C. F. Lynch Awards

Presented annually by Housing and Residence Life and the Resident Students Association

Important Dates

March 20, 2015  Award Bids Due to Resident49ers@uncc.edu
March 27, 2015  Presentations
April 26, 2015  End of the Year Housing Banquet

What are the C.F. Lynch Awards?

The Chuck Lynch Awards, sponsored by the Resident Students Association, seek to recognize outstanding programmatic efforts of hall councils and residence hall staffs. This year, up to nine different awards will be given to showcase the outstanding quality and variety of this year’s residence hall activities.

Awards Include

~ Community of the Year ~ Campus Connections ~ Best Inter-Building Program
~ Pay it Forward ~ Program of the Year ~ Niner Nation Spirit ~
~ Hall Cup ~ Program Series of the Year ~ Academic Connections ~
C.F. Lynch Award Bid Criteria

Award bids are due to Resident49ers@uncc.edu Friday, March 20th by 5:00 PM

Submissions should include:

• Cover Sheet [Found on page 6]
• Year to Date Summary focused on criteria of Hall Cup and Community of the Year [Maximum of 3 pages]
• Award Nominations [1 per award per area maximum; no maximum page limit]

• Fall Programming Summary
• Spring Programming Summary [To Date]
• Resident feedback on programs, leadership and volunteer opportunities, and connectedness with the community.

Format:

• PDF Format
• Should include a theme
• Must include pictures from programs

Presentations

Structure:

Presentations, lasting no longer than 10 minutes, should be put together to highlight your area’s accomplishments as stated in your written bid. Creativity is encouraged!

Date of Presentations:

Presentations will take place Friday March 27th in the Student Union room 200. Please be on the lookout for a doodle meeting schedule to schedule your areas presentation time.
C.F. Lynch Award Descriptions and Criteria

Below you will find descriptions of all of the awards presented this year. Please make sure that the award is applicable to your area before bidding.

Community of the Year:
Award presented to the hall/area that helped residential students build a connected community focused on academic success and promoted leadership, service, and pride among the members of the community. A Community of the Year award will be given out to one building/area in each of the three villages.

Criteria:
• Created a “home away from home” atmosphere
• Provided opportunities for connections between residents, hall council, and staff
• Offered creative and diverse programs with stated objectives and outcomes
• Promoted community service through volunteer opportunities for residents
• Provided leadership opportunities to residents
• Made progress on facility improvement projects
• Connected residents to campus wide events

The Hall Cup:
The Hall Cup recognizes the achievements of Hall Councils and is awarded based on numerous criteria including attendance and participation at RSA meetings and events, Hall Council programing efforts, and the environment that the Hall Council has provided within each hall/area.

Criteria:
• Offered creative and diverse programs.
• Provide connections with and among residents
• Had a positive impact on the community
• Attended RSA meetings, programs, and conferences
• Fostered a community of bonding, education, and leadership.

Program of the Year:
This Award is given to recognize an innovative and creative single-day program that provided outstanding social or educational opportunities for residential students.

Criteria:
• Provided an outstanding and innovative educational or social program
• Provided residents an opportunity to connect with staff and one another
• Achieved stated goals and outcomes
• Used resources and partnerships effectively
• Had a positive impact on the community
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Program Series of the Year:
This Award is given to recognize an innovative and creative multi-program series that provided outstanding social or educational opportunities for residential students.

Criteria:
- Provided an outstanding educational or social program
- Achieved stated goals and outcomes
- Provided opportunities for connections between residents
- Used resources and partnerships effectively
- Had a positive impact on the community

Niner Nation Spirit Award:
This Award is presented to the hall/area that had the most innovative and creative program for building Niner Nation Spirit. Preference will be given to halls/areas who go above and beyond by creating innovative ways to build school spirit

Criteria:
- Provides a creative program for building school spirit
- Provides opportunities for connections among residents
- Achieved stated goals and outcomes
- Used resources and sponsorships effectively
- Had a positive impact on the community

Academic Connections Award:
This Award is presented to the hall/area that had the most innovative and creative method for promoting a residential environment that fostered academic growth and success.

Criteria:
- Assisted residents in creating an environment conducive to academic success
- Offered opportunities for academic achievement and improvement
- Achieved stated goals and outcomes
- Used resources and partnerships effectively
- Had a positive impact on the community
Campus Connections Award:
Award presented to the hall/area who utilized campus resources the most to provide successful programs, and help residents become better acclimated to campus, and campus resources.

Criteria:
- Partnered with at least one campus department
- Offered a creative and diverse program
- Provide connections with residents
- Had a positive impact on the community
- Was tailored to specific issue or purpose

Best Inter-Building Program:
Award presented to the best program collaboration between two or more residence halls.

Criteria:
- Included two or more residence
- Program involved residents and RAs of all buildings
- Had a positive impact on the community.
- Program was new and exciting
- Program used resources and partnerships effectively

Pay it Forward Award:
This award goes to the residence hall that has contributed the most to the UNC Charlotte as well as the greater Charlotte community. Preference will be given to halls that go above and beyond with creative initiatives and partnerships with outside organizations.

Criteria:
- Focused on improving the well being of the community and forming relationships between on-campus residents, UNCC, and the greater Charlotte region.
- Programs are creative, diverse, and fun
- Promote community service through volunteering as well as leadership

Why are the C. F. Lynch Awards Important

Past:
The Chuck Lynch awards are named in honor of former Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Chuck Lynch and recognize the best residential programs put on by Resident Advisors across campus.

Present:
The Chuck Lynch award packets that you and your staff will put together serve first and foremost to recognize the achievements of Resident Advisors.

Future:
The C. F. Lynch packets also serve as a historical document that can be accessed by Resident Advisors in the future. Future RAs can use this packets and a point of inspiration for bigger and better programs!
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Cover Sheet

Name of Building / Area: ______________________________________________________

Applying for Program of the Year ___ Yes ___ No
Name of Program: _________________________________

Applying for Program Series of the Year ___ Yes ___ No
Name of Program: _________________________________

Applying for Academic Connections Award ___ Yes ___ No
Name of Program: _________________________________

Applying for Niner Nation Spirit Award ___ Yes ___ No
Name of Program: _________________________________

Applying for Campus Connections Award ___ Yes ___ No
Name of Program: _________________________________

Applying for Best Inter-Building Program ___ Yes ___ No
Name of Program: _________________________________

Applying for Pay It Forward Award ___ Yes ___ No
Name of Program: _________________________________