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## Y official fired; board asks why

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Campus Y Associate Director George Gamble has been fired, and neither students nor members of the Campus Y advisory board have been told why.

No one at the Campus Y was told that Gamble was going to be fired until the decision had been made, said Roger Orstad, Campus Y co-president. The decision came at an advisory board meeting Oct. 9 and becomes effective in January.

"It was pretty sudden," Orstad said. "We heard at an advisory board meeting that his position as associate director had been terminated due to personal reasons which had to be kept confidential."

Campus Y co-president Kim Reynolds said: "People within and outside of the Y are coming up saying, 'I heard George was fired. Why?' The answer is we don't know."

No one in the administration has commented about why Gamble was told to leave, said Ingrid Brunk, co-chairman of Students Taking Action for Nuclear Disarmament, a sub-group of the Campus Y.

"Everything I've heard has been by word of mouth by the students," Brunk said. "(There's been) nothing from the administration. I think that's really poor on the part of the administration."

Leslie H. Garner Jr., chairman of the

Campus Y's advisory board, said many of the students were surprised about the sudden decision.

"I think students are upset because they have been working with George for a number of years," he said. "George has been associate director for three years, and he's been doing a good job."

Garner said the board's main concern was to find out more about why Gamble had been fired.

"We're going to try and get more information to see that the best interest of the Campus Y is at heart," he said. "We'd like more of an explanation. We're not in a position to judge if it was a good decision or a bad decision until we know more about it."

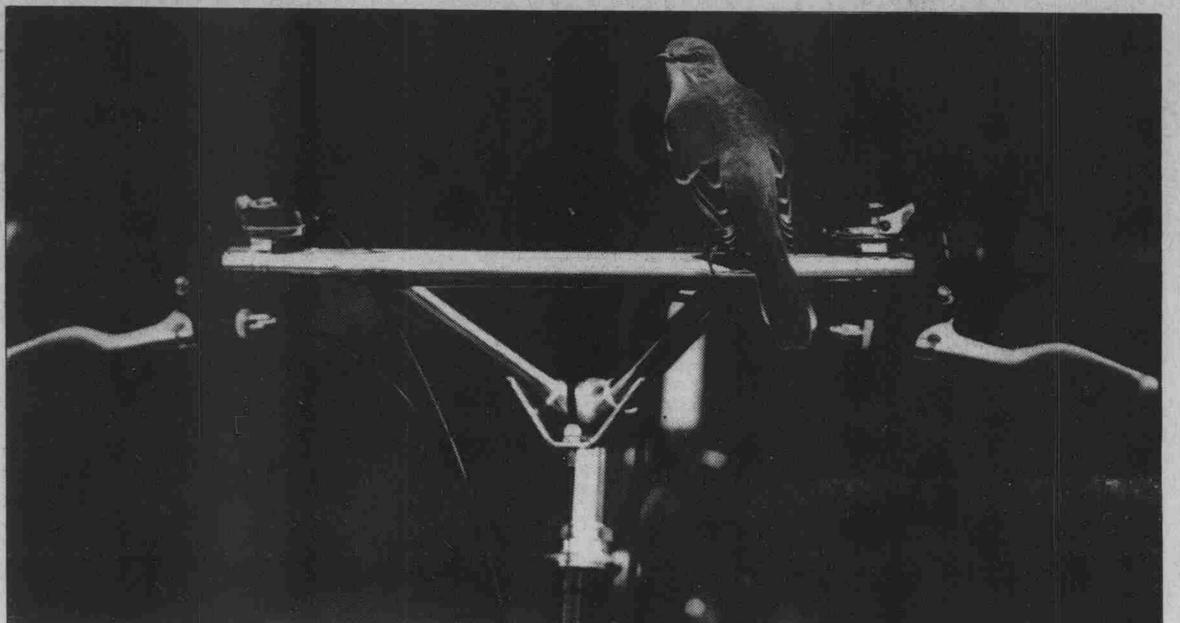
Gamble refused to comment on the situation. "The changes are not yet final," he said. "It would not be helpful for me to talk."

Neither Donald A. Boulton, vice chancellor and dean of student affairs, nor Zenobia Hatcher-Wilson, director of the Campus Y, could be reached for comment.

Reynolds said she was upset because she felt the essence of the Campus Y was being ignored.

"In some way, the goals we are working for are honesty, communication and justice," she said. "We feel the way things are going on... is somehow not in sync with that philosophy."

## Bar hopping



DTH/Larry Childress

This fine-feathered friend pauses for a moment, finding a pleasant perch on a rather unusual branch. The handlebars of a land-bound

bicycle is possibly the place (for a mockingbird, perhaps?) to ponder the clumsiness of human transportation.

## Homecoming to gear up Wednesday

By DONNA LEINWAND  
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Homecoming will be revitalized with a week of events beginning Wednesday and culminating with the football game against Florida State Oct. 26.

The Carolina Athletic Association, which is organizing Rampage '85: A Carolina Homecoming, has scheduled activities including a pep rally, a parade, an alumni speaker, a comedian and the Homecoming queen competition.

"Homecoming at Carolina was a big thing many years back but it faded out," CAA President Mark Pavao said. "About two years ago it bottomed out when Yre Nmomma, a guy, was elected Homecoming queen."

To commemorate Nmomma's election, Teague dormitory and the Residence Hall Association are sponsoring the Yre Nmomma Crowning Party on Ehringhaus Field Oct. 24. At the party, Teague will receive Nmomma's crown, which was mistakenly given to the wrong person at Homecoming two years ago.

This year's Homecoming queen selection process differed from two years ago. Only senior girls sponsored by campus organizations were eligible. A faculty committee chose five finalists from 20 applicants based on academic merit, campus involvement, personality and achievements, including extracurricular activities, outside interests, pursuits and goals.

"The way the election has progressed shows a move

in the right direction," Pavao said.

The Homecoming queen's counterpart, Mr. UNC, will be chosen in a contest sponsored by Circle K, a service group. The contest will be at 8 p.m. Oct. 24 in the Great Hall of the Student Union.

The CAA began working on Rampage '85 last spring.

"We immediately got idealistic," Pavao said. "As time progressed, we realized there was no precedent for a flamboyant homecoming. Although Rampage '85 won't be flamboyant, it will be solid and serve as a building block for future homecomings."

"We wanted to get a big concert like James Taylor or Andy Griffith, but we can't attract a big act until the... (Student Activities Center) is built," Pavao said.

Comedian Steve Wright will perform at 8 p.m. Oct. 25 in Memorial Hall. Tickets are \$12.50 each.

"What we're trying to do is have a moderately successful homecoming with a minimum amount of money and a maximum amount of student support," said Joe Stewart, CAA co-vice president.

The CAA has spent about \$3,000 on Homecoming, Pavao said. About \$1,600 paid for printing and publicity, and \$1,000 went toward speaker Jim Lampley, a UNC alumnus and ABC Sports commentator.

Lampley was also sponsored by the Order of the Bell Tower and the Campus Governing Council, each contributing \$1,000. Lampley will speak at 8 p.m. Wednesday in Memorial Hall.

Organizations such as the Black Greek Council, Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity and various UNC musical and spirit groups are sponsoring Rampage '85 events.

Pit activities during the week will include a demonstration by the Karate Club and performances by the Clef Hangers, the Lorelis, the Black Student Movement Gospel Choir and the Pep Band.

The CAA is also sponsoring a parade at noon on Oct. 26, ending with a pep rally in the Ram's Head parking lot. Six organizations will enter floats acquired from a Newport float company at \$300 each.

The Senior Class has arranged to sit in the card section on the 50-yard line for the Homecoming game. "We do have a senior card stunt planned in addition to the regular card stunts," Carol Moss, Senior Homecoming chairman, said. "We are trying to start a tradition. This will be the largest number of seniors all together since freshman convocation."

Chris Hall, a sophomore from Roseboro, said: "I think they need to bring Homecoming back out. If they plan everything perfectly, everyone will really enjoy it and look forward to it next year. Last year, the only thing I remember about Homecoming is the parade."

The CAA is keeping accurate records of all it has done this year in hopes of setting a precedent, Stewart said.

Pavao said, "The University deserves a proper Homecoming, the kind indicative of the greatness of Carolina."

## Banner regulation baffling to students

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"Fire Crum!" Residents and alumni of Teague dormitory displayed this sentiment on a banner in their block at last Saturday's football game.

"We held it over the upper deck during halftime," said Ross Powell, a UNC and Teague alumnus. "But some University official told us to give him the banner and then he took it."

The banner was confiscated because the University does not allow banners in Kenan Stadium, said William Scroggs, assistant athletic director for operations.

"This is a formal policy," he said. "We tell people that we have to take the banners if they don't remove them."

Alex Poole, a junior Teague resident, said, "We tried to hang a banner during last year's Homecoming. Some University official just came and got it and didn't say anything."

The University cannot censor the banners because that would be infringing upon First Amendment rights, Scroggs said.

"A couple of years ago somebody put up a banner we considered distasteful. We asked them to remove it," he said. "A law student challenged us, so our legal counsel said if we do not allow one banner, we cannot allow any. We can't get into being editors of the banners. We could open ourselves up to anything if we continued to allow them."

H.F. Watts, governor of Scott Residence College, said he felt the banner policy was not being strongly enforced.

"I haven't seen any other banners taken," he said.

Powell said he felt that allowing the band to have a sign was unfair.

"I don't see any difference between ours and theirs," he said.

Scroggs said there was a difference.

"The band, as well as the radio

show, has a sign," he said. "These are authorized by the University."

Scroggs said the policy was instituted two years ago. Teresa K. Pollard, adviser to the cheerleaders, said Domino's Pizza and the UNC Cheering Squad sponsored a banner contest during last year's home football games.

"They banned banners in the stadium during the last three or four games," she said. "I was working with the Sweet Carolines at the time, and the officials told us we couldn't put them up anymore."

Scroggs said the contest was unauthorized.

"No one ever came to me," he said. The Domino's contest was supported by the cheerleaders, said Allan Calarco, assistant director of housing.

The coordinator for the Domino's contest was not available for comment.

Banner contests are allowed on areas of the campus excluding the Stadium, said Scroggs.

"We agree with the enthusiasm involved in banners and banner contests," he said, "but we can't allow them."

Powell said, "I can't understand why we are the only school in the ACC that doesn't allow banners. As long as they are not blocking people's view."

Watts said Teague residents realized banners were outlawed, but the "Fire Crum" banner expressed a strong sentiment among the residents.

"We think it's pretty funny," he said. "It's not meant in a bad light. It's meant in a funny light."

Powell said he was very supportive of the team, but he saw situations that were not getting any better.

"... (the banner) not a negative comment on the team, it's a negative comment on the coach," he said.

"But, they (the University) don't want you to hold up something that is critical of the coach in public."

## Fuel tax only one option for state funding

By RACHEL STIFFLER  
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Despite rumors that Gov. Jim Martin is considering a fuel tax increase to save the troubled highway fund, his press secretary said that such a hike would come only after several options had been considered.

"The governor is just exploring that possibility. He has never said that there would be a tax increase," said Tim Pittman, Martin's press secretary. "The governor's position is that we might have trouble down the road with the highway fund and that we need to look at all possible solutions."

According to Jim Sughrue, spokesman in the public affairs division of the N.C. Department of Transportation, the problem is already here. He admitted that the highway fund, which is designated for the purpose of construction and maintenance of the state highway network, is in serious trouble.

"The money for the state highway fund is raised through fuel taxes, driver's license fees, auto license plate fees, permits, things like that," Sughrue

said. "The problem (with the highway fund) is not a new one. It started more than a decade ago. We live in an age when cars get better and better gas mileage. Consequently, the highway fund has virtually gone flat."

He said fee collections this year are running behind those of last year, and the problem is compounded by the fact that the costs of constructing and resurfacing roads and of maintaining the highway patrol are increasing. The state legislature will more than likely approve a wage increase for highway workers, putting more strain on an already overcrowded budget, he said.

North Carolina's rapid growth rate is making the problem even worse, Sughrue said, adding that the state's population grows an average of 1.5 percent each year, and some of its cities are growing at twice that rate.

"We estimate the urban needs of the state to be \$2.7 billion statewide, and the rural needs to be \$2.9 billion," he said. "These are only the present needs. This doesn't allow for growth."

Sughrue said the problem is serious because severe traffic problems are increasing and many industries are considering development in North Carolina.

"We're approaching the point that city traffic will be so severe that it will begin to work against us," he said. "We could lose industry and lose jobs. We're going to need those extra jobs to take the place of the jobs that are being lost in the textile industry."

Before recommending that the state legislature impose a fuel tax, the N.C. Department of Transportation will take a look at ways in which the current level of money can be spent most efficiently and will also consider other sources of money, Sughrue said.

"We need to look beyond a simple gas tax increase," he said. "That is like a shot in the arm. The state gets that shot, then a few years later it needs another fix. We had a fuel tax increase of three cents in 1981, and we need another one now."

The department has formed an

Urban Transportation Task Force to look at solutions to the problem, Sughrue said. One solution currently under consideration would encourage cities and metropolitan areas to contribute to their own highway funds. "Local contributions will be the keystone of the solution," he said.

Another solution would be to buy land whenever possible on cheaper, undeveloped land instead of on more expensive land where existing buildings must be torn down.

Certain traffic engineering strategies can also drastically cut costs, Sughrue said. He cited as an example the Raleigh Belt Line, which was widened from five to seven lanes by narrowing the turning lane and creating three narrower lanes on either side.

Only after these options have been considered will the task force recommend a fuel tax increase, he said, adding that the committee will have a final report, complete with recommendations to the state legislature, ready by early next year.

## BOG affirms tough freshmen athlete standards

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The UNC Board of Governors has rejected an NCAA proposal to lower the academic eligibility standard for freshmen participating in varsity sports, reaffirming its commitment to a tougher eligibility rule.

The limited eligibility index, proposed by the Presidents' Commission of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, is an amendment to Proposition 48, which calls for a minimum combined Scholastic Aptitude Test score of 700 and a C average in high school for freshmen athletes at Division I schools.

The limited eligibility index would allow a student athlete in a Division I school to use a higher SAT score to compensate for a core-curriculum grade-point average below 2.0 or to use a higher grade-point average to compensate for an SAT score below 700, according to a report from the BOG's Special Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics.

The core-curriculum grade-point average is computed from

the student's grades in English, math, history and science.

The proposal also would allow grant-in-aid students who did not meet this standard to retain four years of athletic eligibility after their freshmen year, as opposed to three years of eligibility under the unamended Proposition 48.

The rule, which has been approved by the NCAA and takes effect next fall, would prohibit freshmen in Division I schools from practicing or participating in varsity sports, said Samuel H. Poole, chairman of the Special Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics.

Fifteen UNC system schools have NCAA memberships. Eight of those are in Division I: N.C. State, UNC, East Carolina, Appalachian State, N.C. A.&T., UNC-Charlotte, UNC-Wilmington and Western Carolina.

Division II and III schools in the UNC system could admit and deny students according to their own standards, as long as the standards complied with UNC system-wide standards, Poole said. UNC system minimum standards require a student to have a high school diploma and meet core-

curriculum requirements, Poole said.

The NCAA Special Committee on Academic Standards, the other NCAA committee that wanted to change Proposition 48, earlier had proposed an eligibility index that set a 1,500-point formula for freshmen to meet before participating in collegiate athletics.

The index would multiply the student's grade-point average by 400 and then add his SAT score. If the total score was 1,500 or more, the student could participate. The BOG rejected this proposal in September.

The difference between the two indexes is that the NCAA presidents' index would not allow a student athlete to have a grade-point average less than 1.8 (a D-plus) or an SAT score lower than 660, whereas the 1,500-point index would allow a student to score 400 (the lowest possible) on the SAT and remain eligible if he had a grade-point average of 2.75 (a C-plus).

The BOG committee said in its supplement report to the BOG last week that it was concerned about keeping academic

and educational values ahead of varsity competition.

Regarding freshmen eligibility, Poole said the BOG should remember the report that was adopted unanimously last September opposing the NCAA committee's eligibility index. He expressed the committee's support for Proposition 48.

"We expect our Division I institutions to be in full compliance with Proposition 48 by August 1986," Poole said in the report. "We anticipate that efforts to amend '48' will continue until January 1986, when the NCAA meets again. However, we remain firm in our position that this is a minimum standard that should not be lowered."

"Our report indicates a need for a strong eligibility standard, but it is obvious that the national debate on this subject is not over. The action of the Presidents' Commission of the NCAA last week is an example of this continuing debate."

If the NCAA approves a proposal to weaken Proposition 48 then the BOG committee would adopt a policy similar to the proposition, Poole said Wednesday.

'I am from Missouri. You have got to show me.' — Willard Duncan Vandiver