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Public drinking penalties stiffer in Chapel Hill

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When the Chapel Hill Police Department began enforcing the public consumption of alcohol ordinance more rigorously last year, those arrested did not necessarily have to pay the \$31 court costs.

If the district attorney agreed to defer prosecution, defendants were given the option of attending an alcohol abuse program, said Student Legal Services adviser Dorothy Bernholz. If a person chose that option and satisfactorily completed the program, the case was dismissed.

"One of the rationales for doing it (providing the option) last year was that the strict enforcement of the public consumption laws was something that was fairly new last year," said Rosemary Waldorf, assistant to the mayor of Chapel Hill.

District Attorney Wade Barber Jr. said he also thought the program was a good alternative and that enough people were charged with public consumption to make a program worthwhile.

"The emphasis (of the alcohol program) offered to students through the Student Health Service) was that it wasn't a problem that was owned by students, it was a problem we all had," said Ken Mills, an associate professor in the School of Medicine who works with the Center for Alcohol Studies. The program did not distribute a lot of information on alcohol, but included discussion on public drinking and what that meant. "We gave them the reason behind the bust and they seemed to understand," he said.

But the program no longer is being offered. "This is because there was a lot of publicity at the time, and there was a consistent level of enforcement," Barber said. "At some time we had to say, 'Yes, if you commit the criminal violation, you will have to be convicted of the criminal violation.'"

"We don't like the way it is now," said Frank Hirsch, chairman of the UNC Student Government's Town Relations Committee. Student Government officials spoke to the town about setting up another option for people charged with public consumption.

"What we proposed was to have (a) mandatory work program for first offenders of public consumption," Hirsch said. "The desire is for the ordinance to show some sensitivity towards the student population."

"Some of the issues that they raised we are still looking at and I am not prepared to discuss them right now," said Chapel Hill Town Manager David Taylor.

"Basically we ran into some logistical problems," Hirsch said. "It's also a problem of magnitude right now, since there aren't a lot of people being arrested right now." He said they receive weekly reports from the police department and few students have been arrested in the last three weeks. "Either they (students) know about it or it's not being enforced as strictly."

There were 22 arrests for public consumption of alcohol in Chapel Hill in 1980, said Chapel Hill police officer Gregg Jarbies. In 1981 there were 116 arrests. There were 46 in October, when the crackdown started. In the first nine months of 1982, there were 136 arrests, including 36 in July, 42 in August and 17 in September.

"The penalty wasn't fair for the first offender," Hirsch said. When people are punished for public consumption, they are punished for "something that they did without thinking," Hirsch said. "And it's something that goes down in your record

and you're going to answer for it a long time."

While many students may not be aware of the ordinance, there is also the problem juniors and seniors on campus may face: "They have been accustomed to a different sort of enforcement procedure," Student Body President Mike Vandenberg said. Another big problem, Vandenberg said, is that "there is some confusion of where one can drink and where one can't."

Student Government officials have approached the Carrboro and Chapel Hill governments and the Chamber of Commerce about putting together a pamphlet that would provide an introduction to the towns, including information about ordinances.

In Carrboro there is no public consumption ordinance like the one in Chapel Hill. "It is not against the law in Carrboro to consume a can of beer on the street," said Mayor Robert Drakeford. "Thus far in my discussion with the police chief that has not been a problem."

Getting a criminal record for drinking a can of beer on the street is "just ridiculous," Drakeford said. "You shouldn't be arresting people for that. That's just personal belief."

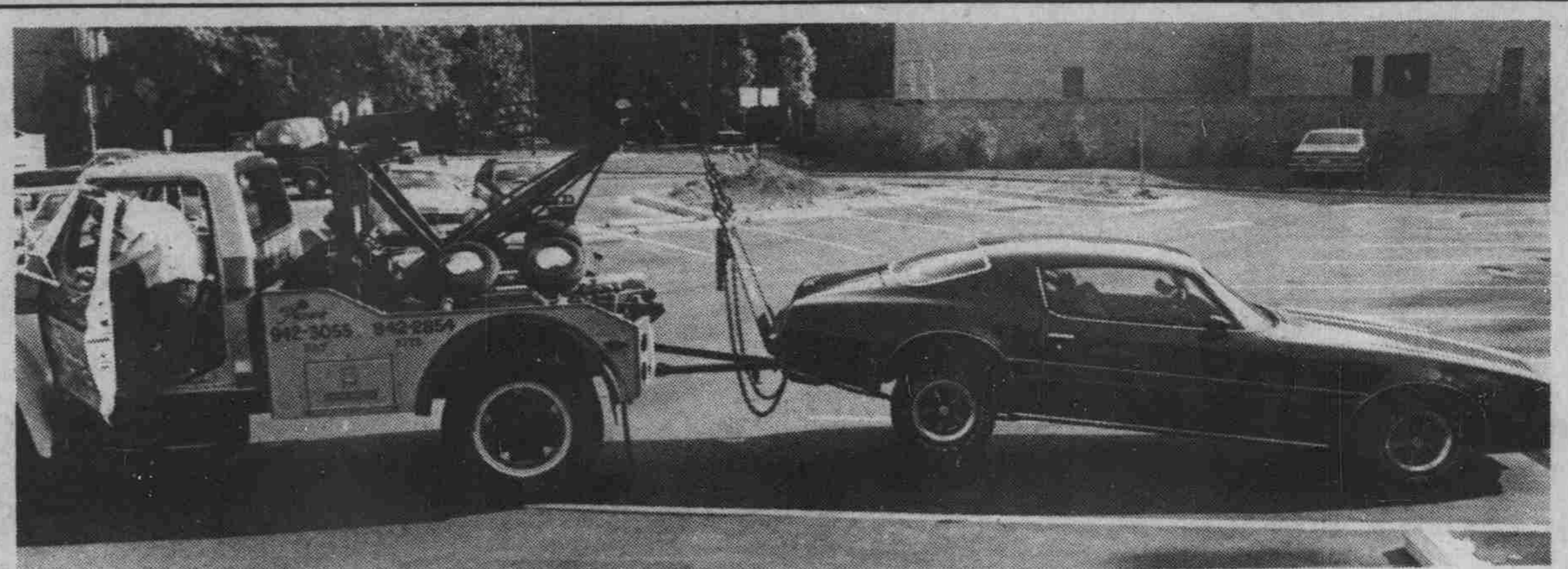
Bernholz has been working to establish a formal system where students can request a deferred prosecution. This would be an option in a number of situations, not only public consumption cases.

For about a month Kathy Speas, School of Social Work intern at the Chapel Hill Police social worker office, has acted as coordinator of a community service restitution program. The court usually refers people to her program, she said. Then she interviews them and assigns them to an agency.



Dorothy Bernholz

"I don't think it's appropriate to just have a criminal record and pay court costs and that's it," Bernholz said. "I think if the student has to make restitution to the community in some way ... he learns or she learns a much bigger lesson."



Controversy arises over the recent increase in the towing of students' cars, especially on football Saturdays ... cars taken away to make more space available for people who come to Chapel Hill for home football games

Towing has caused controversy

Officials work to solve parking problems

With an eye on next year, Student Government and UNC administration officials are working to resolve parking problems on football Saturdays.

The issue of parking and the towing of students' cars came to light with the UNC-Vanderbilt game at the beginning of the semester. Since that time, University and student leaders have attempted to iron out difficulties.

"We've had a number of meetings," Charles Antle, associate vice chancellor for business, said Thursday. "It's been a very good cooperative effort."

On Monday, representatives from the University business and finance office, the Athletic Association, Student Government and the Carolina Athletic Association will meet to discuss proposals on how to handle the parking situation in the future.

"We've prepared a listing of proposals for how things can be changed next year," Antle said.

If approved, the proposals will be presented to Chancellor Christopher C. Fordham III by Wayne Jones, acting vice chancellor for business and finance, and athletic director John Swofford for a final decision, Antle said.

He declined to comment on the nature of the proposals, but said that issues discussed have included the need for more parking on football Saturdays, the possibility of using a shuttle bus so fringe parking could be better utilized and the locations of reserved parking.

"We've talked about the pros and cons of having reserved numbered parking assignments," Antle said. He added that there was a possibility that reserved parking on game days might be changed for next year.

"There are a lot of sides to this issue that have to be taken into consideration," Antle said. He said the Athletic Association had a problem in handling the number of people coming to football games, while at the same time students and the University community should not be forgotten.

Student Body President Mike Vandenberg said Thursday that he was unaware of any proposals being presented, but that he welcomed the opportunity to meet with the other organizations to discuss the issue.

"This is what we have been trying to get with all our

efforts on this," he said.

Vandenberg has met with the administration officials in past weeks to work out towing problems that arose with the UNC-Vanderbilt game.

At that game, student cars were towed from the Cobb parking lot, which had been reserved for Educational Foundation members.

Vandenberg spoke out this week against the towing that occurred at the Vanderbilt game.

"In areas where students had not received proper warning, their cars should not have been towed," he said. "That attitude is important, that students should not have been manipulated."

Assistant Athletic Director Willie Scroggs said problems with parking were a case of first-game confusion. The Cobb lot is a new lot this year, and it is an employee lot during the week, he said.

Over the summer, the Cobb and lower law school lots were given to the Athletic Association for football Saturday parking. Combined, the two lots total 100 spaces.

Confusion was multiplied by the Athletic Association's notification process of placing notices on windshields in the lots reserved for game days on the Wednesday and Thursday prior to the game.

"We put notices on the cars, but they were on faculty cars," Scroggs said.

He said it was unfair to characterize the Athletic Association as taking away student parking places in the Cobb lot.

"That's not a student parking lot," he said. On regular Saturdays, that parking lot is open to anyone, Scroggs said.

Initially, Vandenberg had complained that student fees were being used to tow student cars. After being shown accounts by the Athletic Association, he said that was not the case.

Money for operations of football games, which includes towing, comes from gate receipts, said Meyer Smith, associate athletic director.

"We do not use student fee money (to tow)," Smith said.

Antle said that it was to the credit of Vandenberg that the administration became aware of the impact

the loss of those lots on football Saturdays had on students who park there on regular weekends.

"We didn't think of the impact on students who live over there," he said. "He (Vandenberg) has been very helpful in pointing out what things can be done."

The administration was looking into reserving space for those who need parking on game days but who are not attending the football game, Antle said.

The administration and Student Government are also taking specific measures to prevent similar problems next year.

In a meeting with Antle and Jones earlier this semester, Vandenberg asked that signs be erected in the lots to warn students that they were not student lots on game days. He also asked that students be notified of where their cars had been towed, that students not be charged for towing expenses and that students be involved in future parking decisions.

"We informally agreed that the game day situation needed to be improved," Vandenberg said. He added the three also agreed on reimbursing students, notifying students where their cars were located and involving students in the decision-making process.

The administration has made no formal agreements with Student Government about the towing issue, Jones said.

But he did say that signs were placed in the lots from Thursday until Saturday to warn students on game days and that the Athletic Association would inform the campus police where towed cars were located so they could respond to inquiries from those whose cars had been towed.

Signs were not put up earlier warning students, because business and finance officials "thought it might draw attention to the problem," Scroggs said.

Student participation in football parking decisions will be encouraged in the future, Jones added.

In the past, planning for football parking has been done during the summer, he said.

"We realize that is inconvenient for student participation," he said, adding that the process may be moved to the preceding spring semester.

"I just hope we can do a better job of handling this parking situation next year," Antle said.

Stock market records busiest day; Dow falls

The Associated Press

The stock market retreated from its historic high as Wall Street racked up its busiest day in history Thursday amid discouraging reports from other areas of the economy. Retail sales remained sluggish, a record number of Americans drew unemployment checks and the U.S. trade deficit widened.

A key factor in the growing deficit is the lofty value of the U.S. dollar in relation to other currencies, and the dollar rose again Thursday to reach record highs against the French franc, Italian lira and Norwegian krone in European trading.

The dollar also hit six-year highs against the West German mark, Swiss franc and British pound, and was mostly higher as

well in U.S. trading.

The stock market tried to extend its rally several times, but a late selling wave left prices mixed on the New York Stock Exchange. The 30 stocks of the Dow Jones industrial average were hit particularly hard, and the measure tumbled 15.27 points to 1,050.22.

A day earlier, the well-known average soared 43.41 points, its biggest gain ever. It closed at a record 1,065.49 to eclipse the previous peak of 1,051.70 set Jan. 11, 1973.

Another record was set Thursday, however, as 149.35 million shares traded hands on the Big Board, eclipsing the record of 147.07 million set Oct. 7.

The late selling was attributed mainly to investors cashing in to take advantage of

the market's spectacular performance in recent weeks — gains that analysts said reflected investors' optimism that interest rates will keep falling.

Consumers were not as enthusiastic about spending money last month, and the poor October sales posted by retailers extended a sluggish trend that began in June. The latest reports prompts analysts to revise downward their projections for sales in the crucial Christmas season.

Three of the top four retailers reported small sales declines last month, while industry leader Sears, Roebuck & Co. reported a small 3.8 percent gain.

Meantime, a record 4.69 million Americans drew unemployment checks in mid-October, the Labor Department said. The seasonally adjusted total was the

highest since the unemployment compensation program was enacted in the mid-1930s.

The department also said 677,000 people filed initial claims for jobless benefits in the week ended Oct. 23, down 10,000 from a week earlier. The weekly record for such initial filings was 703,000, set in the week that ended last Sept. 18.

And it was learned Thursday that home mortgage interest rates fell from early September to early October and reached their lowest level since May 1981. The Federal Home Loan Bank Board said the average effective rate offered by major mortgage lenders on a conventional, 25-year loan fell to 15.73 percent from 16.18 percent in early August.

'Overwhelming adoration'

Professor says sports fans carry loyalty too far

By LINDA ROBERTSON
Sports Editor

• Last of three parts

When Louis Rubin was an Associated Press writer based in Richmond one summer, he was also a monomaniacal New York Giants fan. When baseball news came across the wire, Rubin was there, empathizing with every player who hit a home run or struck out a batter, memorizing every boxscore. Yet Rubin had seen the Giants play only once. And they lost. A double-header.

"There was no reason for such loyalty or emotional attachment," said Rubin, University Distinguished Professor of English, critic, novelist and a speaker at last Friday's seminar on "Sports and American Values," sponsored by the UNC Program in the Humanities.

"Competitive athletics fill a need, a need for iden-

tification," Rubin said. "There is that in us which wishes to belong, compete and win."

Sports offer competition in its purest form, with no strings attached. Winners and losers are determined absolutely arbitrarily.

"There was UNC against Georgetown — not in war, not as rivals for money, food or possessions. And furthermore, the coaches were friends," Rubin said. "I didn't sink any field goal, but we're No. 1."

Aside from fulfilling a psychological need, sports serve a sociological function. An athletic team, as a symbol of community membership, satisfies the average citizen's desire to be a part of a community or region, Rubin said.

"Regardless of occupation, social status or profession, we were all watching that basketball game last March," he said. "Not as professors or bankers or lawyers or clients, but as North Carolinians."

That statewide bond accounts for the over-

whelming adoration visitors or newcomers to North Carolina sense when natives talk about their Tar Heels. It almost seems as if some received a transfusion of Carolina blue blood at birth.

C. Townsend Ludington, English professor and fervent Phillies fan, also has the distinction of receiving a professorship endowed by the same man who paid for UNC's baseball stadium — Cary C. Boshamer. Ludington talked about why the interest accompanying intercollegiate athletics in the United States is unparalleled.

"In Europe, athletics do not dominate university life. It's not because we're more competitive," he said. "They are predominantly funded by the national government and the settings are urban. Entertainment can be found elsewhere."

"Here support comes from a more regional base. Supporters make personal investments, and they

want to see the university known and respected. Nothing does that like the fanfare of sports."

There were reports of suicide by Brazilian aficionados after the soccer team lost in the World Cup semifinals, proving that fanaticism is not an exclusively American trait. But here, UNC is the natural rallying point for a state without a major league team or national representative.

Ludington recalled watching a football game between his son's prep school, Phillips Exeter, and Deerfield Academy. What struck him most was the imperfection and "paucity" compared to sports on the college level.

"Where, I wondered, had my values gone as phrases like 'love for the game' floated through my head?" he said. "I missed the perfection."

The speakers concluded that Americans' con-

tinuing obsession with sports is simply a part of human nature. No one can expect the university to be exempt from that. While reforming athletics may require the impossible task of reforming society, fans can make that leap of the imagination and win with their team.

"A large number of North Carolinians don't understand what a complex entity the university is," Rubin said. "I would find it hard to go out and explain to tobacco farmers that they should invest their hard-earned dollars to help UNC buy the best edition of John Pendleton Kennedy's *Swallow Barn*."

"A farmer from Franklin might not be interested in John Pendleton Kennedy, but we both saw (Michael) Jordan sink that shot in New Orleans. When he took that shot he took it for both of us, and that's why our heavenly father was a Tar Heel and the sky is Carolina blue."