

'Student Life' hits the big time at Carolina with record budget

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The most extensive Summer Life program ever inaugurated at UNC was budgeted \$3,500 last week to provide a variety of student services.

Among the programs planned are weekend check cashing, a ride coordinating service, a centralized quiz file and a Friday night movie series.

Dormitories and, for the first time, fraternities, sororities and married student housing, all qualify for Summer Life funds to be used primarily for social activities.

Dorm presidents and Greek representatives should see Student Body Treasurer Mike O'Neal about requests.

Off-campus students can make requisitions for other organizations through specific professors or department heads, who will relay the requests to O'Neal.

Graduate students, who are also eligible to receive activity money, should see the Graduate and Professional Student Federation about funds.

"Summer is the only time Student Government funds can be used for social purposes," O'Neal said last week. "That's why it's being set up."

"There's been very good response to the activity fund," Student Body President Bill Bates said Tuesday. "So far, requests have come primarily from dorms that want to sponsor small parties."

Approximately 86 cents per student is available for social activities, part of which will probably be used for a campus-wide party later this summer, Bates said.

In past summers, funds were allocated on a lump sum basis, with most groups receiving about \$50. Because money is now handled on a per-capita basis, some residence halls may get up to twice as much money as last summer, O'Neal said.

Bates and O'Neal hope the per capita system will prove a more efficient and fair method of distributing the funds.

The weekend check cashing service, operating in Suite C of the Union, starts Saturday from 11-3 p.m. Students can also cash checks on Sundays from 12-2 p.m.

The Friday night film series will feature "Gone With the Wind" (25¢ admission, June 13), "High Plains Drifter", "Midnight Cowboy", "The Misfits", "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid", and "Elmer Gantry." Tomorrow night's film is "Brewster McCloud," a Robert Altman black comedy.

Admission to all films except "Gone With the Wind" is free with a UNC Identification. For persons without UNC identification, the charge is 50 cents.

"Weekends here at UNC are doubly dead in the summer," O'Neal said, "so the free films are to provide extra entertainment."

Bates said, "We want to give people something to do... and to get away from the summer weekend-departure rut."

Summer Life has also revived the rider coordination program to help students find rides or riders. Students who want passengers or a ride should call the student government office a few days in advance of their trip.

The campus quiz file has been rejuvenated, updated and relocated in Suite C. The 34-volume file includes old tests covering over 200 subjects and is open Monday through Thursday, from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

In response to the surge of summer activities, the Union has expanded its hours on a trial basis. For the first time the Union will be open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. till 11 p.m. and from noon to 11 p.m. on Sundays.

Union Director Frank Henry said in past summers, the Union had to be closed on weekends because students never used it.

The Union has also announced a new \$1.75 hourly bowling rate for use of a single lane by up to five persons.

Desegregation plan questioned

HEW probes vet school

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The UNC Board of Governors' decision to place a proposed veterinary school at N.C. State University has caused the U.S. Department of Health Education and Welfare (HEW) to question the acceptability of the Consolidated University's desegregation plan, an HEW official said Friday.

William H. Thomas, director of HEW's Atlanta Regional Office for Civil Rights, recently said the decision to locate the school at N.C. State—against the recommendation of HEW—means that HEW officials and Consolidated University officials have interpreted the desegregation plan differently, forcing the department to reexamine the plan.

If the plan is found unacceptable, the University stands to lose its estimated \$70

million of federal funding.

Thomas said he will recommend that the Washington office of HEW begin proceedings against the Consolidated University.

The Consolidated University had received no new word from HEW as of Wednesday morning, John L. Sanders, University vice-president for planning said.

Sanders said the issue is whether or not the decision to locate the veterinary school at N.C. State is in violation of the desegregation plan.

He also said the whole plan is not being reviewed, just the decision concerning the veterinary school. "I have no reason to think, on the basis of any communication we have had with HEW, that HEW is considering withdrawing approval of the 1974 plan."

Nothing in the 1974 plan would allow either party to back out of the agreement, he said.

The controversy was stirred by the decision in November of 1974 to locate the proposed veterinary school at predominantly white N.C. State rather than predominantly black North Carolina A&T.

Thomas said he thinks locating the school would aid in desegregating the system. But Sanders said members of the Board of Governors believe that putting the school at North Carolina A&T would further segregate the system by duplicating facilities at A&T which already exist at N.C. State.

According to earlier newspaper articles, Thomas said the decision to locate the school at NCSU affects the desegregation plan as a whole because it suggests that the Board of Governors interpreted the plan differently from HEW officials.

Thomas said, "We've been told now the plan doesn't mean what we thought it did, so we have to examine the plan in light of this interpretation that has been given to us."

Soft drink legislation goes flat

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RALEIGH—Legislation that would have required a minimum 5-cent deposit on all soft drink and beer containers is apparently dead in the General Assembly this session.

The bill was introduced in an attempt to substantially reduce container litter and induce state bottlers to use returnable bottles and cans.

The Beverage Container Litter Act fell victim to an intensive lobbying effort by representatives of the state bottling industry who contended that enactment of the bill would result in a loss of over 1000 jobs in the state's can and glass manufacturing industry.

The bill's sponsor, Rep. Charlie Webb, D-Guilford, said that only about 350 jobs would be lost in the can and glass manufacturing industry. He also said enactment of the bill would have meant an increase of about 600 jobs to the state's economy because of the need for more dishwashers, truck drivers, bottle handlers and inspectors.

In a surprise move on the House floor Tuesday when a vote was expected on the bill, Webb moved that the bill be re-referred to the House Water and Air Resources Committee. The bill will probably not receive consideration by the full House this session as it is rapidly coming to a close.

Earlier, the House Water and Air Resources Committee, of which Webb is a member, had sent the measure "without prejudice" to the House floor by a 10-4 vote.

In an interview after Tuesday's session, Webb said he "felt it was better to send the bill back to a committee where I have some control than for it to have the stigma of having been defeated on the House floor."

"Next session, people can't look back and say 'we killed this thing,'" he said.

Webb, who maintained that he had been "in control of the bill all the way," said it "undoubtedly" would have been defeated Tuesday had he permitted the House vote on it.

Support for the bill has eroded in recent weeks as lobbyists intensified their efforts to defeat the bill. Under pressure from union bottlers, state AFL-CIO President Wilbur Hobby came out against the bill.

Explained Rep. David Diamont, D-Surry, another of the bill's backers, "The lobbyists worked real, real hard, extremely hard to defeat the bill."

The apparent death of the bill comes despite a recent statewide survey by the North Carolina Public Interest Research

Group (NC PIRG) which concluded that most North Carolinians favor greater use of returnable beverage containers.

Of the 700 North Carolina residents surveyed by PIRG, 62 per cent preferred buying returnable bottles and cans to non-returnable containers.

PIRG Research Associate Peter Brown said "Spokesmen for the N.C. Bottlers Association claim that consumers prefer throwaway containers over returnables and that this preference is behind the increase in throwaway containers. This survey shows that this is not the case at all."

Eighty eight per cent of those surveyed said they would be willing to pay a 5-cent minimum deposit on all beverage containers if they know they can get the deposit back by returning the container.

According to PIRG, there has been a large increase over the last two decades in the number of beverage containers used per year. The consumption of beer and soft drinks increased 29 per cent in the decade from 1959 to 1969, while the use of beer and soft drink containers increased by 164 per cent.

Brown, however said the increase in the use of containers has not been the result of consumer demand for non-returnable containers. "In light of the survey results, the container manufacturers' claim that the public has demanded increased use of throwaways seems to be hogwash," he said.

"The citizens of North Carolina prefer returnable bottles by a sizeable majority, and they want to see their use increase."



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The Legislature crushed the soft drink bill