

A shiny Silent Sam prepares to resume place on pedestal

By GUY LUCAS
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Silent Sam, a Civil War monument, should be returning to his vigil at the University's Franklin Street entrance before October 10, University Day, according to the company that refurbished him.

Silent Sam was erected in 1913 by the N.C. Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy in tribute to UNC students who fought for the South in the Civil War. As much as 40 percent of the student body served in the war. Canadian sculptor John Wilson created the statue for \$7,500.

Sam was taken to Cincinnati, Ohio, April 23 for an \$8,200 restoration after 73 years of weather, tannic acid from nearby trees and, more recently, car emissions and vandals' paint.

Mercene Karkadoulis, whose husband Eleftherios is working on Sam, said the project was on schedule, and there have been no unexpected problems or setbacks, she said. "I think you're all going to be very, very pleased," she said.

Dean of Students Frederic Schroeder said he wished Sam could have been here for freshmen and their parents when students began returning to campus.

"I'm sure it's a void in their lives, and their expectations are being dealt with incompletely," he said. "But shortly Silent Sam will return and everyone can walk in front of him."

When Sam returns, he will have his original bronze color instead of the green tint he had acquired.

The University has asked that Sam and the plaques that accompany the statue be returned to their pedestal between Oct. 6 and Oct. 9.

After the refurbished Sam has taken his stand, Karkadoulis will restore the Caldwell Monument, an obelisk that marks the grave of former UNC President Joseph Caldwell, his wife and his stepson. That restoration will cost \$2,300.

Karkadoulis is well known for his restoration work, which has included the statues in Union Square in Raleigh and several monuments at Gettysburg, Penn.



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Silent Sam embarks on trip to North

Student Congress receives funds; sets goals for year

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Most of the \$1,500 allocated to the summer Student Congress will return to the general surplus fund because few organizations requested funding, said Steve Griffin (Dist. 5), speaker for the summer congress.

"We'd been given \$1,500 to spend, and I doubt we spent even \$300," Griffin said in an interview Tuesday.

He said the surplus would be used this fall by the full congress for subsequent appropriations to organizations.

Griffin and representative Mark Gunter (Dist. 10) were the two members that made up the summer congress. Griffin said the summer congress is informal and is made up of any congress member who is enrolled at the University in summer school, or resides in the area and wishes to serve.

During the first session of summer school, the congress allocated about \$75 to the Judicial Branch of student government to help fund a brochure concerning the laws against fraternity hazing during rush.

The congress also approved an expenditure for office equipment from the Student Legal Services budget. Griffin said the money had already been allocated to the Student Legal Services in last semester's budget hearings, but the approval of congress is a "formality."

About \$150 was spent for an ice-cream party in the Pit for students was the biggest expenditure for the congress during the second summer session.

Also during second session, the congress tried to send student government representatives to the national convention of the United States Student Association (USSA). "We just couldn't get anyone to go," Griffin said.

The USSA is a group of student governments from colleges and universities across the country, he said. The congress joined the organization during last semester's budget hearings.

Now that the fall semester has started, speaker Jaye Sitton (Dist. 11) said, the congress should be very active.

"Student Congress has finished its most important duty — the budget process — and now we look forward to devoting more time to other issues," Sitton said in an interview Tuesday.

"When campaigning, people have ideas about things they want to do, and once elected they are faced with the budget process," she said. "Now they can direct their energy to other projects."

Sitton said she and Rob Friedman, Rules and Judiciary Committee chairperson (Dist. 16), are working on revising the election laws.

Administrative and technical changes are needed to help the elections process flow better, she said. "We're not interested in changing the process itself, but several minor details. We want to make the election laws up-to-date and attempt to change ambiguous clauses," Sitton said.

Another concern of the congress is keeping in touch with how students feel about the new food service on campus. "We're anxious to monitor how students respond to the new food service because we worked very hard to get a better company than ARA," she said.

Sitton said the congress would like to see improved relations with the University's administration and students. "We are planning to meet with Chancellor Fordham, Dean Boulton and other administrators as a group," she said.

In addition, Sitton said that the congress wants to get more students involved in student government.

She said a Student Awareness Day, sponsored by student government is tentatively scheduled for Sept. 2. "Student Congress representatives would be there to answer questions about how to get involved or about how the congress works," she said.

Sitton said the congress tentatively plans to meet on Sept. 3 and begin considering several capital expenditure requests made by organizations last semester.

"Since the budget process is over, we can act on these requests."

Library foundation stabilized

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Work to correct settling of the Walter Royal Davis Library should be done in a few days, although the first floor bathrooms damaged by the settling may not be repaired for three or four weeks, according to Herbert Paul, Department of Physical Plant director.

Wednesday, an area of the main concourse was roped off and holes, made by workers to investigate the settling, could be seen in the floor. University employees worked to fill the holes.

The settling of the building, first noticed in the summer of 1985, is

caused by a void between the soil and the concrete slab on which the east part of the library rests, Paul said.

"We should be finished with the entire area by September," Paul said. He said the total cost of construction won't be known until all work is completed, but he estimated that it would be in the \$100,000 range.

Larry Alford, assistant university librarian for Business and Finance, said workmen began drilling holes in the library floor August 6, the day after exams for the second term of the summer session ended.

"They tried to do the repairs during the intercession between summer and fall terms," he said. "They even drilled holes at night so as not to be disruptive."

"The disruptive work we hope to have done by Saturday," Alford said. Then, bookcases in the gallery can

be returned to their normal places and noise can be reduced.

"It's not something that's going to collapse and hurt anybody," he said.

Holes were drilled through the floor so grouting, a mixture of cement and water, could be pumped under the floor slab to fill the void, he said. The grouting will harden and form into a type of cement, he said.

"The floor slab won't be raised," he said.

Paul said the bathrooms will take longer to repair because new partitions must be installed and damaged tile needs to be pulled off and replaced. Also, he said most of the floor in the area has been removed.

"We dug out some material and we have to put it back," he said. "We actually had to dig up the floor. (And) we'll essentially have new bathrooms when we're finished," he said.

Marriott dishes up good first impression

By RACHEL ORR
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Although UNC's food service's summer transition from ARA to the Marriott Corporation has not been trouble-free, new Food Service Director William W. Dux said he was pleased with the transition and optimistic about the future.

"It's the type of operation I like to run," Dux said. "I think there's a lot of potential here."

Both Marriott employees and customers said they are satisfied with the new food service so far, although some say prices are high.

Kathleen Clark, who has worked in the dining service on campus for 20 years, said: "We've got to really wait until we get into the swing of things. Right now the management is better." Clark also said she thought the prices were ridiculously high, but they would change.

Marriott conducted price checks of entrees at local restaurants and tried to set their prices at comparably.

The Marriott Corporation, based near Washington, D.C., owns several restaurant chains, including Bob's Big Boy and Roy Rogers, numerous hotels, a cruise ship line and has food service contracts with airlines, hospitals, schools and other institutions.

Julio Penasoto, a sophomore from Kinston majoring in pharmacy, said, "The service seems to be much better, but the prices still seem to be exorbitant."

Dux said students should consider the quality and size of the food they were getting when analyzing prices.

Residence Hall Association President Ray Jones, who was active in calling for the removal of ARA, said he thought Marriott's food was better, and said he hoped the prices would decrease once Marriott became more established on campus.

Thomas A. Shetley, director of Auxiliary Services and a member of the Food Service Advisory Committee, said he thought that as the semester continued the rules of the market place would take over and Marriott would adjust their prices accordingly.

Shetley said Marriott was selected to operate the food service based on their bid, their operations at other universities and their management.

"It appears we made a wise choice at getting Marriott here," he said. "We have a degree of professionalism we hadn't expected." Dux said Marriott had brought a permanent 13-member management staff to the University.

Stephanie Craig, a two-year food service employee in the Commons, said the management was much better than before so far. "The managers smile and talk to you,"

Craig said. "You can talk to them up front."

Craig also said that unlike ARA, Marriott encouraged the staff to talk to the customers and get to know them.

"The biggest thing we need to do is talk to the students," Dux said. "We want a relationship between the people who work here and the students, the customers."

He said he would be meeting with the RHA Board of Governors frequently to get feedback from students, and also said he would be talking to customers as they used the dining facilities.

Dux said that Marriott was eager to hire students part-time and said he was holding several positions for student employees, helping Marriott establish good rapport with the student body, Dux said.

Menus will change to meet student preferences and would be planned on a four-week cycle to provide some variety. The menu will also be reviewed by registered dietitians, he said.

The company retained ARA's former food service workers, and after getting some of ARA's records has also re-established seniority, he said.

"We're treating the ARA employees as Marriott Corporation employees," Dux said.

In Lenoir Cafeteria, Marriott currently has a cafeteria with Mexican and Italian specialty lines and the Cutting Board, which is a deli line. The Commons area houses Cookies and Cream, which sells gourmet all-natural cookies, HB Quicks, similar to Roy Rogers Restaurants, Sweet Sensations, which offers ice cream and other desserts, and Broadway Pizza.

Chase Hall offers a cafeteria with specialty grill and deli lines. Marriott also operates convenience stores in the South Campus dormitories.

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