

# Pi Kaps, Miss Grace: a memorable team

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The Pi Kappa Phi fraternity house is quiet around 3 p.m. Two brothers come in, drop their backpacks and switch on a stereo. Another pulls his bike onto the front porch and takes the stairs two at a time.

Somewhere near the back of the house, a rich female voice is humming along with a scratchy radio. Her captive audience includes 17 chickens she's about to fry for supper and a wall crowded with snapshots and postcards.

Grace Franklin walks to the wall and points out a few of her favorites. Some depict places she's never seen — Russian palaces and French vineyards. And some capture faces she remembers well — freckled young men who left the Pi Kappa Phi house more than 20 years ago and now have freckled sons of their own.

"They're just like my children 'cept they're white and I'm black. I got some that are really tall," she said, stretching to pat the head of a lanky senior who wandered in, "and some real little short ones."

"They graduate and go away, but the next batch that comes in are just like them — they're the nicest things in the world."

Almost 250 of Miss Grace's children came back to Chapel Hill Saturday to honor her on her 25th anniversary as cook for the fraternity. In the dining room, a blue and white banner read: "Amazing Grace, 25 years."

"Saturday they started reading names of the boys I've cooked for and how many

plates I've fixed. I just said 'Lord!'," she said.

Steve Shaw, president of Pi Kappa Phi, estimated that Grace had prepared more than 294,000 home-cooked meals for

1,100 brothers since she began work in September 1957. Except for one week when she had the Asiatic flu, she's cooked 18 meals a week. Recently, she cut back to 16.

Miss Grace floured another chicken leg and tossed it in the bubbling oil. She wiped her arm on her apron to show off the engraved silver bracelet she had received at the ceremony Saturday. The brothers also gave her many red roses — 51 by her count.

Franklin said she had good memories of the last 25 years, such as the ceremony Saturday and the annual formals. But she also had a few bad memories, such as the year the house almost burned to the ground and the tragic death of a young brother.

"I started here when I was about 40," she said. "I'm 70 now and things are a little different, but not too much. The young men don't do wild things anymore; they do good things."

"People don't say nothing about those boys Grace works for," she said. "They're something else. They stick with me, and I stick with them, too."

Chris Lancaster, a senior Pi Kap, likes to sneak down to the kitchen early in the morning and talk to Miss Grace before the others come to breakfast.

"I'm used to talking with my mother



Pi Kap cook, Grace Franklin, remembers the good times ... memories of work as numerous as photos on her wall

like that at home," he said.

"Miss Grace is probably the best asset we've got here. I feel really sorry for the guys who'll have to replace her," he said. But Miss Grace doesn't plan to retire anytime soon.

"I'm waiting on the man upstairs to tell me to go," she said. "I don't like to sit still; I like to work. As long as I feel good and they'll have me, I'll stay right where I am."

"Love, that's the reason."

# Most students favor block ticket system

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The new block seating policy seems to be functioning well, according to an informal survey of UNC Students.

But some students have not been happy with the system because those groups that are waiting in line early in the morning to get block seats may wind up not getting seats at all.

This year, groups must submit a list on Monday morning, of half of the names of people who plan to sit in their block. On Monday afternoon five days before a game, about 60 percent of those groups that applied for blocks are selected in a random drawing to get block seats, said Perry Morrison, Carolina Athletic Association president.

Those who are awarded blocks must present tokens when they pick up their block seats on Tuesdays to show that they are in a designated block. Of the 14,000 seats allotted to students for football games, 7,000 are for blocks, Morrison said.

Most students interviewed seemed pleased with the new system.

"At first I was displeased because I didn't think it would work," said Rick Yarborough, membership development chairman for Delta Upsilon fraternity. "But now that I've seen it, I think it's the fairest it's been in quite a while."

Morrison expressed satisfaction with the new block ticket system. "I'd say 80 percent of the students are very happy with the system, 5 percent could care less and 15 percent are really ticked off," Morrison said.

Some people have not been totally pleased with the new policies.

"It seemed like last year there was some reward for getting up early because you knew you'd get a block," said Larry

Watts, social chairman of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity.

Last year, the Pi Kaps had pledges go down and wait for blocks, so the house was guaranteed of getting seats, Watts said. But this year, the Pi Kaps were in the end zone for the Vanderbilt game and Section 13 for the Army game.

Watts suggested that more of the seats allotted to students should be used for blocks. "It just seems that more of the people would rather sit in a block," he said.

One Chi Phi fraternity member said that if a fraternity or organization was willing to put out the effort to get a block, they should be assured block seats. "I think if you get down there in time you should get a block seat," he said. "I'd like it better on a first come, first serve basis."

But Yarborough said that even though his own house had not been able to get a block for the Army game, he favored the new system. "With this system, we've always got an equal chance to get a good block," he said. "I don't like that we didn't get a block. But basically I think it (the new system) is fairer and more controlled."

Greg Phelps, president of Teague Residence Hall also favored the new system, even though his dormitory had gotten block seats for all the games in 1981. "Last year we were guaranteed a block because we had somebody who would go over there and stand in line. This year it's not pot luck. You may not get anything," he said.

Morrison said one experiment with the Army game would be no allocation of blocks for the end zone. "We're not going to do it this game and see how it goes," Morrison said. "If people would rather be guaranteed seats in the end zone we'll go ahead and do it."

## Union classes to begin

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Got a passion for photography, a yearning for yoga or a fascination with the Fox Trot?

The Carolina Union has a convenient outlet for some of those hidden talents. Beginning next week, the Union will offer 24 different special interest classes, ranging from aerobic dance to massage to self-hypnosis. Although registration for the special interest classes ends today, students will have a second opportunity to participate next semester.

As expected, the exercise classes have been the most popular. But the big surprise this fall was the clogging class, said Denise Joyner, special projects chairperson. Also in high demand was a mixology class.

But the Union won't be able to offer a course for hopeful bartenders this semester, because of university rules against alcohol on campus, Joyner said.

Support for the program in general has been good, with more than 250 students enrolled. Joyner said participation might have been down a little from last year because of duplication of some classes in dormitories and the new requirement for fees.

Although fees range from \$9 for elementary contract bridge to \$41 for woodwind and brass instruction, Union president Wayne Plummer said students should realize a considerable savings over private lessons. Interested persons without a UNC identification or

privilege card must pay an additional \$5. These are the classes Joyner said would be offered this semester.

- Aerobic Dancing—two classes
- Backstrap Weaving
- Five-String Banjo Instruction
- Basic Dancing
- Bellydancing
- Clogging
- Intermediate clogging
- Elementary Contract Bridge
- Exercise and conditioning—two classes
- Beginning Knitting
- Basic Massage
- Meditation
- Self-Hypnosis Training
- Intermediate Social, Shag, Latin and Texas Two-Step
- Scottish Country Dance
- Advanced Scottish Country Dance
- Spinning
- Taekwondo and Zen
- T'ai-Chi Ch'uan
- Toning and Conditioning
- Woodwind and Brass Instruction
- Yoga
- Dancercise
- Ballroom Dancing

## Early text list turn-in lowers costs

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Better performance by faculty members in getting textbook orders in on time last spring translated into big savings for UNC students in the textbook department of Student Stores this fall.

Last spring, 43 percent of the faculty book orders for this fall's classes were received within three days of the Student Stores' April deadline. In April 1981, only 25 percent of the orders were in by that time.

Having punctual faculty orders enabled the Student Stores to increase its purchases of used books from wholesalers and students, rather than buy all new texts, Tufts said.

Student Stores saved \$180,000 by buy-

ing used books from students during last May's buyback period instead of new books. Students saved another \$133,000 by substituting used books for new books in their bookstore purchases this fall.

The faculty's heightened awareness of the impact of late orders on students' pocketbooks led to earlier book orders, Tufts said.

That increased awareness was due in large part to efforts by Student Government to encourage faculty to turn orders in on time, said Donald Beeson, executive assistant to Student Body President Mike Vandenberg. Student Government sent memos to department chairmen last year encouraging faculty to order books promptly, Beeson said.

Economic conditions and higher college and book costs encouraged students

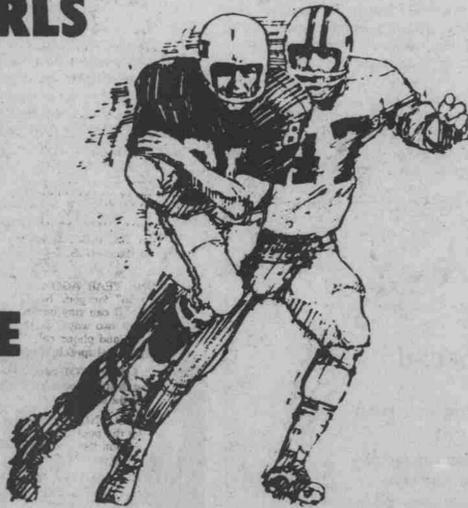
to sell more used books to the Student Stores last May, Beeson added. Those same factors also encouraged students to buy more used books this fall.

UNC's Student Stores, the 14th largest bookstore in the country, ranks among the top three major bookstores in percentage of used textbooks sold, Tufts said. Since the beginning of this semester, 28 percent of books sold have been used ones.

Student Government is continuing to encourage promptness in returning book orders, said Charlotte Fischer, chairperson of the Scholarship Aid and Student Stores Committee. The committee again is sending letters to departments and identifying the contact person in each department who is responsible for textbook orders, she said.

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