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Ken Bost honored for cutting-edge research, receives First Citizens Bank Scholars Medal

For his cutting-edge research in such disciplines as human immune-system response and the use of soybeans to deliver vaccines, UNC Charlotte biology professor Ken Bost was named the 2007 recipient of the First Citizens Bank Scholars Medal.

First Citizens Bank and The University of North Carolina at Charlotte recognized Bost's vast accomplishments at a ceremony Monday evening.

It is the 20th anniversary of the award, which was created in 1987 as UNC Charlotte's top honor for faculty scholarship and intellectual inquiry.

"First Citizens Bank is proud to join with UNC Charlotte in presenting this award, which has recognized the important contributions of the University and its faculty members for two decades," said Marc Horgan, Mecklenburg area executive for First Citizens Bank. "Dr. Bost and his impressive body of work continue the longstanding tradition of excellence exemplified by Scholars Medal recipients throughout the years."

Bost, who holds the Irwin Belk Endowed Chair in Biology, has been awarded continuous funding from the National Institutes of Health for his research. He is currently engaged in three projects with total funding in excess of \$2 million.

While at UNC Charlotte, Bost has been very active in research in human immune-system response and the use of soybeans to deliver vaccines. He developed his ideas into the start-up company



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SoyMeds Inc., which has the potential in the future to provide easily, produced, administered and transported vaccines around the world.

“I have known Dr. Bost since he arrived at UNC Charlotte in 1998, and I can attest to the significance of his research accomplishments and productivity during his time here at the university,” UNC Charlotte biology department chairman Michael Hudson wrote in his letter of nomination.

Hudson said Bost has focused his research on profound and complex problems facing humankind.

“Countless humans suffer and die each day from bacterial and viral infections. The spread of antibiotic resistance is arguably the most critical crisis facing us now,” Hudson wrote. “Understanding how infectious agents cause disease is the only hope we have to survive.

“The implications of the studies conducted in Dr. Bost’s laboratory at UNC Charlotte cannot be over-emphasized. All of us at UNC Charlotte should be proud we can call Dr. Ken Bost one of our own. Humans desperately need him.”

Bost has made numerous notable contributions to the field of biology, and his research on immunology has gained widespread recognition for the advancements he has made in the field.

He has also been published in numerous reputable journals and he has received several highly competitive honors for his work, including three previous nominations for the First Citizens Bank Scholars Medal. Bost is frequently invited to speak about a variety of high-profile topics in biology and immunology.

During Bost’s tenure at UNC Charlotte, all five doctoral students from his laboratory have obtained prestigious postdoctoral fellowships.

DIVERSITY IN THE SPOTLIGHT

The following is an update regarding UNC Charlotte’s Council on University Community.

Seven proposals awarded funding through Chancellor’s Diversity Challenge Fund

Next round of proposals due by March 15

As previously covered in Campus News, UNC Charlotte Chancellor Philip L. Dubois has created the Chancellor’s Diversity Challenge Fund. This fund, which is designed to support faculty, staff and student initiatives promoting the daily value of diversity in the intellectual life of the campus, has awarded funding to seven different proposals. The deadline for projects planned for implementation after July 1 is March 15.

Proposals awarded from the first round of applications are as follows:

- “Diversity in the Workplace,” submitted by Shirley Greene Jackson, Human Resources, \$1,200. Description: Consultant presented “Diversity in the Workplace” session at leadership conference for supervisors and managers on March 6.
- “A Family Affair Multicultural Student Reception” submitted by Regena Y. Brown, Admissions, \$5,000. Description: Reception was held on March 10 to introduce



newly admitted minority students and their families to the UNC Charlotte campus community. The students were exposed to multicultural student organizations, student support services, and alumni of the university.

- “Hispanic Cultural Competence Classroom-Based Workshop,” submitted by Donna Kazemi and Lisa Wagnes, School of Nursing, \$5,000. Description: Development of a Cultural Diversity Workshop series to increase the knowledge of nursing students and faculty about Hispanic culture and the Spanish language. This knowledge will be integrated into future nursing services for the growing Hispanic population.

- “Gifts from my Ancestors,” submitted by Robert Smith, Africana Studies, \$1,480. Description: Calvin Earl provided a concert and lecture emphasizing the significance of African American Spirituals and his efforts to have Congress honor the spirituals as a national treasure on March 12.

- “Community & Communities across the African Diaspora,” submitted by Robert Smith, Africana Studies and Gregory Mixon, History Department, \$1,625. Description: 5th Annual UNC Charlotte Symposium on the African Diaspora is a two-day seminar to expose the campus community to pertinent issues impacting the African Diaspora. The symposium will include UNC Charlotte scholars discussing research topics that traverse the idea of community across the African Diaspora.

- “Architecture as Activism-Diversity Through Design,” submitted by Linda Samuels, College of Architecture, \$4,950. Description: Collaboration among art and architecture students and faculty, and the staff and neighbors of Urban Ministry’s Community Works 945 art, soccer, and community garden program for the homeless of Charlotte.

- “The African/American Connection,” submitted by Tanure Ojaide, Africana Studies and Rosemary Traore, College of Education, \$4,200. Description: Film, discussion and speakers to educate students and faculty about Africa and the connection between Africa and America.

More information and registration details are [online](#).

AROUND CAMPUS

Nominees sought for leadership, service awards

Submissions due by March 16

The Dean of Students Office is seeking nominations from faculty, staff and students for the Chancellor’s Citations for Leadership and Service and the Bonnie Cone Leadership Award. These awards recognize students who have made significant contributions to UNC Charlotte during their undergraduate career and are given annually to graduating seniors who have shown outstanding qualities of scholarship and leadership.

The Bonnie Cone Leadership Award and the Chancellor’s Citations for Leadership and Service will be presented at the Honors and Awards Program on Wednesday, April 18, 2007. Recipients of these prestigious honors demonstrate an attitude of unselfish interest in the welfare of their fellow students and the University as a whole. The recipients must be in good academic and disci-

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plinary standing with the University. The student selected for the Bonnie Cone Leadership Award will be given a \$500 monetary award.

Nominations, including the nominee's name, address, phone number, and email address should be submitted to the Dean of Students Office by Friday, March 16. Nominees will then be sent an application, which is due by Monday, March 26. For more information, call ext. 7-2376.

Essay contest submissions sought as first event of library's One Millionth Volume celebration

The J. Murrey Atkins Library is now accepting submissions for the One Millionth Volume student essay contest as part of the events surrounding the acquisition of the library's one millionth volume in 2007, and asks that faculty and staff encourage participation. The deadline for submission is 5 p.m. on April 10.

Complete details are on the library's [Web site](#).



CENTER STAGE: SkillPort

In addition to offering a variety of free classes on various software applications, UNC Charlotte's Information and Technology Services (ITS) department offers a variety of training opportunities online through SkillPort, which is available online at <http://uncc.skillport.com>.



SkillPort fully supports users of both Apple and Windows systems, and its new classes include Microsoft Office 2007, Outlook Web Access, Adobe 8, Oracle 11i, Team Building, Mentoring and Project Management.

To learn more, log into SkillPort [online](#) using your UNC Charlotte user name and identification number. For more information and assistance, contact the ITS Help Center at ext. 7-3100.

OF NOTE

UNC Charlotte is continually engaged in the community and its news coverage. From time to time we use "Of Note" to highlight some of that involvement.

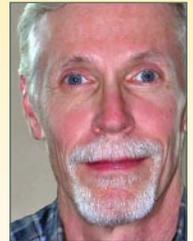
- The Charlotte Observer posted an [article](#) March 10 about UNC Charlotte's Center for Applied Geographic Information Science and its ability to track bald eagles.
- As mentioned in Campus News, IBM Vice President Bob Sutor will visit campus March 15. The Charlotte Observer [announced](#) this event March 8.

FACES

With seven colleges and more than 3,100 employees, UNC Charlotte's a big place. Its staff and faculty comprise many interesting people, and here's a snapshot of one of them.

Name: Clark Curtis
Title: Marketing Manager
College: The College of Computing and Informatics
Location: Woodward Hall, Room 343A

Think of Clark Curtis as a one-stop shop for the College of Computing and Informatics' communication and marketing needs. And with previous experience that includes radio and television broadcasting, journalism, writing, video production and even racetrack announcing, he's well poised to deliver.



Clark Curtis

An Indiana native and graduate of Indiana University, Curtis handles all of his college's public relations, community outreach and communications efforts. "UNC Charlotte is a very exciting organization and the College of Computing and Informatics is home to a wide range of extraordinary research and scholarship," said Curtis. "We know this; however, it's my job is to let others in the community and region know about the amazing activities happening here."

Curtis began serving in his current role in September 2006, leaving a motor sports public-relations position in Salt Lake City. Prior to that, he handled public relations for the Pikes Peak International Speedway, which is located near Colorado Springs, Colo. He also, during that time, had the opportunity to do something he'd wanted to do since childhood – call the races as the track's announcer.

For several years, Curtis combined his broadcast journalism and public relations skills and ran his own consulting business. During that time he served as a correspondent for the NBC Radio Network and covered both Oklahoma City Bombing trials in Denver and the Cattleman vs. Oprah Winfrey trial in Amarillo, Texas.

Beyond campus, Curtis enjoys the outdoors, music, art and spending time with his wife, Yvonne. They live in Charlotte.

Join the Campus News listserv

Members of the Campus News listserv receive an e-mail to notify them when a new weekly issue is posted. More than 1,900 people currently belong to the listserv – 286 of whom joined since Jan. 4, 2007. To join the listserv, simply send an e-mail to campnews@uncc.edu with "Subscribe to Campus News" in the subject line.

All job postings are online

Did you know that all of UNC Charlotte's job posting are conveniently listed online? Simply visit <https://jobs.uncc.edu> to see what's currently available.

UPCOMING EVENTS

IBM vice president to speak about collaboration of knowledge, technology March 15

IBM Vice President Dr. Bob Sutor will visit campus Thursday, March 15 for a talk from 1:30-3 p.m. in the Cone University Center's McKnight Hall. Sutor will address the "open movement" and how people will collaborate to share knowledge and create technology for the common good. View the full news release [online](#).



Bob Sutor

The event, coordinated by the College of Computing and Informatics, is free and open to the public. RSVP to neclarke@uncc.edu by Wednesday, March 14.

Learn about managing grants, time March 21, 28

The Office of Proposal Development (OPD), in coordination with Financial Services and the Office of Sponsored Programs, is sponsoring the following Brown Bag informational sessions. Registration is requested, but not required. Register [online](#).

- Wednesday, March 21, 12:30-1:30 p.m. in Cone University Center, Room 111: "Grants Management (Banner Use)." Now that the Banner Sponsored Research Accounting module has been implemented, Steve Selby, director of Sponsored Programs, and his staff will discuss the process issues that principal investigators or administrators have encountered in moving sponsored project transactions through the Banner Finance system.

- Wednesday, March 28, 12:30-1:30 p.m. in Cameron Hall, Room 303: "Time Management Techniques." Sociology Professor Murray Webster and Lesley Brown will share time management techniques and strategies for managing the proposal process to maximize time. Participants will be invited to share their own time management tips.

For more information, contact OPD Director Lesley Brown at ext. 7-4330 or labrown@uncc.edu.

Book drive underway until March 23

Future proceeds to benefit local children

The English Honor Society, Sigma Tau Delta, in conjunction with the English Department and students of UNC Charlotte, is sponsoring a spring book drive/book sale, the second session of which is underway until March 23. Proceeds will go toward buying books for children at the Carolina Medical Center and purchasing Coretta Scott King Award picture books for the Charlotte Public Library.

Collected books will be sold on campus in April (date to be determined). All book donations including mysteries, science-fiction, comedies, fiction, and non-fiction are appreciated.

Collection sites are the Fretwell Building (outside the English Department), first floor of the College of Education Building and the Prospector (near the university Bookstore).

For more information contact Steve Lazenby at ext. 7-2798.

SEANC members eligible for discounted hockey tickets March 15, April 6

Scholarship accepting applications

The State Employees Association of North Carolina (SEANC) has partnered with the Carolina Hurricanes Hockey Club to offer special tickets for the following games: New Jersey Devils, March 15; and Atlanta Thrashers, Friday, April 6. Tickets are subject to availability and are sold on a first-come, first-served basis. All orders must be received at least seven days prior to the game date. Accepted forms of payment are check, Visa, MasterCard or American Express. For more information contact Karen Coley at (919) 833-6436 or (800) 222-2758. or e-mail kcoley@seanc.org.



District 13 is accepting applications for its annual scholarship giving campaign now through April 15. Applicants must be a SEANC member or dependent of a SEANC member. For further information contact Co-Chair Lora Bassett at ext. 7-6556 or access information [online](#).

Women's Leadership Conference set for March 16

Women's Programs at UNC Charlotte will host the 2007 Women's Leadership Conference, Friday, March 16 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. in the Cone University Center's Lucas Room.

Registration fee for students is \$10 and \$50 for university faculty, staff and community members. Register or obtain details [online](#) or call ext. 7-2541. For more information, call Tiffany Garner at ext. 7-3899.

Gender-inequality expert to speak March 16

The UNC Charlotte ADVANCE program will sponsor a public lecture by Virginia Valian, Ph.D., in McKnight Hall on Friday, March 16 at 11 a.m. titled "Why So Slow? The Advancement of Women."



Valian is Distinguished Professor of Psychology and Linguistics at Hunter College and the Graduate Center of the City University of New York. She has integrated research from psychology, biology, sociology, economics and neuropsychology to explain the disparity in the professional advancement of men and women.

For complete information, click [here](#).

ITS News You Can Use set for March 16

All faculty and staff are invited to attend an "ITS News You Can Use" session to learn about new services and support activities that impact the campus. Information and Technology Services (ITS) staff will host this session

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on March 16 from 10-11 a.m. in Atkins Library, Room 124. Highlights of this ITS News You Can Use session will include: @email.uncc.edu address discontinuation, Account Retention Policy for students, SkillPort upgrade and planned monthly system outages.

Graduate History Association forum set for March 16-17

UNC Charlotte's Graduate History Association (GHA) will host its annual forum March 16-17 on campus, which will feature two main speakers including the university's own Karen Flint, who will kick off the event with "Tea and Witches: Early African-European Medical and Cultural Encounters of the Other" on Friday, March 16, at 6 p.m. in the Cone University Center's Lucas Room. Complete information is on the [GHA Web site](#).



General admission to the forum is \$30; current GHA members may attend at no charge. Seats are limited and reservations are preferred. For more information and to make reservations, e-mail gha@uncc.edu or call ext. 7-6690.

Oregon University scholar to discuss philosophy of emergencies, "inclusive feminism" March 19

Guest speaker Naomi Zack, Ph.D., professor of philosophy and graduate studies director at the University of Oregon, will deliver two public lectures on campus March 19. Her first lecture, titled, "Disaster Preparation and Emergency Response: Notes on Philosophy, Pedagogy, and Safe Campuses," is set for 10 a.m. in Cone University Center, Room 112. At 4 p.m. in Cone University Center, Room 113, Zack will discuss "What Women Have in Common: Inclusive Feminism and Rule by Women."



Naomi Zack

Describing the topic of the 10 a.m. lecture, Zack said, "[Hurricane] Katrina victims were outraged at 'government' in ways that point to the obligations of government to make life better for citizens. Social contract theory justifies the very existence of government, based on a human condition without government called 'the state of nature.' Contemporary disasters may result in a 'second state of nature' that places a new obligation for disaster preparation and response on government. An important part of this new obligation is based on this moral question: Who we should think about saving, beforehand?"

"Positive feminist political theory requires distinctions about female gender," Zack continued, describing the topic of her 4 p.m. lecture. "For the sake of political change and as a foundation for commonality, women can be relationally defined as those human beings who have been assigned to, or identify with, the group composed of biological mothers, men's heterosexual choices and human females. It is not necessary that a woman be any one of these things but only

that she be related to this historical group in a two-sex system. Such recognized common relation may be able to ground women's cooperative political efforts across their differences in race, ableness, sexual preference, age, income, and other diversities."

Zack's most recent book, "Inclusive Feminism," aims to resolve the contentions among feminism with a new relational definition of women. This is the theoretical basis for a political future in which women can participate in government leadership. Contact Carol Correll at cacorrel@uncc.edu or ext. 7-3542 with any questions about this event.

Discuss religious sensitivity March 20

"What Does Religious Sensitivity Mean to You?" is the topic of faith discussion at the Inter-Religious Council's upcoming Brown Bag Lunch Discussion on Tuesday, March 20 from 12:30-1:30 p.m. in Cone University Center, Room 347.

Bag lunches, open discussion and/or participation by listening are encouraged. All are invited. For more information or to suggest future topics, contact the Office of Religious Affairs at ext. 7-2344 or by e-mail at swbuce@uncc.edu.

Expert to address U.S.-Kenyan relations March 21

Kenya is an important partner in the United States-led war on terror, but at times this partnership has been strained due in part to issues such as travel advisories, anti-terrorism legislation, and the International Criminal Court. Beth Whitaker, assistant professor of political science, is set to present a Brown Bag lecture about "Reluctant Partners: U.S.-Kenyan relations in the Context of the War on Terror" Wednesday, March 21, from 12:30-1:30 p.m. in the Health and Human Services Building, Room 207.

Whitaker's talk is based on field research that she conducted as a Fulbright Scholar in Nairobi from 2005-2006.

Whitaker's discussion is presented by the Mu Chapter of the Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars. It is the chapter's second presentation this spring by UNC Charlotte faculty working on international issues.

Learn how to roll a kayak March 22, 29

Clinic also set for April 5, 12

UNC Charlotte's Venture Office presents several upcoming Kayak Roll Clinics taught by Venture's experienced whitewater instructors.



This semester's clinics are being held Thursday evenings from 7-9 p.m. in the Belk Pool on March 22 and 29, and April 5 and 12. The office will also sponsor whitewater kayaking trips later this spring.

For more information about these, or additional trips and workshops presented by Venture, visit the [Venture Web site](#) or call the office at ext. 7-2486.

You're fired! Contestant from "The Apprentice" to lecture on campus March 20

All faculty, staff and students are invited to attend the

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Conversations in Leadership lecture Lessons from the Boardroom, presented by Kwame Jackson, on Tuesday, March 20 at 7 p.m. in McKnight Hall of the Cone University Center. A reception will follow the lecture offering refreshments to attendees.



Kwame Jackson

Jackson, most well known from the popular television show “The Apprentice” with Donald Trump, is also a Charlotte native who earned his undergraduate degree from UNC Chapel Hill and an MBA from Harvard.

Conversations in Leadership is a collaboration of faculty, staff and students that brings outstanding leaders to campus to encourage dialogue and raise awareness about current issues impacting the community. The Conversations in Leadership Committee usually identifies two or three speakers for the academic year. Conversations in Leadership is sponsored by the Provost’s Office, the Office of Student Activities, and the Resident Student Association. Conversations in Leadership would also like to thank the Belk College of Business Administration for their support.

For more information, call the Center for Leadership Development at ext. 7-2703.

Academic Advising Workshops set for March 21, 22

“How much foreign language is a student required to take?” “How do I know which associate degree will exempt a student from lower level general education?” “How can I help a student to interpret the transcript evaluation in Banner?” All faculty and staff members who have recently assumed student advising responsibilities are invited to learn about the answers to these and other potential question that they may face from students on Wednesday, March 21, or Thursday, March 22 (attendance is only necessary at one of the two), from 2:30-3:30 p.m. in the Fretwell Building, Room 430C.

Emphasis will be on best practices for working with students to help them achieve their educational and career goals; other topics include forms in the new Banner system used in advising, general education requirements, and other academic policies that students should know.

Those who are new to academic advising at UNC Charlotte will find this workshop helpful in remaining up-to-date on the university’s academic rules and regulations. Faculty and staff from all colleges are welcome to attend.

For more information or to register, call Pamela Hickman at ext. 7-3800, Monday-Friday, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., or send an e-mail to phickma1@uncc.edu.

Special Education Ph.D. candidates to defend dissertations March 23

Two Special Education doctoral candidates will defend their dissertations Friday, March 23. All are invited. Melia Neale will discuss the “Effects of the I Can Use Effort Strategy on Elementary Students IEP Performance and

Quality of Students’ Verbal Contributions” from 1-3 p.m. in the College of Education Building, Room 110. Neale’s adviser is David Test.

Also advised by Test is Allison Walker, who will address the “Effects of Self-Advocacy Intervention on African-American College Students’ Ability to Request Academic Accommodations” from 10 a.m.-noon in the College of Education Building, Room 032.

Professor to discuss Irish culture March 23

Bob Tyson recently returned from Ireland

Associate Professor Bob Tyson (Physics and Optical Science) recently returned from a reassignment of duties at the National University of Ireland – Galway. Along with his wife, Peggy, (Office of Academic Affairs), they lived in Galway and traveled through much of the Emerald Isle. Tyson will present a talk entitled “A View of the Celtic Tiger” on Friday, March 23 at 3 p.m. in 132 Grigg Hall. The talk will briefly mention the optics research conducted over the summer and fall, but will concentrate on a lighthearted trek through the culture of centuries-old stone circles and the “Land of Saints and Scholars.” A first-hand account of the music and the storytelling at countless Irish pubs will be featured. All are welcome. “Fáilte,” said Tyson. (That’s Irish for “welcome.”)



Bob Tyson

Register to attend Five Ventures™ for free

No charge for faculty, staff, students

Faculty, staff and students may attend the 2007 Five Ventures™ business competition free of charge. Registration is due by March 26; the event is set for April 12.

Hosted by the Charlotte Research Institute, Five Ventures™ is an opportunity to watch the five finalists compete in a test of their entrepreneurial acumen as they present their business plans to a panel of experts.

Registration fee for the community participants is \$100. The conference is also sponsored by UNC Charlotte’s Office of Technology Transfer and the Belk College of Business. For more information and to register, go [online](#) or e-mail Karen Ford at kjford@uncc.edu by March 26.



Author of “The Beauty Myth” to speak March 28

UNC Charlotte’s Women’s Studies Program will feature Naomi Wolf, international bestselling author of “The Beauty Myth,” on Wednesday, March 28 at 7 p.m. in McKnight Auditorium.

Wolf’s lecture is titled, “Hooking Up: Sex, Alcohol & the Death of Romance on College Campuses.” Newsweek Magazine reported that 78 percent of college students say

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they have “hooked up,” usually after consuming alcohol. Examining the culture and sexual mores on campus, Wolf will explore the reality that students are pressured with many sexual images, but lack a real set of values surrounding sexuality.

The lecture is free and open to the community. A public reception and book-signing will follow.

For more information contact Coral Wayland, director of the Women’s Studies Program, at ext. 7-2290 or cwayland@uncc.edu.



Naomi Wolf

28th Annual Child and Family Development Conference set for March 29-30

UNC Charlotte will host the 28th Annual Child and Family Development Conference, March 29-30. Exploring topics including globalization, parenting needs, pedagogy and evaluation, more than 200 educational and developmental professionals from across the country will participate. Featured speakers and topics include:

- Dr. Lilian G. Katz, Professor Emerita of Early Childhood Education at the University of Illinois and Co-Director of the Clearinghouse on Early Education and Parenting (CEEP). “Current Perspectives of the Needs of Young Children.”
- Dr. Edna Neal Collins, independent early childhood consultant and former faculty of the Education of Young Children Program at UNC Wilmington. “Guiding Principles for Infant-Toddler Programs: Old Wisdom and New Imperatives.”
- Dr. Sharon Lynn Kagan, Virginia and Leonard Marx Professor of Early Childhood and Family Policy at Columbia University. “Using What We Know: Creating Better Chances for Young Children.”
- Dr. Catherine Scott-Little, Assistant Professor in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. “Building on the Past to Shape the Future: Meeting Challenges and Seizing Opportunities.”

Other facilitators include faculty and professionals from UNC Charlotte, UNC Chapel Hill, North Carolina A&T State University, the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, the Mecklenburg County Health Department and other public and private groups and agencies.

The conference is open to the public. Parents, teachers and professionals who serve families and children are encouraged to attend. Registration deadline is March 15.

Register [online](#) or call Alayna Smith at 7-8828.

SEANC to sponsor silver jewelry sale March 29

The State Employees Association of North Carolina will sponsor a sterling silver jewelry sale on Thursday, March 29 from 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. in the Cone University Center’s AfterHours Lounge.

Graduate Research Forum set for March 31

The Graduate and Professional Student Government will present the “Niner Research Across the Disciplines 7th Annual Graduate Research Forum” on Thursday, March 31, from 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. in the College of Education Building. Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Joan Lorden will deliver the keynote speech.

All are welcome to attend; breakfast and lunch to be provided to all attendees. Click [here](#) to view an informational flyer.

HUMAN RESOURCES

State Health Plan enrollment open until March 30

Annual enrollment for employee medical plans is underway now through March 30. Any changes made during this time will be effective July 1, 2007. The State Health Plan will continue to offer the comprehensive major medical plan and the three preferred provider organization (PPO) options.

For the full story including plan highlights, see Page 7 of last week’s [Campus News](#). More information about the State Health Plan is available on its [Web site](#).

Important HR links

[HR benefits and important news](#)

[Personnel announcements](#)

(Also visit the Human Resources office in 222 King to view the Employment Opportunities board.)

Campus News

Campus News is published [online](#) for the faculty and staff of UNC Charlotte each Wednesday by the Office of Public Relations. E-mail submissions to campnews@uncc.edu by 5 p.m. the Wednesday prior to publication. To receive notification of each issue is posted send an e-mail with the subject line, “Subscribe to Campus News,” to campnews@uncc.edu. Comments and suggestions are welcomed.

CONTINUING EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Faculty/Staff Technology Training Schedule

Information and Technology Services will hold the following upcoming training sessions for faculty and staff:

March 19:	Photoshop I	8:30-10:30 a.m.
	PowerPoint Basics	10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
	Dreamweaver CSS	2-4 p.m.
March 20:	Microsoft OneNote	8:30-10:30 a.m.
	Excel Lists and Charts	10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
	Customizing Outlook	2-4 p.m.
March 21:	Photoshop II	8:30-10:30 a.m.
	Macromedia Breeze	10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
	Access Queries	2-4 p.m.

Register for classes [online](#) or call the Help Center at ext. 7-3100. Classes are located in Atkins 121 unless noted; Macintosh seats are available. Send questions to training@email.uncc.edu. A full schedule is also [online](#).

Upcoming courses and programs

The [Continuing Education](#) office offers numerous training opportunities. Discounts of approximately 50 percent are available for faculty and staff. Please note that the registration fee listed is the discounted fee for qualifying UNC Charlotte faculty and staff. Some upcoming courses are listed below:

March 20-21:	Principles of Project Management . 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at UNC Charlotte Uptown. Cost is \$500.
March 23:	Human Behavior in Organizations . 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at UNC Charlotte Uptown. Cost is \$125.
March 27-Sept. 18:	Paralegal Certificate Program . Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6-9:30 p.m. Cost is \$2,500.
March 27-28:	The Emerging Role of the Process Manager . 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at UNC Charlotte Uptown. Cost is \$500.

General information is on the [Continuing Education home page](#); click [here](#) for details about discounts and registration or call ext. 7-8900.

EDITOR'S DESK

What should I submit to Campus News?

As mentioned last week, Campus News depends upon submissions from faculty and staff members to adequately cover UNC Charlotte's employee news. So, what types of news should you submit?

Most importantly, keep in mind that Campus News' audience is the entire campus, so we try to include announcements and news about events that are open to all employees. If your news applies to students only, please contact The University Times (uteditor@uncc.edu) or Niner Online (nocontent@uncc.edu).

Campus News encourages submitting news about – but not entirely limited to – the following:

- Professional activities and achievements,
- Scheduled events on campus or presented by campus organizations at other locations,
- Annual awards given by the university,
- Opportunities for faculty and/or staff members,
- Swap 'N Shop items (for sale, rent, or free items or property; wanted ads).

Please send your news (and suggestions) to campnews@uncc.edu. According to standard procedure, Public Relations will exercise editorial judgment regarding submissions.

As always, I look forward to hearing from you.

Ben Baran

Campus News Editor Ben Baran can be reached at ext. 7-6131 or at bebaran@uncc.edu.

SWAP 'N SHOP

For sale:

Black & Decker 17-inch electric hedge trimmer. Has very little wear on it, \$30. Contact Leigh at drleigh@carolina.rr.com.

Whirlpool gas dryer, 6 years old, seven cycles, four temperatures, wrinkle shield. Works great, \$85. Desk: hand-made, traditional style, pine, medium stain, measures 39.5 inches wide by 18 inches deep by 30 inches tall. Has four drawers, \$50. If interested, contact Leigh at drleigh@carolina.rr.com.

Leisure Bay pool table: Like new, 8-foot solid oak, ball and claw legs, leather pockets, burgundy felt table top, includes six pool cues. University area. For photos, e-mail cgulledge2@carolina.rr.com or call (704) 510-1866. \$1,000.

House: 2,180 square feet, located in St. Andrews subdivision in Cabarrus County. House is an 8-years-old split-level with three bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms and an oversized two-car garage. Other features include gas fireplace, large

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backyard with a privacy fence and an upstairs and downstairs deck. Listing price is \$177,900. If interested contact John at ext. 7-2865.

Free cat to good home:

Cat available at no charge to a good home. Litter-box trained, spayed, de-clawed, good with other animals, 2 years old, comes with litter box-food-carrier. E-mail JWill170@uncc.edu if interested.

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