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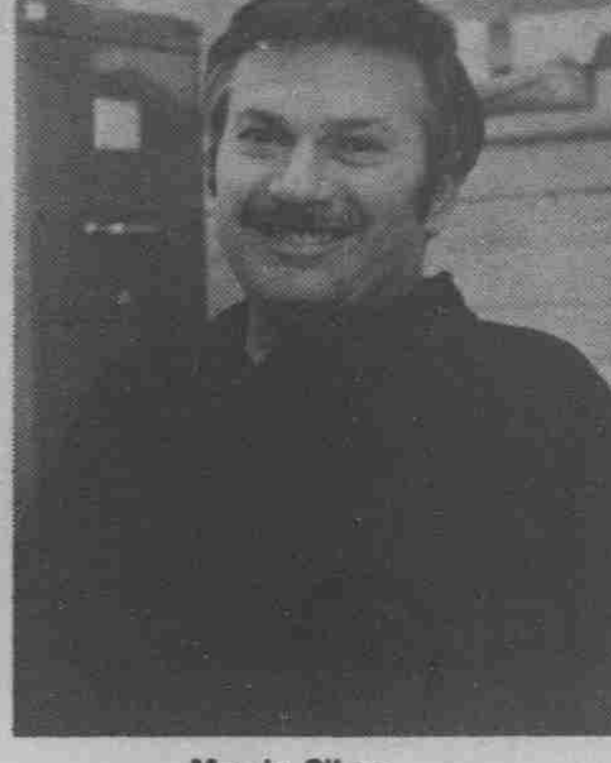
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# Bayliss, Holmes, Howes, Rettie, Silver, Smith: Candidates for the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen

## William Bayliss

Chapel Hill attorney and alderman candidate William H. Bayliss said Sunday he will emphasize the town's need for an adequate water supply and new waste water treatment facilities in his campaign. Bayliss, 52, resident of Chapel Hill since 1970, has served two terms as a city commissioner (1963-1967) and sat on the Board of Supervisors in Kalamazoo, Mich. He cited the town's recent low water supply as proof of the need for the improvements in the town. Bayliss said he opposes the state Thoroughfare Plan, which would divert traffic from downtown areas. "It (the state plan) destroys the historic area, and it certainly destroys the residential area." Bayliss, who calls himself a political moderate, warned against raising taxes to pay for an extended bus service. "The bus service is here to stay," he said. "The only question is to have an adequate service without having the cost get out of bounds. It should be the most self-supporting possible with a minimum amount of cost to the taxpayer." Bayliss said he does not favor uniforms for bus drivers, which the board of aldermen recently voted to require. "Next year will be an interesting year," he said. "There will be a new mayor, a new board, a new town manager. Neither (mayoral candidates Gerry Cohen and Jimmy Wallace) have been mayor before, and at least four of the eight aldermen will be new." Bayliss said his main strong point will be his past experience. He received a B.S. from Harvard, an M.B.A. from Columbia and a J.D. from Duke. He was admitted to the bar in 1972. In Kalamazoo he was director of public affairs for the Upjohn Company.

## Douglas Holmes

Douglas Holmes, 32, said Sunday his campaign for the Board of Aldermen will concentrate on conservative municipal finances and "making sure we can finance

adequately all the programs proposed." A licensed attorney and eight-year resident of Chapel Hill, Holmes is an instructor in business law and accounting at North Carolina State University. "The town ought to stay away from federal grants—they could be terminated at any time," he said. "Philosophically, I really don't think the federal government can stand it. I think Chapel Hill is on the road to being too dependent on federal funding." Holmes said the current town administration has approached finance from a "sociologist's standpoint." As a result, many social programs have been started in the community without adequate financial planning, he said. He cited the \$60,000 deficit of the town bus system as an example and said he questions spending a projected \$5 million in the next five years on the system. Town administrators are paid an excessive amount, Holmes also said, and he called the town's 10-man Human Services Department "a good example of a burgeoning bureaucracy." "I think we need a business viewpoint now," he said. Holmes, a registered independent who has never held public office, said the 14 alderman hopefuls are "the strongest group of candidates I've ever seen, both from expertise and intellectual standpoints." He said his background in law, finance and business administration is broad enough to encompass most town issues. He said, however, that he is "first and foremost an eight-year resident of Chapel Hill, and I intend to stay here for life." A 1971 graduate of the UNC law school, Holmes is a licensed accountant and is currently a Ph.D. candidate at UNC in business administration and finance.

## R. D. Smith

R. D. Smith said Monday that half his life since moving to Chapel Hill 33 years ago has been devoted to town government. He said he is hoping to add at least four more years of service since, he is candidate for reelection as a Chapel Hill alderman.

Smith, 57, has served on the Board of Aldermen for 10 years and was previously on the Planning Board for six years. He is an assistant principal at Chapel Hill High School. "I have a feeling that there are a large number of major projects we need to complete," Smith said. "We have to continue to fulfill our obligations to the citizens by delivering services in an efficient manner." Smith has supported the building of bikeways and parks, increasing town efficiency and summer hiring by the town of more youths and blacks. "Efficiency is a central theme of Smith's campaign, he said. "It's time we stopped and looked at what local government is doing and what we can do to use the tax dollars better." One way Smith would recommend this be done is by consolidating certain projects currently duplicated by Chapel Hill, Carrboro and Orange County. Smith said he strongly supports the town bus system but said, "With any transit system there is always room for improvement. There's not a bus system in the country that operates without a deficit. This one operates on a deficit, but I think we can minimize that deficit." He said he favors expanding the bus system, as he would for any other service if there is a demand for it. Smith recommended careful use of planning for the town's future. "I don't think we can stop growth," he said, "but I think we can plan for the growth and put it where we think it should be." He also said the town's government should be as large as it needs to be to serve the population's needs while remaining efficient.

## Jonathan Howes

Jonathan Howes, candidate for Chapel Hill alderman, said Sunday his primary concern is managing the town's growth so that it is economically useful, environmentally sound and protective of historical landmarks. Howes, 38, is director of Urban and Regional Studies at UNC. He said his extensive experience with urban government in general and with Chapel Hill government

makes him more qualified than any of his opponents to serve on the board. He has been a member of the Planning Board for two years and is currently its chairperson. Howes also served on the Charter Commission. Howes said he supports establishing a formal transportation advisory committee to work with the town manager and transportation director. He said the bus system could be more efficient and suggested a study should be made on use of the bus system during off-peak hours. Howes said the town should take a strong stand against the state-proposed thoroughfare plan which among other changes would make Franklin and Rosemary streets one-way. The town should expand its recreational facilities such as swimming pools and tennis courts and rely less on University facilities, Howes said. Before settling in Chapel Hill in 1970, Howes spent nine years in Washington, D.C., where he worked for the Department of Housing and Urban Development and served as director of the Urban Policy Center for the National Urban Coalition. Howes holds a masters in regional planning from UNC and a masters in public administration from Harvard. He received his undergraduate degree from Wittenberg College in Ohio.

## C. William Rettie

Alderman candidate C. William Rettie said he wants to let the people define the issues in regularly scheduled community-wide public hearings. As an alderman, he said he would favor an ordinance allowing any group to get a public hearing with at least one member of the Board of Aldermen. "I won't accept the belief that all the citizens can do is wait for election day and pick a candidate that comes closest to his own ideas," Rettie, manager of a local health agency, said. "Government is the people's business and requires continuing citizen input." Rettie supports regularly scheduled neighborhood forums to more readily get at issues and facts.

A sociologist, Rettie said he sees the University as a source of potential problem-solvers, as well as a distinct population group with unique problems. "There are still 400 units of substandard housing in this town and thousands of people living on fixed incomes," he said. "We have the same problems as large cities, but in a town this size, we have the ability to solve them. But until they become public issues, nothing can be done." He also said the board should support a wider variety of community programs and be more aggressive in seeking federal funds. Rettie has worked for the Department of Health, Education and Welfare and the Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington, as well as in community agencies in seven states in social service personnel work. Rettie manages from his home the Center for Family Planning, a private preventive health service agency. He has lived in Chapel Hill since 1971 and holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from Montana State University. He did graduate work in public administration at the University of Pittsburgh.

## Marvin Silver

Marvin Silver, candidate for Chapel Hill alderman, says the town's future is now. "The future problems for local government are now," Silver said Monday. "No longer can we think in terms of five or 10 years from now." Town issues which now deserve attention include transportation, energy and growth

the 51-year-old UNC physics professor said. "I feel that transportation is important now, but will be essential for the future," Silver said, and he urged that the town bus system be improved and possibly expanded. "I'm not being critical. We've just got to sit down and talk and decide—what do we want and what would be the best we can do for everybody's use?" He listed two aspects to the bus question—meeting the public's needs and remaining within available monetary resources. But he added, "When I talk about improvement, I'm talking constructively, not just to save money." Silver said he approves of using federal funds for town projects, saying they have been used in the past for "important capital improvements, the housing revolving fund and the very important bus system. I feel that the good we have used this money for exceeds the dangers that it may be removed." A former member of the Chapel Hill Transportation Advisory Committee and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro School Board, and a current member of the Orange County Energy Task Force, Silver said he thinks the town should make a major effort to save energy. "Since the town is growing and the needs of its citizens are changing, Silver said he believes the town government should grow and adapt. "But that does not mean a mushrooming bureaucracy," he added. "We do need to manage growth," he said. "The quality of our lives depends on it, and we will need to make decisions."

## Two CGC seats sought in Wednesday's election

Two seats on the Campus Governing Council will be killed in a runoff election Wednesday. CGC Speaker Dan Besse and Morehead Confederation Co-Governor Eric Locher are seeking election to the CGC undergraduate District VIII seat now held by Besse. Besse was recalled by his district Oct. 2 on charges of misrepresentation. Locher announced his write-in candidacy for the seat two days before the Oct. 15 election and collected the most write-in votes ever gathered by any candidate in a special election. Morehead Confederation residents may vote in Cobb and Everett dormitories.

Tim Ward and Colin Brown will be opposing each other for the CGC seat from undergraduate District VI. Residents of the district may vote Wednesday in Y-court and Whitehead dormitory. Tom Davies has been declared the winner of the disputed CGC Graduate District IV race (the schools of medicine and education). No one officially filed for the race from graduate District IV, 21 write-in votes were cast. In announcing Davies' election Monday, Elections Board Chairperson Brooke Bynum said she has investigated the validity of the residency of those receiving votes.

## Wake wins 'Tar Heel' debate

Wake Forest University defeated the University of Redlands from Redlands, Calif. in the final round of the Seventh Annual Tar Heel Invitational Debate Tournament, held here Sunday. Fifty-six teams from across the nation competed in the tournament, John Lucaites, UNC debate director, said. The UNC team, as hosts, did not participate. The Tar Heel Invitational is one of the 20 most important debate tournaments out of more than 350 held annually in the United States, Lucaites said. All tournament debates concerned the topic, "Resolved: That the Federal Government should adopt a comprehensive program of controlled land use in the United States."

Wake Forest was chosen by a panel of three judges, speech professor J. Robert Cox and former UNC debaters Joe McGuire and Tom Dillard. The UNC Debate Team is supported by Student Government and the Speech Department, Lucaites said. The team is one of the five top teams in the country, he said along with Northwestern University, Georgetown University, Redlands and Harvard. People interested in debate can come to the Debate Club's meetings which are held at 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays, in the first floor of Bingham.

—Dwight Ferguson

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## I Support Jim Wallace for Mayor

I have worked with him on conservation issues and I know his capacity for leadership, organization and hard work. After seeking the views of all sides, he decides issues on merit. Jim is known and respected in our region and through North Carolina. This would be a great asset for our mayor. He is a graduate of The University Of North Carolina Law School and has been honored as a Distinguished Alumnus. A former alderman, Jim is now a teacher and a businessman. Over the year he has taken some hard knocks in the interest of students and minorities but his efforts continue. His interests and experience are broad and deep. I think Jim Wallace qualifies as everyone's candidate for mayor.

(Paid for by Wallace for Mayor Committee.)