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## A matter of priorities

If budget cuts are in vogue this year, Gov. Jim Hunt and the N.C. General Assembly seem to be fitting right in with the times — much to the dismay of University officials who are working hard to fight funding cuts and increasing pressure to raise tuition rates.

Last week chancellors for the 16-campus UNC system made their customary trek to Raleigh in hopes of convincing legislators that many of the proposed cuts would severely hurt their universities. Hunt has requested that 191 positions be eliminated throughout the UNC system, including 47 spots at UNC-Chapel Hill. The Base Budget Committee on Higher Education has also recommended that an additional 23 jobs be axed, a move that would leave the University in tough shape next biennium.

Obviously the legislators are in a difficult position and will have to set some priorities if they hope to maintain the quality of higher education that North Carolina has had for so many years. If the General Assembly appropriates according to its present plans, the University will receive approximately \$380,000 less than it has requested for the next fiscal year and nearly \$850,000 less for 1982-1983. At UNC-CH, officials have proposed a budget for 1981-1982 of approximately \$163 million, \$136 million of which is covered by state appropriation — the rest is picked up from other sources, primarily tuition and fees.

The figures, at times, become confusing, but after the numbers settle into place one thing is clear: the legislature will have to appropriate more money or tuition will have to be raised if the University hopes to maintain its academic integrity. It's as simple as that.

What is not so simple is what alternative to take. UNC President William C. Friday consistently has opposed tuition increases and successfully fought an attempt two years ago to raise in-state tuition 10 percent and out-of-state tuition 25 percent. This year, however, he is in for a tougher battle, with legislators likely to point out that there has not been a tuition increase since 1977.

North Carolina residents now pay \$364 a year for tuition and out-of-state students pay \$2,074 annually. North Carolina has the lowest in-state tuition rate of any state university in the Southeast and one of the lowest in the nation. The state has made a commitment to provide quality higher education at the lowest possible price and Friday has worked hard to keep the costs down since he took over as president in the 1950s.

Ultimately, though, the decision lies with the General Assembly and priorities will have to be set before the axe begins to fall. There is no doubt that the economy has taken a toll on the budget — keeping up with inflation will be hard enough, let alone appropriating money for new programs. Compared to other schools, the price of an education in North Carolina looks very attractive. A recent study predicted that it would cost close to \$10,000 a year to attend an Ivy League school and an average of \$3,000 to \$4,000 annually at most state universities.

However, even if the General Assembly decides to raise tuition, the legislators should not consider the move a cure-all for the University's budget problems. Tuition and fees only cover approximately 20 percent of the overall operating budget. The key to maintaining the University's standard of excellence lies with the money coming from appropriations. For this reason the General Assembly should evaluate its priorities and think twice before asking the University to make cuts that could affect it for years.

## Candidate Tim Smith spoke, but few listened

### 'IN QUOTES'

By JOHN DRESCHER

History will say that in February 1981, a relatively obscure political science major from High Point ran for student body president and won 5.7 percent of the vote.

It will say he was like any other candidate. He campaigned hard, developed a platform and spoke at forums. It will say he was like the dozens of other minor candidates who never had a chance to win. Eventually, his name will disappear into stacks of old *Daily Tar Heels*, just another losing candidate, no different from the others.

How wrong history will be. Tim Smith is different. He is blind. But more importantly, Tim Smith addressed the issues, stood his ground and then kept going even when he realized he didn't have a chance to win.

In the beginning he thought he could win. "I was hoping I'd beat one of the major candidates and get into a runoff," he said. "I thought I'd have a good chance from there. But something broke down. I didn't get my point across in the beginning and some people kind of thought I was a joke candidate."

Smith tried to stress the issues — when anyone would listen to him. He felt the proposed student fee increase was the most important issue in the campaign, and he took a definite stand against an increase. "Neither (Joe) Buckner nor (Scott) Norberg would speak out against it (the fee increase)," he said. "I tried to get some attention by stressing this issue."

Smith compared his campaign with that of 1980 presidential candidate John Anderson. For the same reasons that Anderson did well on college campuses, Smith thought he, too, would do well. "I thought college students would like someone who took a stand instead of being wishy-washy like the others sometimes were."

Smith felt Buckner and Norberg often were indecisive and non-committal because they feared they had something to lose.

"I think they were playing middle-of-the-road because

they knew I had to attack. I knew I had to be, as I said, radical. A lot of people called my platform idealistic. I had to be radical to get people's attention."

Despite his platform, Smith couldn't convince enough students that he was a legitimate candidate.

Yet, Smith, a junior, holds no grudges. He enjoyed the campaign, and said it fulfilled a desire to run for student body president that he had acquired before he came to UNC.

There were other factors that cost him votes. His campaign poster, picturing him with a dog, cost him votes, he said, and, yes, his blindness may have hurt him, too.

"It affected my campaigning," he said. "I think it hurt me some. I certainly hope it didn't swing any votes for me."

"I think some people went to the polls not knowing who they were going to vote for. In their final decision they may have voted the other way just because of the psychological effects involved."

Smith's blindness was rarely brought up in the campaign — not by himself, the other candidates or by the *DTH*.

"It surprised me, but that's the way I wanted it. I thought people would make a big issue out of it, and maybe ask if I was really competent. I thought that a lot more would ask me those kind of questions than actually did. I just thought of myself as another candidate."

Another political candidate, yes, but Smith refused to participate in the ugly side of politics. He was surprised at the amount of dirty politics that went on, none of which, he said, affected his campaign.

"I don't think it was Buckner or Norberg. They couldn't control their staffs. I don't blame either one of them. It just really got out of hand."

Still, Smith retains an interest in campus politics. He said he'd do it all over again if he could — and he just might. He is thinking about staying an extra year to run for president again.

"I'm in no hurry to get out. I'm really thinking about running again next year. I think I'd have the advantage. I think students would see it as positive that I was interested in the campus enough to run again."



Tim Smith

"I've already started making up my campaign materials for next year. This campaign was more of a learning experience."

It was also a learning experience for those who watched Tim Smith be dismissed as a joke candidate, but then stick to his platform and stress the issues to the end.

Smith taught those who followed the election something about determination, courage and pride.

And maybe — just maybe — he taught history a lesson about candidates that it won't soon forget.

John Drescher, a junior journalism major from Raleigh, is an editorial writer for *The Daily Tar Heel*.

### letters to the editor

## Rape Escort service plagued by false calls

To the editor:

During the past few weeks there have been an increasing number of false calls at the Rape and Assault Prevention Escort service. A few young ladies find it amusing to call for an escort without showing up at the specified area. Lately, there also have been women who call the office and then cancel after the escort arrives.

Incidents of this nature hinder the efficiency of the RAPE services because they discourage the escorts.

I just want the women of UNC to realize that RAPE escorts work voluntarily. These men take time out of their busy schedules to make women feel safe when walking alone late at night.

Contrary to popular belief, these escorts are not paid.

All in all, the service has been working well, but I want the women of UNC to realize that the RAPE service is conducted by the men of Olde Campus as a favor to Carolina women and should not be abused.

Frederick Mitchell  
Telephone Operator  
Olde Campus RAPE

### Appeals mix-up

To the editor:

This is to clarify a statement made in the editorial "Time to Change" (*DTH*, Feb. 24). With regard to the elections for senior class officers, it was stated that I have appealed the election's certification to the Student Supreme Court. In fact, I have officially withdrawn from the appeal proceedings.

I decided to withdraw because of the enormous opportunity costs that would be incurred in the long legal pursuit of a re-election. For me, it seems far more important and efficient to spend this time seeking other ways to implement the programs set forth in our campaign platform.

Those candidates who are appealing have every right to demand a properly executed election. However, my personal belief is that the students' needs can be served most effectively through other means.

Debbie Mixon  
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### Energy symposium

To the editor:

The Carolina Union's 1981 Symposium on Energy was designed to give students a heightened awareness of the energy concerns of the 1980s. With regard to Daniel J. Strom's concerns about Dr. Caldicott's February 16 presentation (*DTH*, Feb. 18), the Union must assert that the symposium as a whole was not "anti-nuke"; moreover, it did not focus specifically on the nuclear question.

Caldicott's lecture was one of nine programs that dealt with topics from solar energy to ecopolitics to conservation during the week-long symposium. While there

was no program that dealt with the positive effects of radiation, two programs examined nuclear energy in a positive light, one of which included a representative from Carolina Power and Light.

While the Carolina Union pleads no contest to the fact that Dr. Caldicott espouses an extremely negative view of the effects of low level radiation, we do not find her qualifications lacking and the Union did consult qualified persons in the field of radiology regarding her merits as a speaker.

Caldicott was president of Physicians for Social Responsibility from 1978 to 1980. She has received such awards as the Margaret Meade Award from the Environmental Defense Center, the Humanist of the Year from the Ethical Society of Boston and the Thomas Merton Award for Peace.

She has received fellowships from Harvard University Medical School and the American Board of Pediatrics. With regard to her views on the effects of radiation, Caldicott has done interviews with and received coverage from the *American Medical Association Journal*, *The New York Times*, the *Boston Globe*, and *Science*, *New Age*, *Omni*, *Ms.*, and *Redbook* magazines, to name a few.

Sponsorship of a program does not imply Union support for views extorted. It is the policy of the Carolina Union to present speakers on controversial issues of public importance. While we feel that this symposium was balanced, our neutral positions should be evaluated in terms of our overall programming throughout the year.

The Union will certainly keep Strom in mind for a presentation during the 1982 Symposium on Energy.

Jennifer Weiss  
1980-81 President  
Carolina Union

### Alienation explained

To the editor:

In light of the recent article "Anti-Semitism," (*DTH*, Feb. 6), we would like to state our views on this matter. We believe the statements attributed to one of our brothers do not truly represent the feelings of the majority of our brotherhood.

We feel Jews have been forced to stick together because of repeated persecution throughout history, such as Hitler's attempted extermination that resulted in the killing of six million of our faith.

Our Jewish brothers do not "self-alienate" themselves. Any alienation that occurs is caused by outside anti-Semitic behavior. While we obviously strive to remain predominantly Jewish, we do not discriminate or disassociate with persons on the basis of their religion or race, unlike some other fraternities. Many of our brothers are not Jewish, but are given the same respect and privileges as Jewish brothers.

We regret any misunderstanding that may have occurred.

David A. Block  
Gary M. Marx  
Brothers of Tau Epsilon Phi Fraternity

### New approach

To the editor:

On the front page of *The Daily Tar Heel* on Wednesday, Feb. 18, there is a picture of the brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity taking Jimmy Black hostage. Fun and games. But what scares me is the man pointing a rifle at Jimmy Black. I don't care if it is unloaded, without a bolt in it, or whatever excuse he may have for his action, it is totally offensive to me.

Taking hostages and using weapons on campus doesn't say much for APA's originality in raising donations for the Burn Center. I hope they can use a different approach next time.

Ed Tostanoski  
Physical Therapy Department

### Sot Hill?

To the editor:

Knowledge produces civilized societies, and one would think that on a university

campus, a focal point of knowledge, the human race could act civilized. One look at this university and that theory goes down the drain. It seems universities and social units within universities (i.e., residence halls, fraternities, etc.) contest each other to see who can most totally and creatively defy the laws of human decency and civility.

College students, notable egomaniacs when compared to other population groups, seem to think that whenever they are in a partying mood everyone else is also. So they entertain each other with deafening music, generous imbibement, drunken primal screams, copious barfing any-and-everywhere, wanton destruction of property and even violent physical abuse toward each other.

I do not mean to generalize these descriptions to everyone, for I know I am not the only one offended and annoyed by such heathen behavior. But outsiders do make such generalizations about this university, and though some people take pride in nicknames like "Sot Hill," I feel we should take a hard look at the immature "values" in which we take pride.

Tyre Thompson  
1409 Granville West

### The future

To the editor:

The Hanes Hall Placement Center offers a helpful series on resume-writing, pinpointing career interests and practice interviewing so I am told, but I have not had the time to utilize it. And even though it is repeatedly advertised both about campus and in the *DTH*, a sizeable percentage of people, I would be willing to bet, do not know of its existence.

It is clear to me that something more in this line is needed if so many people are not being reached. Maybe the University should offer a comprehensive course, perhaps through the Business School, that would count as an elective and could be taken for credit on the above-mentioned problems.

This would provide the necessary time framework in which to get busy on job-hunting that many lack and also give students the help and advice they truly need. It is not so unreasonable an idea, and I believe it would serve a legitimate need of the student body.

Laura Bauman  
Senior  
International Studies

### THE Daily Crossword by William Canine

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46. PRINCE  
47. INSECTIVORE  
48. RUTH  
49. RUTH  
51. REFRESHERS  
53. TIFFNYS  
56. DEVILFISH  
58. PROSPERO  
59. UNIT  
60. DESIGNATE  
61. IRIDESCENT  
62. SELVAGE  
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