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## Morrill talks about the growth of UNCC

by brian king

In recognition of UNCC's 10 years anniversary, the Journal will talk to selected members of the UNCC faculty to get their views and opinions of how the University has changed, grown, and developed. Here is the first of the series of interviews.

UNCC today is a modern and ever-expanding state institution of higher education, with an enrollment of close to 7000 students. A decade ago, however, the college consisted of 900 commuting students, the Macy and Kennedy buildings, and a large barn. This

tremendous growth and the changes it has brought about were among recollections and observations of Dr. Dan Morrill, history instructor who has been at UNCC for 12 years.

Sheer growth is the most significant change which has occurred here in the last ten to

twelve years. Dr. Morrill talked about the assets of growth to the school, which include a larger and more diverse student body and the hiring of capable and varied faculty. A greater variety of academic programs has also come with the growth. "Any concept of a black studies, BCA or HDL program was unimaginable in the early years", said Morrill.

Inevitably, however, growth and change eliminated to a large degree the sense of identity the faculty and students had with the school, known then as Charlotte College. The smallness of Charlotte College made everyone feel important and significant in its activities and development. Dr. Morrill attributes much of the work in the early development to Bonnie Cone. Like many others here at the time, she had a dream of the school becoming an institution of academic excellence. Dr. Morrill longs for "the sense of community and warmth of those early years".

Physical growth is only one aspect of change during the past few years. The early sixties was a time of "the rational search for truth, a time when values

were secure and clearly defined". Dr. Morrill feels that we now live in times of "pessimism and self-doubt". He also stated that he doesn't feel that UNCC is the special place it was meant to be, rather it is just another school in the system.

In the history department, Dr. Morrill has observed a slower change than in most other departments, which is unusual considering that only seven of the 63 faculty members were from the history department when he came here in 1963.

Dr. Morrill, who received his BA degree from Wake Forest in 1960, and his MA and PhD degrees from Emory University, feels he has established himself and his family enough to remain at UNCC. Only 25 when he came here, he considers himself "not primarily a faculty member, but a human being".

Talk of the early change to a more conservative administration brought mixed feelings from Dr. Morrill. Overall, he considers UNCC "richer in traditional terms, poorer with loss of sense of community, and there are fewer oddballs around these days".

## Election Returns

| President                          | Dorm | Commuter | Total |
|------------------------------------|------|----------|-------|
| *Kat Braswell                      | 176  | 129      | 305   |
| Dennis J. Hall                     | 119  | 65       | 184   |
| Steve Morris                       | 198  | 47       | 245   |
| *Jamie Stemple                     | 246  | 88       | 334   |
| <b>Vice President</b>              |      |          |       |
| *Davis Trotter                     | 218  | 52       | 270   |
| Steve Hammock                      | 140  | 49       | 189   |
| *Bill Kincaid                      | 230  | 104      | 334   |
| Ian Larlee                         | 94   | 81       | 175   |
| <b>Chairman, UPB</b>               |      |          |       |
| **John Knight, For                 | 475  | 176      | 651   |
| John Knight, Against               | 174  | 71       | 245   |
| <b>Vice Chairman, UPB</b>          |      |          |       |
| Gary Bridges                       | 277  | 111      | 388   |
| *Greg Reynolds                     | 343  | 123      | 466   |
| <b>Rogues &amp; Rascals Editor</b> |      |          |       |
| Terry Fulbright                    | 276  | 184      | 460   |
| **Robert Van Gill                  | 409  | 103      | 512   |
| <b>Journal Editor</b>              |      |          |       |
| *Jay Eaker                         | 211  | 147      | 358   |
| *Michael Evans                     | 249  | 76       | 325   |
| David W. Ledbetter                 | 178  | 59       | 237   |
| <b>WVFN Station Manager</b>        |      |          |       |
| **Wyzanski, Simmons Hughes         | 391  | 198      | 589   |
| Ted Cannady                        | 339  | 99       | 438   |
| <b>Sanskrit Editor</b>             |      |          |       |
| **Beth Griffith                    | 356  | 154      | 510   |
| Ed Rollins                         | 288  | 123      | 411   |
| <b>Media Board At Large</b>        |      |          |       |
| Jim Eddings                        | 213  | 80       | 293   |
| **Mark Griffin                     | 397  | 155      | 552   |
| **Bill Shields                     | 437  | 140      | 577   |
| **Bill Stricker                    | 392  | 148      | 540   |
| Bob Verdineck                      | 293  | 94       | 387   |
| **Tommy Wofford                    | 424  | 145      | 569   |
| <b>Student Superior Court</b>      |      |          |       |
| **Robert Hull                      | 443  | 131      | 574   |
| **Clay Elder                       | 411  | 141      | 552   |
| **David Graham                     | 439  | 171      | 610   |
| **Doug Lerner                      | 505  | 215      | 720   |
| Mike McLain                        | 404  | 139      | 543   |
| **Lori McOwen                      | 444  | 200      | 644   |

\*Run-off

\*\*Winner Declared

## Security tightened in Sanford

by jayne gordon

A new security procedure has been initiated at Sanford Hall. The procedure which includes an I.D. check was started on Friday, February 21.

Anyone entering Sanford after 11:30 p.m. any night of the week is required to show some form of identification to the security officer on duty. Any person, male or female, who presents a valid UNCC student identification card will be allowed to enter the dorm. Non-students are required to show a driver's license or some other form of positive identification. The person's name is written down and if they are unescorted, they are asked who they are planning to visit in the dorm. That person is called and permission must be given before the non-student is allowed to enter the dorm.

Residence Life Director Chuck Lynch and Sanford Hall president Donna McCollum could not be reached this week for comment on the new procedure, but Marian Beane, Resident Coordinator for Sanford Hall made it clear that the ID check was initiated by the students in Sanford, not the

administration. According to Ms. Beane, the girls felt that security needed to be tightened after several thefts. She added that one night someone entered the dorm and wandered around with a knife and gun. He didn't use either, but episodes of this sort made the girls realize that stronger security measures were needed. Ms. Beane said the girls would have preferred full-time security, but available manpower and funds do not allow for this.

The reason that Sanford is the only campus residence hall employing the new procedure is that no other halls have requested security of this kind. Most of the students interviewed from the other three dorms stated that they thought the procedure was a good one, but they hoped their own dorm didn't go that far. One Dorm '73 resident said, "I agree, it's pretty bad that stuff gets stolen, but I hope my dorm doesn't do that. That would be just like living back home with Mom and Dad and that's just what I came to school to get away from!"