

Burch Awards Recognize Unique Individual Talents

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Students can get up to \$6,000 to create their own program of study and learn about a subject area they are interested in through the recently established Burch Fellows Program.

"We are looking for undergraduates who are talented in, and want to pursue something such as poetry, art, computers or any other area," said Robert Allen, associate dean of the General College, who is helping to coordinate the fellows program. For example, someone who is interested in art might want to spend a summer in Rome studying art, he said.

Fellows are chosen for their deep interest in a particular area, which should be seen in the creativity and originality of their proposals.

"Each fellowship should be a reflection of the student's interests," Allen said.

Geoffrey Sayre-McCord, chairman of the program's selection committee, said academics were not the main criterion, but students should set up an exciting and creative program for themselves.

The program was set up by Tennessee entrepreneur and UNC alumnus Lucius Burch III, who gave the school \$300,000 to set up and start the program. "He wanted students to have the resources to be able to fulfill their dreams," Sayre-McCord said.

The money given to each student is determined by their particular proposal idea, but the maximum generally will be \$6,000. "We want to leave this very open so that the program can accommodate the need of each fellow," Allen said.

Because this is the first year of the program, administrators want it to mold itself instead of giving it a set structure, he said.

Sayre-McCord said, "The uniqueness of the grant is that students will be chosen on the originality of their proposal — we don't want there to be any set pattern for the program."

The committee hopes to select two students, but it could have more or less, depending on the proposals from each student. Applications can be picked up by Jan. 7 in the honors office, located in Steele Building, and will be due Jan. 28.

Applicants do not have to be students in the honors program.

FACULTY

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September.

Some trustees said they had been barged by phone calls from parents, alumni and other concerned citizens who had called the 24-hour visitation program immoral and had threatened to withhold donations.

Hardin said he thought the pilot program had been carefully planned.

"It struck me as highly responsible — the only mistake that struck me was that no one was prepared for the highly incendiary response to the trial period," Chancellor Hardin said.

"I think we were all caught off-guard by the tenacity of the response."

Also at Friday's meeting, the Employee Forum presented Faculty Council Chairman Jim Peacock with a small wooden stool in appreciation of his work to improve faculty-staff relations.

The stool's three legs represent three components of the University — faculty, staff and students.

Peacock reassured the faculty that their distinction would not be decreased by increasing recognition of staff members.

"Contrary to the belief of some faculty members, the purpose of the faculty-staff

relations committee is not to diminish the well-deserved recognition of the faculty," he said.

The council also voted to set a suggested limit of 40 minutes for speeches by the chancellor, the faculty chairman and distinguished visitors.

But they rejected part two of the resolution, which would have advised that speakers whose addresses exceeded the 40-minute limit be asked to stop speaking and resume after all business on the agenda had been conducted.

Peacock explained his reason for voting against the second part of the resolution. "If you have a distinguished speaker and you have to suddenly ask him to stop and continue after the business, it would be a little awkward."

In other business, the council voted unanimously to pass a proposal for doctorate and master's degree programs in materials science at UNC.

Thomas Meyer, chairman of the curriculum in applied sciences, presented the proposal, saying that adding the degrees would uphold the University's traditional role as a leader in the scientific community.

Peacock said the proposal would be presented to the Graduate Council, which makes decisions for the UNC system.

Campus Calendar

MONDAY

NOON: The Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center will sponsor a video history of the BCC movement as a part of the Kwanzaa celebration.

4 p.m. IRSS, The German Studies Program, DAAD will present Professor Hans Vager from Smith College, speaking about "Goethe's 'Faust' in Postwar Perspective" in the Toy Lounge of Dey Hall.

4:15 p.m. N.C. Hillel Mitzvah Corps will meet at Hillel to cook dinner at the IFC Kitchen.

6 p.m. The Volunteer Action Committee will meet in the Campus Y quad.

8 p.m. The International Relief Committee will meet to discuss the ongoing genocide in Bosnia on

the Rosenau Hall second floor.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Spanish House will accept male and female resident applications for the spring 1994 semester. Call Meredith at 914-2355, or stop by the Carmichael Residence Hall desk for more information.

The French House will have two female-resident openings for spring semester. Applications are available at Carmichael front desk, or contact Natalie D'Souza for more information at 914-7228.

The International Center has applications available for English conversation partners at the International Center.

Spectacle Overpowers PlayMakers' Latest Production

PlayMakers Repertory Company's production of "Beauty and the Beast" is a delicate movement of surreal costumes and choreography that arouses the imagination of children and adults alike.

However, the parts of the performance threaten to become greater than the whole. The intense pageantry and fantastic elements of the play almost become too much and detract from the original story of redemptive love.

Tom Huey, a visiting lecturer at UNC in the Department of Dramatic Art, crafted an original adaptation of the classic fairy tale that will run through Dec. 19.

MONDAY LAMB

Theater Review

"Beauty and the Beast" PlayMakers Repertory Company

Michael Wilson, a 1987 graduate of UNC, directed "Beauty and the Beast." The performance is very physically and visually dynamic. Movements are ingrained in the text of the play, serving as words themselves. The two worlds of the play (Belle's home and Beast's castle) are separated by movement.

Two vain and greedy sisters, played wonderfully by Dede Corvino and Brett Haina du Fretay, rule Belle's home with a garish slapstick routine, while the beast's world is a precise dance of movements.

Kristine Watt's (Belle) slight frame and mature voice give her a graceful presence on stage. Her movements embody the fluid, exacting, Eastern-like feel of the play. Watt is a perfect Belle.

Actors, clothed in blue body stockings sheathed in red gauze, provide most of the props on stage. Expressionless and faceless, these forms are the enchanted creatures of Beast's world. This group of acrobatic, dancing, and at times statuesque actors are an extraordinary part of the play.

Beast, a 9-foot-tall amphibious-like creature, looms with a life-like presence. Three people are required to move the beast-puppet created by Yvette Helin. Ken Strong provides the voice of Beast and manipulates the controls that make the eyes and mouth open and close, while two actors on stage control the arm movements.

The result is a towering monster with great mobility. The beast can walk, sit and gesture with ease and eerie believability.

Composer John Gromada's Eastern-influenced score adds a sense of mystery and fantasy. The original music was one of the most outstanding parts of the play. In order to inject a sense of magic, Gromada used traditional instruments combined with music and sounds. "The sounds provide a balance that keeps the music from becoming too sweet," Gromada said.

One element missing is Beast's courtship of Belle. Only periodic banners delineate the time she spends in Beast's castle. Ironically, the lack of courtship clearly shows why Belle comes to love Beast. He allows her to leave only on the truth of her word that she will return. Belle values honesty above all else, and she comes to realize that if Beast also does, then perhaps he isn't such a monster.

For children, apparently neither the beast's appearance nor the spectacle detracted from the enjoyment of the play.

Austin Williams, 6, and Emily Earl-Royal, 7, both enjoyed the play just fine. Williams liked the princess best, and perhaps Earl-Royal gave the play the highest compliment possible for a child: When asked how the play compared to Disney, she responded, "They were different, and I couldn't say which I liked better."

Performances are in the Paul Green Theatre at 8 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays and at 2 p.m. Sundays. Call 962-PLAY for more information.



Belle (Kristine Watt) stands in the shadow of Beast in PlayMakers Repertory Company's "Beauty and the Beast." The play runs through Dec. 19.

HOUSEKEEPERS

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ting time doesn't mean going home.

As University employees, housekeepers also can become students for several hours each weekday evening through classes offered by the University. But until recently, University employees could take classes that directly related to their work.

UNC has offered courses to help employees acquire their high school diploma, but since 1986, only 12 employees have completed the program. Until January 1993, the only housekeepers who could take training courses were those in supervisory positions.

Now all housekeepers can take a clerical-skills program, which was implemented last January. According to University records, 34 employees are on track to complete the yearlong program this year.

Barbara Prear, a member of the UNC Housekeepers Steering Committee, said she had participated in some of the University's training programs, but had found them inadequate. "I have taken some of everything which they offer, which is nothing that you would call a training program. They put that name there with it, but no training program is offered."

Drake Maynard, director of the UNC's Department of Human Resources, said federal law required state agencies to offer classes to state employees that would educate them for health and safety purposes relating to their jobs.

"There's no regulation for agencies or universities to give training to state employees," he said. "But it is our best interest

because they can do their job better, and they make themselves more promotable."

Smith said she had a high school diploma, but still spent three hours in class each week. "A lot of (employees) are getting their high school diploma, but I finished high school and I just wanted a refresher course."

Many housekeepers work part-time jobs to supplement their salaries, and recently have demanded salary increases from UNC. Members of the UNC Housekeepers' Association, which formed two years ago, have asked that the lowest pay levels in the state's salary schedule be eliminated.

Housekeepers, who occupy salary grades 50 through 52, receive salaries ranging from \$12,877 in grade 50 to a maximum salary of \$19,665 in grade 52.

Smith said she had held several part-time jobs, such as working as a housekeeper for a private family, in addition to her job at UNC. "I enjoy doing what I am doing. I just wish the housekeepers could get more money, because for someone with a family and small kids, I don't see how they can maintain on a salary. But a lot of them have part-time jobs, and they have to make ends meet."

Jennie Nickerson, a UNC housekeeper who lives in Siler City, said that although she now was making more money than she had in past jobs, she thought housekeepers deserved more pay.

"Actually, I love my job because I was working in production jobs in Siler City," Nickerson said. "Before, I had to work through my breaks, and I still couldn't make enough to make ends meet."

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far as salaries, but actually, I'm not going to say I am satisfied, but I guess because I am making more than I was, I am okay for now. But I can understand why everybody is asking for more money, because actually we are doing everybody else's job instead of just housekeepers' jobs."

Smith said she thought the UNC community did not fully appreciate housekeepers' work. "I've often said that if it wasn't for the housekeepers, I would love to see what it would look like for just one day."

Although most housekeepers seem satisfied with their jobs, some are afraid to express their discontent with the system.

Prear, who also is a leader in the UNC Housekeepers Association, said many of her co-workers feared punishment from their supervisors and refrained from speaking out against problems.

"Most of the housekeepers have that fear," she said. "I can't really tell you that there really is a reason for that fear to be there. People have got to have jobs. Most of them are afraid to speak out and say anything."

POLICE

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Police reports did not give a local address for the Troutners. Reports state that the incident began when the Troutners arrived at 1:14 p.m. at Brendle's, located at 1801 Durham-Chapel Hill Blvd., in a Cardinal Cab. The driver agreed to wait for them while they went inside.

Brendle's security guards saw the Troutners take items and hide them in a shoulder bag, reports state. The two then returned to the cab, which the driver had left running while he made a phone call.

Presley said Connie Troutner jumped into the cab and drove it away, dropped Donald Troutner off in some nearby woods and returned the cab to Brendle's. With the help of residents, Donald Troutner was captured, and the stolen merchandise, some VHS videotapes, was recovered Sunday.

The two have been charged with larceny, unauthorized use of a cab, defrauding a cab driver and possession of drug paraphernalia, Presley said.

Police were called to the scene Saturday evening when a car accident involving alcohol sent four people to the hospital and tied up traffic on East Franklin Street.

Sometime before 9 p.m., a driver heading east on East Franklin Street near Boundary Street crossed the dividing line and smashed into a car carrying three people travelling westbound. Presley said it took rescuers one hour to remove the driver of the eastbound car. The lone driver suffered a broken back and pelvis, while the other three victims were treated and released Saturday night from UNC Hospitals.

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