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If you can't decide who to vote for, check out the individual endorsements for Student Body President and DTH Editor. Only four shopping days left till elections.

The rain in Spain
...doesn't matter, because we'll be getting enough rain ourselves today. The expected high is 47, so don't let the precipitation put a damp-er on your Friday.

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CHP seek vehicle in girl's death

By LISA SWICEGOOD
Staff Writer

Chapel Hill Police were questioning motorists on Ephesus Road yesterday morning about a mid-1970 Plymouth Satellite they believe could be related to the hanging death of a 9-year-old girl Wednesday near Finley Golf Course.

Police declined to say how they think the car could be connected with the death.

Authorities are trying to determine whether the death of Jean Fewel, of 713 Tinkerbell Lane, was murder or suicide. SBI agent Dan Gilbert said they were handling the death as a possible homicide, but had not ruled out suicide.

Fewel was in the process of being adopted by Tom W. Fewel and Joy Wood. She lived in a Hong Kong orphanage before coming to Chapel Hill where she has lived for a year. She attended Ephesus Elementary School.

Her body was found slumped behind a tree at the end of Mason Farm Community garden plots east of the golf course. Fewel's buttocks and lower back were on the ground and her head was hanging by a plastic-coated cord tied around her neck. The girl's parents told authorities they did not have any cord like that at home.

A man walking his dogs found the girl around noon Wednesday and contacted authorities. Dr. Steven Tracy, an Orange County medical examiner, said the girl had probably been dead since 11 a.m. Tracy said Fewel could have tied the cord to the tree limb herself.

Initial reports did not show any evidence of sexual abuse or molestation. Police said the unofficial cause of death was strangulation. An autopsy was scheduled for yesterday to confirm the cause of death.

Fewel was last seen by her 12-year-old brother about 8:10 a.m. Wednesday as they were walking to school on Churchill Road. Officials do not know how she traveled the 3½ to 4 miles where the body was found, but it is theorized she walked across the golf course. According to Tracy, the girl's parents said they did not think she ever played in the woods near the golf course.

DNC chair votes to be tallied today

By MARK POWELL
Staff Writer

Duke University President Terry Sanford will find out today if his campaign for the chairmanship of the Democratic National Committee has been successful as the 378-member committee chooses among the four candidates for the position.

The front-runner in the race is party Treasurer Paul G. Kirk, Jr., a former aide to Massachusetts Sen. Edward Kennedy. The other candidates are Nancy Pelosi, former chairman of the California Democratic Party, and Robert J. Keefe, a Washington political consultant and former executive director of the Democratic Party.

"We have a very good field of candidates," said Terry Michael, director of communications for the DNC.

Insiders predict Sanford is running a close third behind Pelosi, with Sanford's private polls showing he has about 100 of the 182 votes needed to win. The DNC has 378 members, with some members having fractional votes, meaning the winner must capture a majority of 363 total votes.

But Sanford, a former governor of North Carolina, may not be what the DNC is looking for, said Thad Beyle, UNC professor of political science. Sanford is a leader with a name in his own right instead of a party staffer, said Beyle.

"Do they want someone who has a name on their own or a good staff person?" Beyle said.

Sanford may be a good choice, however, because he would serve the party's needs and provide regional support for the Democrats.

"Sanford would be committed to some of the things that the Democratic Party needs to do; he would represent a part of the country (the South) that the Democrats are losing," he said.

The Democrats are rebuilding their party in an effort to offer a clear alternative to the Republicans, Michael said.

"We feel that party developers have produced a great many alternatives to the Republicans; we are not tied to the kind of approach that the Democrats followed in the 1970s," Michael said.

He said the Democrats will have to fight their image of being the special interest party, dealing only with the concerns of special interests and ignoring the middle class.

Beyle said the Democrats were a party with a lack of direction and whoever won the race for the chairman-

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Squeeze play

Tia Poindexter, left, and Darlene Cannon put a Cheyney State player in a tight spot using a trapping defense, helping the Tar Heels to a 86-47 win over the Lady Wolves.

DTH/Charles Ledford

Who will it be?

DTH candidates for editor vary on coverage

By RUTHIE PIPKIN
Staff Writer

The race is on. The *Daily Tar Heel* candidates have stated and restated their platforms at series of nightly forums.

And although all candidates stress the need to bring the *DTH* back to the students, each side has proposed different means to reach the same end.

Stuart Tonkinson sees printing a readership survey on the back page as the necessary bridge between the *DTH* and the students, but co-editor candidates Arne Rickert and David Schmidt do not. "I think we should be sending out ideas to the students," Schmidt said last night in an interview. "We should be the ones coming up with ideas. If

with all the ideas and anything we feel like explaining to you we'll put in the public editor's column." That communication is just one-way.

Candidate Ed Brackett said he wasn't opposed to the column but felt it wasn't necessary. "I think it's a good idea although it may not prove to be that interesting of a column," he said.

Some students have complained that an editors' column would make the back page an apology sheet, but Rickert and Schmidt disagreed. "People who think that have a narrow view of the newspaper's responsibility to the public," Schmidt said. "What are we going to have to apologize for? I never apologize

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it doesn't work, they'll tell us. Having a readership survey doesn't make it a student newspaper."

Rickert agreed, saying, "It's better to rely on individual students' initiative in writing letters. You can take that more seriously."

Rickert and Schmidt would let the *DTH* speak to the students through an editors' column on the back page, telling why and how decisions were made.

"We all agree the paper is out of touch with students as it is now," Tonkinson said. "Their solution is, 'We come up

mittee would examine the service each year and make recommendations to the Finance Committee. Should a change in the fee be necessary, the amount would be set by a two-thirds majority of present CGC members at a regular CGC meeting.

"I think this represents a symbol of support from this year's council to next year's council," said David Maslia, director of the SLS student board of directors.

Securing funding for SLS became an issue last November when the budget surplus depleted, and SLS was one of 35 campus groups competing for \$200,000 of CGC funds.

"In past years we had a surplus," said Student Body Treasurer Allen Robertson. "Last year we didn't have that luxury."

Roughly \$75,000 was allocated to the service, which employs Bernholz, lawyer David Kirkman, part-time lawyer Carol Badgett and Legal Assistant Julian Parks.

each year, we would be locked in."

Bernholz said a positive aspect of empowering the CGC to call for an optional SLS fee is that it would give the service a measure of security in competition with other student groups.

"It would give us some stability, and still allow the CGC to review us each year. They could decide to terminate us, cut our funds, or increase them," she said.

Bernholz said the salaries she and her employees received were not competitive with the salaries of lawyers who had worked the same number of years in the private or government sectors. While SLS lawyers have had their salaries adjusted with inflation, they have not received merit raises.

"I don't see this bill as a panacea for us making big fat salaries," she said. "There are university secretaries making more than our lawyers." Bernholz is paid \$28,300 a year, Kirkman is paid \$18,000, Badgett and Parks make \$7,992 and \$7,950 respectively.

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In an effort to conserve CGC funds, members proposed eliminating Badgett from the service. While in the end the SLS was allowed to retain Badgett, the incident made Bernholz and the student board more aware of the tenuousness of the SLS position. Student Government and SLS began to look into constitutional funding as a means of supplying stability.

Eventually, however, the idea was discarded. While constitutionally funding the group would mean the SLS would not have to go through the CGC funding process, the financial rigidity of constitutional funding made that option unappealing.

"Constitutional funding makes it impossible to deal with inflation," Bernholz said. "By only allowing us a certain percentage of what's collected

10 percent rent hike possibility

Money for dorm renovations

By KELLY SIMMONS
University Editor

A 10 percent increase in dormitory rent was proposed to the Housing Advisory Board by the director of housing yesterday.

Director Wayne Kuncl said the increase was needed for two reasons: to cover the cost of the new dorm still under construction and the costs of renovations recently proposed for dorms in the lower quad of North Campus. Kuncl said last fall he would propose either a 6 or 10 percent increase depending on whether the new dorm opened on time.

"If I knew for sure the new dorm would open it would be six," he said. "I obviously would like the increase to be 6 percent." The proposal has to be approved by vice chancellors Donald Boulton and Farris Womack, and Chancellor Christopher C. Fordham III.

"I'm optimistic it will go through," Kuncl said.

Kuncl said that because the new dorm was behind schedule the department needed the extra 4 percent increase. He said, however, that only part of the students money would be used to pay for the building.

Students' money goes toward repairs and maintenance for the dorms they occupy, he said. "Only a small portion of students' money goes into the capital process."

In 1983, students saw a rent increase of 18 percent. Last year, the 18 percent increase was repeated.

"I recommended the rate go up another 18 percent (last year)," said Kuncl, who was not at the University when the first 18 percent increase was passed. "We were in a catch up period and needed to build up a reserve."

Kuncl said he expected a lesser increase or possible none at all the following year. "By then, the new building will be fully operating," he said.

Resident Hall Association President Mark Stafford said it was previous administrations that caused the depletion of funds from housing. "It was due

not to Kuncl, but to previous administrations dipping and dipping into reserves," Stafford said.

Included in the housing budget for next year is a plan to spend \$500,000 on renovations of older dorms.

Kuncl's plan for the next year is aimed at improving the dorms in the lower quad: Aycock, Graham, Stacy, Everett and Lewis. If the new dorm opens in September or November, Kuncl plans to move residents of the five dorms into the new one while the renovations take place.

The expected cost of renewal for the buildings is \$500,000, the amount set aside for the first year of repairs.

However, the plan doesn't end there. During the next few years, Kuncl said he hoped to set aside \$500,000 each year for the renovations of other dorms, primarily Carr, Old East, Old West, Grimes, Ruffin, Manly and Mangum. The expected cost of renewal for all 12 buildings exceeds \$4 million, he said.

"Obviously we've looked at the buildings with the greatest need," he said. "I don't think we'll find that level of need in the other buildings."

Next in line for evaluation are the Triad and Henderson Residence College.

Stafford said that to lower the rent increase would have meant cutting out the renewal plan. But when Kuncl brought the plan to be voted on by the RHA, it was met with full approval, Stafford said.

"It (the vote) was unanimous," he said. "That was curious to me. At the time we didn't even know where the money was going." He said even dorm governors whose dorms did not need renewal were enthusiastic about earmarking the money for those dorms in need.

"I think they felt that if we're going to be paying more, 6 or 10 percent, we should be trying at the same time to bring the standards up," he said.

"They're not out to shaft us," Stafford said. "Kuncl is really trying to keep the costs down."

Goodbye parking lot; hello Rosemary Square

By MARJORIE MORRIS
Staff Writer

The Chapel Hill Town Council Wednesday night unanimously approved a contract for the \$19 million Rosemary Square project that will replace the municipal parking lot on West Rosemary Street between the post office and NCNB Plaza.

Council members Nancy Preston and David Pasquini originally proposed to delay the signing of the contract for a month. Both said enough residents had called them after reading a local newspaper's editorial about the project on Sunday to justify holding another public hearing.

The other council members disagreed in a 6-2 vote.

Councilman Marilyn Boulton suggested that they could approve the contract and still hold a public hearing on issues such as air space and alley improvements.

Councilman R.D. Smith said he thought there was a conspiracy formed this past weekend to delay the project, but he said he saw no need for any additional information.

The project is needed in downtown Chapel Hill to bring in new businesses, Smith said.

The Rosemary Square project includes a 120-suite hotel, a public plaza, renovation of a public alley, a parking deck with 325 public and 175 private spaces and 22,400 square feet

of commercial and office space.

In a contract, the town agreed to issue up to \$3.5 million in bonds to help pay for the project. The developer agreed to give the town benefits worth \$925,000.

Chapel Hill Town Manager David Taylor said construction of the project would probably start in the late summer or early fall.

Councilman Jonathan Howes said Rosemary Square had been the project best studied by the council in the past nine years.

By approving the project, the council authorized Mayor Joe Nassif to sign the contract with the developer, the Fraser Company.

It also authorized the administration to apply for site plan approval by the Chapel Hill Planning Board with a courtesy review by the Chapel Hill Appearance Commission. The town will also be able to apply to the N.C. Local Government Commission, so it can issue revenue bonds.

In other action, the council approved a preliminary plan for The Oaks II, a subdivision with 98 building lots. The site is made up of land between Ephesus Church Road and a portion of The Oaks subdivision along Pinehurst Drive. The council voted not to connect Manly and LeClair streets after Councilman Nancy Preston failed to reserve a right-of-way there for emergency vehicles.

CGC unanimously approves plan to grant extra money to SLS

By HEATHER HAY
Staff Writer

Although the idea of constitutionally funding the Student Legal Services was put on a back burner several weeks ago, the Campus Governing Council last night unanimously approved a recommendation for a plan which would retain CGC control over the SLS budget while at the same time provide extra money for the service through an optional student activities fee.

If students vote in favor of the Feb. 5 referendum, the CGC will set an SLS fee, and the amount of the fee would be determined each year on the basis of available CGC money and the amount requested by the SLS.

The fee appeals to SLS Director Dottie Bernholz because it would provide financial stability for the service, and attractive to Student Government because it would keep the service accountable to students through the CGC budgeting process.

The CGC Rules and Judiciary Com-

What is moral is what you feel good after. — Ernest Hemingway