

# Happy 190th Birthday, UNC!

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### Weather

Periods of light rain or drizzle today with highs in the mid to upper 60s and lows in the mid 60s.

### Inside

There will be an open forum on residence hall integration tonight, see page 3 for announcement.

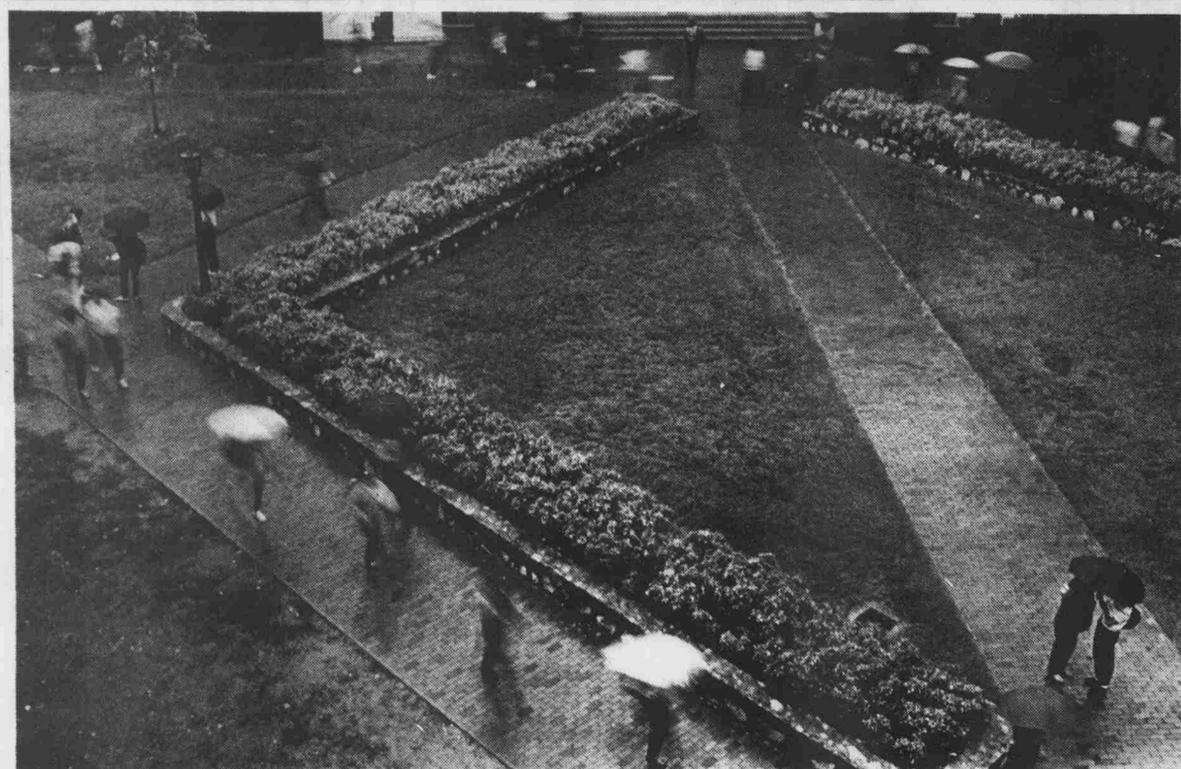
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### Just a blur

Students trying to escape the light rain Tuesday appeared as just a blur — at least from this view point. The rain wasn't very much, and it certainly wasn't enough to make a difference in the current water shortage being experienced in the area. Nevertheless, it was enough to drive most people indoors for the day, forcing those who had to venture out of doors to bring along an umbrella or raincoat.

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## Four dorms to remain open

By HEIDI OWEN  
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University housing officials announced Tuesday that South Campus residence halls will be open during Fall Break.

UNC dormitory residents remaining at the University during Fall Break can stay at Morrison, Hinton James, Ehringhaus and Craige, University housing Director Wayne Kuncel said in a memorandum distributed at a Residence Advisory Board meeting.

Officials reached the decision after receiving about a dozen requests from students, said James Ptaszynski, assistant director of University housing.

South Campus students who plan to stay on campus during Fall Break must sign up at their area director's office by 5 p.m. Monday, the memorandum stated. North Campus residents can get a room during Fall Break by signing up with a South Campus AD office.

Students can take a chance at obtaining a space in lounges at Craige Residence Hall. These spaces will be available on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Students staying in the dormitories will be charged a \$16 interim rent, or \$4 per night.

Kuncel had said earlier that dormitories would be closed during the four-day Fall Break. In past years, residence halls had remained open during the break because the football team needed a place to stay for holiday games and housing felt dormitory openings should be consistent

across campus. There is no football game this year during Fall Break.

When the closing was announced this year, several students complained to housing. Residence Hall Association President Mark Dalton said that the openings depended on students letting Kuncel know they wanted to remain in the dormitories during break.

"We came up with this plan basically because we're developmental and humanistic people and we're making every effort to accommodate students," said Ptaszynski.

Kuncel also said in the memorandum that the opening of the dormitories during Fall Break last year was neither necessary nor safe. Last year, UNC played Wake Forest in Winston-Salem during the vacation.

"In many cases there were only two or three students in an entire hall thereby making the students feel isolated and vulnerable," Kuncel said in the memorandum.

The South Campus buildings will be locked 24 hours a day, and students will have to enter via a desk attendant during specified hours. The University police will unlock doors for those entering at other times.

The costs of keeping residence halls open were also an issue. "We were told by many students that they felt their room rents could be put to better use than operating 29 halls," Kuncel said in the memorandum.

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## OWASA to hold hearing to consider moratorium

By TRACY ADAMS  
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The Orange Water and Sewer Authority will hold a public hearing tonight to consider a moratorium on water system connections.

The moratorium is just one of the alternatives that OWASA is considering as a solution to the area's water shortage. OWASA imposed mandatory conservation measures on Sept. 6 when the level at University Lake dropped to 48 inches below full.

Pat Davis, an OWASA spokesman, said other alternatives being considered are developing a ground-water supply, obtaining water from adjacent communities, revising existing water restrictions and examining pricing alternatives.

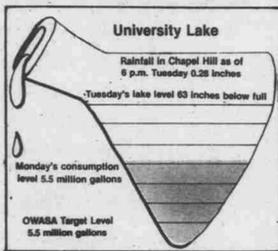
Davis said he did not see any problem with the moratorium. He added that courts have upheld similar actions when

an agency proved it did not have the capability to provide the service. If the decision to prohibit additional service is rational and reasonable, the courts will uphold it on a temporary basis, Davis said.

"We are just getting input, and this doesn't mean that we will impose the moratorium," Davis said. "It has been suggested as one possible way to conserve water."

While OWASA is looking at several other options, local government bodies favor the moratorium. On Sept. 26 the Chapel Hill Town Council requested that OWASA adopt the moratorium under the stipulation that the town and OWASA work together to balance the demand for water with the existing supply.

The Town Council will not attend the hearing as a group, but council member Winston Broadfoot said that OWASA



was aware of what the council wanted.

Broadfoot said that the temporary moratorium would not ease the problem. He favors a moratorium until the reservoir capacity is increased.

"What they're (OWASA) talking about is a bandage, and I'm talking about major surgery," Broadfoot said.

The Carrboro Board of Aldermen was scheduled to vote Tuesday night on a resolution favoring the moratorium. Alderman John Boone said he expected the resolution to be passed based on comments from aldermen at the work session.

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## BSM angered by loss of Upendo

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Black Student Movement President Sherrod Banks said Tuesday that he fears the BSM is being left behind in the renovation of Chase Hall.

Since 1972, the BSM has had nearly exclusive control of the Upendo Lounge on the first floor of Chase. But, the BSM will be forced to vacate Upendo in May when construction is expected to begin on a new cafeteria to be located on the ground floor.

"We use Upendo extensively weekly, monthly and yearly," Banks said at a news conference. "Upendo is vital to the operations of the BSM. We call it home."

The BSM will have priority in the use of meeting rooms in a new South Campus Union to open on the second floor of Chase in late November, Union Director Howard Henry has said.

Banks said he is unsatisfied with the arrangement. "We will have an ambiguous term such as 'priority' to rely on for the existence of the BSM. It's ridiculous," he said. "Priority means nothing to us."

The BSM uses Upendo almost daily for various committee meetings as well as rehearsals for its subgroups, the BSM Ebony Readers, the BSM Gospel Choir, the BSM Opeyo Dancers and the BSM Pep Club, Banks said. Black Greek organizations use the lounge for weekly fund-raising events, he said.

Scheduling of events in Upendo is coordinated by Marcellas Smith, a BSM Central Committee member, Banks said. The BSM should be given similar control over scheduling in a 200-seat meeting room planned for the Chase Union, he said.

"We want a new facility," he said. "It doesn't matter a whole lot where it is."

Because the Chase Union is intended for the use of all students, the BSM probably won't have the same control over meeting areas it enjoyed in Upendo, Union President Lucia Halpern said Tuesday. A committee, consisting of members of the BSM and the Union Board of Directors, had been organized to work out a priority system for BSM use of the facility, she said.

"The BSM and the Union need to sit down and make sure that there is some sort of exchange — that the BSM is not left out in the cold."

Banks said the BSM, black Greek organizations and South Campus residence halls have yet to be consulted about the changes at Chase.

George Perry, president of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, said the University administration had not leveled with students about the changes.

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BSM president

"Things are being pulled over the black population's eyes in regard to the South Campus Union," Perry said.

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Donald Boulton said the BSM and other black organizations would play a vital role in planning the use of the Chase Union. The renovations will benefit the organizations, especially in terms of expanded space, he said. "A lot of concerns will be done away with when the (BSM-Union) committee starts meeting," Boulton said. "I assure you we are not taking things away (from the BSM). We're going to do things in a better way."

Mike Vandenberg, who was student body president when the renovation plan was approved, said Tuesday his support for the project was based on a verbal commitment from Boulton that space would be made available for the BSM. No specific guarantees were made concerning who would maintain or control the space, he said.

"The commitment I received was that a room would be made available to the BSM in the same way Upendo is now," Vandenberg said in a telephone interview from Raleigh.

## Area blends tradition, commune

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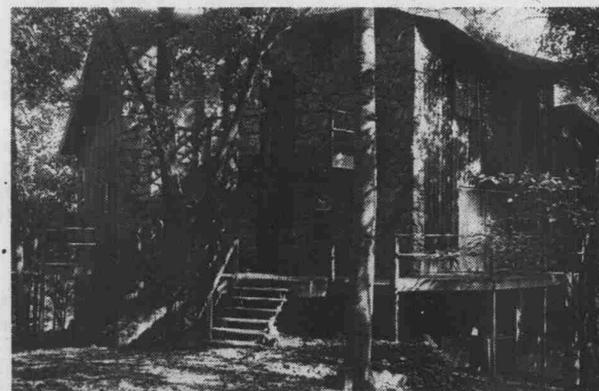
Underground houses, solar-heated homes and dome-shaped architecture? No, this isn't the newest location for *Star Wars IV*. It's a planned community located on Turkey Farm Road right here in Orange County.

About 16 families are a part of this different neighborhood, and at least four of the families include someone who teaches at UNC. David Rogers, a UNC professor of psychology who lives in the community, explained that the neighborhood is not a commune. "We're half-in-between," he said, "blending privacy with a close community environment."

This half-in-between neighborhood is a pretty nice package. Each family owns a little more than an acre of personal property. That land is theirs to do with whatever they please — build on it, or sell it, or merely drive by on Sundays and show it off to relatives.

The rest of the land surrounding the community is termed common land. This 60 to 70 acres is for the use of all the inhabitants who are part of the planned community.

The common land is divided for all sorts of uses: farming and gardening, basketball



This house is part of a planned community on Turkey Farm Road. The neighborhood blends privacy with close contact with neighbors.

and volleyball courts, orchards and ponds. There are community play areas, community gardens and swimming pools, even a community shed where repair work can be done.

The system seems to be working well. Each month, all families are invited to attend a meeting. Everyone looks at the budget for that month and decides what things need to be taken care of. There are maintenance funds and committees of all kinds. The newest committee was formed to begin building walkways which would join the homes together.

Rogers said that more neighborhoods might be tempted to try this set-up, but most cities and communities are under strict building codes. Rogers' neighborhood is not under such restrictions.

The Rogers live in an underground house. If they had attempted to build this same house in another neighborhood, they

would have been required to build so much square footage above ground. Commenting on the advantages of his underground abode, Rogers said that it totally eliminated the need for air conditioning and heating. "The earth's temperature remains constant, somewhere around the upper 60s, and the house's temperature stays fairly consistent with the earth around it," he said.

As for finding a builder who had the eyes and skill of a mole to build it for them, Rogers says that was no problem. "You simply run the risk of having no one there to help you with it, at least no one with much experience. Underground homes just aren't that common yet."

As for advantages over so-called normal neighborhoods, Rogers said the neighbors

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## Birthday celebration has rich tradition

By KATE COOPER  
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Today's celebration of University Day marks the 190th birthday of UNC. The speakers have changed from year to year, but the day has always been celebrated with pomp and pageantry.

Classes are canceled today from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The celebration of University Day had its beginnings in September 1877. UNC President Kemp Battle had asked Gov. Zebulon Vance to make a motion for the celebration. The secretary recorded that "it was ordered that the anniversary of the day on which the cornerstone of the University was laid be made a college holiday to be observed with appropriate ceremonies under the direction of the faculty."

The first celebration on Oct. 12, 1877, was in Gerrard Hall. Town women and students decorated the hall with pine ropes and fall flowers. Battle spoke on the chartering of the University and the laying of the cornerstone of Old East.

In 1930, University Day was held under the Davie Poplar with President Frank Porter Graham presiding. The speaker was R.R. Williams of Asheville, who had toured the state soliciting

money for new dormitories because there were inadequate facilities on campus.

In his speech, Williams gave a history of the University and stressed that "more than once, UNC has had to carry on through depressions."

In 1949, University Day included a re-enactment by the Carolina Playmakers of the laying of the cornerstone of Old East dormitory. Old East residents handed out programs and wore blue and white cards with the words "Old East 1793 to 1949." The celebration lasted 30 minutes with approximately 3,000 people attending.

In 1953, the ceremony was held in front of South Building. Classes were canceled from 10 a.m. to noon. In his speech, Chancellor Robert B. House said "The outlook appears bright for continued steady progress at the University." Everyone moved to the Davie Poplar for the benediction and to sing "Hark the Sound."

U.S. President John F. Kennedy spoke in Kenan Stadium on University Day in 1961. Before a crowd of approximately 32,000, he made an appeal to educated men and women to provide intellectual and political leadership for the country.

In 1969, the completion and dedication of the Carolina Union, Student Stores and Undergraduate Library were celebrated on University Day.

Sen. Sam Ervin spoke on University Day in 1973. He told the audience in Memorial Hall that the mission of the University was "to diffuse light and proclaim liberty."

This year's University Day begins with the academic procession from the Old Well to Memorial Hall at 10:40 a.m. The convocation will begin at 11 a.m. in Memorial Hall. The Distinguished Alumni Awards will be presented and the Men's and Women's Glee Clubs, Carolina Choir and Chamber Singers will perform. It will be followed by a birthday party in the Pit sponsored by the Union.

At 1:30 p.m., astronaut William Thornton will speak and show a film in the Morehead Planetarium. At 3 p.m., he will speak in Hamilton 100 and return the flag which was carried with him on the space shuttle Challenger. At 4 p.m., rare book scholar Fred Schreiber will speak on the Estienne rare book collection in 209 Manning. At 9 p.m. Thornton will speak again and show a film at the Morehead Planetarium.