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Burglaries, larcenies increase **By LYNN DAVIS** Staff Writer

Burglaries and larcenies in Chapel Hill increased during the last three months of 1983, but the amount of stolen property recovered was more than twice the amount recovered during the same period in 1982, Lieutenant Ralph Pendergraph of the Chapel Hill Police Department said Thursday.

According to figures released last week, 69 burglaries and 82 larcenies were investigated between October and December, compared with 59 burglaries and 72 larcenies during the last quarter of 1982.

Pendergraph said the increase in the recovery of stolen property probably could be attributed to an increase in professional thefts. In those thefts large amounts of property are taken at one time and disposed of in a "fence-type fashion," he said.

"It's easier to deal with professionals," Pendergraph said. "When one is caught, a substantial amount of property is recovered." Pendergraph said the amount of

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stolen property recovered during the last three months of 1983 totaled \$88,452, almost two times higher than the \$45,529 recovered during the same part of 1982.

The number of arrests for drunk driving was also down from the previous year, Pendergraph said.

Pendergraph said that police made 95 arrests from the time the new Driving While Impaired law went into effect Oct. 1 until the end of December 1983. Under the previous law for Driving Under the Influence, 125 arrests were made during the last quarter of 1982, he said.

The decrease in DWI arrests is probably due to a change in drinking habits, Pendergraph said.

"People are buying less hard liqour," he said. "They're either drinking less or changing over to wine."

Pendergraph said the police department was working to continue the trend and was in the process of ordering a new infrared breath-testing machine. The new machine will be for out of a \$56,800 grant given to the department by the Governor's Highway Safety Program in October 1983.

"The new machine is not more accurate," Pendergraph said, "but it's easier to operate and set up."

He said the grant was also being used to train officers on the new DWI laws and to pay overtime for officers who work special patrols during times when there were high occurrences of DWIs.

Committee still looking for Affirmative Action officer

By BEN PERKOWSKI Staff Writer

The search for a new Affirmative Action officer at UNC moves into its eighth month Feb. 1, but Harold Wallace, head of the six-member search committee and vice chancellor for University affairs, said he predicted the committee would have its proposals ready for Chancellor Christopher C. Fordham III after several more meetings.

"We hope to make at least two and hopefully three proposals to Chancellor Fordham soon, and after the meeting of the entire committee Feb. 1 we should make rapid progress," Wallace said.

Wallace has been acting Affirmative Action officer since June 30, when Gillian T. Cell resigned to become chairman of the history department. Before Wallace, Benjamin Rawlins assumed the post until he resigned Nov. 7 to become assistant to the chancellor of N.C. A&T State University. Since then Wallace has held the position in addition to his duties as vice chancellor for University affairs.

Wallace said the committee's search was slowed by the Christmas holidays and conflicting schedules of the committee members. Each member must read all

193 of the applications, and that process takes time, he said.

Chancellor Fordham said Wednesday he had told the committee he wanted the proposals as soon as possible. "They are operating under a sense of urgency, but I would rather they do a good job on the selection than be too hasty," he said.

Wallace said the committee was looking for a senior-level person who was familiar with University administration and had demonstrated a commitment to Affirmative Action.

He added that the Affirmative Action Office has a very able staff and is running smoothly despite the lack of a permanent officer.

The search committee is made up of: Robert Thorpe, assistant professor in the medical allied professions and General College advisor, Garland Hershey, vice chancellor for health affairs; Doris Betts, professor of English; Pat Barry, associate professor of health policy administration; Kevin Monroe, student body president; and Wallace.

The Affirmative Action officer is responsible for increasing the percentage of minorities and women employed by UNC.

'Seat Belts Pay off' campaign receives award

By MELANIE WELLS Staff Writer

The "Seat Belts Pay Off" campaign, a project designed to promote seat belt use locally, received the Secretary's Outstanding Achievement Award Wednesday from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The project, which was developed by the UNC Highway Safety Research Center, boosted the Chapel Hill-Carrboro area to the top of the nation inseat belt use when it was conducted April 15 to Oct. 15, 1983.

During the campaign, motorists wearing their seat belts when stopped by program officials received cash and other

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prizes. A total of \$34,000 was awarded. Marianne Gemming, research associate

for HSRC, said that, at the height of the program, 41 percent of the motorists stopped were wearing seat belts, compared to the 24 percent that wore them when the campaign began.

"We're anxious to see what finally happens to the rates," Gemming said. "Since we've stopped the campaign, they have already decreased to 34 percent.

Gemming said the center wanted to The Department of Health and Human know if the decline would continue or if Services judged the programs using the project had changed the community criteria outlined in the National Health in any way. for 1990 Program, which included health Pat Williamson, public information ofpromotion programs in exercise and ficer for the N.C. Department of Human fitness, nutrition, and alcohol and drug Resources, said that the campaign reabuse. quired a lot of community effort and that North Carolina was one of 40 states it was good because it was aimed at everyone. "It was a great success, participating in the program Hair Forever Back To School hair forever 106 Henderson St. (2nd Floor) Directly Above Hectors Enter from Henderson St Chapel Hill, NC 2/514 967-CUTS (2887) \$10.00 Off Perms & \$10.00 Off Highlights SAVE Haircuts for \$7.50 (reg. \$12.50) with selected stylists Joan Hubbard or Mark Holt Offer Expires 2-18-84 Please bring coupon. 400 West Delivery Franklin St. 5 pm to Midnight Across from **Bus Station** 929-SUBS 7827 "Sandwich Shop" FREE SMALL #5 with purchase of large #5 (ham, turkey and cheese) sub and a large drink offer good thru Jan. 31 Now Serving Beer Giant Party Subs *DELIVERY PERSONS NEEDED* **Catch Our 24 HOUR EXPRESS**

especially considering national seat belt use averages only 13 percent," she said.

The project was among two other North Carolina projects selected in the awards program. The N.C. General Baptist Convention was recognized for a project designed to strengthen the role of black churches in health promotion, along with the Lincoln Community Health Center of Durham which sponsored a special weight-control program.





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