

Caldwell makes bid

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Hilliard Caldwell, a member of the Association for a Better Carrboro, announced Thursday that he would run for a seat on the Carrboro Board of Aldermen in the Nov. 3 election.

Caldwell said in a press release that Carrboro needed realistic planning. The town, he said, has had too many unrealistic rules and regulations with regard to planning.

"I would work to ease some of these restrictions but at the same time stay within the guidelines of the town," he said.

Caldwell said that as far as he was concerned, the bus funding issue was a dead subject.

"Last fall I did oppose the bus tax referendum. I felt that the taxpayers of Carrboro should not have to pay for the

buses, but that the users should pay the extra expense. The referendum passed and I will support the buses and work to maintain and expand services for all of the town," he said.

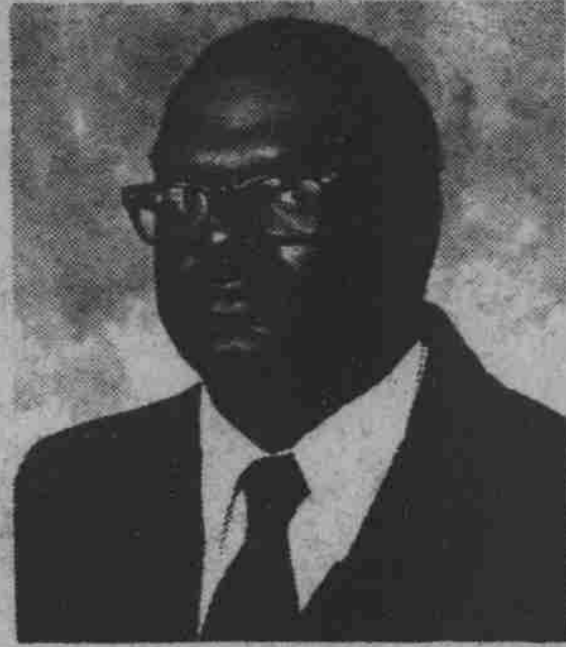
Caldwell said he thought senior citizens were a forgotten part of the community.

Carrboro's tax rate needs to be kept within the reach of all citizens, he said.

Caldwell said he was in favor of the revitalization of Carrboro's business area, and that more beautification needed to be done in town.

The present town board has "not opened up the boards and commissions to all of the citizens," Caldwell said in citing a need for more citizen participation.

Caldwell is presently serving as the



Caldwell
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public representative on the Carrboro Public Works Committee. He is past president of the North Carolina Association of School Social Services Personnel. He has served as PTA president for Carrboro schools, and was one of the co-chairmen for civil rights movements in Chapel Hill 1960-1963.

Students mixed about O'Connor

By JANE FOY
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The approval of Sandra O'Connor as the first woman to take a seat on the Supreme Court by the Senate Judiciary Committee Tuesday sparked mixed reaction from several political leaders on campus. However, all those interviewed said they spoke for themselves and not for their organizations.

"O'Connor's nomination by President Ronald Reagan was a betrayal of those most responsible for electing him," said Eric Dennison, Vice Chairman of the College Republicans.

The platform on which Reagan was elected stated that he would only nominate judges who valued the sanctity of human life. O'Connor voted several times for abortion-on-demand as a member of the Arizona legislature, Dennison said.

"If President Reagan wished to fulfill his promise for selecting a woman to the Supreme Court, he should have picked a woman whose beliefs were consistent with his, such as Phyllis Schlafly," Dennison said.

The Chairperson of the Young Democrats, Lesa Edwards, was the only organizational leader truly supportive of O'Connor. "I think it is definitely something we as Democrats would be proud of," said Edwards. She said the number of women in the Carter administration was proof Democrats favored women in government. "The fact that she came in under the Reagan administration is a big step."

Phil Painter, Chairman of Young Americans for Freedom, said he wished he knew more about O'Connor's stands on various issues. "I was disappointed that Sandra O'Connor didn't

come out more and open up on her beliefs. She tried to play things too safe and didn't let people know where she stands."

Painter agreed with Sen. John East that if O'Connor had been on the Supreme Court in 1973, she would have voted against the majority on *Roe versus Wade*, which made abortion legal.

"I support her, but I think Reagan could have made a better choice," said Painter.

Ted Johnson, chairperson of Americans for Common Sense, also was critical of O'Connor. "A knee-jerk reaction would be the fact that if John East finds her acceptable, I'm going to have a lot of reservations about her."

Others said if Reagan had appointed a Phyllis Schlafly equivalent it would have been a "slap in the face to women's groups," Johnson said. O'Connor cannot be considered an affront to these groups, he said.

"For me, personally, she is much too conservative. I would have preferred a more liberal justice, but she is the best you can expect from Reagan. It will be a Reagan-Nixon court for a long time to come," Johnson said.

Ray Warren, an officer in the Carolina Students for Life, expressed some hopes that even if O'Connor did not vote to overturn *Roe versus Wade*, she might throw the decision back to the states.

"I think that you just have to hope for the best now," Warren said. I believe she has definitely changed her positions some since she was a senator in Arizona."

Asked about the possible implications of a Justice O'Connor on the court, Kenneth Broun, Dean of the Law School, said, "Her impact on the court remains to be seen."

YMCA offers off-campus gym facilities

By GREG BATTEN
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The Chapel Hill-Carrboro YMCA offers recreational facilities including a swimming pool, a gymnasium, an exercise-weight room, two racquetball courts, an outdoor track, childcare service and a fitness center complex with a sauna, whirlpool, massage, steam room and sun room, according to program director Cindy Wheeler.

Wheeler said the most popular attraction was the swimming pool. "We have a strong showing throughout the day of lap swimmers."

Wheeler also said a new floor in the gymnasium had been installed recently. The money for it was donated by George Steinbrenner, owner of the New York Yankees baseball club, she said.

The local YMCA facilities also include Clearwater Lake. "We offer such programs as canoeing, kayaking and life-guarding at Clearwater Lake," Wheeler said. "Our primary interest with Clearwater is with rental groups."

Although the YMCA consists of attractive recreational facilities, Wheeler said the organization offered many opportunities beyond mere recreational activities.

"I do think the philosophy here is different than at most recreational centers. We promote the growth of the person on the

individual level, not just on the recreational level," Wheeler said.

Wheeler said the YMCA offered many public service programs such as a cardio-pulmonary resuscitation course, Weight Watchers and Water Safety Instruction.

The YMCA also offers special classes for children and teenagers on vacation days from school, Wheeler said.

"We are currently concentrating on increasing the number of youths involved in the YMCA," she said. "The majority of our membership now consists of young adults."

Wheeler said the new executive director, Hank Culp, was looking for new ways to encourage membership.

"One example of such a program is the Bee-A-Buddy program which results in benefits for members who bring a prospective member to the YMCA," Wheeler said.

Wheeler also said the United Fund Agency of Orange County aided in membership by providing a portion of the necessary fees for socio-economically deprived people.

She also said there were various volunteer opportunities available at the YMCA.

"One of our primary interests is building volunteer leadership and enthusiasm in our community," Wheeler said.

She said the YMCA had many opportunities for involvement. "We have a coordinated effort of combined services. We have quite a variety to offer."

Hobby accepts AFL-CIO nomination

The Associated Press

RALEIGH — Wilbur Hobby accepted the nomination Thursday for his seventh term as president of the state AFL-CIO, assuring a showdown with challenger E.A. Britt, the union's chief executive officer.

Both candidates predicted victory during a vote scheduled today at the AFL-CIO's 24th annual state convention, accepting their nominations to rousing applause from delegates assembled at Raleigh's Royal Villa motel.

"I feel we were on the winning side from the beginning, and we've presented our position well to the different committees and groups," Britt said, predicting victory by a comfortable margin as the nominating session ended.

Hobby, meanwhile, ended speculation that he would withdraw to avoid a potentially divisive struggle, saying he was in

the race to stay. But he admitted earlier that he faced an uphill battle.

"I think the chance is 50-50 right now," he said Wednesday. "I previously thought it was a little better than that. But hell no, I'm not withdrawing. I don't run away from nothing."

Rules Committee chairman Saxon Dale said Britt had helped the union begin to recover from the trauma brought on by Hobby's indictment on conspiracy and fraud charges.

"I've had a chance to observe his actions ... (and) have seen him mature and develop into a fine leader," said Dale. "I know of no better person for the (presidency)."

Meatcutters' union representative Don Russell, who nominated Hobby, said Hobby's experience as AFL-CIO's president for the past 12 years made him the best candidate for the position.

"He's the leader we need to make pro-

gress in the most backward, reactionary state in the nation where labor is concerned," Russell said. "We especially need his ability in the political realm, where he has had a great deal of experience working with the Legislature for the cause of labor."

No other nominations for the presidency were made. Additionally, the two men Hobby and Britt chose as running mates were the only candidates nominated for secretary-treasurer. Democratic Party activist Christopher Scott is running alongside Britt, while James Andrews joined the Hobby ticket.

Delegates also selected candidates for 12 vice presidential positions and numerous district vice presidencies, with final votes on those races also slated for today.

Two of the vice presidents were named by acclamation for lack of opposition. They included T.J. Warren, second vice president, and Thomas Coley, sixth vice president.

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