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Callers threaten B-GLAD officers

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Three officers of Bisexuals, Gay men, Lesbians and Allies for Diversity have received threatening and harassing phone calls during the past month. The calls have forced two of them to take action to protect themselves. Doug Ferguson, former B-GLAD co-chairman; Chris Berini, current B-GLAD co-chairman; and Trey Harris, B-GLAD outreach coordinator, have received anonymous phone calls — some threatening bodily harm, others that were just harassing. "You let a few sickos get a hold of a name and number, and they just keep

calling," Ferguson said. Ferguson said he thought it would not have been hard for anyone to get the names and phone numbers of B-GLAD officers. "I had been in the media every day last week speaking on gay and lesbian issues for Gay and Lesbian Awareness Week, and my number is listed," he said. Ferguson received the first of three calls at about 7:30 a.m. last Wednesday. According to Ferguson, the caller said, "We're gonna get you fucking faggots." Ferguson said he called the Chapel Hill Police Department after each call he received. The second call to Ferguson, which his answering machine recorded, came

last Wednesday afternoon. The caller threatened to "kick (his) fucking ass." "After that beating, you won't be going nowhere," the caller said. Ferguson said the most recent call came at about 4 a.m. last Thursday. That call also was recorded by his answering machine. "No one was up to receive the call, so the answering machine got it, and the caller said, 'We're watching you fucking faggots,'" Ferguson said. Ferguson described the caller's voice as a "deep male voice with a Southern accent." He also said that the Chapel Hill Police Department had a suspect but that no arrests had been made. "I have call tracing and was able to

trace Wednesday morning's call and Thursday morning's call," Ferguson said. Call tracing is a service offered by Southern Bell that allows a call to be traced back to the telephone from which it originated. It also provides the name of the person to whom the telephone is registered. Harris said he also had received harassing calls, but they were not of a threatening nature. "I received one call earlier this year in October, but my roommate answered, and the caller just asked, 'Where's the faggot?'" and hung up," Harris said. Harris received another call last week that his answering machine recorded.

"It was just a voice that said, 'Trey would you call Butch?'" Harris said. "It was done in a stereotypical gay voice, and it was clearly affected." Harris said he didn't notify the police because none of the calls were threatening. Harris said he was unsure of the motivation behind the calls. "I was in the paper speaking about Gay and Lesbian Awareness Week the day before I received the second call, so people know who I am," he said. Berini said the first calls he received occurred about a week after a B-GLAD meeting attendance list was distributed at a Student Congress budget hearing. See B-GLAD, page 7



City Briefs

Ann Arbor mayor dons Carolina victory T-shirt

Victory is oh-so-sweet. Especially for Chapel Hill Mayor Ken Broun. The mayor of Ann Arbor will be donning a Tar Heel victory T-shirt at the Michigan town's next official meeting, as agreed in a bet with the mayor of Chapel Hill. The bet specified that the mayor of the winning town would send the mayor of the losing town a shirt to wear in public shame.

Bicycle riders beware: Don't forget to light up

If you are going to ride your bicycle at night, make sure it is equipped with a lighting lamp. Since last Thursday, Chapel Hill police have been issuing citations for riding bicycles without proper lighting. Prior to issuing citations, police gave bike riders verbal warnings. The town ordinance now states that every bicycle should be equipped with a lamp in front so that it is visible from at least 300 feet under normal weather conditions. Bicycles also must have a reflex mirror or another lamp on the back, with a red light visible from at least 200 feet under normal atmospheric conditions. The change was made because 38 percent of the local bicycle accidents in 1992 occurred after dawn or dusk, according to police statistics.

Congressman Price to speak in Chapel Hill

U.S. Rep. David Price, D-N.C., will hold a community meeting at Phillips Middle School in Chapel Hill at 7 p.m. today. The meeting is designed to allow residents the chance to express their opinions about current national and districtwide issues. Phillips Middle School is located at 606 N. Estes Drive.

Durham Bulls usher in 1993 baseball season

The Durham Bulls, the baseball team that hails from the Triangle, will hold its opening season game Thursday night. The Bulls will play the Lynchburg Red Sox. The game, which will be held at Durham Athletic Park, will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Pulitzer Prize-winner Yardley to sign book

University alumnus and former DTH Editor Jonathan Yardley will be at McIntyre's Fine Books Saturday to read from his latest book about the culture of the Mid-Atlantic region of the United States. The book reading and signing will take place at 11 a.m. Yardley's book covers his memories of his journeys through the region, including a trip back to his alma mater, UNC. Yardley is a Pulitzer-prize winning Washington Post book critic and columnist. McIntyre's Fine Books is located in the Village of Fearrington in Pittsboro. Fearrington is eight miles south of Chapel Hill on U.S. 15-501.

Red Cross sponsors campus blood drives

The Orange County Red Cross will sponsor two blood drives on campus this week. Today and Thursday, the Red Cross will be in the Student Union between 9:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Women's center sponsors relaxation workshop

Winning the NCAA championship is no stress-free accomplishment. The Orange County Women's Center will hold a workshop Tuesday to help participants identify and assess their current methods of coping with stress. Psychotherapist Rose Shalom will be the leader of the participatory group workshop. The session will be held from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the women's center at 210 Henderson St. Members must pay \$3, and nonmembers must pay \$5 to participate in the workshop. Direct questions to Dawn Williams at 968-4610.

Economic Development Commission to meet

The Chapel Hill Economic Development Commission will meet at 5 p.m. Thursday to discuss ways to enhance development in town. Ted Abernathy, director of the commission, will present a report on business development in the midway district. The midway district is the part of town that straddles Chapel Hill and Carrboro. The meeting, which is open to the public, will be held at the EDC office at 110 E. King St. in Hillsborough.

New congress might signal end to Moore era

By Daniel Aldrich
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The new 75th Student Congress will meet tonight for the first time, ushering in a new generation of congress members and perhaps bidding goodbye to former Congress Speaker Tim Moore's brand of fiscal conservatism. "Tim Moore changed the attitude of congress to being more critical of groups' requests for money," said Rep. Andrew Cohen, Dist. 6, who is entering his fifth year on Student Congress.

Student Congress' main duty is to allocate student activity funds every year. Congress members often are defined as liberal or conservative by their spending policies. A liberal congress tends to allocate its money more freely, while a conservative congress tends to withhold funding more frequently. Groups had to expend more effort to justify their requests for money during Moore's tenure as speaker of the 73rd congress, Cohen said. "The previous congresses were less inclined to scrutinize groups' requests

for money," he said. "The inclination was to give money away and not look for reasons to critically look at the group's request." Moore recruited candidates whom he regarded as his intellectual allies for congress, Cohen said. "The tone of the congress changed towards greater delight in fiscal conservatism," he said. Moore and his congressional allies attempted to defund the Carolina Gay and Lesbian Association during their term and were characterized as fiscally conservative when allocating money to

student groups. The CGLA changed its name to Bisexuals, Gay men, Lesbians and Allies for Diversity last fall. Moore graduated last year but left a small legacy of congress members in his wake, none of whom will return for the 75th session of congress. The former speaker now is attending law school at the University of Oklahoma. Congress Speaker Jennifer Lloyd said conservatives did not dominate the present congress. "There is a strong minority of very conservative members who are the most outspoken group and

the strongest faction in congress, making up the majority of the finance committee," Lloyd said. Lloyd described the 74th congress as being mostly moderate to liberal. She described liberals as members who were more likely to fund student organizations when they asked for funds. But Lloyd said congress members who called themselves fiscally conservative were creating an inaccurate split. "There is not a member of the con- See CONGRESS, page 9

Writer shares required reading for the engaged

By Amy Seeley
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A middle-aged woman tells of a young man of her acquaintance who bought marriage licenses twice in one week with two different women. "Did you really buy two licenses?" she asked him incredulously. "Yes, I'm getting married this Saturday. But I haven't decided to which one yet."



Margaret Bigger hopes anyone with an interesting tale about a wedding will stop by Bull's Head Bookshop to chat with her between 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. this afternoon. Bigger, a 1961 UNC graduate, has been traveling around the United States promoting her latest book, "There's No Such Thing as a Perfect Wedding." The title of Bigger's book might alarm some engaged and anxiously planning couples, but she said it shouldn't. "There will be glitches. Life is not perfect," she said. Bigger believes that if couples approach their nuptial ceremonies with a sense of humor, they will enjoy the occasions more. Some of her tales suggest the prospective husband and wife are not the only ones who might need a sense of humor for the big event. "The mother-of-the-bride was extremely nervous. She stopped in the ladies room one last time just before her turn to enter the sanctuary. Soon she was headed down the aisle, her long pink gown flowing as she walked with all eyes upon her. In her hand, she was clutching a roll of pink toilet paper. Her pink clutch purse was still in the ladies room." Bigger, who has freelanced for 12 years, came up with the idea for the book while working for a church in Charlotte, where she still lives. She often heard ministers trading humorous tales about weddings they had attended or performed, and she thought other people also would enjoy the stories. She began asking for unusual wedding tales at receptions but found people were willing to tell the stories anywhere. The response to her book has been so overwhelming that Bigger is

working on a sequel. "Wedding tales beget wedding tales," she said. "If I tell one, I get three or four back. People just love to talk about weddings." Ministers might love to talk about weddings, but they don't always have such an easy time talking during them. "The minister asked, 'Who gives this man to marry this woman?'" "The bride's startled father quickly responded, 'His mother and I do.'" "The problem that most often plagues ceremonies is the disappearance of one of the wedding bands, Bigger said. Faintings run a close second. "When a rector asked the groom, 'Wilt thou...?' he did. He wilted right down to the floor." Bigger believes that if couples read her book before their marriages, they would be able to relax. Her book makes it clear that some relaxation is needed. "When the pastor read the part which goes, 'If anyone knows any cause why this marriage should not take place, let him speak now or forever hold his peace,' the groom responded, 'I do.'" "Hoping the fellow had nervously 'jumped the gun,' the clergyman ignored the reply." See WEDDING, page 9

Shabazz urges self-awareness

By Anna Griffin
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Most acts of racism are the result of ignorance and a lack of self-awareness — by both the racist and the victim, the eldest daughter of Malcolm X said Tuesday night.

Attalah Shabazz, the eldest of the slain civil rights leader's six daughters and the keynote speaker in Race Relations Week, told a crowd of about 100 that people of all backgrounds should work to have a better sense of self-awareness and heritage. Having pride in oneself helps combat racism, she said. "My father said that the greatest tool of the oppressor is the mind of the oppressed," Shabazz told the Carroll Hall audience. "If you know yourself, instead of fighting people who degrade you because of your color, you can realize that there is something wrong with them." "If someone is picking on you ... something must be wrong with them." Shabazz said she was brought up to feel proud of her heritage and aware of her African-American roots. Too many minority groups allow themselves to feel victimized, rather than proud of their culture and history, she said. "When I was growing up, I had no idea that outside my door people had trouble with the word 'brown,'" she said. "I had no idea that brown people could have any discomfort with being brown. I certainly do not." Words like "minority" and "Third World" hurt all people and encourage groups like blacks or Asian Americans to feel victimized, Shabazz said. "The mindset has to change," she said. "You have to have a First-World attitude. You have to feel as First-World as (South African President F.W.) DeKlerk ... as first world as Queen Elizabeth. As soon as you feel First World, you eliminate the feeling of having been a victim." The so-called "minorities" in the United States actually represent a majority worldwide, Shabazz said. "In a bag of M&Ms, green M&Ms may be the minority. But in the whole company, they're not," she said. "No



Attalah Shabazz tells blacks to consider themselves "First-World" citizens

matter your race, you have to have a First-World mindset." Shabazz spoke of her father and her memories of him as "my best friend and buddy." Too often, people disagree with her father's principles without first attempting to understand him as a person, Shabazz said. "My father was a best friend, buddy kind of dad," she said. "He was a partner in crime. He was a boy of a human

being while simultaneously being a man in the outside world." Earlier Tuesday, Shabazz met with student supporters of a free-standing black cultural center who have spent the past week sitting in at South Building. The activists are pushing Chancellor Paul Hardin to back their proposal to build a 53,000-square-foot See SHABAZZ, page 9

Championship wake leaves swamped merchants high and dry



A flood of post-tournament shoppers pore over NCAA championship T-shirts at Student Stores Tuesday

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Tar Heel mania is in full swing as students and fans scramble to snap up mementos from the Heels first national championship in 11 years. Franklin Street shops and the University's Student Stores were swamped with fans eager to throw their money at cashiers to purchase Tar Heel gear — especially anything with the phrase "National Champions" on it. ■ 4:20 p.m. Richard Collins, a "streethawker" for The Durham Herald-Sun, has set up a temporary newsstand with his mother outside of School Kids Records. Collins has about 550 papers left, and he says it will take about an hour to sell the remaining papers. When he finishes, he will have sold 3,500 newspapers. He has never sold so many papers in one spot before — not even after either of Duke University's two national championships. ■ 4:30 p.m. Twenty people are lined up outside Johnny T-Shirt on Franklin Street waiting to purchase souvenirs. Carlton Mansfield, a Johnny T-Shirt employee, guards the door, letting one person in for each one who comes out. Chris Kroll works the cash register for the store, and she estimates that there are about 40 people milling around. Johnny T-Shirt will get another shipment of hats, license plates and "like, 15

styles of T-shirts" tomorrow, Kroll said. ■ 4:35 p.m. Cheers go up along Franklin Street as two buses move west down the street. Somebody says the cheers are for the national champions, who sit behind the tinted bus windows. Mansfield seems to have given up controlling the traffic in Johnny T-Shirt. There is no longer any line, and it seems like the number of people in the store has doubled since five minutes earlier. ■ 4:40 p.m. In Carolina Pride, another Franklin Street shop, only a handful of people mill around. Tonia Weisner, a UNC junior, said all the store's national championship clothing had sold out. ■ 4:50 p.m. John Hudson, part-owner of Chapel Hill Sportswear Inc., estimates that he has sold 3,000 to 4,000 T-shirts so far. "I brought in a handtruck with four boxes of T-shirts," Hudson said. "By the time I dumped two boxes, people had already opened the other boxes and had taken (the shirts) out." ■ 5 p.m. Minnie Blackwood, sales manager for Student Stores, said the first clothing shipment came in at 6 a.m. Tuesday and the first 500 T-shirts were sold in about two hours. Blackwood said the campus store had received four or five shipments since then. She had lost count. Blackwood expects the store to get about 2,000 more shirts today. "(We have) what's left on the tables, and that's all that's left," she said.