

The weather today and Wednesday will be mostly cloudy and windy with a chance of showers and thundershowers. The high today will be in the 80s, and the low tonight will be in the 50s.

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Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Council are sponsoring a pie-eating contest from 2-4 p.m. today in the Pit as part of Greek Week festivities.

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## Committee approves tuition-credit bill opposed by Carter

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Despite strong opposition from the Carter administration, a bill establishing tax credits for school tuition escaped defeat in the House Ways and Means Committee Monday by a 24-13 vote.

The proposal was saved after proponents defeated an amendment that would have killed the controversial measure, which is similar to a version in the Senate that has also drawn the opposition of administration officials.

The House version would establish a tax credit of 50 percent of a student's tuition payments, up to a maximum credit of \$250 for college tuition and \$100 for elementary and secondary school tuition.

A similar measure in the Senate allows credits up to \$500. U.S. Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) has announced his support for the Senate version.

The N.C. Coalition to Save the Public Schools, an educators' lobby group, said at a press conference Friday House and Senate versions of the tax credit measure would erode the quality of the nation's public schools by diverting federal assistance to parents of children in private schools, including elementary, secondary and post-secondary institutions.

Coalition members say they plan to bring pressure on U.S. Rep. Jim Martin of Mecklenburg County, a member of the Ways and Means Committee, in hopes of persuading the N.C. Republican and other committee members to vote against the House version.

A Martin aide said the member of Congress supports tax credits for parents of students in college but opposes President Carter's student aid package because the grant bill would be less effective and generate more red tape.

"The Carter proposal is dumb," the congressional aide said. "You would have more people filling out more 11-page forms if the president had his way."

U.S. Sen. Robert Morgan has opposed the House and Senate packages because they are inflationary, said Alfred Pollard, an aide to the N.C. Democrat. Pollard said Morgan is considering the merits of Carter's proposal but has not reached a final decision.

In an effort to strengthen the chances of the House bill being upheld as constitutional if a court battle should result, the Ways and Means Committee approved an amendment extending its tax credit plan to public elementary and secondary school tuition, including fees paid by children attending schools outside their home district.

Pollard said Morgan will not base his decision as to which bill to support on whether one version or another may or may not be constitutional.

"We're not going to press the constitutionality issue," Pollard said. "Morgan has initially stated opposition to the (Senate) tax credit expense. But if it passed, you would have no guarantee that it would go to the people that needed it most."

"People making as much as \$30,000 a year would be receiving benefits from it (the Senate version)," Pollard said. "Every university in the country would raise tuition to the tax credit plan."



These UNC-CH nursing students have a much greater chance of passing the N.C. Board of Nursing exam than students at predominantly black UNC schools. Staff photo by Scott Johnston.

## Black nursing schools told to improve or close—board

By PAM KELLEY  
Staff Writer

The University system's three predominantly black nursing schools, slapped in the face by high failure rates of graduates taking state licensing exams, are struggling under pressure from a UNC Board of Governors planning committee pushing for program improvements or a closing of the schools' doors.

Of 113 graduates of Winston-Salem State University, N.C. Central University and N.C. A&T State University nursing schools, less than 30 percent passed the most recent N.C. Board of Nursing exam, according to Jeanne McNally, associate vice president for academic affairs of the 16-campus University system.

Of the 109 students who graduated from the UNC School of Nursing last spring, 90 percent passed the state exam.

The licensing exam is a national standardized test designed to measure nursing school graduates' minimum competency, according to Dixie King, business administrator for the licensing board.

McNally said she is not certain why the predominantly white program at Chapel Hill has significantly greater numbers of graduates passing the state test.

"Admission standards are lower in the three predominantly black schools, so we could assume reading skills, which play an important part in nursing, are lower," McNally said.

The three black schools admit nursing students as freshmen, while the national trend is to admit nursing majors as juniors and seniors. McNally said freshman and sophomore nursing students may not be as proficient in reading as students who do not enter the program until later in their college careers.

The Board of Governors has established a timetable calling for closing the black schools unless two-thirds of the graduates pass the state nursing exam in 1981 and 75 percent pass in 1983.

McNally said she believes it will be 1980 before any significant improvements in the programs are apparent because the schools need time to implement program improvements.

"The responsibility of the Board of Governors is to find weaknesses in nursing school programs and help to strengthen them," according to John Jordan, chairperson of the planning committee. When the committee meets Thursday, it will hear a report from the three black schools. The panel will decide on a course of action late next month, Jordan said. "We want to give them any assistance they need," he said.

The federal government's desegregation dispute with the University system has not influenced decisions concerning UNC's black nursing schools, Jordan said.

"Nursing school studies were going on before the HEW controversy ever got started," he said.

## Workers to retire at 70, not 65

# New retirement plan may decrease student jobs

By TONY MACE  
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Although federal legislators and state labor officials say they do not know what effect the new mandatory retirement age will have on the job market, two UNC economists say students entering the job market in the near future may have trouble finding high-paying employers.

"It won't be a matter of widespread unemployment among people just out of college," said James A. Wilde, an associate professor in the economics department. "But the kinds of jobs people start out in may be somewhat poorer in terms of compensation than what otherwise might have been the case."

President Jimmy Carter last week signed into law a bill extending the required retirement age for federal employees from 65 to 70. Observers said the measure would have a lesser impact on state jobs and private industry than federal posts because many labor contracts already provide for retirement at ages younger than 65.

Wilde and Solomon Polachek, an assistant

professor of economics, said the new law may eventually stimulate the economy and provide more jobs.

"If people between the ages of 65 and 70 are working and not retired, they will be able to spend more money," Polachek said. "If their demands for goods and services rises, then there will be more jobs for more people."

Delayed retirements could ease the immediate pressure on the near-bankrupt Social Security system because more people would be working and fewer drawing Social Security benefits, the assistant professor said.

"This bill is a way of taking the burden of the Social Security tax off younger working people and placing the burden right back on people who can afford it," Polachek said.

But it is not known how many people will actually choose to remain on their jobs. The U.S. Department of Labor estimates only about 200,000 Americans will take advantage of the new law the first year because the national trend is toward early retirement.

N.C. Labor Commissioner John Brooks disagrees. "A lot of people will take advantage of the new law. I have found in my own experience that retirement programs and pensions often are totally inadequate to maintain the lifestyle people become accustomed to."

"Especially if high inflation rates continue, most persons faced with an opportunity to maintain their lifestyle are going to do so," the commissioner said.

The new law will lessen the impact of affirmative action programs, Brooks said. "It will temper the results of affirmative action in the sense that it will reduce the opportunity to fill new vacancies," he said.

Mori Congelton, deputy director of the N.C. Department of Human Resources aging division, said the new law adds up to affirmative action for old people.

"We're looking at age as a minority which we have to consider in our affirmative action programs," Congelton said. "To me this bill improves affirmative action."

Several congressional aides saw the issue differently. "Creating or vacating jobs does not create employment. Expanding the economy does," said Clint Fuller, administrative assistant to U.S. Sen. Jesse Helms. "You want a growing, dynamic society, rather than a stagnant situation."

Fuller said persons most in need of a job are hurt by a stagnant situation where jobs are apportioned on the basis of fixed availability.

"I suggest you look at a report released the other day that shows 500,000 sunbelt jobs are going begging before you connect this retirement bill to higher unemployment among young people," said Tom Lambeth, an aide to U.S. Rep. Richardson Preyer of Greensboro.

Brooks said there are 40,000 jobs available for skilled craftsmen in North Carolina.

"Our problem in the state now is that we've got so many skilled jobs going begging, and an increasing number of unskilled workers. My recommendation to young people is that they gain marketable skills."

## To deal with off-campus life

# SG to organize apartment group

By CAROL HANNER  
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An Apartment Dwellers' Association, for dealing with the problems of finding and living in an apartment, will be organized by Student Government before next fall.

"This will be a way for students who live in apartments to be able to sit down and talk with Student Government about problems such as leasing, how much they can afford, etc.," Residence Affairs Coordinator Yvette Holmes said.

"We just hope to make life a little easier for students in apartments, especially since they are often isolated from students who live on campus," Holmes said.

She said the association will be composed of students living in apartments and one person from Residence Affairs to organize the group and act as a liaison with Student Government. Residence Affairs is a Student Government committee not associated with the Residence Hall Association.

"Probably, owners of apartment complexes will be included in the association, too, since we can't really solve anything without their help," Holmes said.

The group will also compile an apartment listing system with up-to-date information on Chapel Hill apartment complexes, she said.

Residence Hall Association President

Don Fox said RHA probably would work with the association to help find housing for students closed out of dormitories, transfer and graduate students.

"Last year, only 200 people were closed out. This year, it's 600 people," Fox said.

"It's become a drastic problem. We have to put those people somewhere," Fox said.

"It can be scary to be a sophomore and unexpectedly find yourself without a place to live. We'd like to make apartment owners more aware of students' needs," Holmes said.

Residence Affairs is now looking for an apartment dweller to serve as chairperson of the association.

## CGC looks at budget

Finance Committee budget hearings begin at 7 tonight for student organizations requesting CGC funding. The order in which requests will be considered was determined by random drawing. Information concerning the location of the hearings is available at the Carolina Union information desk.

### Tuesday Night

- 7:00 Angel Flight
- 7:20 UNC Readers Theatre
- 7:40 Student Legal Services
- 8:00 Recreation Society
- 8:10 Carolina Coastal Club
- 8:20 SCAU
- 9:00 AWS
- 9:40 Fine Arts Festival
- 10:20 Carolina Course Review
- 10:40 Elections Board
- 11:00 Judicial Branch

### Wednesday Afternoon

- 1:00 Executive Branch
- 1:20 CGC
- 1:40 CGA
- 2:00 IFC
- 2:20 Yarkety Yack
- 3:00 Carolina Quarterly
- 3:20 Human Sexuality

### Wednesday (cont.)

- 3:40 Cellar Door
- 4:00 Orientation Commission
- 4:20 Individual Events
- 4:30 Indian Circle
- 4:40 Black Student Movement

### Thursday Night

- 7:00 Alchemist
- 7:20 Campus Y
- 7:40 NCSL
- 8:00 Sports Club Council
- 8:40 GPSF
- 9:00 Jugglers Club
- 9:20 AIS/AIS Exchange
- 9:40 Toronto Exchange
- 10:00 Victory Village Day Care
- 10:20 Debate Team
- 10:40 RHA
- 11:00 WXYC

## Cheerleaders No. 1 in national contest

Carolina's cheerleading squad took top honors in the national competition last week in Hollywood, finishing ahead of Southern California, Kansas, Florida and Pittsburgh.

The competition was taped last Thursday night for a 90-minute CBS television special that will be shown at 8 p.m. April 24. Cheryl Ladd is hostess for the show; Phyllis George and Bruce Jenner are MCs; and Lou Rawls, George Burns and Gene Kelly are special guests.

The members of the squad include co-head cheerleaders Cathy McDowell and Chuck Day; Hank Gillebaard, Pam Parham, Teresa Trice, Heidi Behrends, Bob Fussell, Vicki Marmarose, Steve Moazed, Bill Nicholson, Brantley Peck, Reb Thomas, Kim Cline, Ross Coppage, Winnie Lyles and Mariann Shoaf.

The competition was based one-third on cheers and chants, one-third on dances and one-third on spectacle.

McDowell said the final results were announced from last place to first place. "When they said first runner-up went to Southern Cal, we just exploded. I don't remember what we did, we were so excited. I don't know what it will turn out like on TV."

Dorothy Gunnells is the cheerleaders' sponsor.

## Ancient art of juggling is tricky to learn

By GEORGE JETER  
Staff Writer

"You want to learn how to juggle?" the smiling face asked. To most people this question has about the same effect as asking someone to try escargot for the first time.

"Actually you don't need any great coordination or skill to do it," said Bruce Ivins, faculty advisor for the UNC Jugglers Association. "Some people have learned to juggle in five or 10 minutes."

The jugglers were in the Pit last week teaching beginners some of the basic steps to practice one of man's most enduring forms of entertainment. The session is an annual event put on by the club, although they also teach interested persons during Thursday and Sunday afternoon meetings by the Old Well.

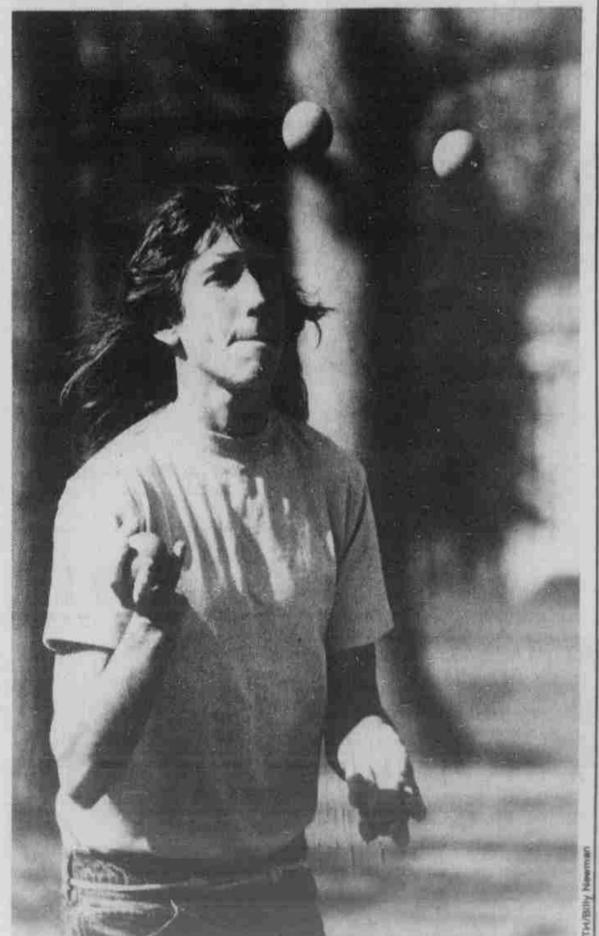
"Come on and give it a try," the jovial juggler repeated while three yellow tennis balls danced on his hands. The first step in juggling involves learning how to throw chalk filled tennis balls in a low arch from hand to hand at different intervals. This style of throwing is called the cascade method.

Next one learns jugglers throw out terms almost as readily as balls. After mastering the cascade (no easy task in itself), there are the shower, the circle, the two in one, and the fountain methods to attempt.

After an hour of chasing dropped tennis balls (forget that they say you can learn in 10 minutes) one slowly gets the feeling juggling is as hard as it looks after all.

Then it happens. On about the 1000th try these little yellow orbs dance for a minute — admittedly a little clumsily — but a few seconds of uncertain juggling is enough. Everyone smiles, muscles ripple gently under your shirt and suddenly you wonder why anyone would turn down a chance to juggle.

One word of caution. At this moment beginners should not look at some of the more advanced club members or they will invariably see someone like Juggling Association President Ernie Nolen juggling four balls backwards while bouncing another off the ground. The



Look easy? Juggling takes skill, coordination, luck

muscles stop rippling and old soccer injuries start complaining.

"We've had professors, housewives, students and townspeople all learn to juggle," Ivins said. "Most people could learn, and actually girls learn a little faster."

Two hours later, the lesson began to break up, and the air cleared of flying

balls, sticks, clubs and rings. Beginners were encouraged to keep practicing and reminded to use objects with enough weight to keep them from bouncing out of their hands.

"Just keep practicing," Ivins advised new juggling fanatics as they walked off — most of them with their hands still moving from side to side.