

# 'The Blue Lagoon' impersonal, boring

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By PHIL GALANES  
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The Blue Lagoon can safely be recommended only to fanciers of those lavishly produced coffee-table books that celebrate beautiful naked youths disporting themselves in natural settings.

(Brooke Shields and Christopher Atkins) walk across the sand or go swimming in the lagoon, the camera caresses their bodies with utter impersonality. Certainly nakedness has no dramatic value in a movie that is all splash and gleam, all ecstatic fish and golden skin and pulsating palms.

"What are all these funny hairs growing on me?" says Christopher Atkins in the first bewilderment of puberty. The worst thing about *The Blue Lagoon* is its excruciating sincerity. If only some dirty impulses were churning around in this Adam-and-Eve story, the movie wouldn't be so boring.

Adapted from a novel written in 1903 by Henry De Vere Stackpole, this fable of natural innocence may have possessed some liberating force at the turn of the century. But the material can't possibly mean the same thing in 1980, when kids are celebrating their natural impulses in every high school in the country. The implicit criticism of society has dropped away, and what is left is hygienic fantasy, infinitely prolonged, of two splendid young bodies mating.

## Cinema

Directed by Randal Kleiser and photographed by Nestor Almendros, this solemn exercise in nudist-camp lyricism is about a young boy and girl shipwrecked on a deserted South Pacific island, and who find sexual pleasure in each other without fear or guilt. If this sounds interesting, let me assure easily stimulating readers that the movie is so revoltingly clean that it isn't the least bit erotic.

As the two vapid teen beauties



'The Blue Lagoon' ...at area theaters

Never mind that Brooke Shields' eyebrows are elegantly plucked and that her hair falls in soft, clean waves over her breasts ("my bobbies," as she enchantingly calls them). Never mind that the kids live in a sturdy bamboo hut reminiscent of a split-level vacation condo on one of the smaller Hawaiian islands. What's worse than this unreality is that the story is completely without suspense, and the lovers have no personality to speak of.

Living in nature hasn't made them strange or wild; on the contrary, they act like premature suburbanites—their talk is TV-generation teen banter. Everything has been done to make them accessible to the young audience, yet I suspect that kids will either roar with laughter or hide their faces in embarrassment.

# Refugee families face adjustments

By AMY PRUGH  
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Arriving in Chapel Hill as a student begins a bewildering and scheduled way of living which lasts for at least four years.

But for refugee families resettling in Chapel Hill, the adjustment is a much bigger, more complex adventure. Due largely to the successful efforts of the Indo-Chinese Refugee Resettlement Coalition, in cooperation with the N.C. Catholic Diocese, about 16 refugee families have resettled in the Chapel Hill area since 1975.

For the last five years, area churches have been sponsoring refugee families with the help of the coalition. Although the legal responsibilities of the church and the coalition are limited, both go beyond their "obligations."

"Legally, all the church has to do for them is find them housing, a job, and help them obtain a Social Security card," coalition member Jo Baker said. "But actually, the church does more than that. We feel it is our moral obligation to stand by them until they are independent, whether it takes six months or a year."

The Catholic diocese, operating from Raleigh, helps the refugee families by paying their passage to the United States, which costs about \$300 per person. This is the only money the refugees are asked to repay once they have secured employment. The diocese also will give each refugee \$250, if he needs the money.

The churches and the coalition help the refugees face three major resettlement problems: obtaining housing, overcoming

the language barrier and finding employment. Housing is their biggest problem, since there is a lack of moderately priced housing in Chapel Hill. Apartment managers are wary of leasing apartments to families with three or more children. Most Chapel Hill refugee families have more than three children, so finding suitable housing has been a problem.

The most recent refugee family, the Phans from Vietnam, arrived in Chapel Hill Aug. 21. The Amity Methodist Church is sponsoring the Phans. The family is being housed temporarily with the family of University zoology professor Darrel Stafford, a member of the church.

The Phans showed their willingness to become a part of the American culture by changing their first names. "The Phans wanted to feel a part of our American culture," Baker said. "The parents, Chan and Hong, decided it would be nice to rename the family with American names." The Staffords helped by reading a list of American names to the Phan family. Then the children—Khoi, Thuan and Hanh—chose their new names, Karl, Bill and Maria, and the parents chose John and Ann as their American names.

Ann and John Phan told horror stories of the Thailand refugee camp where they lived for six months. A large percentage of refugees die in these camps, waiting to be relocated, they said. On their way to America, the boat on which the Phans were traveling was captured and robbed by pirates at least 10 times.

"At least 10 new families have arrived in Chapel Hill within the past year," Baker said. The United Church, the Newman Center and Binkley Baptist Church have sponsored several families.

# Counseling center sponsors tutoring

By NORA WILKINSON  
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Improved academic performance is the aim of a free UNC tutorial program which began last week at Ehringhaus Dormitory.

The program, sponsored by the Office for Student Counseling, is designed specifically for freshmen and sophomores because of staff limitations. Tutorial sessions, though, are open to all students, said Joyce D. Clayton, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and program director.

Hayden Renwick, associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, started the program three years ago. It has yet

to achieve the degree of participation the program sponsors hope for.

"We're hoping that we'll serve far more students than we did last year," Clayton said. "The program has been filled with minority students in the past, but we serve any student who needs our services."

Tutors are students with academic averages of 2.5 or better, who have been recruited by the Office for Student Counseling.

Some of the tutors are volunteers; others are in the work/study program. Most of the tutors also serve as minority advisers.

Tutorial sessions are scheduled for both fall and spring semesters and offer

tutors proficient in English, math, foreign language, social sciences, biology and chemistry.

"We can't promise that we'll have tutors in every area, but we'll try," Clayton said. She said tutors in other subjects may be referred to those students requesting them.

The schedule for tutorial sessions for this fall is as follows:

- Monday, 7-8:30 p.m.: Ehringhaus fourth-floor conference room.
- Tuesday, 7-8:30 p.m.: Hinton James first-floor study lounge.
- Wednesday, 7-8:30 p.m.: Morrison recreation room.
- Thursday, 7-8:30 p.m.: Cobb recreation room.

# Placement service helps in job hunt

By EILEEN CURRY  
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Though it's still September, seniors already may be wondering what they're going to do when May rolls around and they're tossed out of the University and into the world.

For them, a trip to University Placement Service in Hanes Hall can help ease graduation qualms.

UPS, which is available to all seniors and alumni, conducts a counseling service, workshops and on-campus recruiting visits to aid a student's transition from campus life to a career.

It provides publicity about available positions through job vacancy notebooks, vacancy bulletins and credential and resume files which are open to employers and on-campus job recruiters. The service has contracts with hundreds of corporations. UPS schedules these companies for campus visits so that students are exposed to a

number of alternatives before they seek permanent employment.

Students may have their resumes sent by the placement service to prospective employers, or they can schedule interviews when a company is on campus. They also have the option of submitting resumes and credentials to be kept on file at UPS in case jobs become available within a year after they graduate.

Literature on employers and an alumni contact file also are available.

"No one is going to hold your hand," UPS Director Joe Galloway said. "But if the student is interested, he or she may attend the many workshops we conduct, ranging from identifying skills, interests and talents to resume writing and mock interviews."

Today at 3 p.m. in 209 Hanes there will be an interview tactics workshop, designed so students can practice answering critical questions many employers ask.

A series of workshops will be held Sept. 22-30 to test marketability of skills, to teach writing an effective resume and to practice interview tactics.

For a complete list of job-seeking workshops, and the dates when corporations are scheduled for recruiting visits, students should visit 211 Hanes.

# Campus Calendar

Public service announcements must be turned in at the box outside the DTH offices in the Carolina Union by 1 p.m. if they are to run the next day. Each item will be run at least twice.

## TODAY'S ACTIVITIES

UNC-Circle K will meet at 7 p.m. at the Union. Membership drive, fund raising and projects will be discussed. All members are urged to attend. Ask at the Union desk for the room number.

CPR: 2 classes will be offered the end of September and first week of October. Register now in front of the Union this week. A \$2.50 fee will be collected upon registering. Spaces are limited.

UNC Outing Club will meet at 7 p.m. in the Union. New members are welcome. Dues will be collected.

Interviewing Workshop, sponsored by the University Placement Service, will be held at 3 p.m. in 209 Hanes Hall. Activities based on the Skill Guide (available in 211 Hanes) will help you prepare for job interviews.

University Placement Service will conduct an orientation meeting for nursing students from 3-5 p.m. in 207 Carrington Hall. Please check with Student Affairs Office, School of Nursing, for individual groups designated by that office.

Group meeting for education—72 students (Coop's Class) will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. in 204 Peabody Hall. Sponsored by UPS.

There will be a continuing Bible Study at the Baptist Campus Ministry 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in creating a University-wide office of the Baker Street Irregulars should contact Martin Brock at 933-2866 between 2:30 and 3:30 or after 5:30 to discuss arrangements.

LSAT (Law School Admission Test) Oct. 11 Applications must be postmarked by Sept. 11 for \$31. Late fee \$10 additional until Sept. 18. Next testing Dec. 6. Applications and information available in 101 Nash Hall. Applications must be postmarked by Sept. 18.

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1 Lurch	32 Form of expression	54 Genius behind something	19 Tall aper
5 Comprehend	33 Publicize	57 Pilester	23 Hard — (working)
10 Bridge part	34 Tommy's gun	58 Part of a meat	24 One of the banks
14 Radames' love	35 Become unmanageable	59 Killer whale	25 Dots on Demonstration
15 Detector	38 French gray	60 Sign	27 Infants
16 Young zebra	40 Likely	61 Notable times	28 Recipe word
17 Precariously	41 Prevention bit	62 Cheat at cards?	29 Position
20 Tumult	42 Longing		30 "Get thee —"
21 Fe, e.g.	43 Boot or saddle		31 Completed
22 Fool	44 Canned for		32 Flatboat
23 Anagram	45 Trite humor		33 Where the rock of Cashel is
24 Tart	46 Branch		34 Turn away
25 Advice to printer	47 Closer's fault		35 Told
29 Word for a ship	48 Extracts, in a way		36 Ready for business

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1 Flatboat	31 Completed
2 Where the rock of Cashel is	32 Flatboat
3 Biblical land	33 Where the rock of Cashel is
4 Diogenes had one	34 Turn away
5 Thick with feces	35 Told
6 Carries on	36 Ready for business
7 increase	37 Enemy
8 Covered	38 Enemy
9 "Tempest" date	39 Tropical hat
10 Stone of —	40 Pays for
11 Neighbor of Sank	41 Unsullied
12 Extreme neighbor power	42 Dress shape
13 "— for my cause"	43 Biblical preparation
	44 Tennis
	45 stroke word
	46 Ending for neighbor
	47 Neb's neighbor
	48 Router
	49 Gardner
	50 Allow

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