Questions left open in 'Appeal'

By GARRET WEYR

Mass Appeal is a very ambitious movie whose goals get lost in a sea of corny lines and trite situations.

In throwing together Father Farley (Jack Lemmon), an established, complacent priest, and Mark Dolson (the beautiful Zeljko Ivanek), a feisty, questioning deacon, the movie attempts to examine some important questions: who, exactly, owns the Church; when a person loves something enough to risk losing it; and how a person can change and grow through an exchange of ideas.

Doesn't exactly sound like a fun, entertaining movie. But, strangely, Mass Appeal does a better job as a simple story of two people's lives than it does when trying to reach for something higher.

Ivanek is an established Broadway actor, and his film presence is intense. He makes the viewer wonder why Dolson has joined the seminary, what he's running from and what he's hoping for. Unfortunatly, the script - by Bill C. Davis from his smash-hit Broadway play — only allows for Ivanek to say things such as, "... and I found that that kind of involvement (sexual) didn't work for me ... so I ask for celibacy, I welcome it." Oh. What does that mean?

Of course, it doesn't really matter except that the plot turns on several homosexual incidents, and obviously Davis felt compelled to have Dolson apologize for his confessed history of bisexuality.

The movie opens with two seminarians being expelled for having an affair before they had taken their vows of celibacy. Ivanek storms into the office of the monsignor (played splendidly by the rotund Charles Durning) and accuses him of being a "homophobic autocrat." Father Farley happens to be in the office, and when he tries to defend Dolson to the monsignor, the monsignor agrees to allow Ivanek to become a deacon on the condition that Lemmon be his guide into priesthood.

Ivanek watches with amazement as Lemmon cancels

cinema

counseling appointments, drinks at 10 a.m. and recommends strange remedies for the grief-stricken. Lemmon is disbelieving when Ivanek proclaims that women should be priests since the Bible depicts them as more loyal to Christ than men and when he hints that St. John and Jesus might

As Ivanek prepares for his first sermon, Lemmon tells him to pick up the tempo if he hears a lot of coughing. "How can the spirit move me if I'm listening for coughs?" Ivanek demands, crystallizing the difference between Lemmon's song-and-dance approach to religion and Ivanek's pure, burning, self-destructive faith.

Unfortunately, exchanges such as the above are very rare, and lines such as Lemmon's housekeeper's "I've made a dessert that's a mortal sin" are too frequent, diluting the real power of the movie.

When the monsignor begins nosing around Ivanek's past, Lemmon tells him to lie. "You're a lunatic, and the Church needs lunatics." Again, what does that mean? It drew a lot of laughs, but did it make sense?

Part of the problem with Mass Appeal is that the Church is a major character, but it lurks in the background, an

amorphous shadow. This might be the role the Church plays in real life, but for the movie to work, all its characters need to be clear and sharply drawn. There's no sense of what the Church - and, ultimately, religion - mean to these people: Father Farley's parishioners, Dolson, the monsignor and Father Farley himself, who says the Church is his family but nothing else. "It's my family" is fust too vague and murky to explain a life's devotion. Mass Appeal has a straightforward plot and an excellent cast but too many unanswered questions and free-floating ideas.

Citrus wine drink a hot item in local beer coolers

By SCOTT LARSEN

Since appearing in 1982, wine coolers have grown in popularity to become the hottest new items on the beverage shelves thoughout the nation and in Chapel Hill.

Wine coolers are carbonated fruit drinks that contain less than 7 percent alcohol — half the alcohol of regular wine. Dozens of brands are available nationwide. That is, if stores can keep them in stock.

According to Impact, an industry newsletter, wine coolers constituted about 6.7 percent of the wine sales in the United States last year and probably

will reach \$720 million in sales this year. "Wine coolers have really taken off locally since last year," said a spokes-

man for Famous Brands, a Raleigh

distributing company that carries wine

Famous Brands distributes California Coolers, the first major brand on the market, the spokesman said. California Coolers has a 53 percent market share, he said.

"A substantial portion of our beer and wine sales is wine coolers," said Bruce Willis, manager of Top of the Hill on East Franklin Street. "We've noticed over the past two years a steady increase in wine cooler sales."

Fowler's Food Store on East Franklin Street sells more wine coolers than they have space to shelve them, said Bobby Leesnitzr, store manager.

"It works us to death on weekends, trying to keep them cold," Leesnitzr said. "Coolers are the hottest thing in the beer cooler right now."

The market created by California Cooler, the brainchild of two California beach boys, has a variety of brands. Besides Sun Country Cooler, there is White Mountain Cooler, Bartles and Jaymes Cooler and Seagrams Cooler.

In the latest issue of Ads magazine, vice president and management supervisor at Kenyon and Eckhardt on the Seagram's Cooler account said, "Coolers as a whole have broad appeal to younger, less sophisticated drinkers, with a skew toward the female side."

Spanky's bartender Fritz Taylor said his cooler customers were "100 percent girls. The only guy I ever served a wine cooler to was an older man."

Taylor said women were the main wine cooler drinkers because they often disliked beer and wanted something

CREATIVE SANDWICHES SOUPS meeting to discuss plans for 1985-86 school year. All are SALADS

Carolina Committee on Central America will meet in Student Union to continue planning and

Society of Physics Students meeting in 227 Phillips Hall. Faculty talks on High Energy Physics and String theory. All

Carolina Grateful Dead Society orientation meeting in the Great Hall. Upcoming Fall Dead tour will be discussed. For more information call 967-4570.

Items of Interest

The Black Student Movement is sponsoring "Black Student Movement Awareness Week," Sept. 9-12. Please come by and see representatives for more information and membership in the Pit.

Campus Calendar

Wednesday 10 a.m. Senior Class 1986 sponsors Choices and Decisions - Post Graduate/Career Options until 2 p.m. in the Great Hall. Eve-

STV's Video Yearbook staff applications due NOW! Return them to the Union desk and sign up for an interview. 3:30 p.m. The UNC Student Chapter of American Production and

Inventory Control Society will have it's first meeting of the semester in 204 New Carroll. All interested students welcome. 4:30 p.m. The Carolina Student Fund will be meeting in the conference

room, 6th Floor NCNB Plaza. 4:45 p.m. The Association of International Students VP election

meeting. All are welcome Campus Y Global Issues committee meeting upstairs in the Y building. Come and change **UNC Hash House Harriers will**

meet in front of Woollen Gym. Everyone is invited. STV's Campus Profile will hold initial meeting in 226 Union. 6:30 p.m. UNC. Women's Rugby Club organizational meeting, Stu-

6:30 p.m. Campus Christian Fellowship bible study at 204 Glenburnie St. Call for rides, 942-8952. Zeta Phi Beta beauty and jewelry show in Union South. Free facials and color analysis will be given.

Alpha Chi Sigma meeting, 224 7:30 p.m. Carolina Gay and Lesbian Asso-

ciation will have a general

Service group sponsors blood drive

By JENNIFER TROTTER

The line was steady, the cookies were ready, and the blood kept

The occasion was the first of 12 bloodmobiles that Alpha Phi Omega, a national service fraternity in its 55th year at UNC, will cosponsor this semester.

The bloodmobile ran Monday and Tuesday, and bloodmobile Chairwoman Kim Stallings said APO's goal was to collect 100 to 200 pints of blood per day for the Red Cross.

Although APO sponsored this first bloodmobile, the group still needs co-sponsors for future blood drives. In the past, fraternities, sororities and dormitories have been sponsors. Any interested groups should stop by the APO complex.

Stallings also encouraged blood donation by students and faculty, especially by those who never donated blood before.

"It's a great feeling to help people by donating blood," she said. "It doesn't hurt, and it only takes 45

minutes of your time." The 80 active members in the UNC chapter also are responsible for coordinating a Book Co-op, organizing the Campus Chest Charity Drive, giving campus tours for prospective students, and maintaining a lost and found in the Student

The Book Co-op is a campuswide service that allows students to buy and sell books for cheaper prices, Co-op Chairman Jeff Strickland said. Students set their own prices on their textbooks, and APO sells the books for them. APO receives 15 percent of the price of each book sold and donates the money to Student Aid.

"In the past, people have associated APO with just the Book Coop," APO President Todd Harrell said. "There is a lot of behind-thescenes work we do on the campus and in the community that is never

Campus Chest is an example of such work, Harrell said. Campus Chest, with the help of United Way and advisers in the community, chooses 10 to 15 charities per year to aid, then raises money and contributes funds to them.

Fund raisers by Campus Chest in the past have included a charity fund-raising auction, ticket raffles and doughnut sales, an "Ugliest Man on Campus" contest, a bus ridership survey for Chapel Hill and whatever else APO members manage to fit into their schedule.

APO recently moved to new offices in the Student Union, which Harrell said were twice the size of their former offices. They are in the basement of the Student Union, in the hallway to the left of the lockers. The offices are in the last door on the left.

The visitor's center will be located in

the west side of the Morehead Planet-

arium and should be fully operational

The center will include a full-time

attendant, improvements to the lighted

campus map, some UNC artifacts,

rotating exhibits about the history UNC

The location of the sculpture has not

been decided, although it will be in a

well-traveled area of campus, Wierman

and an audio-visual presentation.

by UNC's bicentennial in 1989.

Classes of '84, '85 giving at record paces

payments. Some, including Michael

Jordan, have already given the full

amount, said Scott Wierman, a Carol-

ina Fund development officer and

president of the class of 85. Nearly 80

percent of the the class of 1984 has made

Students should begin seeing evi-

dence of the '84 and '85 class gifts in

1986. The class of 1984 has promised

the University a visitor's center, and the

1985 class will donate a set of 75

historical markers and a sculpture.

first payments, he said.

By EDWARD MARK GILGOR

Members of the Carolina Fund are sitting back and watching the money

The classes of 1984 and 1985 pledged more money than any other senior class in the nation ever has, and the graduates are coming through on their promises, said Barbara Habel, a Development officer for the Carolina Fund, an umbrella organization for academic fund raising.

The class of '84 set a record by soliciting \$112,000 in pledges, and the class of '85 took up the gauntlet and

solicited \$194,000. The money for the gifts is being collected over five years. Each donating member gives money annually, starting with \$10 the first year and ending with \$50. Each member will donate a total of \$150.

So far, 60 percent of the members of the class of '85 have made their first

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