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In the mood

UNC President William Friday and his wife listening on the steps of their Chapel Hill

home to the UNC Glee Club singing a few carols to set the holiday spirit.

Student organizations not recognized by UNC

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The *Phoenix*, the Black Student Movement, WXYC and the Black Greek Council were not recognized by the University after the Division of Student Affairs' annual application process, according to a listing of University-recognized organizations.

Student Affairs annually sends applications for University recognition to student organizations that were recognized the previous year, said Cynthia Wolf, director of the North Carolina Fellows program. Wolf supervises the student affairs' process of granting University recognition to organizations.

Groups can apply for recognition any time during the year, she said.

University recognition allows groups to use University property or equipment, apply for funding from Student Activities Fees, use the University's name in their titles with no implied University endorsement and use the assistance of the staff of student affairs.

Some student groups have not been recognized because they failed to complete or turn in applications, Wolf said.

Wolf sent applications to groups recognized by the University last year, she said. Letters were sent to the groups' advisers, notifying them that the recognition process had begun.

"The original notice told them to finish their applications as quickly as possible," she said.

Organizations that were recognized this year are assured recognition through Sept. 30, 1986, when the recognition process will resume, she said.

BSM President Sibby Anderson said she was upset that the BSM hadn't been recognized.

"If there had been some problem (with BSM recognition), I wish I had been contacted about it, instead of finding out from other sources."

The fact that the BSM is a prominent group on campus should have prompted officials to call any discrepancy to her attention, Anderson said. "The thing is so many of the unrecognized groups are major groups."

Anderson said Wolf told her that she should have received an application in the mail, but one never arrived at the BSM office. Although Wolf told her that the BSM probably overlooked the application or forgot to fill it out, Anderson said, "I fail to see where it could have been my own fault."

Wolf said: "It's not my responsibility to search out certain groups to make sure they've applied. It is each group's own responsibility to make sure they've turned in an application."

Dan Cowhig, newly appointed co-editor of the *Phoenix*, said the paper did not receive applications from Wolf this semester. The *Phoenix* was not officially recognized last year, he said.

"We're in the process of getting that straightened out now. The last time we were officially registered was during 1983-84."

The *Phoenix* received funding from Student Activities Fees during last year's Campus Governing Council budget hearings, despite not having University recognition.

Jaye Sitton, chairwoman of the CGC Rules and Judiciary Committee, said she was under the impression that all organizations funded were University recognized. Funding the *Phoenix* may have been an oversight by the CGC, she said.

Hunter Kome, former *Phoenix* editor, said that he was aware that the *Phoenix* was not recognized during the 1984-85 academic year but that he and others in the group were not aware of the recognition process.

Cowhig said the *Phoenix* had experienced heavy turnover last year, and the people who knew about the recognition process probably were with the group briefly and left without passing on the necessary information.

He said the annual application process was a lot of work for student organizations. "There are so many organizations on campus... that it might be necessary to check up on them every year."

Bill Burton, station manager for WXYC, said he was sure his application was mailed. "I assumed it would get there (to Wolf's office), but maybe it was lost in the mail."

He said he watched Tim Rafferty, WXYC's chairman of student education broadcasting, fill out the application. "He asked me questions as he filled it out."

Burton said he called Wolf several times, but she was away from her desk. Wolf returned his calls, but she called after he left the station, he said.

Jack Brown, president of the BGC, said his organization had not received an application from Wolf, possibly because the BGC did not have an official address.

Brown said that his group was recognized last year and that he intended to re-apply for recognition.

Howard Henry, director of the Carolina Union, said these groups would be recognized, and the recognition process was "just a technical problem."

"If it's an unknown group — someone that we'd never heard of before — it's an entirely different thing," he said. "With these groups, we just tell them to do it."

Wolf said 173 groups were recognized as of Nov. 12, and since then 12 more were recognized. Groups usually don't have problems being recognized, and there are applications available in the basement of Steele Building, Wolf said.

University recognition is based on whether a majority of the organization's members are students and certification that it is non-discriminatory in nature and that it will abide by all state, local and national laws, she said.

"Recognition of a group is not based on what the group is about or its purpose," Wolf said. "There is not subjective decision on what groups are approved, so there is a variety in the kinds of groups there are."

Ryke Longest, student body treasurer, said lack of recognition did not affect how organizations spent money already budgeted. If the CGC approved the budgets, he said, he could only assume that it was accepting its own bylaws.

Longest said it should be made clear to groups that University recognition is a prerequisite to Student Government funding.

Impact of Chase losses

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Chase Cafeteria is operating at a loss, and while no one in the administration wants to increase the \$100 a semester mandatory meal plan, officials won't deny that such an increase could occur.

In an agreement signed by the Board of Trustees in 1983, the BOT said the current fee of \$100 a semester could be raised if Chase Cafeteria continued to lose money after renovations. Neither ARA nor the administration will say if such an increase is likely.

"We're doing pretty good," said Hoyt Taylor, district manager for ARA, about Chase Cafeteria. "I don't have the figures tabulated up for the entire semester. It's probably losing a little so far. Our biggest problem is that students are on North Campus most of the day."

William Potts, acting director for ARA, said more time was needed before Chase Cafeteria could be judged a financial failure or success.

"You might say (Chase is operating) close to breaking even," he said. "It's been doing about what we expected. We've been happy with the numbers that have been eating over there."

Potts said the possibility of raising the \$100 per semester meal plan fee could not be answered at this time.

"That's something I couldn't answer," Potts said. "Some of the people from ARA and the administration would have

to get together later in the year (to decide that)."

Charles C. Antle Jr., associate vice-chancellor of business and finance, said that he thought ARA was disappointed with the student turnout at Chase but that he did not know whether a fee increase would occur to help it out financially.

"I think through October Chase was still operating at a loss, although the loss wasn't large," Antle said. "I think the people at ARA were hoping to operate at a break-even point."

When asked if an increase would be imposed, Antle replied: "I don't know because we have not discussed the situation with anyone."

Ryke Longest, student body treasurer, said he thought an increase to the mandatory meal plan would not be wise.

"I think it'll be a big mistake, regardless of how unprofitable Chase can be," he said. "Essentially what it's doing is making something that's not working work even less. I see that as the last resort and really unwise on their part."

Taylor said Chase Cafeteria needed more time to prove itself financially before going to the students for more money.

"It'll be successful," he said. "I think there are other buildings opening up. With the SAC (Student Activities Center) nearby, that will make volume go up in the future. I think... (an increase) would have to be determined later. I think we need a little more history before we can determine something like that."

Phoenix to have co-editors

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For the first time since it was founded in 1981, the *Phoenix* will soar on the wings of joint leadership.

Dan Cowhig and Lane Mitchell were elected co-editors of the weekly publication by a unanimous vote at a media board meeting Monday night.

Maurice DeBerry, chairman of the media board, said he and other board members felt co-editorship would benefit the *Phoenix* because of the time element involved in publishing the paper.

Because the majority of the paper's advertising is handled by students rather than professionals, co-editors could better handle the responsibility of publishing the paper, Cowhig said.

Mitchell agreed. "We've been working together so long we recognize each other's strengths," she said.

Cowhig and Mitchell were the only students to apply for the position, DeBerry said. Although several students initially showed an interest in the position, they decided not to

complete the application process for editorship, he said.

DeBerry said the media board was looking for an editor who could continue to lend financial stability to the *Phoenix* and who had previous newspaper experience on a collegiate level.

The *Phoenix* was financially unstable last year until editor Hunter Kome convinced the Campus Governing Council to distribute appropriate funding to the newspaper, he said.

"We hope to make the *Phoenix* a more responsible magazine by doing more in-depth reporting, Mitchell said. "We hope to build up the staff morale and recruit more people from the entire campus."

Cowhig said he wanted to see sports coverage, some fiction, poetry and more in-depth news stories in the *Phoenix*.

The *Phoenix* was founded in 1981 by Tom Jessiman, a student who ran for editorship of the *Daily Tar Heel* and lost. Jessiman printed the first five issues of the newspaper with his own

money.

"We don't see the *Phoenix* today as an alternative to the *Daily Tar Heel*," Cowhig said.

Kome agreed. "It should be a companion publication. People should want to pick up both."

Because the *Phoenix* is a weekly newspaper, it concentrates more on in-depth reporting, Kome said. The newspaper publishes essays, album and movie reviews, features, live entertainment reviews, comics and crossword puzzles in addition to news, he said.

Cowhig, a senior Spanish and English major, was managing editor and production manager of the *Phoenix* from May to December 1985. He was a staff writer for the newspaper from January to May 1985.

Mitchell, a junior journalism and English major, was assistant editor of the *Phoenix* from May to December 1985. She was news editor of the summer *Tar Heel* from May to August 1985, and a staff writer for the *Phoenix* from August 1984 to May 1985.

'Star of Bethlehem' vandals are sought

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"Twinkle twinkle little star, how I wonder where you are."

Chapel Hillians around the Morehead Building on Nov. 26 may have been saying this to themselves after three vandals cut the guy wires that held the star in place.

"This is not just a case of vandalism," said Lee Shapiro, director of the Morehead Planetarium. "Three college-age kids were trying to take the star away."

According to police reports, University police were responding to a 5:50 a.m. fire call at the Alumni Building when they spotted three white males carrying the damaged eight-foot sculptured star. The vandals fled in different directions after being spotted and were not apprehended.

The vandals entered the building and climbed on top, police reports said. Shapiro speculated that the three could have hidden in the building at closing time or that one of them had a key.

"Our first impression was that the star was not repairable," Shapiro said. "Even the technicians thought early Tuesday that the star was

damaged beyond repair. We were sure the Star of Bethlehem would not shine this year."

But Shapiro said that an employee of the planetarium knew where some mesh-lined plastic material needed for repair work had been stored. Technicians decided by Tuesday afternoon that despite the extensive damage to the light fixtures, the star could be repaired.

By the afternoon of Nov. 27, the battered star resumed its position atop the planetarium. "It's mostly patchwork at this point," Shapiro said.

The star, an inexpensive design of metal and wood covered by a mesh-lined plastic, was made about 10 years ago to replace the previous star, he said.

The vandals also stole a poster from inside the building, according to police reports. The poster of Triffid Nebulon and the promotional star have little monetary value, and Shapiro said he believed that the theft was more of a prank.

The six-pointed star was a target for controversy in 1982 when a UNC law professor charged that the star

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Top 10 department strives for balance

Editors' note: This story is part of an extensive series focusing on University academic departments.

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The UNC history department ranks in the top 10 nationally because of the quality of its teaching and research, said acting department chairman Michael Hunt.

Despite the time the history faculty spends on research, students said they hadn't noticed a decrease in the quality of teaching in the department.

The history department has 60 faculty members, 120 graduate students and 200 undergraduates.

Jeffery Kaufman, a junior history major from Boca Raton, Fla., said: "The point of the University should be primarily to educate undergraduates. But I don't think the students should deter from research of the professor. I am happy with the balance now. I haven't seen any problems."

Julie Lovett, a junior history major from Wilmington, said the balance between teaching and research should be a happy median.

"Professors have to do both," she said. "It is important to do research because it improves their teaching, but teaching should be number one."

Research is necessary to remain a top-ranked department, Hunt said, but the department stresses teaching as its most important function.

"If I were to survey my colleagues today and ask them what the biggest problem with the UNC history department is, they would say time to do research," Hunt said.

John Elderkin, a junior history major from Charlotte, said he was not familiar with the time constraints put on professors by their teaching and research.

Elderkin said the professors he has had in history have always been available.

"I think the teaching I've had has been of the highest quality," Elderkin said. "It's been better in the history department than others I've taken courses in."

Hunt said the department had to strike a balance between research and teaching. "During the academic year, the research slows down, but then at the vacation periods, it generally picks back up," he said.

Robert Miller, a UNC history professor, said, "... (Research) certainly is a time problem."

Miller said the situation was tough at UNC because professors were expected to face four responsibilities: to compete with the best colleges in the nation in undergraduate instruction, to devote time to graduate students, to do significant research, and to serve on committees for the University.

"We are in the toughest of all positions," Miller said. "I think our faculty pursuing research depends heavily on vacation periods. For example, as soon as I finish grading finals, then I am off to do research in Washington, D.C., for two weeks." Miller said he had already scheduled spring break for doing research.

"Furthermore, like other major universities, UNC does not have a regular sabbatical period. There is no way you can plan on a regular sabbatical down the line."

Miller said the University was not being unfair, but that it was placing a stern expectation on the professors.

"Historians write books for the same reason surgeons perform operations," Miller said. "That is what we are trained to do, like to do and find intellectually and personally rewarding. It would be absurd to have surgeons that never operate. After all, that is what they are trained to do. It would be absurd for historians not to write because it is what we are trained to do."

But William Powell, a UNC history professor, said he had no conflicts with time and research.

"You've got to manage your time," Powell said. "You decide where your priorities are. I think research keeps you on your toes with fresh sources of information,

so you don't keep rehashing the same things over and over."

Hunt agreed. "Research is needed because it keeps the faculty alive to changes," he said. "It is a source of stimulation. It gives the faculty recognition."

Hunt said faculty recognition could help students in their job searches when faculty members gave recommendations.

Powell said letters of recommendation also took up a lot of the faculty's time.

"I had four or five this week," Powell said. "They take time because I try to deal with them honestly. I go do research on the student. I only think that's being fair to the student and the institution. We are encouraged to do research. It's for the promotion of education."

In addition to the history department faculty, some professors in the peace, war and defense, American studies, social medicine and international studies curricula, to name a few, teach courses in the history department.

"I don't think it was planned that way," Hunt said. "It reflects the breadth of interest of faculty."

Much of the history department's teaching is in the perspective courses, Hunt said.

"We teach about 4,000 undergraduates a term in perspectives," he said. "There was a time when we were saying 'How long is this going to continue to rise?' But now we've reached a plateau."

Hunt said the department soon will be looking for replacements of retiring professors. He said it was not a major problem, but one the department would have to deal with.

The department has hired several replacements already, Hunt said, and is looking for people who will carry out significant research and continue UNC's good record.

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No man is greater than his respect for sleep — Ogden Nash