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NCNB Honors Smith; Jolly

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The 13th annual North Carolina National Bank Awards for Teaching Excellence was held Friday in the Cone Center, and Dr. Stephen Jolly, Assistant Professor of Accounting and Vera Smith, Professor of Nursing, were presented with plaques and cash awards.

Dr. Jolly, who holds a B.S.B.A. and a Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, has taught at UNCC for the past five years. His courses include intermediate accounting II and advanced accounting. Dr. Jolly said, "I feel very honored," and he praised his students for their hard work and for "making teaching a lot easier."

Mrs. Smith holds a B.S. from Seton Hall University in New Jersey, A.M.A. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and has a R.N. from Central Islip State Hospital in New York. She has been a member of the UNCC nursing staff

since 1967.

Mrs. Smith said, "I feel very flattered, and I owe this all to my students—they always meet my expectations, and that's what teaching's all about."

The evening began with a wine and buffet reception, which was followed by the awards program. After the program, the Loonis McGlohon Orchestra preformed for anyone who wished to dance.

Presiding for the introduction to the ceremony were Dr. Anne Royall Newman and Dr. Boyd H. Davis. The welcoming speech was delivered by Hugh McColl Jr., President of NCNB.

Following the McColl speech, three past recipients of the award made comments about the award and about UNCC. The first person to receive the award, Seth H. Ellis, who won in 1968, noted the tremendous growth rate UNCC has had, and reflected on how small Charlotte College had been when he first came here to teach.



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L-R, Vera Smith; NCNB President Hugh McColl, Jr.; and Dr. Stephen Jolly

Chancellor Fretwell then delivered a speech and began introducing the award winners. The awards were then presented to Dr. Jolly and Mrs. Smith by McColl.

The NCNB Awards date back to 1968, when the literary magazine staff proposed the idea of a yearly award for outstanding teachers. A committee was formed to study the idea, and a recommendation was made to the chancellor. The chancellor liked the idea and presented it to the chairman of the

NCNB board. NCNB agreed to provide UNCC with grants to cover the cost of the cash awards, the entertainment and the refreshments for the evening.

Nominations for the awards are usually taken in the spring, and nominations can be made by students, alumni, fellow faculty members or administrators. A committee then carefully screens each letter of recommendation and then decides on the eventual winner.

United Way

Campus To Raise \$18,250

A campus wide effort is being made to raise \$18,250 for the United Way this year. Students are working to raise \$4,949.49 of this sum.

According to Frank Joseph, Director of Commuter Life and Leadership Development, this is the most money a student organization has ever tried to raise.

Last year the university raised approximately \$15,000 and the students raised \$1,000 of this amount. This was a 500 percent increase by the students.

Students have planned several ways to raise the money this year. A dance-a-thon will begin at 4 p.m. this Friday and end Saturday at 4 p.m. It will be held in the Rathskeller. Approximately 20-30 couples have been entered by different campus clubs and organizations. If your group would like to enter a couple go by the Dean of Students Office.

On September 29 the Miner's Daughter is donating \$.25 of every beer and \$.50 of every mixed drink bought, to the United Way.

Starting Monday and continuing through Thursday a sales campaign begins. UNCC coolers, decals, stationary, tie tacs, and paper weights will be sold.

The United Way helps support the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, the Red

Cross, Florence Crittenton services, the YWCA and the YMCA.

College of Nursing Fourth In State

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The UNCC College of Nursing fell into fourth place on a listing of schools having the greatest percentages of graduates passing the licensing exam to become registered nurses.

The Raleigh News and Observer reported that 46 out of 57, or 80.7 percent, of UNCC graduates who took the test, passed.

The fourth place ranking, while significant, was a drop from results of a 1979 test, when UNCC graduates ranked second, according to Associate Dean of Nursing Sally Nicolson.

Nicolson said the average score of students who did pass the test rose, however.

The licensing exam is a five-part test covering medical, surgical, pedia-

tric obstetric and psychiatric nursing. Each candidate must make a minimum score of 350 on each section.

The 80-percent ranking on the N.C. test is not complete, Nicolson said. "We have other students who took the nursing test in states where they will actually practice, so we don't have the figures on how well they did."

Other N.C. nursing programs rating higher than UNCC were UNC-Greensboro, UNC-Chapel Hill and Atlantic Christian College in Wilson.

All of the Graduates of the two-year Associate Degree program at the College of Albemarle in Elizabeth City passed the same test, but were not rated along with schools giving Baccalaureate degrees.

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