

Survey deals with off-campus life

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Five members of a Speech 55 class are conducting a survey on campus in an effort to compare off-campus to on-campus housing and to find ways to better inform students of their off-campus options.

So far, after surveying 68 students in two different General College perspective classes, results show many students dissatisfied with life in the dorm.

Some of the questions asked of the students on the survey included where they live, how much their rent is, what they get for the amount of money they are paying and their opinion of what they "get" for their money. The survey also attempts to find out how much students know about off-campus housing.

The range of students surveyed covers freshmen to seniors—ages 17 up to 25—a pretty good sampling, according to group member Vikki Barrett, a junior from Springfield, Va.

"We found that in a lot of cases, students are not really satisfied with dorm life," said Krystin Hoehl, a junior from Essex Junction, Vt., who is a member of the group. She said bad roommates and noise were common complaints. Another problem the large number of tripled room situations among freshmen on campus. "One girl said no freshmen should be tripled—that it should be only upperclassmen who have already adjusted to college," Hoehl said.

Group member Kathie Bright, a senior from Long Island, N.Y., said the surveys she has observed so far indicate many students living in dorms do not know what their rent is but are not satisfied with what they are getting for their money. "People living in apartments seemed to be more satisfied," she said.

Many students are also not satisfied with the University's efforts to help them find off-campus housing. "Most students didn't think they got sufficient information on the housing opportunities that they could have," Barrett said.

"People don't know where to go (for information)," Bright said. "They don't know that in Carr Building there is a bulletin board (with information on off-campus housing posted on it). Some people get shut out of the dorms and don't know what to do."

Bright also said a lot of students did not understand the procedures for living on their own in an apartment. "A lot of people don't understand leases and subletting," she said.

"A lot of people believe that living off-campus is a lot more expensive than on-campus housing, but we believe differently," Hoehl said. Bright said her own apartment rent was only slightly higher than her dorm room rent had been.

The five students in the group want to publish their findings, along with a listing of off-campus housing options (complete with telephone numbers of apartment complexes), in a separate

section of the housing booklet mailed to incoming freshmen each summer. The information would also describe condominium and trailer park options. Bright said this information might help to alleviate the fears of parents who consider living off campus a great evil.

They have also discussed plans for possibly publishing a pamphlet containing off-campus housing information and a listing of telephone numbers and quotes from students in both on and off-campus housing about the pros and cons of their lifestyle. This pamphlet would be distributed to the RAs, and possibly to the students themselves, depending on how much funding the group is able to obtain from the University and outside sources.

Hoehl said the group has planned to get more insight into students' feelings on the matter by going into dorms and visiting apartments to talk to students about whether they are happy in their living situation and about the particular problems they face.

The group will also try to provide information on the bus system to let students know they do not have to disregard the off-campus housing option simply because they do not own a car, Bright said. She said the students also need to know that they do not have to share an apartment with another person in order to find housing.

"We're not trying to decide which (on or off-campus housing) is better," Hoehl said. "We're just trying to make it as easy as possible so they (the students) can decide what's best for them."



My daughter Amuh

Amy Carter makes her UNC debut on the steps of South Building yesterday, with APO fraternity member and campus guide Deirdre Hampton, a junior from Jamestown, N.C. Carter plans to major in the sciences.

DTH/Charles Ledford

Students to discuss health insurance plan

The eighth in a series of nine public hearings to find out what North Carolina college students and others think about an innovative student health insurance proposal will be held tomorrow at 10 a.m. in room 224 of the Union.

The proposal, designed by Dr. William K. McRae, director of student health services at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, would allow prepaid college and university student health fees to satisfy the deductible of a student's private health

insurance policy, something done at no university in the country today, according to Student Government Executive Vice President Mark Scurria.

The hearing will consist of testimony for and against the proposal. According to Scurria, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Donald Boulton will open the

hearing. Also, several campus leaders, including Residence Hall Association President Mark Stafford, Black Student Movement President Sherrod Banks and Student Body President Paul Parker will offer testimony at the hearing. Interested students are urged to attend and express concerns.

Carter

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Carter said the Reagan administration should withdraw its troops from Honduras and try to encourage democratic rule in Nicaragua rather than to overthrow the Sandinista government.

"During my term as president, Congress approved \$65 million in aid to Nicaraguan juntas to establish democratic rule during the Somoza regime so they wouldn't have to turn to Havana or Moscow for aid," he said. "But Reagan has launched a military campaign to overthrow the Sandinista government. They have a long way to go in human rights, but they are not yet a socialist or communist government."

Carter also said he supported the separation of church and state and opposed a state-mandated school prayer amendment despite his strong Southern Baptist convictions.

Concluding his speech, Carter said he wanted to make sure the nation's strength would be used to create peace, human rights, elimination of hatred and the development of compassion and

Carter also accused the Reagan administration of being too friendly

with the Republic of South Africa, which Carter said is an endorsement of the apartheid system.

Terrorism can be avoided by accurate security measures which he said were not used in the three Beirut bombings at the U.S. Embassy in Lebanon. "And we shouldn't perform acts of terrorism ourselves," he said, interrupted by applause, "as we have done recently in Nicaragua."

Asked about the reasons for the great surge in Republican voter registration among young people, Carter said the Reagan image and philosophy of "everything's okay — no one needs to worry about nuclear war, arms control, a good media-molded image and a sense of gratification over strong military might had built support. These are all reasons — and legitimate ones — and the country is enjoying economic prosperity," he said, which drew scattered applause from apparent Reagan supporters. "But a lot of it is brought about in a false fashion — we're spending more than we're taking in each day."



Student Television Viewing Schedule for the week of Oct. 24-30

7 p.m. Carolina Bodyworks — A complete aerobic workout.

7:30 & 9:30 p.m. Campus Profile — Feature on WXYZ, Parking segment Part II, Seating in Activities Center, Speakout on Mandatory Mealplan.

8 & 10 p.m. This is It — Jimmy Carter, "Rockin Autumn," Student Film, and Saturday's Victory.

Campus Calendar

The Carolina Student Fund/DTH Campus Calendar will appear daily. Announcements to be run in the expanded version on Mondays and Thursdays must be placed in the box outside the Carolina Student Fund office on the third floor of South Building by 3 p.m. Friday and 3 p.m. Wednesday, respectively. The deadlines for the limited editions will be noon one day before the announcement is to run. Only announcements from University recognized and campus organizations will be printed.

Wednesday

3 p.m. Association of Business Students career planning committee meeting in T-1 New Carroll. Selecting a Major workshop in 204 Steele. Sign-up in 209 Steele.

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4 p.m. Sir John Vane, Nobel Laureate in Medicine, will speak in the Clinic Auditorium at the School of Medicine. Pre-Law Club meeting to discuss Law Forum in the Union.

- 5 p.m. Association of Business Students social committee meeting in T-2 New Carroll. International Center presents speaker on "Foreign Policy and the Presidential Election: What the Next Four Years Will Bring" at the International Center.
- 6:30 p.m. UNC 4-H Club meeting in the Union.
- 7 p.m. Carolina Gay Association LAMBDA Newsletter Staff meeting in 230 Union. Carolina Students for Hunt final pre-election meeting in 111 Murphey. Men's Volleyball Club practice in Fetzer Gym A. UNC D&D and Gaming Club in 210 Union.
- 8 p.m. UNC D&D and Gaming Club in 210 Union.
- 10 p.m. Anglican Student Fellowship Holy Communion at Chapel of the Cross.

Items of Interest

Internship in Japan with Boards of Education. Applications at the International Center. Deadline November 5. Alpha Epsilon Delta will have a blood pressure check booth in the pit from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.



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a member of CSF. A breakfast meeting was chosen because most students' evenings are taken up with studying or other activities, Campbell said. He said Thursday was chosen so people with 9:30 a.m. classes would be able to attend the breakfast and not miss class.

"We tried to find a time that would allow the greatest number of people to attend," Campbell said.

One of the reasons the Chancellor was chosen for the first breakfast was because other members of the administration are not as accessible for a social, casual-type meeting, Wright said.

He also said the breakfast was not publicized a great deal because CSF members had wanted to make it later in the semester.

"We found that this time was much more convenient for the Chancellor so we decided to go ahead with it," Wright said.

He called the breakfast an "experimental outing" to see what kind of response it would get without a lot of publicity. Wright said there should be no trouble getting 20 students for the breakfast.

"The first day alone we had 35 applications go out," he said. University Dining Services will cater

the breakfast. Both Wright and Campbell said ARA had done a good job at making sure the students would enjoy the meal.

The breakfast is sponsored by CSF, the Chancellor's office and University Dining Services.

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