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(photo by Robin Colby)

*It all has to start somewhere and for this UNCC student, it's only the beginning of lines in registration, costly textbooks, exams and the life of a 49er.*

## Registration new to all

By Kim Burns

As UNCC grows in physical size, so does it in number. According to Robert Gwaltney, director of the Registrar's Office, the projected enrollment at UNCC for fall is 8,850. That's up 2.3 percent from last fall, when the enrollment was 8,504. Gwaltney also added that the number of applicants was up nine percent. There are still more than 700 students being considered for admittance, but the process is at this time incomplete.

As with the growth, registration had undergone some major changes. The new computerized system has replaced for many the long waits, headaches and overall confusion traditionally associated with registration.

One of the changes occurred last spring when approximately 4,600 continuing students pre-registered for the fall semester. Because of pre-registration, Gwaltney does not anticipate any major problems with registration this year. He expects for drop/adds "to increase a little bit this time...because a lot of students didn't realize they really would get scheduled...but it (drop/add) can't increase much."

All pre-registered students who have paid fees on or before August 1 received their schedules in the mail. Those who failed to meet this deadline must report to the gymnasium Wednesday, August 23, to pay tuition and fees and pick up schedules.

The majority of the pre-registered students received full schedules. However, there are always exceptions to the rule. Some students received only partial schedules, on which the number of requested hours could not be successfully met. An example would be a student who requested a graduate course, but is only an undergraduate. These students will have an opportunity to come and get full schedules Thursday, August 24, 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. One may drop or add to their

present schedule in order to obtain a full one.

The second major change concerns freshmen. Contrary to past procedure, this year freshmen did not receive registration appointment tickets. Instead, they will

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## Office/classroom building ready for use soon

By John Deal

There are a number of projects nearing completion or in the planning stage which are designed to help alleviate the problems caused by UNCC's rapidly growing population. According to Ed Ayers, the director of the Physical Plant, a number of these projects can be viewed by anyone who takes even a casual look around campus.

First, the office/classroom building (OCB), located near the Reese Administration building, is expected to be completed in December or January of this coming school year. When the 130,000 square foot building is completed, it will house offices, classrooms and eats for the Human Development and Learning department, Nursing department and College of Social and Behavioral Sciences. The building was expected to be completed by the beginning of this semester, but delays brought about by bad weather have postponed the completion for five or six months.

An additional administrative office building is scheduled for construction by the early spring of 1979. The building is to be located due south of the present administration building, and shall bear a "visual, though not physical" connection with the OCB.

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## Orientation prepares new students for UNCC

By Nancy Davis

"I would like to see students come in anticipation of new experiences...and by the finish of the first week be saying 'Yes, I feel good about this decision. I want to stay here for four years...' We want to affirm what they had anticipated," said Marian Beane, director of Orientation.

The 1978 Orientation Committee has worked this year setting goals and preparing for the arrival of the new additions to the UNCC population. In assessing these goals, Beane was hesitant in saying whether the committee had reached the goals or not.

"One never knows about goals until...after the first week and we see how we affected the orientation itself," she said. "I feel good about the committee. We've worked hard. I anticipate having O.C.'s and captains who will be very enthusiastic."

Beane was probably not disappointed in her prediction. Friday, August 19, the O.C.'s came in, pads and pens ready, to begin a weekend full of workshops and seminars. Their schedule was packed with meetings with the administration and their college deans, and plenty of social activities to allow everyone to get acquainted.

Besides being divided into groups by college, there were two special groups of orientation counselors. They were orientation peer counselors and orientation alumni counselors. Together

the counselors discussed techniques of being a good guide and the various needs of all the different students.

The biggest change in the orientation week is "the distinct separate orientation for transfers and freshmen," according to Beane. There are two versions of orientation. She described one as the long version designed for freshmen, including college meetings, tours, the multi-media presentation, all with the O.C. The short version is for transfers and stresses advising, orientation of particular college and registering.

"We're just as concerned...but our basic priority is the advising process," Beane said. All of the other programs will be offered to the transfer students, but are optional, "not worked into the schedule like for the freshmen," she said.

The committee has worked towards two types of orientations. The first is the academic orientation in which they want to help the new students "understand what college is about...academic expectations and requirements," Beane explained.

The second is orientation of the "University as a whole...the physical layout...personality as far as people, services, activities," she added.

"As far as preparation," Beane said, "we're in good shape as far as how the students involved feel about it. The end result of that is how the students will feel after this week."

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