

CAMPUS NEWS

Snow isn't holiday for all

By Michael Roseman

For most people, the big snow last Tuesday meant lots of sledding, snowball fights and partying. One group of people was excluded from all of this fun, however; some Physical Plant employees. They worked long, hard hours clearing snow to make the campus accessible.

Three men worked until 1 a.m. Wednesday morning just throwing around sand and helping people get off of campus. Little headway was made concerning the snow, as the stuff continued to fall. From 5:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, 10 workers cleared snow with only two or three hours rest around lunchtime. On Thursday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., 11 men worked and on Friday 18 worked from dawn until dusk.

Most of these employees had worked their usual 40 hours by 9 a.m. Thursday. The point being sought is all of the hard hours put in by these workers is appreciated by many. In fact, several of these men were the target of much malice.

While diligently clearing the campus of snow and ice so students and employees would not be too inconvenienced, the workers were pelted with snowballs and cursed at for being in the way. Director of the Physical Plant Ed Ayers comments, "That really pisses me off."

Ayers said, "They have a feeling of being underpaid and underloved already. And I don't think that's fair," referring to the incidents.

The Physical Plant has some of the same problems as most people in this area of the country. They do not have the equipment to clear snow from the campus very fast because it is so seldom we have any accumulation. The Physical Plant actually only has three pieces of equipment for this purpose at the present. Ayers hopes to have two more pieces next year with the addition of several blades.

With this lack of equipment it takes a while to get the campus cleared. According to

Ayers, "The priorities we try to set are: number one, the steps. You can straighten out a fender easier than you can fix a broken bone. So, to prevent the latter, our primary interest is the steps."

Ayers continued, "Then we start to work on intersections and sidewalks. Then come

streets and then parking lots. We hope going in this priority we reduce the risk of injured people first, then injured automobiles."

Ayers adds, "We just can't be everywhere at once. We have to take it in steps." The closing of school is, therefore, helpful for Ayers' employees.



(photo by Frank Alexander)

Even scenes from last year's February snowfall can't compare with this year's five inches.

Students working out to develop million dollar bods

By Theresa Skipper

Physical Education (PED) 102, section number 001, weight training Tuesday and Thursday 2-3:20 p.m.

This is not your average weight training class. First of all, the instructor is a woman. A very talented young woman named Sherry Rappe, who also happens to be very successful in the horse show world. Rappe says her class involves more than weight training, "It's muscle conditioning as well as some running. Some people have misconceptions about a weight training course. They think they'll come out looking like Atlases."

Besides having a woman instructor, there are seven other girls in the class. The girls do not seem to have a problem getting along with the guys. Sarah Hensley, a junior criminal justice major, said she took the class for exercises and to strengthen her muscles. Hensley said the women are not inhibited by the guys. "The guys are helpful. They give us pointers. We're not inhibited because the class is concentrated more on form than how much you can lift."

It was difficult hearing other people speak, because of the clanking of weights, especially the monstrous universal machine. "Why don't

you try to lift something?" one of the students said. Joann Wolfe, a senior psychology major, smiled and pointed to a bar with very little weight. "You can try a military lift, then you can see what it is like. It's not hard," she said and proceeded to demonstrate.

"You stand with one

foot in front of the other and roll the bar up your body."

This probably would not be such a bad course to take next semester and with such a good guy/female ratio, it seems like one of those courses which could develop into something beneficial.

Special week focuses on problems of handicapped

By Luann Whitley

"The main objective of 'Care To Be Aware Week' is to increase our awareness of some of the problems of physically impaired people and to break down attitudinal barriers which exist," Frank Joseph, assistant dean of students in charge of student development programs, said.

During "Care To Be Aware Week," Feb. 12-16, there will be several ways in which UNCC students can get involved. Programs include: presentations by local organizations, workshops, free films, a disco dance, a wheelchair race which is open to all students for competition and panel discussions.

Panel members will be: Dr. Evelyn Davis, UNCC Counseling Center and learning assistance; Rick Mims,

housing coordinator for the Governor's Council on employment of the handicapped; Robin Hoerber, UNCC Awareness Resources Center; Ben Rickman, UNCC student and member of UNCC physically impaired coalition; Dr. Sam Simino, director UNCC Counseling Center; Gus Boukavalas, director of Special Services, CPCC; Perry Childers, UNCC student and chairperson of the UNCC Physically Impaired Coalition, and Donna Bowers, UNCC student.

"Care To Be Aware Week" was created and developed by the following people: Barbara Torres, University Program Board advisor; Perry Childers; Bob Carter; Madelyn Efird; Ben Richtman; Debbie Pope; Frank Joseph and many volunteers.

CAMPUS LIFE

By Nancy Davis

Have you read the Valentine messages to see if any are for you? Well, don't be disappointed if none of them are, because luckily, that's not all of them. There were a few messages which had to be censored because of various reasons, but you know "Campus Life." Nothing is ever censored. (Besides, we need the money.)

To the girl in my English 202 MWF class:

I'd like to know your secret. Did somebody pour you into those jeans or were they painted on? Whatever, next time you need someone to peel them off, give me a call.

Two seats back

Dear Jerry Hudson,

You said "feed my meter" and I did. You told me to come on your deck and I did. I never questioned you and I never appealed your decisions . . . so why do you have to go up on your rates?

"R" Sticker

To the guy at the Sig Ep mixer:

Will you be my Valentine?
And tell me that you care?

Or do I have to wear a button down and a ribbon in my hair?

Would you bring me candy in a khaki colored box? And make me wear loafers and alligator socks? Will you be my Valentine? And take me like I am. A hell-raising woman who doesn't give a damn.

The girl in jeans

Matt,

Remember me? You said I'd done the best recruiting job you had. What happened to your scoring percentage . . . need a little refresher course?

Call me, Jane

To the racquetball player with the bod,

If only I had the nerve . . . anyway, next time you're in there practicing your serves and the lights go off, don't worry, you'll be good hands.

An avid racquetball fan

Hey E.K.,

Don't spend Valentine's Day in your office all alone. Meet me during the day at your convenience for a GOOD time.

? in the Counseling Center

Happy Valentine's Day Mr. Mecredy!

(This message was a lot cheaper than any of the fine assortment of Valentine cards in the Bookstore.)

Chuck Lynch,

Screw HDL . . . we would love to have a sharing experience with your body.

Sanford Dorm