

Four Carrboro officials still deciding whether to seek re-election this fall

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first or second week of September. He did indicate that he was leaning toward running, however.

Three current members of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen and the town's mayor still have not decided if they will seek re-election in this fall's upcoming municipal elections, but all four say they are leaning toward running.

Alderman White stated that she was also inclined to run again.

"It's very satisfying to have your opinions count as they do in this job," White said. "I will probably make my decision within the next week."

Aldermen Nancy White, Braxton Foushee, and Doug Sharer all are incumbents whose positions will be up for election this November. White and Sharer are now first-term aldermen, while Foushee is ending his second elected term.

Sharer also gave an indication that he would attempt to retain his seat this fall.

"I'll have to make my mind up pretty soon. There are personal as well as political factors to be considered. Time is certainly one of them," said Sharer.

Carrboro Mayor Robert Drakeford said Sunday that he would not make a decision concerning a possible third term until the

The remaining possible candidate, Foushee, said that he would be making his decision in early September, but that

he would likely make a run for another term.

Foushee is the town's mayor pro tem. All three aldermen were elected in 1977 for the normal four-year term that the position offers.

The current mayor was first elected in 1977 and retained the position in the 1979 election. That year he ran against Larry Carroll, a candidate with no political experience, and won by a landslide.

The election of 1977 was the first election victory for Sharer and White, who had been appointed to fill board vacancies.

All four candidates are expected to announce their intentions officially sometime in the next three weeks.

Hunt names Drakeford to board

Carrboro Mayor Robert Drakeford was named to the Code Officials Qualifications Board by Gov. Jim Hunt this summer for a three-year term.

The board consists of 20 members, seven of whom are appointed by the governor. Drakeford's term will expire July 1, 1984.

The Board is responsible for establishing minimum standards for employment of code-enforcement officials. A code-

enforcement official sets standards and requirements for the construction, alteration, repair or demolition of buildings.

Drakeford is also president of Small Cities Communications. He is vice-president of the National Conference of Black Mayors and president of the North Carolina Black Mayors.

Drakeford was first elected mayor of Carrboro in 1977 when he won by a fairly comfortable margin. He was re-elected in 1979 in a landslide victory and has given

indications he will seek a third term in elections this fall.

"I was very honored to be appointed to this position by the governor and I hope that I will be able to carry out its duties efficiently," Drakeford said. "I look forward to serving on this (the board) for the next three years."

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Worst air disaster

Three bodies remain missing in Taiwan

The Associated Press

TAIPEI, Taiwan — Of the 110 people killed in Taiwan's worst air disaster, three bodies were still missing Sunday night, and some relatives prepared to fly here to claim remains of victims.

Most bodies were kept at Taipei's only funeral home, where 50 had been identified by Sunday night, officials said. There were no survivors in the fiery Saturday crash.

About 50 relatives of the 18 Japanese victims were scheduled to arrive Monday. Four U.S. citizens and another foreigner believed to be Canadian also died. The other victims were Taiwanese nationals.

Officials of Far Eastern Air Transport, the domestic carrier which owned the Boeing 737 that exploded and burned in flight, said two experts were coming from Boeing headquarters near Seattle today to help determine the cause of the crash. Airline officials have refused to rule out sabotage, but said they have no evidence.

The airline was refusing all cargo for its other six 737s because of suspicions the crash was caused by a bomb, officials said. The planes were flying Sunday, but the airline said many passengers had canceled reservations, lowering the average payload from 137 people to 50.

The jet was flying at 22,000 feet, bound for the southern Taiwan port of Kaohsiung from Taipei, when, witnesses said, it

exploded and crashed near the small town of Sanyi, 94 miles southwest of Taipei.

Bodies and pieces of aircraft scattered over four miles of hills and brush. Rescue workers, hampered by the rough terrain, used bulldozers and cranes to move chunks of wreckage in the search for missing victims.

Airline officials said the plane had turned back from a scheduled run to the Pescadore Islands earlier Saturday because of a cockpit pressure leak. That problem and two minor faults in the hydraulic brakes and landing gear were fixed and the plane was cleared for the Kaohsiung run, they said.

The airline's deputy director of maintenance, T.H. Chang, told reporters Sunday that none of those problems could have caused the crash.

A spokesman for the American Institute in Taiwan, a private organization that handles American affairs in the absence of U.S.-Taiwanese diplomatic relations, said the U.S. victims included a local businessman, Harry Grossman, of Richey Electronics Ltd., Kaohsiung; Frank Servin of Werwin, whose address was not known, but whose mother reportedly lives in Hollywood, Calif.; Jerald Marrs of Vancouver, Wash.; and Richard Clowes, address unknown. The man believed to be a Canadian was identified as Dennis Ribbin, address unknown.

Among the Japanese victims were a well-known author, Kuniko Mukoda, who received the prestigious Naoki prize for her fiction in 1980.

Chapman sentence to be given today

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Mark David Chapman, who admitted killing former Beatle John Lennon last winter outside the musician's home here, is to be sentenced today after a hearing that will focus on his mental state.

Chapman, a 26-year-old former mental patient described as a "born-again" Christian, an avid Beatles fan and amateur guitarist, rejected his lawyer's advice and pleaded guilty June 22 to the shooting, saying he was following God's instructions.

At that time, acting Justice Dennis Edwards indicated he would sentence Chap-

man to no more than 20 years to life in prison, and that if he decided to impose a stiffer sentence he would allow Chapman to withdraw his plea.

The maximum sentence for second-degree murder is 25 years to life in prison, and the minimum is 15 years to life.

Lennon, 40, was killed the night of Dec. 8 as he and his wife, Yoko Ono, were entering their home in the exclusive Dakota apartment building on Central Park West.

Chapman, whom authorities said traveled from his home in Honolulu expressly to kill Lennon, was arrested minutes after he pumped four .38-caliber bullets into the popular singer.

Police said that earlier that day the killer had asked Lennon to autograph a copy of his last album and that Lennon did so.

At the sentencing hearing set for 9:30 a.m. in State Supreme Court, defense lawyer Jonathan Marks is expected to call psychiatrists to testify about Chapman's mental condition.

Assistant District Attorney Allen Sullivan does not plan to call witnesses. The hearing was expected to be brief.

Marks, whose plan to use an insanity defense at Chapman's trial was scuttled by his client's decision to plead guilty, said Friday he also will renew his previously denied motion to toss out the plea, on grounds Chapman was mentally incompetent when he entered it.

But Marks said he did not expect the judge to grant the motion. Marks, who has called Chapman "sick" and "obsessed," said he does not know if his client was competent when the plea was entered but "I'm simply raising the question."



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After the hauling

As students converge on Chapel Hill to resume studies in the fall there is an annual glut of moving trailers returned to the town's dealers. These U-Hauls have been accumulating at Suttle's Texaco at University Mall over the past week, and a similar situation exists at the East Franklin Care station, which rents Jartran trailers.

Check receiving procedure changed

By MARK ANCONA
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The UNC Student Aid Office has instituted two procedural changes for students who will be receiving financial aid. Eleanor Morris, director of student aid at UNC, said recently.

One change involves how a student receives a check from the Student Aid Office. In the past, students would apply for aid and, during the summer, if the application was approved, the office would notify the student when to pick up the check.

With the new procedure, students are sent forms in the summer to fill out so the Student Aid Office will know which students are accepting the grants. Before, it was assumed that any students approved for allocations would accept the funds.

"I think the new procedure will be a lot more effective," Morris said. "Now we ask students to mail us back notification that they will want their award. It will save us a lot of trouble in the future."

Morris said the new procedure was instituted for two reasons. One is to make the process easier in the fall.

"All students will have to do is pick up their checks with the new procedure," Morris said. "There will be a reduction in the size of the lines, and it will get students through the process a lot faster."

The second and more important reason for the change is because the old process wasted money.

"We need the money so much now that things are a lot tighter due to the (federal budget) cuts," Morris said. "Before, we wouldn't know until school started who would not be using the loans, and all the checks were already printed. The new

procedure gives us time to do something with the money that is not going to be accepted (i.e., award it to other students who were previously rejected).

"I think that we will be able to have a better idea on how we are spending our money."

The second procedural change will affect students while they are waiting in line for their checks in front of Vance Hall.

This year there will be two counselors stationed outside with two lists. One list will include students whose checks are ready, and the other will have the names of students who still must fill out their forms to receive their checks.

Morris said that stationing the counselors outside would ensure that students would not have to wait in line as long as in previous years and that they would also know what they needed to do before entering the office.

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need because the bond market has been very inactive. Investors don't want to tie their money up in a long-term investment." Despite the loss in revenue, most of the loans applied for will be fulfilled due to loyal investors in North Carolina, Broadway said.

But, as is the case with student aid at UNC, all late applications for loans will have to be turned down.

"In past years a student could be serviced if the student turned in a late application because revenues were adequate. But now we cannot help late applicants," Broadway said.

There also has been an 82 percent increase in the number of applications received by the College Foundation because of the inadequate amount of funds available at the various colleges and universities, which has caused further problems, he said.

"The primary purchasers of these types of bonds (education

bonds) are the banks," he said. "We have very loyal investors in North Carolina. They have all been trying to make an effort to contribute as much as possible."

These investors should help provide the foundation with approximately \$35 million to allocate this year, Broadway said.

"We are optimistic about approving all the loans on the deadline group," Broadway said. "Our forecasts show we will be able to fulfill all these loans."

Langston is also optimistic about the chances for all deadline applications being fulfilled.

"We are a lot more optimistic now than when we first heard about the cuts," he said. "I don't think the students that don't get a loan will suffer that much. There is a history at UNC that students are a lot more resilient to these types of cuts than other students."

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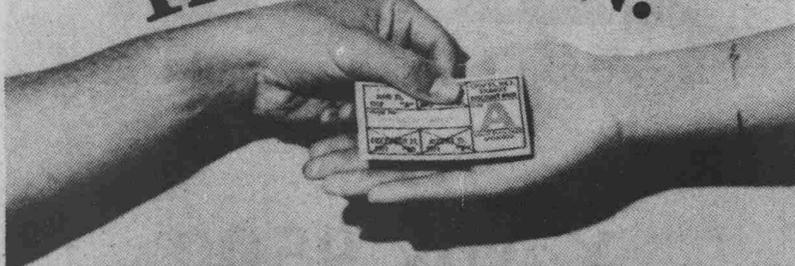
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