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## Campus Included In Parkway

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The Mecklenburg County Parks Department is planning a series of parks and paths along creeks throughout the county, including Mallard Creek, which borders UNCC.

In the future, this system of parks and paved paths will be linked together providing citizens with around 100 miles of bike and walking paths, hopefully to be used as an alternate transportation route.

This project, called the Charlotte Greenway system, will eventually reach from Matthews in the southern part of the county to Cornelius in the north.

Most of the funding now available for the project is coming from \$4 million approved in a 1978 bond vote. The planners, however, hope to use this money for the parks and hope to get land donated for the connecting bike paths.

Park officials noted that, since the land needed is along the banks of creeks and virtually all of it is part of the normal flood plain of the creeks, most of it could not be developed for residential or commercial uses anyway.

Having the bike paths and the park around Mallard Creek will be an added plus for the UNCC community. This should also help the hazardous situation for students who try to ride their bikes to school along the busy Highway 49.

The section along Mallard Creek is in the first phase of the plan. Phase one calls for acquisition of the land by 1983, either through donation or purchase. Construction of the paths and parks will begin as soon as possible after the land is acquired. All of this depends, however, on the funds available and the willingness of citizens to donate the needed land along the creeks.

## Phase II, III

## Cafeteria Ready November 81

By Kevin Lyons  
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A plan to build a new cafeteria on campus was announced recently and Leo Ells, Vice Chancellor of Business Affairs, said if the bids taken on October 21 turn out to be viable, the cafeteria could be ready as soon as November 1981.

The cafeteria, which will be built in the vicinity of the Phase II and III



Mallard Creek, one of many creeks included in the new Charlotte Greenway Project scheduled to begin in 1983.

photo by Bob Henderson

## Aide Won't Discuss Student Aid

By Chip Wilson  
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President Carter's top lieutenant refuses to speculate on the future of federal student financial aid if Ronald Reagan is elected. However, he is quick to remind young voters that it is a high priority of the incumbent.

White House Chief of Staff Jack Watson told a group of college journalists that he was not sure of the position of Reagan on student aid, but that it could possibly decrease given other statements of the Republican challenger on government benefits.

"Aid to education has been a high priority of the President. He has been responsible for a \$72 million increase in the current student aid programs," Watson said. "He has created high water marks for educational funding."

In the interview, the *Carolina Journal* joined other college newspapers from Florida, Texas, Tennessee and Louisiana in asking questions about Carter's performance in office.

One interviewer asked, if the President would handle the influx of Cuban refugees in a different manner, could he have done it over?

Watson responded: "When the President announced that he would let the refugees in, it did not mean he encouraged the resulting floatila. What the news media did not emphasize was his statement that American laws were to be enforced.

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