078.60. Club raised: \$4200.00. The article of 11/12/74 stated erreneously that we had

received money for our insurance. One can clearly see that we raise well over half of our budget. Also pointed out was that our budget indicated that we spent at least \$200 per player. No argument there, in fact we spend considerably over that per player. Football is an expensive sport, much more so

than soccer, as Mr. Larlwe said. Our club could be run on a budget of \$400.00, if we cut insurance, in which case

anybody injured is just out of luck, cut out all the purchases of new equipment, allowing our people to play in some defective and questionably safe equipment, cut out our game uniforms, which allows us to look like a team instead of a second rate sandlot pick-up game, and were allowed to practice and play on one of the campus fields, in the event intramurals would let us and got the field in respectable shape which it is not in now.

We think the expense is worth it. Those students who have seen our game will probably agree. After all what's a mere \$3000 when compared to UNCC's \$250,000 basketball program?

Jeff Sturkey Vice President UNCC Football Club

## North Americans Need To Learn Spanish

## To the editor:

I have distributed stickers the above to several like students, and they have also been distributed by Spanish professors on other campuses, We feel that this sticker shows very important factors that North Americans should take under consideration. It dhows the need for learning Spanish because of four basic reasons: Because the closest neighbors the United States have are native Spanish speakers, cultural exchange is very important, trade with all these Spanish countries is becoming essential, an everyday friendship with the rest of the world, especially with the rest of America, has been stressed.

North Americans have been isolated for a long time, believing that they did not need anything from anyone and that people should learn English if people should learn English it they wanted to do business with them. But the situation is changing rapidly. Now North Americans need to trade with other countries in order to obtain indispensable products what as betrade un for exemple such as petroleum, for example. Mexico, our closest neighbor, has the petroleum we need. But they resent trading with the United States because North Americans have not paid any attention to them, treating them as inferiors, despite their geographical proximity to each other

Now is not too late to change. It is very important to establish friendship with the rest

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of America. Have you asked yourself these questions: Where do I live? is the USA the only country in America? Yes, you live in America, but there are sixteen Spanish speaking countries in America in addition to the USA. Also, Spanish is spoken in Cuba, the Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico (sugar countries), making a total of more than 150 million Spanish-speaking people in America. As the population in the Spanish American countries grows tremendously because of the little use of birth control, of America. Have you asked the little use of birth control, the population will exceed that of the United States by 1980. English then might not be the main language, but Spanish could very well be. Also, there are more than19 million Spanish

speaking people in the United States alone.

Every day more industries, schools, banks, offices, stores, government departments, airports, etc. are requiring people whose main language is English and know Spanish. Because of the few capable people for these jobs, on many occasions the United States fails to arrive at a successful agreement with Spanish countries. Don't you think that if perhaps President Ford knew Spanish to be able to talk without a translator with President Echeverria things would be in a more optimistic way in respect to petroleum? I am sure that if Echeverria were the one needing the petroleum he would make an effort to talk

to the President of the U.S. in English.

I hope this will make you aware of the necessity of learning Spanish. I am sure that

if you learn Spanish, it will help Dr. Arnhilda Gonzalez-Quevedo **Spanish Department** 



