

# CAMPUS CONNECTION

A STUDENT AFFAIRS NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS

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## FINANCIAL AID:

### What Every Parent Needs to Know

March 15, 2010 is the deadline to file for financial aid for the 2010-2011 school year. Here are some important points to remember:

- 1) File online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). It is more efficient than completing the paper version.
- 2) Use your electronic pin number to sign the application. Parents and students receive separate four-digit pin numbers. If you forget your number, assistance is available at the following Web link: [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov).
- 3) For students who received a loan this year, the loan will automatically be processed for the new year. Remember that sophomores may receive \$4,500, while juniors and seniors may receive \$5,500.
- 4) Pay attention to the results of your FAFSA after it is processed. Some families are selected for verification. This will require additional documentation to be submitted to the UNCP Office of Financial Aid.

For more information, please visit [www.uncp.edu/fa](http://www.uncp.edu/fa) or the College Foundation of North Carolina at [www.cfnc.org](http://www.cfnc.org).

## Join The Parents' Council at UNC Pembroke

Get involved. Help make your student's college experience the best it can be. The UNCP Parents' Council serves as the Executive Committee of the Parents' Association, which is made up of all UNCP parents. The group functions as an advisory council by offering feedback on engaging all parents in the association; determining the role of the parent newsletter; offering suggestions for Parents' Weekend plans; becoming involved in recruitment activities; and becoming knowledgeable about the advantages of UNCP education. For information or to join the UNCP Parent's Council, contact James Bass, Director of Alumni Relations, at [james.bass@uncp.edu](mailto:james.bass@uncp.edu) or call 910-521-6533.



### PARENTS OF THE YEAR - DONNA AND RANDY PRUITT

Congratulations to Donna and Randy Pruitt for being selected as Parents of the Year at Parents' Weekend 2009 in September. The parents of Randi Pruitt have volunteered at campus events like the Freshman Move-in and Pizza Party during Freshman Orientation, assisted with athletic events, and have been active members in the UNCP Parents' Council. Thanks for all you do for all UNCP students.

## Sophomore Connection



**Doug Smith**  
Coordinator for  
Second Year  
Programs

The Center for Academic Excellence (CAE) continues to offer support services for students with the help of many hard working individuals. In addition to academic advising, supplemental instruction, Freshman Seminar, and tutoring, the Sophomore Connection has afforded the office the ability to bring in academic speakers, provide specialty programming, and service more students on a day-to-day basis.

Among the many highlights is the birth of a new organization, Lambda Sigma, a sophomore only honor society. The initial class of the Beta Lambda chapter was initiated on October 5, 2009, in recognition of their academic prowess thus far, and with the hope of helping students hone their leadership and service skills.

A new program within the Career Center, aided by Alumni Relations, will connect sophomores to UNCP alumni. The Student-Alumni Career Connection is a program that allows current UNCP students to meet with and learn from UNCP Alumni Mentors. Students will be able to search through numerous mentor profiles based on job/career industry, job function, degree, extracurricular activities, state, and country. With this program in its infancy, we encourage parents to make their son or daughter aware of the value of having a mentor.

For more information on any of the programs listed or anything else the Center for Academic Excellence offers, please visit [www.uncp.edu/cae](http://www.uncp.edu/cae).

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## It's A Date

**March 8**  
Midterm Grades Due

**March 8 - 13**  
Spring Break

**March 15**  
Classes Resume

**March 15**  
Last Day To Drop A Class

**March 29**  
Pre-registration For Summer And  
Fall 2010 Semesters

**April 2**  
Good Friday (University Closed)

**April 12**  
Last Day For Undergraduates To  
Withdraw From The University

**May 1**  
Classes End

**May 3 - 7**  
Final Examinations

**May 7**  
All Residence Halls Close

**May 10**  
MayMester Starts

## UNCP Briefs

### ◆ FAMILY DAY 2010

This year's Family Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 10, from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on the University Center Lawn. Family Day is designed to engage and celebrate students, faculty, staff and their families with fun, social and interactive programs. In addition to free lunch in the dining hall, join your student for a dunk tank, balloon artist, face and body art, caricatures crafts, Herps Alive, inflatable games, DJ music and more. No reservations required - just show up and have fun!

### ◆ 2010-2011 HOUSING ASSIGNMENTS

On March 22, 2010, the room assignment process for students interested in residing on campus for 2010-2011 begins. Students should attend scheduled floor meetings in their building to obtain an assignment. Students requesting a change in their floor and/or building should accompany their new roommate to the floor meeting. Students who do not obtain an assignment at the floor meeting will have an opportunity to do so by a random lottery scheduled for April 13. Students currently residing on campus DO NOT have to submit another housing deposit. For more information concerning the process, visit online at [www.uncp.edu/housing](http://www.uncp.edu/housing).

### ◆ STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE

All registered students taking nine (9) or more credit hours are required to purchase the student injury and sickness insurance plan with the following exceptions: distance education students and students who submit evidence of equivalent coverage satisfactory to the policyholder. If you do not submit a waiver form, you will automatically purchase the Student Health Insurance and the charge will remain on your student account. If you have any questions, please contact the Cashier's Office or Student Health Services.

### ◆ BUYBACK FOR GREENBACKS

Your student will work hard all semester to earn good grades, but when the semester is over it will be time to get paid. The UNCP Bookstore will offer a textbook buyback for students to sell unwanted textbooks May 3-7, 2010. During this time, the Bookstore will pay top dollar for textbooks at two locations. Students may sell their books at either the Bookstore location or at the Dial Building Lot 19 location. The UNCP Bookstore pays half of the purchase price for all textbooks on the Guaranteed Buyback Program and for many other titles as well.

## H1N1 Vaccines Available

H1N1 vaccines are now available at Student Health Services. This vaccine is free to all UNCP students and will be given on Monday - Friday at 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. No appointment needed, so Parents please encourage your student(s) to stop by today. For more information, contact the Office of Student Health Services at 910-521-6219.