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Verdict Protest Tomorrow, 12:30

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The Executive Council of Student Body Government announced Friday that they are planning to have a rally in protest of the Greensboro verdict, Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the Belk Tower.

Sponsored by Student Body Government and the Black Student Union, the rally is open to all students. Featured speakers are Ron Olsen, Student Body President, and Michael

Kemp, President of the Black Student Union. Other possible speakers have been contacted.

UNCC Public Safety director Jerry Hudson said, "We will take no unusual security precautions. It is their right to do just that, as long as they don't go against university rules." "I don't have any reason to believe there will be any violence," Hudson said. "If there is violence we'll cope with it at that time."

RLO Problems Handled Slowly

By Chip Wilson
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When Jackie Simpson took over the UNCC Residence Life office, interviewers gave her a general view of the challenge she would face upon her arrival.

Now holding the reins on the many projects, Simpson sees the detailed problems of directing campus housing office at a university growing in spite of an opposite nationwide trend.

"The resident population of this campus has grown by one-third, while we have only hired one additional staff member to help direct that

growth," she said.

"I'm not trying to sound like a Pitiful Pearl, because other areas of the university have been having the same problems with growth."

Residence Life does face a number of problems, with limited resources to affect them.

Among the problems are:

- New construction occurring on campus now. Simpson calls supervision of the current building program "a full-time job in itself," in addition to the careful planning that is needed for projects on the board now.

- Upkeep of campus apartments. "The campus apartments were designed to have the features of off-campus living, but we do become involved with their operation."

"With utilities, we have to deal with Duke Power if there is a misbilling. Usually they are small, nit-picky things, like a wrong name. It may not involve a lot of money, but it's important to a student.

"The logistics of managing the whole apartment concept currently finds support through a satellite office for the Phase II/III area, Simpson said.

- Lack of Housekeeping staff. Although students have the task of cleaning the individual apartments, staff personnel must handle the final cleaning after the spring semester and during summer conferences. At present, the housekeepers for the four high-rise dorms handle cleaning for the apartments. Physical plant staffers deal with maintenance, but Simpson feels employees should be specifically assigned to residence life.

- Space in the residence halls. "We always have waiting lists, sometimes they are heavier for men and sometimes they are for women," she said. "Right now, it looks like it will be tight this spring for men wanting housing. It's a guessing game right now, but it looks like we'll be full for



Photo By Bob Henderson

Gideon Representatives were on campus distributing Bibles to students. A spokesman for the group said they were encouraged by the response and the students politeness.

the spring semester."

A major problem for prospective students is the late deadline for housing confirmations. That date will be moved from July 1 to June 15, and the pre-payment deposit will rise from \$50 to \$100 to insure a firmer commitment on rooms.

Nothing will be final until current residents re-sign their contracts in February, Simpson said. Priority is always given to those students.

- Population decline, resulting in fewer prospective college students. "That is the great philosophical debate when we talk about construction. If we construct new buildings we have to make sure we will have students to live there," the director said.

"Charlotte grows, so UNCC grows, everyone tells me," she said. "We are trying to handle that growth, but we don't want to be over supplied."



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Jackie Simpson

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