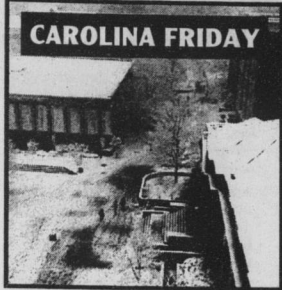


CAMPUS AND CITY



CAROLINA FRIDAY
Watch whatcha do with those campaign signs

Hey! Watch where you put that campaign sign.

Candidates for student office need to be aware of where they can and can't put campaign signs.

Elections Board Chairman Ron Barnes said that although technically candidates could only hang posters on bulletin boards and the Cubes, he would not enforce the removal of posters from the walls inside buildings.

"If taking the poster off the wall pulls paint off, the candidate must pay for repairs," Barnes said. "That has been a problem in the past."

Barnes said he did not mind if candidates hung the posters neatly on walls and did not hang them in any way that would damage University property.

Candidates may not hang posters on the outside of buildings, on trees, bushes and lightposts, on Daily Tar Heel boxes, or within 50 feet of the poll sites, he said.

If a candidate hangs a poster in an illegal area, the University Facilities Use Policy states that the candidate should be fined \$5 and must pay for any damage to the property, Barnes said.

Unauthorized removal of a candidate's campaign posters is an Honor Code violation.

Attention candidates: Only 17 days 'til E-day

Election Day, that is.

Candidates for any and all campus offices must have their petitions in by 5 p.m. on Jan. 28. This is the absolute deadline, and there are no exceptions.

Petitions can be picked up and dropped off outside the Elections Board office in Suite A, and there will be a mandatory candidates' meeting at 5 p.m. Thursday — that's right, at the same time petitions are due — in Gerrard Hall.

Elections will be held Feb. 9.

UNC undergrad women: Let us hear you roar

If you are an undergraduate woman with opinions about how University life has been treating you, there's a program you shouldn't miss.

A panel discussion called "Undergraduate women at Carolina: Is this what you expected?" will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Jan. 26 in the Hanes Art Center auditorium.

The panel will include Carol Binzer, University assistant director for leadership development; Margo Crawford, director of the Sonja Haynes Stone Black Cultural Center; Dorothy Holland, anthropology professor; and Peggy Norton, from the Student Health Service gynecology clinic.

Small-group discussions about minorities on campus, career preparation, rape and sexual assault, part-time jobs, activism, academic pressures, self-esteem, volunteering, women's health, sororities and other issues will follow the panel discussion.

Hey, don't you throw away that soda bottle

I have one word for you: Plastics.

And the Orange County Recycling Program has one more word for you: Recycling.

The OCRP has three recycling receptacles on campus. Look for the large, blue dumpsters labelled "plastics only" located at Hinton James, Ehringhaus and Odum Village on the corner of Hibbard Drive and Bernard Street.

Plastic soda bottles and milk jugs only may be recycled. Other plastics may contaminate the whole lot. The bottles should be emptied, rinsed and flattened.

Journalism educators have a Cuban cigar

Dean Richard Cole of the School of Journalism and Mass Communication led a group of 20 educators to Havana to find out about Cuban journalism.

The group visited Granma, the only daily newspaper in a communist nation, Radio Havana Cuba and the Cuban Institute of Radio and Television, which oversees all broadcast media in the country, Cole said. They also met with faculty from a journalism program at the University of Havana.

Strict limitations on the Cuban media force Cuban broadcast journalists to change news-reporting styles, Cole said.

The greenhouse effect welcomed on campus

Three new greenhouses will be added to Coker Hall by this November.

Work began on Jan. 19. on the \$418,000 project to the south and east of the existing greenhouses.

Chinese students ring in Year of the Rooster

By Phuong Ly
Staff Writer

Happy New Year! — yes, again.

The Chinese New Year, based on the lunar calendar, begins Saturday, marking the dawn of the Year of the Rooster.

The Chinese associate each year with one of the 12 symbols of the Chinese zodiac, rotated in this order: rat, ox, tiger, hare, dragon, snake, horse, sheep, monkey, rooster, dog and boar.

According to Chinese myth, the order of the animals in the zodiac were determined by a footrace in which the rat finished first and the boar came in last.

The rooster represents reliability and hard work, said Hui Huang, a sociology graduate student and member of UNC's Friendship Association of Chinese Students and Scholars.

Before clocks and watches were available, the rooster was important, especially to farmers, because it would let people know when a new day had arrived, Huang said. "When the day

breaks, the rooster will wake up and wake all the people and bring the world to life."

The Chinese like to say, "When you hear the rooster crow, you have to get up, and you have to work hard," Huang said.

But roosters aren't always serious. During the daytime, the rooster's crow or "song" can get people in the spirit of dancing, Huang said.

People born in years of the rooster are diligent and hard-working, said Shaoyi He, president of the Friendship Association.

The Chinese New Year, celebrated in many East Asian countries, usually begins between late January and mid-February on the Gregorian calendar, the one used in the United States.

The lunar year begins with the new moon of the year after 12 lunar cycles. At the beginning of each lunar phase, the moon is invisible. Because lunar



cycles are uneven, an extra month is added to the Chinese calendar every three or four years to keep it in tune with the seasons.

The New Year celebration traditionally lasts about two weeks, until the first full moon of the year appears.

Jamin Huang of Chapel Hill, who helps coordinate activities for the Triangle Area Chinese American Society, said the New Year celebration was a special time for the family.

"The Chinese New Year is like the Thanksgiving dinner," he said. "The family members will try to get home before the New Year eve, and all sit down together and have dinner."

The holiday also is a time of renewal, Jamin Huang said. Some traditions he remembers from his childhood in Taiwan are wearing new clothes for a new beginning, setting off firecrackers before leaving the house on New Year's Day to ward off evil spirits and trying not to fight or curse because otherwise

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Touchdown!

Senior Nik Mittal of Raleigh, left, and junior Josh Sussman of Chapel Hill battle it out on a video football field. The roommates played an emotion-filled game of "Techmo Bowl" Thursday night in their Carrboro home.

Residents request more services in spite of town budget shortfall

By Richard J. Dalton Jr.
Staff Writer

Although Chapel Hill Town Council members might be forced to raise taxes or cut the town's budget to make up for a \$900,000 shortfall, residents said Thursday night that they wanted the town to provide more services.

"The choice is either we raise taxes or reduce services," council member Julie Andresen said at the public budget forum held at Town Hall. "Should we accept the notion that there is going to be a tax increase, or should we also look at other options?"

But residents who spoke at the budget forum did not address the town's budget cuts. Instead they requested town improvements such as better sidewalks, improved athletic fields and support for high school sports.

Andresen asked town manager Cal

Horton to present budget-cutting options to the council.

Clark Road resident Lightning Brown requested that sidewalks be built on the west side of North Columbia Street and on Longview Street. He said the area was dangerous to pedestrians and bicyclists, adding that the rain made the area muddy.

Brown said the capital improvement plan allocated less money for sidewalks and more for housing. But he added that public improvements encouraged better maintenance by private residents.

"The better the town treats neighborhoods like this neglected area back here, the more the property owners there are going to feel it's worth keeping it up," Brown said.

Council member Joe Capowski agreed that the sidewalks were an important problem.

Horton said that the bulk of capital

improvements would go toward the maintenance of major facilities but that it was possible to allocate some money for sidewalks.

Rogerson Drive resident Valerie Broadwell said she wanted to ensure neighborhood involvement in the upgrading of two regular soccer fields and six practice fields near Glen Lennox.

She said she was concerned about traffic and dust that would be caused by the soccer fields.

The area is located south of Leland Drive and west of Hamilton Road.

To cover the transportation shortfall, Horton said the town could lobby the state or the federal government for more money to cover the costs.

Another resident requested that the council allocate 5 percent of hotel-motel tax revenues to support the N.C.

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Red, Hot & Blue Barbecue to attract conservatives, liberals

By Nathan Bishop
Staff Writer

Liberal residents of Chapel Hill don't need to worry that the February opening of the Red, Hot & Blue Memphis Pit Barbecue will attract Republicans to town, according to restaurant manager Jim Groot.

Groot dispelled the myth that the Virginia-based chain was intended to be a bastion of the Republican Party.

The restaurant's image as a popular haunt for prominent Republicans began when former Republican National Committee Chairman Lee Atwater invested in the Arlington, Va., branch of the chain as one of its original partners.

Prominent members of the Bush administration and Republicans seeking jobs frequented the restaurant to meet with Atwater and enjoy the food.

"A big reason that so many public servants and politicians frequent the Arlington, Va., Red, Hot & Blue has to do with its convenient geographic location near Washington, D.C.," Groot said.

But Groot said he wanted to concentrate more on food than politics at the Chapel Hill branch of the restaurant.

"The Arlington restaurant has consistently been rated amongst Washington's finest, and last year The New York Times rated it as one of the nation's best barbecue restaurants," he said. "We intend to continue that tradition here in Chapel Hill. We do a great barbecue."

Groot said the restaurant was not designed to become a surrogate headquarters for the Republican Party.

"The restaurant was originally the idea of a group of people living near Washington, both Democrats and Republicans, who were originally from Tennessee," Groot said. "They missed the great barbecue they had enjoyed at home and wanted to create a restaurant that served quality barbecue."

Groot said Atwater was not involved in the restaurant for political reasons.

"Atwater invested in the restaurant because he wanted to provide blues musicians with a place for rapsessions," he said. "He played in the Red, Hot & Blues Band, which included musicians not associated with the Republican Party. The band raised a lot of money

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Bond money falls short of project, fiscal groups say

By Rama Kayyali
Staff Writer

Members of two local financial watchdog groups said Thursday that the school boards' lack of planning would cause the \$52 million school bond to fall short of the amount of money needed for improving county schools.

On Nov. 3, Orange County residents voted to support a bond calling for a tax increase to raise funds to build two middle schools, one for the Chapel Hill-Carrboro system and one for the Orange County system. The bond also provided money to build a new high school for the district and to provide facility renovations in Orange County for educational technology.

The funds first will be used to build a Chapel Hill-Carrboro middle school.

UniTax member John Graham said he wasn't surprised that the actual costs exceeded the projected costs.

"The schools boards have no damn idea what they are doing," he said.

Bill Oppold, a member of TaxWatch and UniTax, said: "The cost of construction was projected to be \$14 million. However, the actual cost is more than anticipated, by their own admission."

Oppold said the school boards have thus far withheld information about their plans.

Both TaxWatch and UniTax openly opposed the school bond before the November elections.

Mary Bushnell, chairwoman of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro School Board, said she wasn't sure how the school system was planning to raise the additional money.

"I would like to stress that we will be as economical as can be, but we can't compromise the quality of edu-

cation," she said. "It wouldn't be fair for the taxpayer."

But Bushnell said it always was understood that there would be some additional construction costs.

"We are short (of money), but it is not a surprise for me and it shouldn't be for anybody," she said.

TaxWatch member Mickey Ewell said TaxWatch members always have said they believed the actual cost would be more than the schools had projected.

He added that the mission of TaxWatch was to make sure taxpayers' money was being spent prudently.

Kim Hoke, spokeswoman for the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Schools, said that the construction costs would not exceed what was anticipated but that more money would be needed to pay for infrastructure improvements.

Hoke said the school boards were negotiating with the contractors to choose the lowest bidder.

The construction will begin as soon as the lowest bidder is selected, Hoke said.

The new Chapel Hill-Carrboro middle school be operational by the 1994-1995 school year, Hoke said.

The new school will have a capacity of 740 students, which will relieve a lot of pressure from other middle schools, she added.

"In Culbreth Middle School, they are having classes in cafeterias and hallways," Hoke said. "We have also added mobile classrooms."

The Orange County middle school should be ready for the 1995-1996 school year, while the new Chapel Hill high school should be ready by the following year, she said.

The tax increase was projected to be about 15 cents for every \$100 in property values, Hoke said.

Police unable to enforce bike rules

By Leah A. Campbell
Staff Writer

Bicycle traffic violations in Chapel Hill have moved down on the police department's list of priorities because of short staffing and a bogged-down court system, according to Chapel Hill Police Chief Ralph Pendergraph.

Pendergraph said his staff already was overworked trying to battle more serious crimes in Chapel Hill.

"With the more major crimes we have to deal with like the drug problem and robbery, my staff has a hard time trying to enforce bicycle traffic safety," he said.

"Plus, the court system probably could not handle every bicycle traffic violation it would get if we had the staff to enforce the rules," Pendergraph said.

Pendergraph added that although there were many responsible cyclists in Chapel Hill, an increasing number of motorists have complained about traffic infractions by cyclists.

"With the quick rise in population for the area and the constrained space bicyclists have to ride in, problems arise," he said. "These factors make the situation on the roads potentially dangerous."

Orange-Chatham District Attorney Carl Fox said enforcing the helmet law, which requires cyclists under age 16 to wear helmets, was one of his main priorities.

"Right now, the helmet law is our main focus," he said.

Fox said he was not sure how to deal with the problem of recurring bicycle

safety violations.

Pendergraph also said he was not sure how to handle the problem because his staff had not had time to investigate it fully.

Wayne Pine, head of Chapel Hill's bicycle advisory committee, admitted that bicycle infractions were a problem.

But he added that they were not as important to on-the-road safety as motor vehicle infractions.

"The most important point is that usually when a bicyclist breaks the rules, he is potentially dangerous to only himself," he said.

"However, when a motor-vehicle driver breaks the rules, he is usually dangerous to others," he added.

Pine said that although bicyclists were supposed to follow all motor vehicle traffic laws, the lack of bike paths made it difficult.

He added that people unjustly singled out bicyclists because they were more visible on the road.

"Bicyclists are easy to single out when they break the rules on, say, Franklin Street," he said. "But how many people do you know who actually drive 20 mph on Franklin Street?"

The bicycle advisory committee plans to educate the student population about bicycle safety when funds become available, Pine said.

"We plan on sending letters and holding seminars for students when we find the funding," he said.

Pine added that wearing reflectors, putting lights on bikes and wearing helmets are the most important safety measures a bicyclist should take.

Domestic-abuse fund-raiser targets men

By Matthew Henry
Staff Writer

University history Professor William Barney would like to be a role model for other men.

Barney is a contributor to "100 Men for CHANGE," a fund-raising project to solicit 100 men to donate to a counseling program for abusive men.

Once men acknowledge the problem of wife abuse, they can be instrumental in preventing domestic violence, Barney said.

Fred Stang, director of the Orange/Durham Coalition for Battered Women, said he hoped to find 100 men, like Barney, who would contribute \$100 each to support a rehabilitation program for abusive men.

"Men are primarily the aggressors," Stang said. "Domestic violence is not a women's problem, but a men's problem. We are causing a lot of the violence, and we need to do something about it."

Stang said 66 men from a wide cross-section of the community had registered to be part of "100 Men for CHANGE." Participants come from a variety of backgrounds, including pro-

fessions from physicians to chief executive officers, he added.

"These men are willing to make a public statement that domestic violence is wrong," Stang said.

Stang said he hoped to find other private donors and businesses to contribute.

Women who want to honor the men in their lives who exemplify the project's spirit are encouraged to donate, Stang said.

Mike McCarthy, a program participant, said he agreed that men's attitudes were changing, adding that the process was "awfully slow."

McCarthy said it was time for men to take responsibility for men who are abusive.

"It's a male problem," he said. "Males caused the problem, and men have to fix the problem."

Area law enforcement agencies, especially the Chapel Hill and Carrboro police departments, have been sympathetic to the problem of domestic violence, he said.

"Chapel Hill was one of the first to adopt a pro-arrest policy regarding abusive men," Stang said.

Stang said he hoped that students,

local residents and community organizations would get involved in the fight against domestic violence.

Stang said that he spoke to the University's Inter-Fraternity Council last semester about supporting the Coalition for Battered Women but that the response had been disappointing.

"Obviously, male violence in fraternities is an issue," Stang said.

But Edward Marshall, president of the IFC, said he didn't think domestic violence was an issue that concerned fraternities.

"Domestic violence is very wrong, and a tremendous problem, but wife-beating is not associated with fraternities," Marshall said.

The coalition has to raise \$100,000 a year to continue operating, Stang said. He added that although the organization was federally funded, it did not receive enough money to accomplish all of its missions.

The coalition also operates a shelter that houses up to 18 people and provides crisis counseling, support groups and programs for children, he added.

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