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## Bureau calls Chapel Hill best educated city

## **By MIKE ALTIERI** Staff Writer

Another No. 1 ranking for the town of Chapel Hill? No, it's not football, lacrosse or basketball. Instead, the U.S. Census Bureau recently recognized Chapel Hill as being the best educated city in the nation. Nearly 69 percent of all Chapel Hill residents over the age of 25 have a college degree.

This statistic makes any city look good. But what makes Chapel Hill in particular so educated? What is the criterion for being the country's "best educated city?"

UNC History Professor George Taylor defines the educated person as "one who has the ability to think analytically and to articulate ideas." Without these abilities, a person today may find himself handicapped in society.

The need for a good education has created many issues, such as which school to attend and what major to choose. This latter issue brings about one question that is getting much attention today: Whether to select a major in a liberal arts field or in the business or science area.

Many theorists point to husiness or science fields as

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the direction to take in the 1980s. Computer technology is snowballing at an incredible rate, creating more opportunities and higher salaries in the business and science world.

Is a liberal arts education still as important and worthwhile today? Taylor said he thinks so. In his view, he feels a liberal arts degree can fully prepare a person for either law or medical school. In some cases it even extends into the business world.

"The problems of administration, planning, and analysis are often solved better by liberal arts majors than by anyone else," Taylor said. According to him, knowledge of accounting and economics are important in a liberal arts education.

Vince Steele, a junior journalism major, said, "It fits right in line with what I want to do. Liberal arts is flexible and you learn a little about everything." Steele said he feels that students shape a liberal arts degree with the electives they choose. "The degree is completely worthwhile if you approach it with the right point of view," Steele said.

With so much emphasis being put on education today there is much concern about the quality of our higher learning. Today college expenses make some people wonder if they are really getting a quality education.

According to UNC President William C. Friday, "the educational opportunity is an enormously valuable investment." Friday said a college education is more important today than ever and that it is "extremely valuable." It is evident throughout Chapel Hill that a college degree is important. Taylor said, "You will pay a heavier penalty for not having a college education today than you used to 20 years ago."

Many UNC graduates choose to live in Chapel Hill every year. As President Friday explained, "Chapel Hill is a university town, and the number of degree holders is always higher in college towns."

One major reason for this is the Research Triangle Park, which provides lucrative work within a short distance of Chapel Hill. The University itself also provides employment for many residents. UNC graduates compete fiercely and do well upon entering the job market, Friday said. Local businesses and area companies always look closely at UNC students.

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SPORTS Softball squad rebounds from consecutive losses

the fourth off Marsha Brown, who

had come in for Augusta. Brown

walked Zmvda and a passed ball

allowed her to go to second. A throw-

ing error on UNC shortstop Roukema

allowed Zmvda to score and another

run came in on a wild pitch by Brown.

sixth before Augusta came back in

and shut down the Pirates through the

In the second game, after only

twenty minutes of rest, Augusta came

back and threw no-hit ball through

North Carolina scored a run in the

final 1 1/3 innings.

seven innings.

Brown allowed another run in the

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## By MIKE SANDERS Staff Writer

The North Carolina women's softball team came back with a strong performance Tuesday after losing two games to Florida State on Monday and defeated East Carolina, 5-3 and 4-0 at Finley Field.

Virginia Augusta led the Tar Heels, now 14-5, combining with Marsha Brown for a one-hitter in the first game and pitching a no-hitter in the second. It was Augusta's second nohitter this season.

In the first game, UNC came out strong, scoring all five runs in the first Roukema's sacrifice bunt. East Kay Holt scored from third on an at-

The third inning opened with an

East Carolina picked up two runs in



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