

# Aid for all confused freshmen

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If you're like most freshmen, you're a little bewildered after coming here to the land of books and beer. So here are a few tips — er, tips — on matters of interest to incoming freshmen.

**Room To Live:** That's what the housing department tells incoming freshmen, but when you find out you have two roommates for a room the size of the family Volkswagen, you'll get the idea.

But there are some ways to keep your roommates away and gain personal space for yourself:

(1) Chew tobacco. Have a cup across the room to spit in. Spit into the cup from three, four, then five yards. Intentionally miss — often.

(2) Play a musical instrument. Play it poorly. Swear you'll practice until you get better.

(3) Play on every intramural team. Throw sweaty socks and underwear on dressers and in closets. Say, "Gee, I can't wait to go home for Christmas and get my clothes washed."

(4) Talk about your old girlfriends or boyfriends. If you don't have any old girlfriends or boyfriends, talk about politics or the state of being.

(5) Play beach music. If your roommates can tolerate the Embers and the Drifters, play Led Zeppelin and AC/DC. Then play Mozart and Bach. If they can't stand a certain record, play it until you wear the turntable needle down to the nub.

**Sharing Bathrooms:** Again, fight for your fair share. Take showers until your skin shrivels up. Use someone else's shampoo. Use someone else's bar of soap, too, unless it has hair on it. Never wash your pots and pans. Leave them in the bathroom sink until they sprout mold.

**Studying:** Never study until the day before a test. Never study the day before a test. Never study the day of a test. Never study. Always complain when you get a bad grade.

**Food:** Call out for pizza whenever possible, especially during televised away games. Call in advance. If you call just before the game, the pizza will arrive at the final gun. Throw the uneaten crusts and empty box in the hallway of your hall or suite. If you have to eat in the campus cafeterias, stay with pre-packaged foods: It's hard to ruin a box of Raisin Bran and a pint of milk, but it's been done.

**Food on Franklin Street** is good but expensive. If you're low on bucks, you can go to Burger King. Most of us get low on bucks when our summer earnings run out — usually about September. A Greek grilled cheese at Hector's is terrific after a night on Franklin Street, but if you eat one, don't plan on kissing anybody.

**Girls/Guys In The Room After Hours:** Up to your resident assistant. Stop by your RA's room after a mixer to see if it's OK to have a new friend come up to your room. If your RA's door is closed and you hear giggling, you're in the clear, your RA will understand. If your RA has a textbook open, and it's Friday night, kiss your friend good-bye.

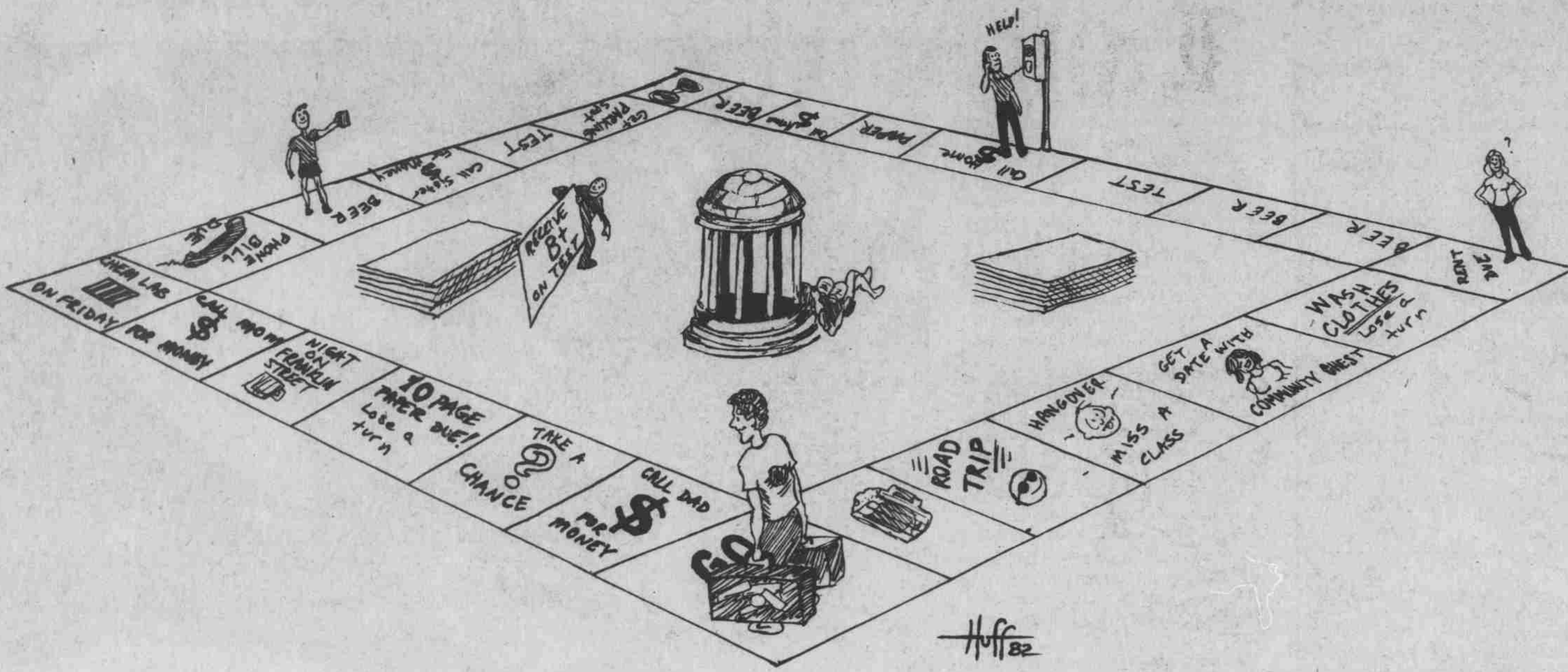
If you do take your friend to your room, leave a subtle message on your memo pad, something like, "George, get lost. I've got a girl in here." Throw your roommate's pillow and blanket in the hall.

**Parking:** Grease the sides of your car and park creatively. Keep a walking stick in your back seat in case you have to park in a handicapped spot. Leave phony notes on your windshield in a vain attempt to coerce parking monitors into not giving you a ticket. When you get the ticket, throw it in your glove compartment and build a collection. Try to graduate without paying your \$150 parking ticket bill.

**High School Romances:** Forget them. **General Hospital:** GH appears on every television on campus, so your weekday afternoons are booked for the next four years. If you don't watch GH, you'll be a social doughnut. Try to bone up. Beware of picking up three o'clock classes when in drop-add. If you have to take a three o'clock class and miss General Hospital, go to Student Health Services as soon as you begin to experience withdrawal symptoms. They have a special ward for that.

**Tickets to Football Games:** You can get tickets either with a bloc or by yourself. If you sit with a bloc, invest in some binoculars. You can get good seats individually, but you have to fight for them. You got lots of experience standing in line at registration, so you should be ready for this.

**Tickets To The ACC Basketball Tournament:** C'mon, be serious. **Money:** Call your parents. Call often. Call collect. Beg. Plead. Whimper like a dog. But don't expect any money. I've heard rumors that some parents have sent money, but they were just rumors. I sent my father a telegram that read, "Dad, Coke 45 cents. Send money." Dad wired back, "Drink Pepsi."



# The student's guide to survival at UNC

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This is a "survival" guide to Carolina, and it's not necessarily for campus newcomers. Even though mostly freshmen and transfers will need it, the old-timers might learn something too.

### Waiting in line

Get used to it ... it's a fact of Carolina life. But make the best of it and start a conversation with the person in front of you.

### Your roommate

I have heard the perfect roommate described as "someone who doesn't get angry when you come in late and trip over a chair, someone with the patience of mother, the loyalty of a Saint Bernard and the talents (minus the puritanism) of Ann Landers."

To help make things go easier with your roommate, here are some suggestions:

- As soon as possible, take time to lay down some mutual ground rules. Following are some topics you might like to discuss:
  - which bed is whose
  - splitting space
  - drinks (not just Coca-Cola); decide if it is all right if you drink alcoholic beverages in your room
  - you may also want to discuss if smoking is kosher
  - the atmosphere in your room: study/quiet, social/rowdy
  - visitors: your roommate just may mind if you, Jane, have friend Dick over for the night — the entire night
- Basically, be considerate. If the walls ever start to crowd in on you, do not blame your roommate — take a walk instead.

### Food for thought: on Franklin Street

There are several good places just on Franklin Street, and all are within walking distance of campus.

- These, by far, are not the only restaurants in town. There are several on Rosemary Street, a block north of Franklin Street, and plenty throughout Chapel Hill. If you want more information on Chapel Hill restaurants, consult the Student Consumer Action Union's guide, *The Franklin Street Gourmet*.
- Biscuit Towne: Near Granville Towers, it specializes in all kinds of biscuits. It is one of a few places in town open 24 hours a day.
- Blimpie's: Blimpie's is in the heart of Franklin Street and has good sandwiches of all kinds — on submarine, rye or pita bread. Delivery to dorms for an additional charge is available after 6 p.m.
- Carolina Coffee Shop: A tradition on Franklin Street, this restaurant has a touch of class and classical music. The food is basically good burgers along with other sandwiches and dishes. Breakfast with pancakes and fruit is their specialty.
- Four Corners: This restaurant/bar has large photographs of past Carolina basketball players on the walls. Hamburgers, quiche and salads are served in a contemporary atmosphere.

- Golden Dragon: A small Chinese restaurant near the middle of Franklin Street, this place offers good food for moderate prices. Most food is take out, but there are a few tables inside. It seems to have a regular clientele.
- Hardee's: This is the char-broiled, fast-food hamburger place, also open 24 hours a day. It is on Franklin Street near Granville Towers. Basic minimum fast-food restaurant prices.
- Harrison's: To get to Harrison's, you descend a flight of stairs to a cool, dark garden atmosphere. Quiche, salads, ribs, sandwiches and casseroles are the standard fare.
- Hector's: A convenient stop on the way from downtown to campus, Hector's has Greek sandwiches (the grilled cheese is popular) and fast food.
- Looking Glass Cafe: In University Square, this is another place open 24 hours, and it has good hamburgers. It also offers all kinds of sandwiches, a salad bar and breakfast in the atmosphere of large glass windows.
- Mr. Gatti's: This is a good pizza place, with friendly service. There are two widescreen televisions in addition to some video games.
- Papagayo Mexican Restaurant: Excellent Mexican food and a classy bar. On a warm evening, try dining on the outside patio under the tiny white lights.
- The Porthole: A favorite of Tar Heels for years, this restaurant has a simple charm and delicious, home-style cooking.
- The Ramshead Rathskeller: Another Chapel Hill tradition, the Rat, as it is fondly called, has been open since 1957. It offers steak, sandwiches, lasagne and spectacular apple pie. It is located on an alley off Franklin Street.
- Sadlack's: A New Jersey-style delicatessen in a pristine atmosphere, it has a large selection of special sandwiches, salads, subs and heroes. Delivery service is offered after 6 p.m. for 50 cents extra.
- Spanky's: This place has a warm, oaken candlelit charm. The food — nice-sized hamburgers and other yummy dishes — is good, too.
- Swenson's: Though a chain ice cream store and restaurant, it makes much of its ice cream on the premises. One of the best flavors is Cookies and Cream: vanilla ice cream and crunched-up Oreo cookies.
- Subway: This takeout place has great hoagie sandwiches, of which there are all kinds. Sandwiches come in plastic bags.
- The Waffle Shop: A comfortable, almost plain waffle and pancake shop, it's known for its blueberry pancakes. These are highly recommended.

### Nightlife

If there's not something going on in your dorm or the one next door, there are plenty of clubs and bars in town. Also, many restaurants turn into drinking establishments during the evenings.

- The Cat's Cradle: A laid-back bar specializes in live music — rock 'n' roll and bluegrass — and im-

- ported beer. There is usually a cover charge. Cat's Cradle is on Rosemary Street.
- Henderson Street Bar: This is a "good ole boy" bar, with a long bar at which to sit, and country music always plays on the jukebox. It is, of course, on Henderson Street.
- He's Not Here: He's Not Here, with a 60s flair, usually has a good mix of people. Upstairs, the indoor bar has several pinball machines and electronic games. Downstairs, there is a grassy yard to sit on and drink your choice from a wide selection of imported and domestic beer. It is off Franklin Street, behind the Pizza Hut.
- Linda's: Linda's is your basic drinking bar with a few pinball machines and a television. It is behind Spanky's.
- Pegasus: This is a new nightclub that features live rock 'n' roll bands. It's where Star Trax was last year, next to the Golden Dragon.
- Purdy's: On Franklin Street, this one is a private club — admission if you are a member or a guest of one. This is a disco that has a little higher class — complete with a lit dance floor. It features weekly specials.
- Sound Barrier: This is another new place, but this one is a dance club. There are video games, two pool tables and lots of beer specials each week. It's located under Mr. Gatti's, but enter next to Soundhaus Stereo on North Columbia Street.
- The Station: The Station, in Carboro, features a variety of new wave and rock 'n' roll bands. Tuesday night is for clogging and square dancing. There is usually a cover charge.
- Troll's: A dark, down-home drinking joint, Troll's has good prices on beer. Country music usually plays on the jukebox. Troll's is on Rosemary Street.
- Upper Deck: The Upper Deck, above the Porthole restaurant, is one of Chapel Hill's more laid-back bars. There are tables outside beneath the trees and tables inside. A basket of popcorn goes for a quarter, and there are some video games.

### Zapped by video games

Like the rest of the country, video games are abundant in Chapel Hill. Bored? Just frustrated that you can't get any studying done because that quarter-spending-frenzy has come over you? Well, all you need to do is walk down Franklin Street and you'll find some kind of video game somewhere. They're everywhere. They have their own establishments, or there are a couple in various restaurants. There are even some in the basement of the Carolina Union.

### Finding your way around

Use that map of the campus. It really helps. So what if you look like a freshman? It is better than getting lost.

Remember: The Old Well, is North, South Building is South, Old East residence hall is East and Old West residence hall is West. Then take Astronomy 31, learn the constellations and if you get

- lost at night, you can find your way home with the help of the stars and the previously mentioned landmarks.
- If you get lost during the day, just ask an upperclassman ... and hope he is telling you the truth.

### Your best friends

- General College adviser: One of your best friends here is this person, a good resource, especially when you need information on classes, majors and requirements. Listen to your advisers. They are there to help you. Take advantage of it. This could also be a good contact and reference later.
- Upperclassmen: These folks are good sources for recommending what classes to take and what to stay away from.
- Teaching assistants and professors: Same as the General College adviser ... get to know these people and take advantage of their office hours (those are there for a purpose — most TAs and professors do not enjoy twiddling their thumbs when no students come by to see them). The worst that could happen is that they might learn your name. They are also great contacts and references later. And since many general college classes are very large — 100 people plus — office hours give you a chance to get to know your instructor.
- Resident assistant: These people are there to help you with your problems or just to talk to. If you don't have a problem, stop by and say hello to this friendly person (I hear being friendly is a requirement for the job). Besides, they sometimes get lonely in that room all by themselves.
- And same as above for your orientation counselor — their jobs don't necessarily end after Orientation Week.

### Quiet places ... where to study

- Undergraduate Library: Once upon a time, the Undergraduate Library was listed in *Playboy* magazine as one of the Top 10 "pickup" places in the country. It is not known how true this really is, but it is a friendly place. If you need a minimal amount of noise to study, which some people do, this is a good place. A quieter place within the Undergrad is the Honor Reading Room downstairs.
- Wilson (graduate) Library: This is more like a real library — it is large and usually very quiet, and there is plenty of room in the stacks with few people around you. It is not limited to graduate students.
- Elsewhere: When it is warm, many people try studying outside, in the sun or in the grass in the quads. But it's debatable how much studying they actually get done (a lot of scoping, though). Beware of the flying Frisbees here.
- There are also several departmental libraries that are good, quiet study rooms. The Health Sciences Library is one specially recommended. And if it is not too loud in your dorm, your own room may suffice, even though your bed and sleep may be more enticing than the books.

# Carolina on their minds: freshmen receive first taste of Tar Heel spirit at Convocation

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The Class of 1986 was given its first taste of the Tar Heel spirit Monday night in the heart of UNC territory, in the Carolina blue seats of Carmichael Auditorium.

The annual Freshman Convocation, held at 8 p.m. Aug 16, introduced the students to a side of Carolina Fever unknown to those not attending the University.

Led by the members of the Orientation Committee, which sponsors the convocation, the freshmen learned many of the traditional cheers, including the ever-popular super silent cheer, along with several of the school fight songs.

The new Tar Heels showed no inhibitions in supporting their residence areas with chants of "Morehead" and "Olde Campus" as prevalent as cheers for UNC.

Chairman of the Orientation Committee, Brent Lister, welcomed the freshmen to "a school of champions and academic integrity," and introduced the convocation speakers.

UNC Student Body President Mike Vandenberg urged the Class of '86 to come into UNC and enjoy the school, but to also apply UNC's top-ten standing in football and basketball to academic life. By applying this to academics, as well as to personal life, the freshmen were guaranteed to "leave Carolina with a better education — one not just represented by grades."

Donald Jicha, associate dean of General College, explained General College procedures and the purpose of the advising system. "We're here to help you help yourself," Jicha said, urging communication between the faculty and the students.

Bill Kimball, student attorney general, introduced the concept of the Honor System to the freshmen. He cited three main reasons for having an Honor System: to maintain and ensure the academic integrity of the University, to extend the educational process and allow students to carry honesty and integrity into their later lives and to give students the freedom, yet the responsibility, such a system allows. "You're expected not to lie, cheat, or steal — that's the bottom line," Kimball said.

Donald Boulton, vice chancellor for student affairs, brought a feeling of awe into the audience by asking for complete silence and telling everyone to concentrate on that one particular moment. The uniqueness of the moment not only applied to this period in the freshmen's lives, but to the world in general, he said. He urged the students, whom he called "the smartest freshman class to enter the University, though not necessarily the wisest," to keep the University going and to make it better than ever. Boulton explained that the University has a lot going for it — both as national academic champions and as athletic champions — and that it is the responsibility of the freshmen to maintain it.

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Orientation Committee members Cathy Sanders and William Bland introduced the area coordinators of the Orientation program and presented the traditional orientation slide show to the freshmen.

The slide show showed the freshmen varied aspects of student life at UNC. Set to contemporary music, the slide show depicted residence hall life, academics, partying in its truest form (featuring the post-championship gala on Franklin Street), athletics (including the final seconds of the NCAA championship game), and the history of the University. And of course, the show and convocation concluded appropriately with James Taylor's "Carolina in My Mind."



Freshman Convocation must have been a gas ... Brian Haney gears up for his first year at UNC