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STUDENT UNION, ACTIVITIES AND RECREATION (SUAR) OVERSEES VARIOUS PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES, SERVICES AND FACILITIES DEDICATED TO ENHANCING STUDENT LIFE AT UNC CHARLOTTE.

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MESSAGE FROM THE ASSOCIATE VICE CHANCELLOR

Last November, we celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Bonnie E. Cone University Center with a week of activities and commemorative events. It was a great opportunity to reconnect with old friends, students, faculty, staff and colleagues, while reminiscing about the "old days."

As I look back over the past year and everything that was accomplished, I have to wonder:

WHAT WOULD MISS BONNIE SAY IF SHE COULD SEE US NOW?

Launching a new football program was a monumental accomplishment for the entire University. For SUAR, football preparations focused on management of the football stadium facility, game-day operations and guest services, and expanded programming. Our first football Homecoming celebration illuminated campus with a lights parade and pep rally the night before the first game.

We tackled many other challenges throughout the year. Belk Gym closed for renovations aimed at easing congestion while we continue to look at options for a dedicated health, wellness and recreation facility. Venture worked with the Kinesiology Department to create a new minor in Outdoor Leadership. Meanwhile, our campus continues to expand with cutting edge academic programs, state-of-the-art facilities, innovative co-curricular programming and an ever-growing student population.

I know Miss Bonnie would be proud. The University has no doubt changed dramatically. And yet, certain things remain the same.

By that I am referring to our core mission. Engaging students inside and outside the classroom, creating spaces that foster fellowship and intellectual investigation, and providing opportunities to enhance the student life experience - such ideals are timeless. They continue to guide our day-to-day operations and shape our collective vision.

While I cannot say what the University will look like in another 50 years, I know these underlying principles, like the spirit of Miss Bonnie, will endure the test of time. They remind me what a great time it is to be a 49er and how lucky we are to be part of a team that is bigger and better than we could possibly be on our own.

I’m proud to share the many accomplishments throughout this annual report with you, and as always, I welcome your feedback. Go Niners!

James M. Hoppa
Associate Vice Chancellor
Student Union, Activities and Recreation

HIGHLIGHTS AT A GLANCE

• Helped successfully launch the University’s first football season with completion of the stadium complex, management of game day operations and implementation of new programming initiatives.
• Celebrated the 50th anniversary of Cone University Center, the University’s first building officially dedicated to student life and student involvement.
• Began Belk Gym renovations.
• Established a minor for Outdoor Leadership with the Department of Kinesiology.
• Continued planning efforts for a dedicated Health, Wellness and Recreation Center.
• Began advising the Student Government Association executive and legislative branches.

LOOKING AHEAD

• Complete structural improvements to Cone University Center and reopen the outdoor plaza.
• Adjust campus recreation operations during the Belk Gym renovation and plan for reopening festivities.
• Continue planning for a dedicated Health, Wellness and Recreation Center.
Student Activity Center and Venue Management is responsible for event management, guest operations, cleaning and maintenance for the Barnhardt Student Activity Center, Halton Arena, the Miltimore-Wallis Athletic Training and Academic Center, and the Jerry Richardson Stadium.

The Charlotte 49ers take the field for the inaugural football game before 15,300 fans in the new Jerry Richardson Stadium on August 31, 2013.

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The Charlotte 49ers take the field for the inaugural football game before 15,300 fans in the new Jerry Richardson Stadium on August 31, 2013.
Spring graduation expands to three commencement ceremonies

To accommodate the University’s largest graduating class to date, an additional ceremony was added to Spring Commencement held in Halton Arena at the Barnhardt Student Activity Center. The three May ceremonies hosted a combined 2,679 graduates and over 17,457 family members and friends, while two ceremonies in December served 1,912 graduates and over 12,652 guests.

Facility Audit Identifies Energy Savings Practices

Advances in energy efficiency create opportunities for improvements in older facilities. Results from an extensive electrical energy consumption audit, conducted at the Student Activity Center in conjunction with Duke Power, proposed various energy conservation lighting projects and projected returns on investment to be considered for future implementation.

ZERO-WASTE INITIATIVE WINS REGIONAL AWARD

The idea behind the Zero-Waste Initiative is to compost or recycle everything sold at the Jerry Richardson Stadium to minimize the amount of waste sent to landfills and wastewater systems. Initiated by students and embraced by campus partners, the effort achieved an overall 82.6% diversion rate for the season, with an individual game high of 93.9%. The program was recognized by the National Association of College Auxiliary Services (NACAS) Southern Region with an Outstanding Collaboration and Partnership Award.

FANS HEARD J. COLE AND WALE PERFORM ON SEPT. 17 IN HALTON ARENA.

OVER 3,000

“My favorite thing about my job would be the people I get to work with and getting to be a key player in many of the major events on campus.”

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Dewey Greer
Student Building Manager and Lead Technician
Senior Electrical Engineering Major
College of Engineering
First Daisy Urban Scholarship Awarded

Junior nursing major and Cone University Center Student Building Manager Kendyl Messer was awarded the inaugural Daisy Pearl Pugh Urban Scholarship presented by Rob Urban, the son of the scholarship’s namesake, during the Nov. 5 CONE-vocation event following welcome remarks by Chancellor Philip L. Dubois.

The late Daisy Urban retired in 2000 as assistant director for auxiliary operations at Cone University Center following a 25-year career with the University.

“I DO BELIEVE THE CHARACTER OF A UNIVERSITY, THE SPIRIT OF A UNIVERSITY, IS DETERMINED BY VERY FEW PEOPLE. AND I THINK THE CHARACTER OF UNC CHARLOTTE WAS DETERMINED BY BONNIE CONE.”

-FORMER CHANCELLOR JIM WOODWARD, 1973

FLASHBACK: Miss Bonnie E. Cone at Cone University Center’s 35th anniversary celebration in 1998.
The origins of Cone Center intertwine with the life and accomplishments of University founder Bonnie E. Cone. In 1946, lifelong educator Bonnie Cone, known simply as “Miss Bonnie,” became the first director of Charlotte Center, a night school program at Central High serving World War II veterans.

Through the efforts of Miss Bonnie and community leaders, Charlotte Center expanded in 1949 to become Charlotte College, a two-year, city-funded educational institution (hence, the “49ers”) located in its permanent home in northeast Charlotte.

Over 25 years, Miss Bonnie shaped the University’s future, serving as director, president, acting chancellor, and its first vice chancellor for student affairs. Upon her retirement in 1973, the College Center was renamed the Bonnie E. Cone University Center to honor her legacy and dedication to student life.

Celebration events held Nov. 4-9 included a CONE-vocation, A-Cone-A-Fair open house with decade-themed activities such as T-shirt tie-dying and retro arcade games, student performances and historical displays.
1960s
Charlotte College moves from its Central High School location into its new permanent campus in northeast Charlotte with the dedication of Kennedy and Macy buildings.

Atkins Library opens shortly afterwards, along with Bonnie Cone’s vision of a dedicated student services building: the College Center (later renamed Cone University Center). Don MacKay is appointed as the College Center’s first director.

The college formally joins the UNC system in 1965: enrollment is 1,800 students and the school colors, green and white, are chosen. Dean W. Colvard is named as UNC Charlotte’s first chancellor; Bonnie Cone becomes vice chancellor for student affairs.

At College Center, students enjoy a place to call their own to meet, socialize, organize and govern. The first campus programming group, University Union, is established and the building’s first addition is completed.

1970s
By the 1970s, enrollment has tripled to 5,000 students. Founder Bonnie Cone retires in 1973. The College Center is renamed the Bonnie E. Cone University Center in her honor; at the ceremony, Governor Jim Holshouser declares “Bonnie Cone Day” in NC.

The second Cone University Center expansion is opened and a new auditorium is dedicated as the Colbert Augustus McKnight Lecture Hall. McKnight was the editor of The Charlotte Observer in the ’50s and ’60s. Vern Parrish serves as Cone’s second director.

1980s
During the ’80s, WFAE 90.9 (later 90.7) signs on for the first time from its basement operations in Cone University Center. “The Carolina Journal” becomes “The 49er Times,” a biweekly campus newspaper. The first Emerging Leaders program is started.

Enrollment surpasses 10,000. Barbara Torres Gardner becomes Cone’s third director. Barry Godlewski follows as interim director until Keith Wassum is takes the helm as the fourth director.

The first annual A-Cone-A-Fair (open house and festival) is held in Cone University Center, becoming a tradition for many years, and the final issue of the UNC Charlotte yearbook, “The Prospector,” is published.

1990s
Cone becomes headquarters for the Campus Event Information Office, operating a telephone hotline and in-house video production studio. The University’s cable broadcast, Channel 22, is established.

Jim Hoppa begins his role as the fifth director of Cone University Center.

The first floor undergoes extensive renovation as the game room moves to the Barnhardt Student Activity Center. The first enterprise reservation system for the University is introduced and operates from Cone.

2000s
Cone University Center continues to grow and serve student life on campus. The Multicultural Resource Center and the Center for Leadership Development open. After Hours is renovated.

With enrollment exceeding 20,000, plans begin to build a new student union on campus. It opens as a complement to Cone University Center, and allows for new student-focused tenants to take up residence in the building.

Jerry Mann assumes the role of Cone’s sixth director, followed by J. Scott Derrick as seventh.

Today, the building remains a student-focused space with dining, meeting rooms and activity areas as well as student services such as the Honors College, the Levine Scholars Program, Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life and many more.
“Being a student employee has provided me with valuable experience as a leader. I’ve learned how to handle situations involving events and groups which has given me a chance to assert myself and (work) independently, and I think that’s helped my schoolwork.”

Kendyl Messer
Building Manager
Junior Nursing Major
College of Health and Human Services

In an effort to enhance the event coordination process, extensive review and research of several software packages used for contracts, invoices, room diagrams and financial records were conducted. CRES also played a key role in the assessment and upgrade of the current campus event scheduling software to support the needs of the growing University.

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**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**

Kendyl Messer
Building Manager
Junior Nursing Major
College of Health and Human Services

**REVENUE: $1,206,584**

**EXPENSES: $1,177,011**

**REVENUE LESS EXPENSES: $29,573**

**CONFERENCES**
Fun-Filled Starting Lineup of Events Kicks Off First Football Homecoming!

Football is more than a game; off the field, it represents an opportunity to build community and campus engagement. Student Activities worked with Alumni Affairs and Athletics to rewrite the playbook for UNC Charlotte’s first football Homecoming celebration, combining old and new traditions. A special committee focused entirely on Homecoming pulled together a week of programming that included Royal Court, a Spirit Cup Competition, the Homecoming Comedy Show, and a first-ever evening Lights Parade and Pep Rally followed by a special Union Take Over.

- The Homecoming Lights Parade and Pep Rally featured over 130 parade groups and special appearances by the Charlotte 49ers football team, coaches, cheerleaders and dance squad.
- Carlo Moore and Ashley Kelly were named Mr. & Miss UNC Charlotte during the halftime show of the Homecoming game.
- Over 800 students packed the Student Union third floor to see Nick Swardson with David Koechner for the Homecoming Comedy Show.

Weekend programming felt the impact of football for all six home games. The first Football Viewing Party, held in the Student Union, drew over 300 fans to watch the WCCB broadcast aired in Norm’s and the movie theater.
Venture’s New Minor Is Major Accomplishment

Wilderness trip leading, outdoor education training and challenge course facilitation abound as a new minor set up camp in the Department of Kinesiology with instruction provided by Venture.

The program encompasses a philosophy of practice that focuses on interpersonal relationships, leadership and character building through outdoor experiences. Students acquire the knowledge, skills and abilities to lead a variety of group adventure activities—from rock climbing to challenge courses to whitewater rafting—and connect those group experiences to learning outcomes.

The minor’s evolution began with one-credit courses that focused on the intersections between the Kinesiology Department and Venture’s areas of specialty. As the relationship developed, two-credit courses were offered. Ultimately, in response to student demand, the partnership was formalized into an expanded KOAL (Kinesiology’s Outdoor Adventure Leadership) curriculum.

The 18-hour minor consists of required coursework and approved electives. The final practicum requires students to assume an active leadership role with either Venture or another approved outdoor program. Students must maintain an overall GPA of 3.0 in the minor coursework.

The courses do not require previous academic or Venture experience or knowledge, but are reserved for students who apply and are accepted into the KOAL minor.

For its first year, the program received 35 applications for 12 openings.

Women’s Leadership Development Program Inspires and Connects

Twenty students met over eight weeks to interact with and learn from experienced community leaders as part of the Women’s Leadership Development Program initiated by the Center for Leadership Development.

Guests shared their stories, answered questions and engaged in conversations about their personal experiences as leaders. Speakers included Charlotte Athletics director Judy Rose, former attorney Lisa Dubois (the Chancellor’s spouse), WSOC anchor and reporter Stephanie Coueignoux, CMC Disease Director Dr. Katie Passaretti and Davidson College President Carol Quillen.

“I LEARNED A LOT OF GREAT WAYS TO APPROACH THE LITTLE OBSTACLES AND CHALLENGES LIFE THROWS AT ME. BY HEARING EVERYONE’S STORIES I GOT TO SEE HOW THESE BRIGHT WOMEN HANDLE THESE THINGS. I AM REASSURED THAT WOMEN CAN DO IT ALL. I PLAN TO!” — from Participant Evaluations
Student Government Convenes Under New Advising Structure

Student Activities took over the advising role for the executive and legislative branches of the Student Government Association (SGA). The change will strengthen relationships between SGA and student organizations, provide a cohesive support system and align resources for student involvement activities.

The Senior Class Council raised $1,890—the highest annual amount raised in over a decade—toward the Senior Class Gift, earning $985 in T-shirt sales at graduation ceremonies and $905 with the help of the Call Center in the Development Office.

Right: Senior Class Council President Robert Valderama raises money for the Senior Class Gift through T-shirt sales at spring commencement ceremonies.

UNC Charlotte students schooled the Faculty/Staff team in the 49er B-Ball Tournament in Halton Arena, breaking the establishment’s four-year winning streak. Student Body President Brady Nails and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Dr. Arthur Jackson coached the teams in this annual event full of friendly competition.
Campus Activities Board Expands
Weekend Programming and
Campus-Wide Partnerships

The Campus Activities Board (CAB) embraced weekend programming by hosting 63 events formerly overseen by Niners on the Weekend (NOW), increasing their overall annual programming from 106 events in FY13 to 131 events in FY14. Of those, 35 were held in Cone University Center as a result of intentional emphasis to generate more student involvement activity in the building.

CAB was awarded four National Association for Campus Activities (NACA) Awards from the South Regional Conference: Best Delegation within CAMP (Campus Activities Market Place), Best Website, Best Themed Event Design, and Best Non-poster marketing item for the CAB Calendar. CAB was the only programming board to win more than two awards.

Student Activities brought Capital Cities to perform free for UNC Charlotte students in Halton Arena on April 13.
Center for Leadership Development:
Strength in Numbers

Leadership programs reached maximum capacity, while PiLOT continued to draw hundreds of students to its self-paced curriculum.

1,000+
ATTENDED 310 PILOT WORKSHOPS

58
LEADERSHIP FELLOWS

50
EMERGING LEADERS

66
LEADERSHAPE INSTITUTE

23
LEADERSHIP JOURNEY LEARNING COMMUNITY

Student Niner Media: There’s An App For That!

Student Niner Media unveiled a mobile app in January. The Mobile App Launch Party successfully garnered more than 470 downloads.

Niner Media also introduced the GoldRush and Spring Fever issues. Six issues of GoldRush were published weekly prior to each home football game for the inaugural season. The Spring Fever issue alone brought in an additional $5,000 in revenue.

Student Niner Media Marketing Earns Regional and National Recognition

College Media Association (CMA)
Best of Collegiate Design 2013
• The Niner Times, Best Advertisement, Dance ‘till You Drop
• Pinnacle College Broadcast and Web Tech Awards 2013
• NinerOnline, Best Entertainment Program, Finalist, Around the Crown

North Carolina College Media Association
Statewide College Media Awards Competition
• NinerOnline.com, Best of Show – Online News
• The Niner Times, Photography, 3rd Place

2014 CMBAM (College Media Business and Advertising Managers)
• 3rd Place, Best Professionally Designed Ad Campaign
• 3rd Place, Best Sales Pitch Proposal
• 4th Place, Best Printed Rate Card/Media Kit
• 4th Place, Best Advertising Manager, Emmanuel Loredo

2013 SUN Conference (Southern University Newspapers)
• 1st Place, Best Special Section, Survival Guide
• 2nd Place, Most Effective Online Retail Ad, Walden Court Apartments
• 3rd Place, Best Ad Campaign, Dance till You Drop

Campus Leaders Recognized for Outstanding Contributions

Ten exemplary students were acknowledged during the annual Honors and Awards Program held April 14 in the Student Union, sponsored by the Center for Leadership Development. The ceremony recognized students’ outstanding achievements in academics, athletics, community service and leadership.

Pictured, left to right: Jill Foster, Paolo Lopez-Collazo, Madison Gardner, Akeisha Moseley, Ashley Peterson, Coye Still IV, Susan Thomas, Robert Valderrama, Jonathan Shuman and Jonathan Curry with Chancellor Dubois at the annual student leadership awards ceremony.
Student group programming consisted of 110 mobile programs with 3,001 participants; 34 Teams Course programs with 727 participants; 23 High Challenge Course programs with 490 participants; and 27 trips with 261 participants.

Non-student group programming consisted of 25 corporate programs with 670 participants; 7 programs for college groups with 94 participants; 41 programs for non-profit/education groups with 1,662 participants; and one high school camp for 24 students with Extended Academic Programs’ Camps on Campus.

Offered 48 open climbing wall sessions for 549 participants.

Hosted 35 special events for 783 participants.

Multicultural Resource Center Promotes Open Dialogue and Education

- Faculty, staff and students trained through Safezone, Friendly Peer & Safe Chapter: 240
- Students engaged through 6 “Women of Color” conversations: 88
- Trained through Multiculturalism and Sexual & Gender Diversity Workshops: 546
- Students involved in 5 History/Heritage Month Programs: 480
- Students attended 11 “Let’s Talk About It” discussions: 236

Venture Programs Rise to New Heights

- SOAR Outdoor Participants tripled from 8 to 24
- Who attended five-day summer orientation trips: 5

Thank You

Venture received a $5,000 unrestricted gift from the Ecology Wildlife Foundation.
Harris Named P.J. Briggs Winner

Rising senior Virtuous Harris, an exercise science major minoring in public health, received the 2014 P.J. Briggs scholarship, a $4,000 award founded by the Briggs family to recognize exceptional students involved in Recreational Services.

In addition to working as a sports official for Recreational Services, Virtuous serves as a Niner Guide for incoming students and is involved in the Minority Association for Pre-medical Students (MAPS) and the Sports Official Association.

Active Students Take the Lead in Academic Success and Student Retention

Recreational Services enjoys high participation rates, attracting 9,237 unique users of one or more departmental offerings in fall 2013 and 8,648 in spring 2014. Those figures amount to 43.3% and 42.9%, respectively, of the overall undergraduate student population.

Beyond the physical benefits, research shows that recreational activity demonstrates a positive impact on student GPAs and retention rates.

Fall 2013 participants held an average semester GPA of 2.83, compared with 2.77 held by those who did not participate in any Recreational Services activities. In spring 2014, participant GPAs rose to 2.87, compared with 2.79.

Data also revealed that from fall 2013 to spring 2014, Recreational Services participants had a 91% retention rate, compared with a retention rate of 82% of students that were not involved with any offerings by Recreational Services.

New Director Joins the Team

Jim Walczyk brings over 20 years in campus recreation and student development to UNC Charlotte as the new director of Recreational Services. Walczyk spent 16 years in campus recreation at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville before assuming the role of director of student recreation and wellness services with the University of Akron in Ohio in 2008. He looks forward to expanding the campus recreation opportunities at UNC Charlotte as the campus community grows.

Left: Recreational Services Director Jim Walczyk and P.J. Briggs scholarship winner Virtuous Harris
“TIME-OUT” FOR BELK GYM

Belk Gym is taking a “Time Out” to undergo renovations, reopening in fall 2015 with air conditioning for the gyms and workout facilities, upgrades including a new fitness center, and more classroom amenities.

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ROLLER HOCKEY COMPLETED AN UNDEFEATED REGULAR SEASON (21-0) AND WON THE SOUTHEASTERN COLLEGIATE ROLLER HOCKEY LEAGUE (SECRH).

THE QUIDDITCH CLUB HOSTED THEIR FIRST TOURNAMENT ON CAMPUS WITH EIGHT TEAMS AND APPROXIMATELY 300 SPECTATORS.

“My favorite thing about UNC Charlotte is that it’s so diverse. My first year I had a roommate from China, from India and from my hometown of Durham, NC.”

Virtuous Harris,
Sports Official
Senior Exercise Science Major with a minor in Public Health
College of Health and Human Services

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT
Taking Control of Weight Loss with Time 2 Change

Time 2 Change, a new wellness initiative launched in conjunction with Norming Niners, the Counseling Center and the University dietitian, supports students suffering from obesity with two weekly small group-training sessions, weekly support group meetings and monthly counseling meetings at no cost. The program drew 15 participants in the fall and 9 in the spring.

UNC Charlotte Student Employee of the Year

Jasmine Holmes, Intramural Supervisor, was selected as UNC Charlotte’s 2013-14 Student Employee of the Year.

Jasmine Holmes
Intramural Supervisor,
Senior Exercise Science Major
College of Health and Human Services

Fitness Programs collaborated with Women’s Programs, the Counseling Center and the University dietitian for “Love Your Body Week.”

ON THE GREEN REACHED CAPACITY PARTICIPATION WITH 144 GOLFERS, NETTING $9,243 FOR STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS.

THE 49ER GOLD RUSH 5K RUN/ WALK DREW A RECORD 789 PARTICIPANTS, NETTING $7,583 FOR THE STUDENT DEVELOPMENT FUND AND $535 IN DIRECT DONATIONS FOR THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.

RECFEST BROUGHT APPROXIMATELY 3,500 STUDENTS TO THE NORTHEAST RECREATIONAL FIELD COMPLEX TO KICK OFF THE SCHOOL YEAR WITH OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES.
Mann Receives National Recognition Prior to Retirement

Jerry Mann retired after six years as executive director for the Student Union and Cone University Center. Prior to retiring, he received the Honorary Lifetime Membership Award for exceptional service from the Association of College Unions International (ACUI) through which he volunteered extensively over his 33-year career in student affairs and higher education.

No Ticket? No Problem!

For those not able to score tickets to the inaugural football game, the Student Union and Student Activities hosted a Football Viewing Party for about 300 fans.

Total Number of Visitors
July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014:

2,088,870 total visitors

Busiest Day
Monday, August 19, 2013

17,511 visitors
Racking Up Awards at ACUI National Billiard and Table Tennis Tournaments

UNC Charlotte students dominated at the annual Association of College Unions International (ACUI) billiard and table tennis tournaments. In the men’s 9-ball billiards competition, David Anderson took second place; Alexander Hohl and Nikhil Dahake won first and third place men’s singles, respectively, in table tennis. UNC Charlotte also finished second in the table tennis doubles tournament.

Men’s table tennis competitor Andy Nguyen and men’s 9-ball player Cody Terry received the Sportsmanship Award, voted by players. This is the second consecutive year a UNC Charlotte student has received the honor.

Texting and Driving Simulation Accelerates Awareness

The Student Union helped host AT&T’s “It Can Wait” texting and driving awareness campaign on Sept. 4 with North Carolina Attorney General Roy Cooper. Chancellor Philip L. Dubois, AT&T executives, students and others were able to test a 3-D driving simulator to experience firsthand the dangers of texting behind the wheel. Students also signed a pledge banner to support the campaign.
Summer graduate student intern D. J. Fox and building manager Meghan Bradsher lead a video tour of the Student Union.

“As a student employee, I’ve gotten to know a lot more people as a whole. It’s fun to work with people in the building and then see them in class and they recognize that you work here, too. It gives you a better sense of community and sense of purpose.”

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Kyle Prunty
Lead Event Technician
Senior Computer Science Major
College of Computing and Informatics

Student Union Advisory Board

Jessica James
Cameron Dawson
Alana Parks
Sa Memm Jone
Melody Lee
Eden Creamer
Sarah Peterson
Jake Finau
Donovon Lindsey
Madison Walsh-Humberson
Vacant
Betty Ladner
Ashley Faulkner
Jim Hoppa
Michelle Guobadia
Becky Warren
Cassady Schulte

Board Chair, At-large student member
Student Government Association
Graduate Professional Student Government
Multicultural Resource Center
Campus Activities Board
Student Niner Media
Center for Leadership Development
Student Activities Fee Commission
At-large student member
At-large student member
At-large student member
Academic Affairs Representative
Faculty Council
Alumni Association
Student Affairs Representative
Student Affairs Representative
Student Affairs Representative
Business Affairs Representative
Minute Taker

NinerTech

NinerTech welcomed a new Store Manager Dave Tabone and Service Technician Margie Briggs this year.

NinerTech sold 1,743 desktop and laptop computers and tablet devices to students, faculty, staff and campus departments.

Demand for computer service grew steadily with repair tickets for various vendors totaling 908 compared to 765 in FY13. Accessories and peripherals increased with $328,692 in sales compared to $281,655 in FY13.

The year finished with gross sales totaling $2,584,347, a reduction of $324,669.73 or 8%, attributable to the campus shift to extend product replacement cycles from three years to four years. Institutional purchases for FY14 were down $340,360 from FY13.

Summer graduate student intern D. J. Fox and building manager Meghan Bradsher lead a video tour of the Student Union.
SUAR Marketing earned three national awards from the Association of College Unions International (ACUI) design competition.

All designs by SUAR Marketing Assistant/Graphic Designer Brittany C. Davis: 2nd Place, Promotional Campaigns, Last Basketball Homecoming; 3rd Place, Professional T-shirts, A Better U; and an Honorable Mention, Professional T-shirts, Niner Domi-Nation.

Four large murals designed by SUAR Marketing were installed at the Barnhardt Student Activity Center to welcome visitors and foster school spirit.

“Working at UNC Charlotte, I gained experience working with real clients and real deadlines.”

Clay Boan
Graphic Designer
Senior, Graphic Design Major
College of Arts + Architecture

1,645 GRAPHICS REQUESTS COMPLETED FOR OVER 350 EVENTS AND/OR PROJECTS (FROM 1,535 IN FY13)

741 TOTAL CAMPUS EVENTS BROADCAST THROUGH SUAR DIGITAL SIGNAGE (FROM 507 IN FY13)

2,227 TOTAL EVENTS PROMOTED THROUGH THE CAMPUS EVENTS WEB CALENDAR (FROM 1,795 IN FY13)
SUAR IT completed 2,477 support tickets to help keep infrastructure, operations and applications functioning at optimal performance levels.

- Completed over 14 server and infrastructure projects, retired five outdated legacy servers and supported 485 departmental devices.
- Created new Drupal 7 infrastructure in accordance with University theme.
- Built new staff information tracking and peer evaluation systems.
- Implemented new data protection system with continuous “always on” backup capabilities.
- Developed a mobile-friendly web voting application, 49erVote, for Student Government Association (SGA) elections.
- Sponsored a student IT internship focusing on Process Cycle Efficiency as it relates to IT Support. Results from this internship were presented to the local campus IT community as well as in a Mini Session at the JAMF Nation User Conference.

"Working at SUAR IT has ultimately been a help in that I’ve been able to apply what I’ve learned in my classes for operations to making improvements and efficiencies to the SUAR IT help desk."

Michael Modrak  
Senior Operations and Supply Chain Management Major  
Belk College of Business

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

SUAR offers over 500 part-time student employment opportunities on campus. These students are essential to our efforts to provide quality and accessible services and facilities for our guests.

Student positions range from staffing information and welcome centers, managing and maintaining buildings, providing audio/visual and tech support, making reservations and setting up rooms, staffing events, officiating sports games, and various other responsibilities including information technology support, graphic design and office assistance.

Throughout this report, students described their employment experience in their own words. In doing so, they touched on common themes:

- Leadership  
- Team Building  
- Skill Training  
- Confidence  
- Self-Efficacy  
- Community  
- Connection to the University

These skills, combined with their academic degree, leave our students better prepared to succeed in the professional world and their personal lives, while building a sense of belonging and lifelong friendships.
We invite you to visit us at your earliest convenience and see firsthand how your gift impacts student lives at UNC Charlotte.

For more information on how you can support student affairs, please contact:

Benjamin J. Pendry, Director of Development for Student Affairs & Special Projects
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or visit giving.uncc.edu.

Support the Annual Fund

Your gift to the Division of Student Affairs provides critical support for scholarships, student engagement, service initiatives, campus enrichment and leadership development programs. We are actively engaging alumni, parents, friends, corporate sponsors and other stakeholders to join us in providing extraordinary opportunities for every student.

Supporting SUAR means supporting the variety of programs, services and facilities that enhance student life. The annual campaign is one way to sustain giving year after year. In addition, a variety of naming opportunities remain open with the Student Union.

SUAR Annual Giving Opportunities

Scholarships & Programming
Support need-based or merit scholarships to students who are engaged in co-curricular activities and STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS. or cultivate campus event programming initiatives with the CAMPUS ACTIVITIES BOARD.

Multicultural Resource Center
Encourage an understanding of diversity and multiculturalism with the MULTICULTURAL RESOURCE CENTER’s programming, events, speakers, day trips, conferences and other experiences.

Leadership Development Programs
Connect academic and applied experience with CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT initiatives such as Emerging Leaders, LeaderShape and the Multicultural Leadership Conference.

Speakers Series
Help bring recognized experts in the fields of leadership, ethics, management and organizational development to assist our students in their own leadership journey.

Experiential Education Opportunities
Foster hands-on learning experiences outside the classroom with VENTURE, STUDENT NINER MEDIA and RECREATIONAL SERVICES through challenge courses, professional practice, recreation facilities, club sports, and scholarships.

Facilities & Services
Enhance student life spaces and services such as those in the STUDENT UNION, CONE UNIVERSITY CENTER and BARNHARDT STUDENT ACTIVITY CENTER.

Put A Name On It

With thousands of daily visitors, the Student Union continues to be a vibrant catalyst for student life and campus involvement.

Naming opportunities exist at all levels to sustain the Niner Nation experience for future generations. From the grand rotunda to the piano lounge, we have the perfect place to publicly thank you with permanent recognition.

Let your gift inspire tomorrow’s future leaders!

Let’s Connect!

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ACADEMIC AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

SUAR is committed to student learning and development, both inside and outside the classroom. Many of our staff hold adjunct faculty positions, as listed below, while our partnerships with the community connect our students through active citizenship as well as advance the University’s educational mission.

Academic Collaborations

THE CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

• COMM 3135: Leadership Theory and Group Dynamics
• COMM 3136: Leadership, Service and Ethics
• UCOL 1200: Freshmen Seminar/Leadership Emphasis (8 LEAD presentations)
• Leadership Journey Learning Community

This year, one student was awarded a Certificate in Leadership Studies, open to undergraduates enrolled in any major. In addition to required courses for their majors, students complete 18 hours of leadership-based coursework to earn the certificate.

STUDENT NINER MEDIA

• JOUR 2401 Practicum in Communications Studies (22 students)
• One (1) internship offered through the Department of Art

PROGRAM UNIT

• UCOL 1200: Freshmen Seminar (5 presentations)

VENTURE staff teach many outdoor leadership courses in the Department of Kinesiology.

• KNES 1231: Introduction to Outdoor Adventures
• KNES 1233: Rock Climbing
• KNES 1235: Challenge Course Activities
• KNES 2230: Wilderness Experience
• KNES 2231: Wilderness Experience Lab
• KNES 2232: Wilderness Trip Leading
• Theory and Foundations of Adventure Education
• KOAL Practicum
• Academic internships (2)

THE MULTICULTURAL RESOURCE CENTER

• Educated approximately 775 students through 31 presentations to various academic classes on the topics of identity, diversity and inclusion.
• Educated approximately 546 students and staff through classroom and departmental training about MRC resources and sexual and gender diversity

RECREATIONAL SERVICES made 18 presentations to freshmen and upperclassmen.

• UCOL 1000: Freshman Seminar (14)
• UCOL 1300: Academic Success Seminar (1)
• HLTH 2101: Healthy Lifestyles (2)
• CJUS 3031: Criminal Justice Community (1)

Community Partnerships

Assurance United Methodist Church
Cox Mill High School
Cardinal Logistics
Concord High School
Central Piedmont Community College
Charlotte Lesbian & Gay Fund
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools
Coalition of 100 Black Women
Communities In Schools
Corning Glass Fibers DaVita Clinics
Davidson College
Furman University
Habitat for Humanity and Communities in Schools
IKEA
Johnson and Wales University
Latin American Coalition
Levine Museum of the New South
Mallard Creek High School
Martin Starnes, Wells Fargo
MLK Middle School
Girl Scout and Boy Scout Troops
Q-Notes
Queens University
Relay for Life
Ronald McDonald House
SAVE Youth Advisory Board
Sea Cadets and Young Marines
Sedgefield Montessori School
Shelton Leadership School
Telexflex
TIAA-CREF
Time Out Youth
Trinity Episcopal School
Tuttle Elementary School
West Charlotte High School
Wingate School of Pharmacy
Winston-Salem State University
Various EMS/Police/Fire Units
The five student fee funded areas (Cone University Center, Student Union, Student Activity Center and Venue Management, Recreational Services and Student Activity Fees Commission) ended FY14 with positive fund balances and remain financially sound. Operating and personnel expenses were managed effectively, including appropriate contributions to reserves for long-term planning.

### FEE SCHEDULE

Fees increased by $4 this year for Recreational Services to fund new equipment purchases for Belk Gym. No other fee increases were incurred.

### EXPENSE REPORT

- **Personnel**: $5,867,925 (46.6%)
- **Student Wages**: $1,449,183 (11.5%)
- **Contracted Services**: $1,371,257 (10.9%)
- **Repairs & Maintenance Contracts**: $104,009 (8.8%)
- **Utilities**: $910,956 (7.2%)
- **Student Programming & Travel**: $72,897 (0.6%)
- **Insurance**: $97,502 (0.8%)
- **Communication**: $142,642 (1.1%)
- **Staff Travel & Development**: $156,552 (1.2%)
- **Supplies**: $333,386 (4.2%)
- **Equipment**: $389,148 (4.0%)
- **Other**: $497,987 (3.1%)

### GENERAL FEE

- **Student Union Operations**: $209
- **Cone Center Operations**: $49
- **Student Activity Center Operations**: $134
- **Recreational Services**: $75
- **Student Fee Commission**: $55

**Total General Fees**: $522

### DEBT FEE

- **Student Union**: $210
- **Student Activity Center**: $130

**Total Debt Fees**: $340

**Total Fee**: $862

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**COMBINED SUAR REVENUE & EXPENSE SUMMARY**

Includes Cone University Center, Student Union, Student Activity Center and Recreational Services.

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**ANNUAL REPORT**
The SAFC is composed of nine members: five at-large (including the chair) who are appointed by the Chancellor and four divisional representatives.

Jake Finau, Chair
Coline Dony, Graduate & Professional Student Government
Paolo Lopez-Collazo, At-large member
Chase Kapitsky, Student Government Association
Alisa Little, At-large member
Emily Kupsky, Student Niner Media
Madison Gardner, At-large member
Melguan Thomas, At-large member
Veronica Rogers, Campus Activities Board
Casey Hurst, SAFC Business Manager
Jim Hoppa, SAFC Advisor

The following one-time allocations were made from reserves:

- $80,000 to CAB Concert Fund
- $20,000 to Student Organizations for operational, travel and event grants
- $20,000 to GPSG for travel grants
- $10,000 to support Class Councils
- $26,000 to CAB to support the Homecoming Comedy Show
- $1,600 to Center for Leadership Development to support the new Women’s Leadership Program
- An additional $1 per FTE student to Sport Clubs

SAFC also transferred $77,631 to SUAR IT to support technology operations.
Over 15,000 Niner Nation fans packed the new Jerry Richardson Stadium for UNC Charlotte’s inaugural football game on August 31, 2013, witnessing victory and history as the Charlotte 49ers defeated the Campbell Camels 52-7.