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Candidates Explain Views

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Student unity and the promotion of UNCC were themes emphasized by the candidates for student body president, who met in a forum last Thursday, March 19 afternoon.

The debate, sponsored by the Commuter Association and the *Carolina Journal*, was intended to let the candidates define the major issues of the campaign.

In two-minute opening statements, each candidate specified what they saw as the most important issues, while questions from a four-member panel and the audience, forced them to address others.

John Ellison said, that while UNCC is a growing institution, "It will grow faster if a few doors are opened." He called for "an opening with the administration" and stronger efforts in terms of student cooperation. One of his major goals in office would be to promote UNCC in the community and state.

Chris Papagni said the key issue was the quality of education here, explaining later in the debate, "I want my degree to mean something."

Saying, "We need a real leader," Gary Knox said his term would be marked by efforts to help forge an "identity for the student body" by helping to establish goals for the university committee. He also called for more student input into faculty policy, but was later unable to say how he could bring this about when the present administration was unable to.

Polly Purgason said she sees the president's role as being a liaison between the administration and students. Her major goals in office would be to establish a student legal advisor, establish a biracial committee to improve race relations, and to promote UNCC through the UNC Association of Student Governments (UNCASG).

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Shopping Mall Planned Across From Campus

By Chip Wilson
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A supermarket, drug store, bank and possible fast food restaurant will be within walking distance of the UNCC campus when a shopping center opens in September 1982.

The John Crosland Co. plans to build the complex at the corner of University City Blvd. and an extension of Harris Blvd.

"We don't know when we will start construction, but we plan to begin by the end of this year," said Tony Arey, who is coordinating leasing for the shopping center.

Available for prospective merchants to lease will be 178,000 square feet, Arey said. In comparison,

David Kessler (front) and Mark Cables took an unexpected swim in the lake outside of Rowe Arts Building as their first year architecture projects tipped over.

Photo By Debbie Miller



RHA/UPB Plan Two Spring Bashes

By David E. Griffith

The Residence Housing Association (RHA) and the University Program Board (UPB) are scheduling separate spring concerts.

In the past UPB and RHA have jointly sponsored the annual Jam-Up festival. However, this year, because both organizations have contracted bands of equal popularity, and the bands refuse to play on the same bill, the concerts will be held separately.

UPB is sponsoring Jam-Up (the annual spring party) on Saturday, April 11. As in the past, the festival features free beer and rock 'n' roll bands.

UPB officials would not identify the bands. "We're keeping it confidential because we don't want a lot of outsiders to show up," said Ross Ritchie, chair of UPB's Musical Entertainment Committee. "It was the bands' fault. Both of them wanted to close the show."

Shortly after Jam-Up weekend, RHA is presenting "The Main Event," a concert featuring Mother's Finest. RHA officials refused to give a date for the concert, for the same reason UPB gave for not identifying the bands.

"The Main Event" is scheduled to begin on Friday and Saturday. On Friday the apartments will begin the festival by showing *Caddyshack* and *Young Frankenstein*. No beer will be served by RHA.

"We don't perceive it as two Jam-

Ups," said RHA representative and Sanford Residence Coordinator Julie Keehner. "We are two different programming bodies."

RHA is an organization that provides programming specifically for residents students. Each resident student pays \$6 per semester toward RHA programming.

"The publicity for the event will be limited to the residence area," Keehner said. However, no student will be barred from the show because they are not a resident student.

RHA President David Russell said, "We hope to make this an annual event, and we feel all the students will get more programming for their money because of this."

"Our main concern is to do the best programming for the students," Keehner said.

Student Body Elections

Cone Center ARC

Tuesday 9 am - 8 pm

Wednesday 8:30 am - 8 pm

Residence Cafeteria

Tuesday and Wednesday

11:30 am - 1:30 pm and 4:30 - 7 pm

Eastland Mall is twice that size with 342,503 square feet of space.

The Crosland Co. is considering several designs for the shopping complex. "The architects will make the buildings to be complementary to both the university and the surrounding neighborhood," Arey said.

Though many students have indicated a demand for a fast-food restaurant, Arey said his company has not responded to bids presented by chains. Plans are definite, however, for some kind of eating establishment.

Other facilities slated for the complex include a laundromat, savings and loan association, and a bookstore.