



POLICE ROUNDUP

City

Sunday, Nov. 7

■ Angela Annette Atwater, 38, of 861 Airport Road in Chapel Hill was arrested at 10:10 p.m. after officers responded to a report of a stabbing.

When police arrived at the scene, the suspect admitted she stabbed her sister. Atwater was charged with a felony count of assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury.

After her arrest, officers discovered Atwater was already wanted by authorities on a misdemeanor charge of failure to appear in court.

As of Friday, Atwater was being held in the Orange County Jail in Hillsborough in lieu of a \$500 secured bond.

■ Leocadio Valazquez, 46, of 4230 Garrett Road, Apt. J 1 was arrested Sunday morning after police discovered he was wanted in Texas for charges of aggravated sexual assault of a child.

Police originally stopped the suspect on Fordham Drive for a routine child safety-seat violation.

A short while later, police determined he had a \$100,000 bond in Texas and arrested him at the corner of Fordham Drive and Eastowne Boulevard.

Valazquez is being held in Orange County Jail in Hillsborough, pending extradition to Texas.

Friday, Nov. 5

■ Palmer Quinton Clark, 22, of 313 Sunset Drive was arrested Friday afternoon on felony possession charges.

Clark tried to flee when officers attempted to arrest him for a misdemeanor failure to appear charge.

Clark was charged with possession with intent to distribute crack-cocaine.

Nine rocks of crack-cocaine were found in his right hand and four grams of marijuana were found in his right sock.

As of Friday, Clark was being held in the Orange County Jail in Hillsborough under \$10,000 bond.

■ A 14-year-old male student at East Chapel Hill High School was arrested Friday for marijuana possession.

ECHHS Assistant Principal Jackie Boyd called authorities after marijuana was found in the suspect's backpack.

Sixty-eight and nine-tenths grams of marijuana were found individually wrapped.

University

Monday, Nov. 8

■ After parking his vehicle in the N.C. 54 visitors parking lot on Nov. 5 at 4 p.m., a UNC student returned to the vehicle at 7:50 a.m. Nov. 8 and found damage to the car, police reports stated. According to police reports, the front windshield had been shattered and the left side of the vehicle had been damaged.

It appeared that the damage was caused by a subject kicking the vehicle, due to the fact that there were footprints all over the front and left side of the vehicle, police reports stated.

No further information was provided.

Sunday, Nov. 7

■ Police apprehended a juvenile who was seen by one of the concession stand attendants with his hands in the Classic Foods Services Van at the Smith Center.

Reports stated that the juvenile was taken to the police station where he was turned over to his father. Police also issued the juvenile a trespass warning. Nothing was found to be missing from the van.

■ A UNC employee found personal items missing from his desk in MacNider Hall, according to police reports.

According to the reports, a backpack, some currency and a drill were all taken.

There were no signs of forced entry and items were only taken from his desk, reports stated.

Saturday, Nov. 6

■ Emergency Medical Services were called to Craige Residence Hall after a student experienced abdominal pains.

Reports stated that the student was transported to Student Health Service.

Thursday, Nov. 4

■ Police reports stated that a laptop computer and cash was stolen from Hinton James Residence Hall.

According to the reports, the missing personal property was estimated at \$3,100, and the U.S. currency was estimated at \$30.

Council Reaffirms Landfill Transfer Decision

By ROBERT ALBRIGHT
Staff Writer

Although town leaders have already transferred responsibility of solid waste management to the county, the ongoing debate over facility sites flared up once again Monday night.

Wanting to uphold the solid waste agreement with the Orange County Board of Commissioners, Chapel Hill Town Council members voted 8-1 against a resolution regarding the future use of the Greene and Neville Tracts, located just outside town limits.

Town Council member Joyce Brown,

who proposed the resolution, said town and county officials should further examine the best uses for these intensely debated tracts of land.

"I do not think the usage of this land is appropriate for solid waste," Brown said. "We need to keep these tracts of land as undivided and natural areas."

Sixty acres of the Greene Tract were reserved for the possible usage of a solid waste transfer station or a recycling center as part of the Interlocal Agreement, which was signed Sept. 28 by Chapel Hill, Carrboro and Orange County government officials.

Those opposed to Brown's resolution

said Chapel Hill must remain committed to the agreement.

"The bottom line is that we need to go ahead with the Interlocal Agreement," Town Council member Julie McClintock said.

Brown's proposal called for the Town Council to have mediated dialogue with County Commissioners in hopes of taking the 60 acres out of consideration as a future waste management facility.

In her resolution, Brown said the two tracts of land should be kept intact and maintained as natural community assets.

Town Council member Flicka Bateman said Brown's resolution dis-

couraged the Interlocal Agreement. She said the proposal did not allow the Greene Tract to be considered for solid waste activities.

"(Brown's proposal) would jeopardize the Interlocal Agreement," Bateman said.

"It would undo what has been done so far."

Although the council rejected Brown's environmental plea, council members said they needed to make it known to the county that other sites in the area should be examined for a waste transfer facility.

"None of us want the Greene Tract to

be used for solid waste purposes," Mayor Rosemary Waldorf said.

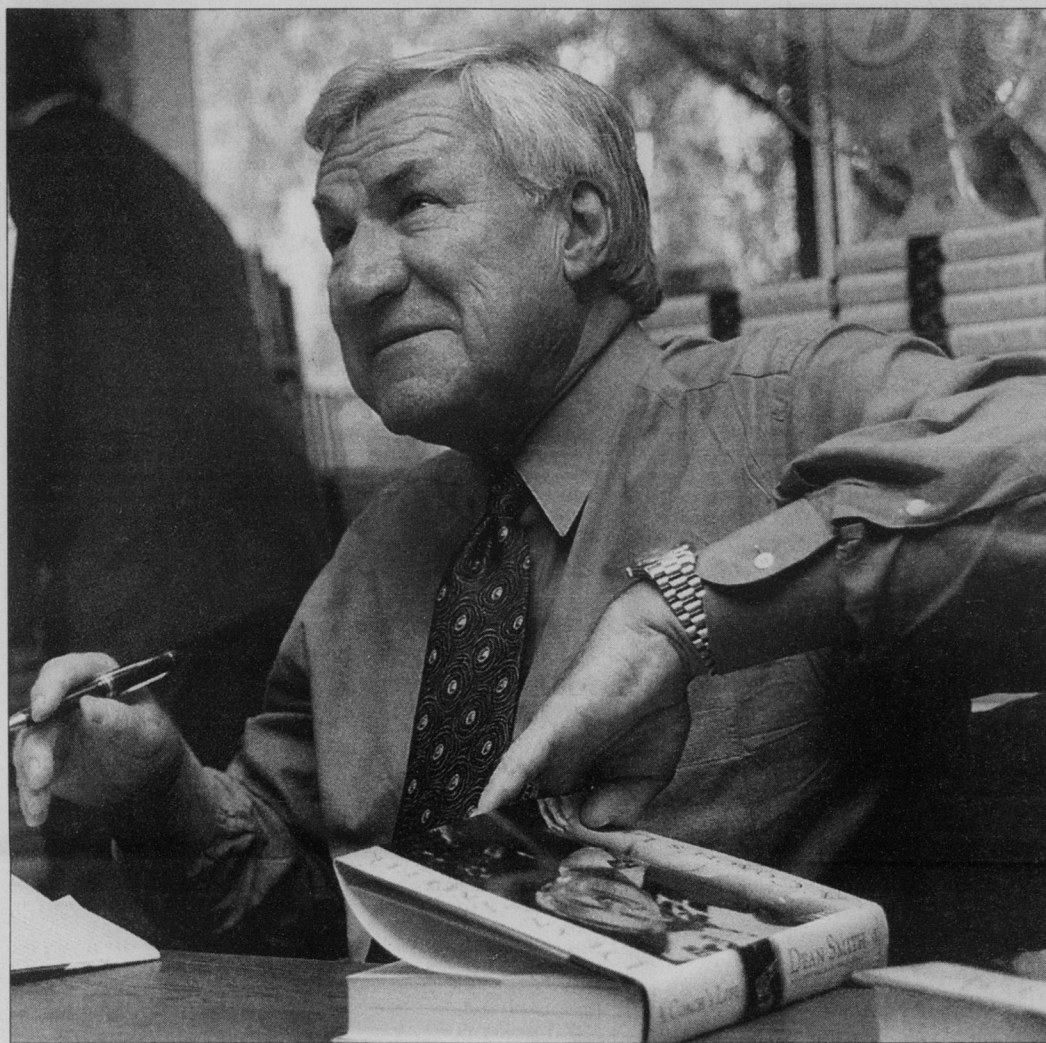
McClintock said residents should voice any concerns to the county commissioners, who now have the final say in future waste management decisions.

Orange County Commissioner Moses Carey said he agreed with the decision against the proposal.

"I think everyone worked in good faith in signing the agreement," he said. "It would be a shame to see it crumble at this time."

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BASKETBALL 'AUTHOR'ITY



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With his recently published book, "A Coach's Life," Dean Smith returned to campus Monday afternoon to sign copies for fans. More than a thousand people came to Student Stores — waiting in a line that started in the Pit — to have their book signed by the Tar Heel's legendary coach.

Search Continues For 1 Suspect in Armed Robbery

Police are still searching for a suspect in an armed robbery that left one man in the hospital after he suffered a gunshot wound.

By JENNY ROSSER

Staff Writer

Police are still looking for suspects in two unrelated armed robberies in Carrboro that left one man hospitalized and another in jail.

The victim of one of the robberies was taken to UNC Hospitals by two acquaintances at about 1:21 a.m. Sunday after an alleged robbery ended in a gunshot, police reports state. The victim was treated but has since been released from the hospital.

Capt. Joel Booker of the Carrboro Police Department said the victim claimed he was leaving a residence when three or four men, one of whom was holding a handgun, confronted him and demanded he hand over his wallet.

"The victim said his wallet contained \$1,500," Booker said. The victim then fought with the gunman, and during the altercation, the gun went off, reports state.

Booker said the victim's injuries were not life-threatening and the victim received immediate medical attention.

"The bullet penetrated the victim's upper leg," Booker said. "A couple more inches to the left and it could have been considerably worse."

Booker said police had no leads in the case because the victim did not know where the incident occurred and did not provide a description of the robbers.

"The victim said he did not know the area but that a friend from the Carrboro area took him to a gambling house," he said. "He said he didn't know where the house was, but that it was several hundred feet from the road."

According to police reports, the victim was intoxicated.

Booker said once the victim recuperated, he could ride with police and attempt to pinpoint the location of the crime. Police do not know of the alleged gambling house that the victim referred to.

"We're looking into it, but we don't even know if it happened in Carrboro," he said.

"If we can establish the location, then we may have more leads."

In an unrelated incident, police arrested Michael Lever on

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State Unveils Standards For Student Promotion

By MEGAN BUTLER

Staff Writer

For the first time in N.C. schools, students will be held partially accountable for their own academic achievement through new state standards introduced Monday.

The N.C. Board of Education has developed Student Accountability Standards to pinpoint students who are below grade proficiency and bring them up to the grade level standard.

The new standards partly stem from complaints from the state's higher education institutions and businesses, alleging that students with high school diplomas often do not meet the standards expected of high school graduates.

The goal of the Student Accountability Standards is to improve student achievement, said Marvin

Pittman, spokesman for the Public Schools of North Carolina Board of Education, in a Monday media briefing.

The standards include four "gateways" at grades three, five, eight and 11 that would include proficiency exams in certain subjects, Pittman said.

He also said students would be required to pass an exit exam prior to graduation.

Pittman said the standards would bring below-proficiency students up to grade level through a multistep process.

He said students who performed poorly would have a chance to repeat an exam shortly after taking it, to pinpoint students who truly needed help.

If the student again scored below proficiency, the school would administer a focused intervention, to "diagnose

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Film Festival to Hit Campus

By SHINDY CHEN

Staff Writer

"El Norté." "Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown." "Men with Guns." "Like Water for Chocolate."

Foreign films like these have risen out of a century of ground-breaking Latin American cinema to impress international audiences. This month the XIII Latin American Film and Video Festival will celebrate the birth and growth of the genre with viewings at UNC and other campuses across the state.

"The festival is a retrospective of Latin American film in the 20th century and also a focus on the presence of music and dance in the genre," said the festival's organizer Sharon Mujica, also Outreach Director of the Duke/UNC Program in Latin American studies.

The festival kicks off Wednesday, with month-long screenings at the Hanes Art Center Auditorium and a finale at the Carolina Union

Auditorium.

The event will open with a three-minute artistic film, "Bleeding Hearts," which mixes elements of gender with the music of an old Mexican ballad.

The second movie, "El Compadre Mendoza," is a full-length film and was one of the first sound pictures in Mexican cinema.

Helping celebrate the centenary festivities Nov. 22 is Mexican film director Marcela Fernández Violante. Following his pre-film discussion will be a showing of Mexican film "Black Angustias," outlining a girl's conversion after she is ostracized for her independence and rejected for love due to race and class.

UNC's Latin American interest group CHisPA will be participating on this date. "We're incorporating one of our weekly meetings by taking our entire group to the film. We also want to get recognition by showing support for the Department of Latin American studies," President Erica Hamilton said.

The final film, "Tango," will be shown Nov. 23, at the Carolina Union Auditorium. "Tango" received Oscar and Golden Globe nominations for Best Foreign Language Film in 1999 and tells of a tango dancer who falls in love with his dance partner, only to clash with her gangster boyfriend.

John Chasteen, UNC associate professor of history, said many of the films incorporated music and dance, revealing an important part of the culture from which the genre emerged.

"Latin American music and dance is very important to (the culture's) identity. Film lends itself to the reproduction of music and dance," he said.

Show times are at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 10, 14, and 22 at the Hanes Art Center Auditorium and 7 p.m. Nov. 23 at the Carolina Union Auditorium. Admission is free.

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Dyson Urges Racial Truth-Seeking

By LAURA STOEHR

Senior Writer

A former UNC professor called on Memorial Hall audience members to be candid about their racial beliefs and open themselves to discussion.

"We've got to tell the truth about race in America," said Michael Eric Dyson, now a professor at DePaul University. "... (And) the truth is everyone notices race."

Dyson delivered Monday night's speech, the keynote address for the Campus Y's Race Relations Week, in his noted style. He dished cultural savvy and humor, at times emphasizing words with his minister's bellow, even speaking with a stereotypical "white" voice.

That style stirred controversy at UNC when Dyson spoke at the December 1996 Commencement. In that speech, some audience members walked out when he quoted profane rap lyrics and heavily criticized former UNC basketball star Michael Jordan.

Monday night, he made two disclaimers about his noted speaking style. "I'm an equal opportunity pisser-offer," Dyson said. "I'm a paid pest."

He called audience members to question their beliefs, even cultural lingo. "We talk about keeping it real," he said. "(But) whose real is real?"

What was real, Dyson said, differed between people. In order to advance, people must recognize, not judge differences. "We think my different is better

than your different," he said.

Dyson challenged audience members to go beyond expanded thinking. "Don't just think different," he said. "Act different ... in the midst of difference."

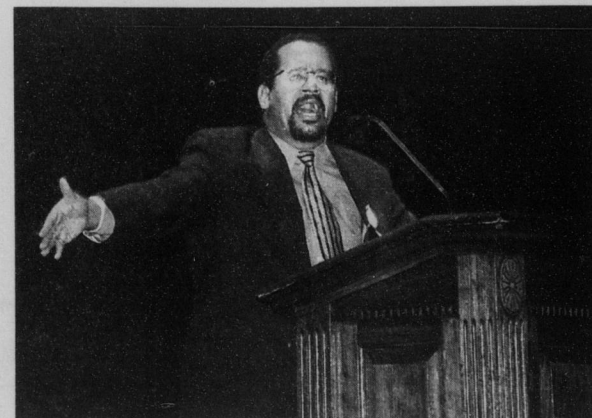
But these steps would only lead to the truth when people were frank about their own beliefs, Dyson said.

"Learn to take the risk of self-disclosure," he advised.

Later in his speech, Dyson said people should be allowed to speak in their own voice and challenged notions about ebonics.

He said members of a California school district who broached teaching ebonics in school misunderstood the

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DePaul University professor and noted black intellectual Michael Eric Dyson speaks as part of Race Relations Week on Monday night.