

Sunny-sky up

Today will be sunny with the high reaching into the 60s. Clear and fair tonight, with the temperature near 40. There is no chance of rain.

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## Economic woes pose threat to planetarium

By BEVERLY SHEPARD  
Staff Writer

Economic problems at Morehead Planetarium are placing the institution on the road to an uncertain future, planetarium Director Anthony F. Jenzano said Wednesday.

He said the planetarium was suffering from a \$175,000 deficit, accumulated over the last seven or eight years. If the planetarium has to close its doors, it will do so in the face of its more than 100,000 tourists, more than half of whom are children.

"Economically, conditions are pretty sad," Jenzano said. "We have been quite successful in programs and production, but they are threatened by the economic state."

Director of UNC Relations Rollie Tillman Jr. said the University contributed \$160,000 to the planetarium. Although the University contributes, it does not have a separate budget request for the institution, Jenzano said.

State funds cover the cost of maintenance, the observatory and the social areas such as the ballroom, dining room and the faculty lounges, Jenzano said. However, none of these funds go directly to the planetarium operations or its exhibits. The planetarium relies on its trust fund—which comes from ticket sales—to operate and buy new equipment, he said. In September, the Planetarium raised its ticket prices by 15 percent to aid in covering costs. It now costs \$1.35 for children, \$2 for students, senior citizens and military persons and \$2.75 for other adults.

"The real problem is not just going to go away by itself," Jenzano said, "unless some provision is made to provide funds for a reserve, not just to break even. (The planetarium) can't make new progress and keep old equipment up to snuff."

Jenzano said the funds were needed mainly in two areas: for salary increases and to pay for experimental equipment. He said reserves also were needed to cover situations beyond the planetarium's control, which include heavy snows, like one which resulted in more than 2,000 cancellations.

During 1978-1979, the planetarium made a profit of \$1,300. But last year, attendance dropped by 20,000 people, which resulted in a \$24,000 deficit, Jenzano said.

Jenzano attributed the drop in attendance to mandatory busing, which increased the amount of trips one driver had to make. He also attributed it to the price of gas.

"We've cut back and we've cut back," Jenzano said. "If we cut back anymore, we'll cut into the quality of the planetarium production."

One of the programs the planetarium cut was the publication of its science quarterly, the *Sundial*. The publication ended when the regional McDonald's discontinued its \$2,000 sponsorship. The quarterly was sent to 2,500 people on its mailing list, Jenzano said. He did not know why McDonald's discontinued its sponsorship.

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### Chem II

Autumn provides an excellent opportunity to sit among fallen leaves and enjoy crisp sunny days. The great weather allows students a chance to take in natural beauty while cramming before that big test. Here, freshman Elizabeth Holden, from Silva, N.C., studies Chem II amid trees behind New West.

## ARA director supports Lenoir Hall renovation

By KERRY DEROGHI  
Staff Writer

An ARA food service official said Wednesday he would support the total renovation of Lenoir Hall into a complete dining service because of bad conditions in the University food service facilities.

In a meeting with the Food Service Advisory Committee, ARA Director Dan Ramage said the present renovation plans for just the Pine Room Cafeteria could alleviate its crowded conditions, but would not enhance its overall food service to the student.

"The basic assumption of the committee is to provide quality and full food service support to the students on campus," Ramage said after the meeting. "This is the most decrepit facility I have seen in a university."

Lenoir Hall currently houses the Pine Room, the art school and the Air Force ROTC. The art school students will move into a new building in the fall of 1983 which will create a vacancy.

Renovation plans include the conversion of storage space in the Pine Room to seating areas to provide additional seats. Ramage estimated that work on the project would begin in the spring. The Pine Room serves 1,300 students during the lunch hour but it only has facilities for 1,100. Ramage said the extra 100 seats could help alleviate the situation.

He said because the committee wished to upgrade the quality of food service available to students, it would have to consider increasing the facilities.

"To maximize use, we need to upgrade as

much as possible," Ramage said. "We can do a much better job, but we need facilities."

The committee discussed the possible methods of financing the renovation. Ramage said he did not believe ARA would pay for any of the changes because it had already invested \$100,000 in service changes.

Committee member Alisa Breedlove said her main concern was the student need for the expanded facilities.

"The thing that is most important is what students want and need over what is possible and feasible," Breedlove said. "In talking with them, most of them are saying improve what you can in what you have."

Student Body President Bob Saunders agreed with Breedlove that the students need to have the final decision on the question of total renovation.

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## Congress junks tax cut proposal

WASHINGTON (AP)—The outgoing Democratic-controlled 96th Congress, embarking on a lame-duck session, junked plans Wednesday for consideration of a tax cut backed by President-elect Ronald Reagan.

Senate Democrats voted overwhelmingly against even bringing the tax cut bill to the floor—a measure House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill announced President Carter was prepared to veto if it reached his desk.

Leaders promised that the session—the first postelection meeting of Congress in a presidential election year in 32 years—would be brief, with a shortened agenda.

Later in the day, O'Neill and Senate Majority Leader Robert Byrd met and agreed to recess the lame-duck session no later than Dec. 5. Appropriations bills not passed by that date would be simply lumped into an emergency spending measure and passed in that form, said O'Neill spokesman Gary Hymel.

Although congressional Republicans were still pressing for enactment of a tax cut this year, the proposal was virtually buried—at least until 1981—when Senate Democrats voted in a closed-door caucus against bringing it to the Senate floor.

At the same time, O'Neill told reporters he had discussed the tax-cut proposal with Carter in a Monday evening phone conversation. "The

president told me he would veto a tax bill were it to reach his desk. He said it would be inflationary," O'Neill said.

Republicans apparently will have to wait until next year before pushing the kind of tax cut that Reagan has made the centerpiece of his economic program.

"We felt Mr. Reagan ought to have his time at bat," Byrd told reporters after the Senate caucus vote.

Byrd had previously favored an immediate tax cut but said he changed his mind after talking to the president and assessing the situation in the House—where there never was much support for the tax cut proposal.

Democratic leaders said they anticipated the lame-duck session would be over in several weeks, probably shortly after Thanksgiving.

No major new legislation is expected to be approved, beyond needed budget and appropriations bills and several measures already well on the way toward passage, O'Neill said.

Meanwhile, the speaker, who becomes his party's highest-ranking elected official once Republicans take over both the White House and the Senate in January, said rebuilding the Democratic Party would require a dynamic figure as party chairman.

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**This semester, The Tar Heel has been experimenting with its distribution system in an effort to make finding a paper easier. This task has included monitoring drop boxes, shifting the number of papers at various sites and moving drop locations. Here is the current list of drop sites.**

## Council upholds vote to install stoplight

By LAURA CARTER  
Staff Writer

A stoplight soon will be installed at the crosswalk in the middle of Franklin Street across from the NCNB Plaza, despite the protests of both UNC Student Government and some disabled students.

The Chapel Hill Town Council voted 5-4 Monday night not to reconsider its proposal to install the light. The vote to install the light was taken late this past summer, and the vote Monday night upheld the earlier decision.

Student Government representatives presented a petition with 480 signatures to the council opposing the light.

Ruthie Leaver, a member of the Student Government Committee on Town Affairs, said the students objected to the mid-block light because it would ruin the village atmosphere along Franklin Street and hinder handicapped and blind students who use the crosswalk.

Another of Leaver's objections was that the proposal was passed this summer while the students were out of town and that it was passed along with the proposal to put a crosswalk and light further down Franklin Street at Pickard Lane near the Morehead Planetarium. The mid-block light and the Pickard Lane crossing should have been treated as two separate issues, Leaver said.

"Everyone uses that walk and enjoys the fact that they can cross when they want," Leaver said. "It really bothers me that they turned down the proposal to reconsider it."

Council member Marilyn Boulton, chairman of the streets and public safety committee, said her first concern was the safety of the pedestrians. Every student that she has talked to about the light has told her at least one horror story about almost being hit while trying to cross a street in Chapel Hill, Boulton said.

Leaver said she thought the light would increase the number of pedestrian accidents instead of reducing them. Motorists speeding up to race through a yellow light or pedestrians jaywalking to avoid waiting for the light to turn will cause more problems than the present crosswalk, Leaver said.

Michael Dixon, a handicapped student who spoke on behalf of the



Marilyn Boulton

students Monday night, said he was concerned that the light would destroy the tradition of Franklin Street, a people street. He said he also was concerned that blind students would no longer have a safe place to cross Franklin Street.

Blind students are taught during summer orientation the safest ways to move around campus, Dixon said. The mid-block crosswalk is the only place where blind students can cross Franklin Street safely, he said, and with the installation of the light, blind students will have to judge the color of the light by the sound of the cars' brakes.

Boulton however, said the light would be equipped with sound emitters that will signal when the light has turned after the pedestrian has pushed a button to turn the light red. She also said the council's objective was to make the crosswalk as convenient as possible for everyone. The elderly want the stoplight, Boulton said, and the students must think about all the other people who walk in the downtown area.

The situation created by having a mid-block crosswalk with a stoplight is rare, Leaver said, and the state Transportation Board has opposed the light. She said the only reason the light had not been installed earlier this year was because the state did not have the money to fund the project until recently.