Today

11 a.m.

## Campus Calendar

The Carolina Student Fund/DTH Campus Calendar will appear every Monday and Thursday. Announcements to be run on Monday must be placed in the box outside the Carolina Student Fund office on the third floor of South Building by 5 p.m. the Friday before they are to run. Announcements to be run on Thursday must be placed in the box by 5 p.m. of the preceding Tuesday. Only announcements from University recognized and campus organizations will be printed.

#### Friday

2 p.m.	Physics-Astronomy Colloquium in		
	265 Phillips, on "Tests for Time		
2.	Reversal Symmetry in Nuclear Systems."		

IVCF Northeast Chapter meeting on "Christ as our Model," at the Chapel of the Cross Conference Room. Call Amy Hendrix at 933-1415.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. is sponsoring a dance at Upendo from 10 p.m.-2 a.m. Call Adrienne Saunders at 942-2141.

### Monday

Noon	Speech or	"Quantitative	Methods
	for Carcine 235 Rosen	ogenic Risk Estir au Hall.	nation" in

5:30 p.m. Phi Theta Kappa alumni dinner at Western Sizzlin'

6:30 p.m. Alan Cranston for President meeting

Wine and Cheese Party in the Stu-Saturday

Chemistry Dept. Seminar "Toward

the Design of Enzyme Active and

Binding Sites" in 308 Venable Hall.

literature titled "The Pumpkin in the

Old Homestead Must Not Be Up-

rooted" will be held in the Union by

the African and Afro-American

Presentation on the UNC Judicial

System sponsored by the UNC Stu-

dent Attorney General-Undergrad-

The Undergraduate History Associa-

tion presents "English Propaganda in the 17th Century" in 569

The Industrial Relations Association

Maranatha Campus Ministries pre-

sents "Jesus is Lord" celebration in

uate Court in 224 Carolina Union.

2:30 p.m. A dramatic presentation of African

3:30 p.m. Internship workshop in 210 Hanes

Hall sponsored by UCPPS.

Studies Dept.

# Sunday

Shape-Note Music Group singing in Gerrard Hall. 4 p.m.

Baptist Student Union Christmas

Carolina Union. Call 933-6137.

6:30 p.m. UNC Parachute Club Meeting at the

Lounge. Call 933-5872.

Call 942-4084.

Worship Service at the Battle House.

IVCF Mid-Campus chapter meeting.

Reception featuring Howard Lee

sponsored by Students for Howard

Lee for Congress Exploratory Com-

mittee to be held in Morrison Dorm

CHIMERA: Fantasy and Science

Fiction Club meeting in the Union.

Carolina Students For Rufus of-

ficers' meeting in the Union. Call

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

meeting in Student Union. Call

Men's and Women's Glee Clubs Christmas Concert in Hill Hall Auditorium

#### ITEMS OF INTEREST

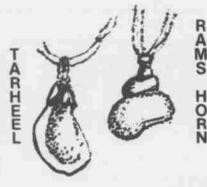
Pickwick! A Dickens Christmas Celebration! Dec. 1-4 and 8-11, matinee and evening shows at the Paul Green Theatre. Presented by the Department of Dramatic Art

CHEC (Contraceptive Health Education Clinic) offers Group Sessions every Monday and individual sessions by appointment. Call Julie Pickett at 966-2281, ext. 275. Campus Y 20th Annual Handicrafts Bazaar and Coffeehouse in Great Hall of the Union Dec. 2, 3, 4, NCSU Center Stage presents Jack Daniel's Hometown Christmas Special in Memorial Auditorium on December

For Health and Wellness information, call 942-WELL

and PlayMakers Repertory Company. Ushers needed receive free admission or drop by the Health Education Suite, second floor of Student Health Service. 4 at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Call 737-3900.

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# 'Pickwick!' opens at Paul Green; U.S. premiere

By SHERYL THOMAS

The UNC department of dramatic art is doing something different for Christ-

This Christmas season, the department will present Pickwick!: A Dickens Celebration of Christmas, by James Forsyth. Pickwick!, which is making its American premiere in this production, is a yuletide adaptation of Charles Dickens' heartwarming novel, The Pickwick Papers. The play opens tonight at 8 p.m. in the Paul Green Theatre.

Pickwick! is directed by David Knight, visiting professor of dramatic art at UNC and head of the bachelor's and master's fine arts acting programs at the University of Illinois. Although Knight was born in the United States, he received his professional training in England, where he was an actor for more than 20 years.

Knight came up with the idea to do Pickwick! instead of the Dickens classic, A Christmas Carol, "A Christmas Carol had been done a number of times, but we wanted to keep the Dickensian Christmas," he said. "They asked me to suggest something, and I immediately thought of Pickwick!."

Knight said that he was familiar with Pickwick! because he is a personal friend of Forsyth, the author of the play. "We actually met at a party at James' house which was given by his publisher," Knight said. "I was in Sussex to look at James' theater. He was familiar with me because of my work, and I eventually became the assistant director at his theater."

Forsyth's Pickwick! faithfully adapts the central plot of Dickens' novel-Pickwick's trial for breach of promise, his iningenious manner of his release from pris-



Mr. Pickwick, played by W. Robert Blue, is the victim of a kiss from Mrs. Bardell, played by Wendy B. Wilson, in "Pickwick!"

on, engineered by his faithful friends. Yet Forsyth takes one liberty with Dickens' book, moving the Christmas party to the end of the play, rather than leaving it in the middle, where it occurs in Dickens'

Knight said that he thought this deviation was justified in the play. "Dickens wrote serially," he said. "When Christmas came, his publishers wanted a Christmas story, so he had to fit it into the plot wherever he was in the story."

Although the central drama of Pickwick! does not focus on the Christmas season, the Christmas spirit pervades the play. "The character of Pickwick is what justifies Pickwick! as a Christmas play," Knight said. "He has a naive optimism, he tries to resolve things helpfully. He personifies the spirit of Christmas, when the accent is on the positive, the hopeful."

The Christmas spirit is enhanced by the seasonal music that accompanies Pickwick! But Knight emphasized that Pickwick! is not a musical. "There are some violins playing Victorian songs, and sevcarceration in the debtors' prison and the eral Christmas carols, but there is no original music," he said.

The cast of Pickwick! is made up entirely of students, both graduate and undergraduate. "The mix of older and younger students works well," Knight said. "It is a play with a good heart. Its ideas appeal to them (the cast)."

W. Robert Blue, last seen as Silivius in the PlayMakers Repertory Company production of As You Like It, will portray Pickwick. John Borden will play Augustus Snodgrass and Nathaniel Winkle will be performed by Mahlon C. Bouldin. Sam Weller will be portrayed by Michael Cumpsty, last seen as Oliver in As You Like It. Wendy Wilson, who also appeared in As You Like It, will portray Mrs. Bardell and Casper Thomson will narrate the play. Other cast members who have been seen earlier this season are Carl Espy, Mona Niemiec, David Gottlieb, Dale Mitchell, Wanda Melocchi and Peter Hertsgaard.

Performances of Pickwick! will run today through Saturday and Dec. 8 through 10 at 8 p.m. and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 4, and Sunday, Dec. 11. Tickets are available at the Graham Memorial Box

For more information, call 962-1121.



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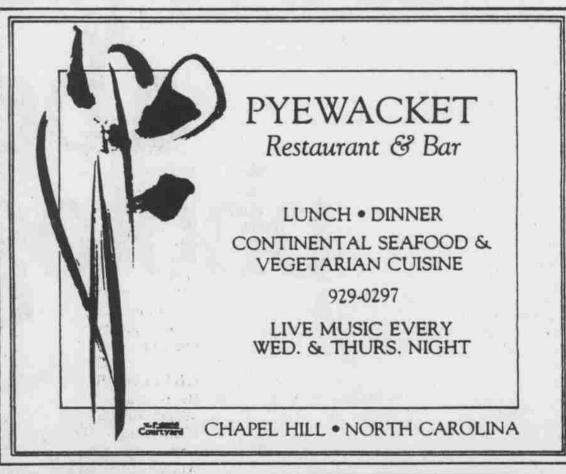
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