

Hats and sweaters? Why bother? Today's high should flirt with the 75-degree mark. If only the United States and the Soviet Union had a warming trend like we've got. Whew! Take my temperature... Please!

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Lively discussion

Students involved with the Student Government report on the mandatory meal plan will be Jeff and Winston's guests on "Northern Hemisphere — Live," tonight at 11 on WXYC.

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Meal plan issue on campus ballot

By GUY LUCAS
Staff Writer

The Campus Governing Council voted unanimously Tuesday night to hold a campuswide referendum concerning the mandatory meal plan on April 17.

But Student Body President Patricia Wallace said the CGC instead should have passed a resolution against the meal plan. "I think it would be more powerful to have a resolution passed by the CGC against the meal plan," she said. "If people don't turn out for this, the administration will say, 'Well, they (students) are apathetic.'"

But CGC Speaker Wyatt Closs (Dist. 10), who wrote the proposal Tuesday afternoon, disagreed. He said that he had thought of a resolution but that he wanted to get student opinion documented through a referendum so it would not appear to the Board of Trustees that a group of only 25 students was speaking for the whole student body.

When asked if she would veto the bill, Wallace said: "I don't know yet. I have 10 days to decide."

Fetzer Mills, who worked on a report to Wallace concerning the meal plan and did most of the speaking on the meal plan at the meeting, said a referendum was important because little student input went into the decision to implement the meal plan.

"Whatever student input there was to a mandatory meal plan was totally negative," Mills said.

There were no compelling reasons for the plan, he said, because he believes that ARA has been making a profit and that the meal plan would only increase

the company's profits.

"ARA is and has been making a profit," he said. "If they have been losing money, they've been losing it to themselves (because they buy their food and supplies from their own company)."

"We believe they're more than breaking even. They've been making money hand over fist."

Mills said he did not know for sure whether ARA was losing money to itself because ARA officials would not allow him access to their records and invoices. "They knowingly violated their

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\$1.50 fee raise to fund SLS

By GUY LUCAS
Staff Writer

The Student Activities Fee will be raised \$1.50 per semester to finance part of the \$82,664 Student Legal Services budget, according to the plan approved by the Campus Governing Council Tuesday night.

The \$1.50 fee will provide about \$53,000 of the SLS budget, and the rest will come out of the general fees. The Finance Committee had recommended a fee increase of \$1.75.

The Council overcame sharp division over how much of the SLS budget should be financed by a fee increase. A February referendum authorized the CGC

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Death of U.S. major unjustified: Weinberger

From wire reports

U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger Tuesday accused the Soviet Union of "reprehensible" action in the killing of U.S. Army Maj. Arthur D. Nicholson in East Germany Sunday. The Soviets have claimed he was "caught red-handed" spying at a top-secret military installation.

"We are convinced the shooting of the major in East Germany was a totally unjustified act," Weinberger said in Luxembourg upon arriving there for a meeting with NATO representatives.

President Reagan called Monday for the Soviets to provide a full explanation for the shooting.

Nicholson's body was flown to the Rhein-Main Air Base near Frankfurt, West Germany, and was transported to a military mortuary late Monday.

Weinberger disputed the Soviet version of the shooting, claiming Maj. Nicholson was shot with no warning and left wounded with no medical help for a considerable time while his driver was being arrested.

He said that several days ago "the Soviets had an observer in our area where he was not supposed to be, but

we treated him totally differently."

"He (Nicholson) was entirely in a place where it was agreed observers can go," Weinberger said.

Assistant Secretary of State Richard Burt in Washington gave a similar condemnation of Soviet actions.

"There was no justification for this murder," he said, claiming "there's no truth" to the charge Nicholson was spying.

U.S. Army officials said Nicholson, a Russian linguist stationed at the liaison mission in Potsdam, East Germany, was shot in the chest in Ludwigslust, about 85 miles northwest of Berlin.

Vladimir Kulagin, first secretary for the Soviet Embassy in Washington, said the officer was discovered photographing a Soviet military installation and was killed when he tried to escape.

He said Nicholson disregarded warning signs and entered the restricted facility in a camouflage suit and carrying a camera, which he used to take several pictures of combat equipment there. He said the guard fired a warning shot before shooting at Nicholson.

Fall freshmen might face shorter orientation period

By LORRY WILLIAMS
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Orientation week: math tests, reading tests, foreign language tests, registration and convocation in Carmichael Auditorium. A week of testing and apprehension.

All that could be a thing of the past if a new orientation program to be used with the class of 1989 proves successful.

Orientation officially begins Aug. 17 when freshmen move into their residence halls. Many of the tests that are usually administered during orientation week, however, will already be completed.

Foreign language and math placement tests will be administered on nine occasions during the summer to entering freshmen, who will be sent notices of test dates with their acceptance letters. Once they are notified, the freshmen make an appointment to come to the University on one of the nine testing days to take their placement tests.

The new program is to help students decide what courses to take, said Shirley Hunter, associate dean of students and orientation director. Hunter said by having freshmen take placement tests in the summer, advisers would be in a better position to help freshmen choose their classes.

Freshmen who are unable to take the tests during the summer will be able to move into their dorms Aug. 16 and will take the test Aug. 17, she said.

The new orientation program is also shorter than previous ones, lasting through Aug. 20. Pre-orientation is

scheduled to begin Aug. 16. In the past, orientation has extended through the entire week before the start of classes.

Hunter said many of the students who had been involved in orientation in the past felt that a week was too long. It was hard to plan informative programs and make them last a week. She also said many orientation counselors were not staying with the job the entire week. "We realize it took a bit to stick with it that long," she said.

"Orientation will be shorter to get people going on what they're here for," Hunter said.

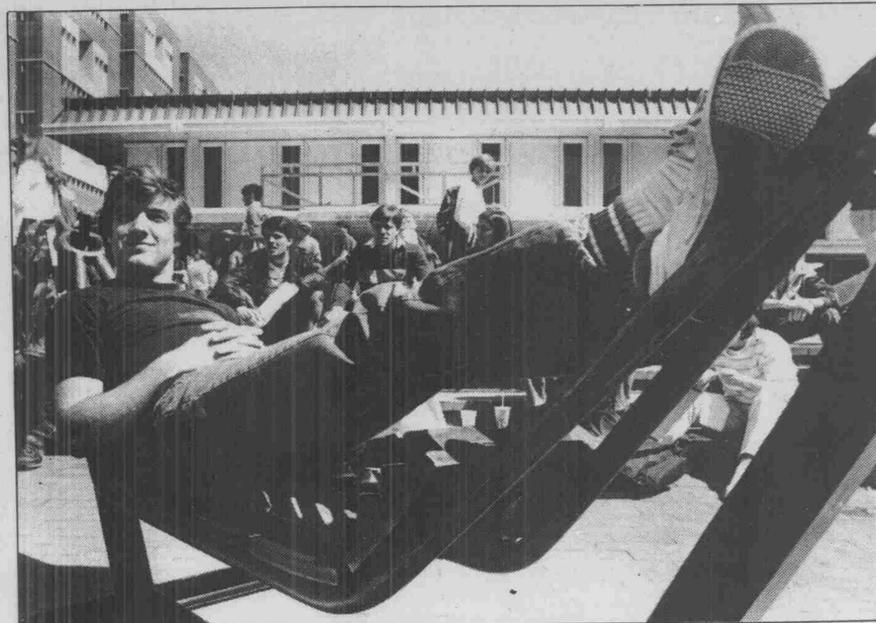
Organizers were also able to shorten the week by shortening the time it took to get the freshmen registered. Computers will be used in the registration during the fall and will significantly reduce the time it took for registration, Hunter said.

Perhaps one of the biggest changes will be in convocation. Two separate convocations will be held in Memorial Hall instead of in Carmichael Auditorium, where it has traditionally been held. Two sessions are necessary because the entire freshmen class cannot fit into Memorial at one time.

Hunter said the decision to move was made because convocation tended to be a long pep rally in Carmichael. "That's not the intent of convocation," she said.

The first session will probably be Saturday night when the freshmen move in, Hunter said. Sunday, the freshmen will have their general college sessions, Monday and Tuesday they will meet with advisers and go through registration. Classes are scheduled to

Laid back



Kevin Cook, a junior from Chapel Hill, relaxes Tuesday on one of the new pieces of sculpture in

the Pit. He said the metal hammock-like structure was comfortable. Well, maybe.

DTH/Jamie Moncrief

Dorm cooking stirs debate

By GRANT PARSONS
Staff Writer

Although a recent Student Government report says there was a connection between the University's 1982 decision to cut back on cooking in the dorms and the development of the mandatory meal plan, the administration said the decision was for safety measures.

The "Report to Patricia Wallace, Student Body President, on the Mandatory Meal Plan" states: "After a grease fire in Aycock Dorm in April 1982, it was decided over the summer to end cooking in all dormitories. We believe this was the excuse which was waited for. This creates strong inferences of bad faith in the procedural aspects of the meal plan's implementations."

The Food Service Advisory Committee minutes note in several places that cooking in dorms was detrimental to the use of food service on campus, the report states.

But James O. Cansler, associate vice chancellor and dean of Student Affairs, disagreed.

"There's no question that persons involved with food service on other campuses saw, and would see again, that the continuation of cooking in residence halls is counterproductive," Cansler said. "But (cooking in dorms) was curtailed for reasons of safety."

"There had been a series of residence hall fires around the country and a growing sensitivity to residence hall fires," he said. "After (the fire in) Aycock, the trustees themselves raised the question of cooking in the rooms."

In November 1981, consultants Hill, Inlow, and Jacobs recommended in a report "that the university begin a step-by-step phaseout or curtailment of in-room residence hall cooking. This practice has a major negative impact on campus food service operations."

But the FSAC disagreed with the consultants' recommendation. An FSAC report on the recommendations states, "the committee believes it is not desirable to enforce a prohibition of cooking at this time."

The University administrators decided to change the policy after the Aycock fire, and after the N.C. deputy insurance commissioner sent a memo to the University recommending that "all... appliances such as hot plates, deep fat fryers and electric frypans be prohibited."

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Cansler wrote in a memo to John Temple, then-associate vice chancellor for business: "I believe this letter forces us to change the cooking in rooms policy by the fall semester (1982) and that we should get on with it. We should write all... residents, advise them not to bring hot plates, deep fat fryers and electric frypans to campus when they return in August."

The implementation of the policy change was delayed until spring 1983 because some students said they needed time to adjust and there was not much assurance of food service on South Campus, Cansler said.

"It was also delayed to give the Residence Hall Association and Student Government the opportunity to see if they could come up with another plan," he said.

Fetzer Mills, one of the authors of the Student Government report, said Tuesday that this information did not weaken his charge that the administrations' actions were not in good faith.

"One condition of (then-Student Body President) Mike Vandenberg's acceptance of the \$100 meal plan is that he had known that students could buy groceries with the meal card and cook in their rooms," he said. "Then the administrators went back on the agreement by banning cooking in the dorms."

Cooking in the dorms has been recently threatened further, as residence hall area directors plan to re-evaluate the use of hot pots in dormitory rooms. After recent fire alarms were set off by smoke from hot pots, the University's Office of Health and Safety notified the Department of Housing that hot pots might be a fire hazard, said Wayne Kuncel, director of University Housing.

Kuncel said the area directors would meet about this issue next week.



Convocation for this fall's incoming freshmen class will be held in Memorial Hall this year instead of

Carmichael Auditorium. Here, UNC cheerleaders lead fall '84 freshmen in their first Carolina cheer.

begin Aug. 22.

During the Saturday through Tuesday orientation period, orientation programmers will try to incorporate several educational programs for the freshmen such as alcohol education and community responsibility, Hunter said. There will also be a program on learning resources that will cover areas such as how to use the math lab and how to take notes from lectures.

This is a new program for the University, but it has worked in other

university systems, said Camille Roddy, on-campus coordinator for the Black Student Movement.

"There may be some problems we have not thought out yet," Roddy said. "But we'll deal with them as they come up." She added that she did not anticipate any problems.

Orientation organizers also decided to do away with the orientation packets that were traditionally distributed to freshmen. Hunter said the packets did not do the job they were designed to

do. "They were a waste of time and money."

Instead, an advertisement will be placed in *The Daily Tar Heel* listing all the campus organizations and telling how to join them.

Applications are now available for people interested in being a pre-orientation or orientation counselor. Applications should be available at the Union and at residence halls, Hunter said. Deadline for returning the applications is April 3.

STV asks Housing for cable

By RUTHIE PIPKIN
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STV members are pushing for cable installation in the dorms, but Director of Housing Wayne Kuncel said he could not consider budgeting the project before next year.

A telecommunications committee studied the issue for Kuncel and this fall recommended starting the cable installation at South Campus at an estimated cost of \$75,000. But Kuncel said dorm repairs took priority over entertainment, and he did not want to increase student rent beyond a reasonable rate.

"My concern has been basically looking at cable TV as purely entertainment," Kuncel said. "It's not seen as the highest priority of student rent money... Looking at our priorities, we have other work we need to do before."

John Wilson, past program director for STV, said he thought Kuncel was overlooking potential sources of funding. Wilson said Jim Heavner, president of Village Companies, had offered to donate cable and install the system at minimum profit. But in a phone conversation from New York, Heavner said he had no knowledge of his offer.

"That's news to me," Heavner said. "The obstacle is not Village Cable, however. We've been eager to pursue any conversation or operation to provide the cable service to the campus since we first went into business in 1979."

Heavner said he was not sure what the University's policy on cable was and did not know where the statement about his donation originated. "I'm not sure where the word 'donate' surfaced," Heavner said. "We've indicated we'd be glad to wire and service it — not as a donation but as a business — then, to serve the campus. Or we'd be glad for the University to build a system, and then we'd provide service if the University wishes."

"Generally I'd say we've been more eager to move ahead on this than the University."

Wilson said he thought Kuncel had ignored the recommendations of the telecommunications committee. "Kuncel has been very slow to move," he said. "The telecommunications committee did a very thorough job and presented him with a detailed report and a strong recommendation to put cable in South Campus by the fall of 1986, which he has totally ignored without explaining to anyone."

Kuncel named funding, not lethargy, as the project's major obstacle. "I'd like very much to provide cable to all the residence halls on campus," he said. "It could allow for cable use and also allow for data transmission — a computer hook in. The issue is more than just providing cable for entertainment."

"If someone gave me \$75,000, plus the operating cost for one year on a monthly basis, I'd be more than happy to put cable on South Campus. If some rich donor wanted to give it to me, or the students wanted to raise the money, I'd say OK."

STV Director of Development Balram Kakkur said the project needed to get under way so their programming could reach more students. Kakkur said many students weren't aware of how much STV's programming had improved or how much work students put into it. "Our programming has improved so much and is only shown at Mr. Gatti's, and the administration is not doing a damn thing about it," Kakkur said.

STV is shown in Sadlack's Heroes every Wednesday at 10 p.m. and every Tuesday and Thursday at 12:30 p.m. in the upstairs lounge of the Carolina Union.

Kakkur said he hoped to win CGC support. "That'll be our next step because we're not getting anywhere with the administration," Kakkur said. "Kuncel said, 'Cable is not my priority.' If it's not his priority, he should give it to someone who can be responsible for it."

"To put cable in is not going to take that much money and time. It's just the bureaucracy we have to go through and the circles we have to go around to try and do something."

Kakkur said he thought CGC support would make the project easier. "(Then) the administration would see it's not just a few students in STV who want cable in the dorms, but all the students."

Kakkur said he felt Kuncel had never considered the issue seriously and had devised the telecommunications committee last spring to appease STV members who approached him.

"We approached Kuncel a few months ago and tried to see where the cable issue was," Kakkur said. "He pulled out a big folder and said cable was his last priority."

"We basically concluded that the committee was established to stall us. Students have done everything for STV. Now it's time for the administration to do something."

Unquiet meals make ill digestions — William Shakespeare