Important dates, last chances and such

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Last day for late registrationTuesday, Jan. 13
Last day to drop with refund Tuesday, Jan. 20
Last day to drop (undergraduate) and
declare pass/fail
Spring breakFriday, March 6, 5 p.m.
Last to withdraw with refundTuesday, March 10
Classes resume
Last day to drop (graduate students) Thursday, April 9
HolidayMonday, April 20
Last day of classes
Reading dayFriday, April 24
Final examsMonday, April 27 until Wednesday, May 6
CommencementSunday, May 10

Weinberger

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Weinberger emphatically voiced his support for university research for Defense Department projects, saving that academic freedom can best be ensured by the participation of university scholars in strengthening national defense.

"I personally think it's a great contribution the universities can make," he said. "I don't find anything incompatible with it and good citizenship in a democracy. In fact, I think it's an essential part of good citizenship."

UNC Chancellor Christopher Fordham reiterated Weinberger's support for such research, not only for the federal government but for industry as well. Fordham said most federal research conducted on the UNC campus is supported by the Environmental Protection Agency, the National Institute for Humanities and the National Science Foundation rather than the Defense Department.

UNC has a policy prohibiting oncampus research for classified government projects.

The fund-raising effort got a boost

History

Weinberger said progress on the Strategic Defense Initiative, commonly known as Star Wars, is "coming along very well and very much more rapidly than we thought possible a couple of years ago." He hopes parts of the system will be ready for deployment before the end of the decade.

Smith

all new at this."

The biggest problems outside the building have been with traffic and parking. Scroggs said traffic is a problem because both routes away from the arena lead much of the traffic to the 15-501 bypass.

"Our patrons are going to have to be ingenious and make better use of shuttles and car pools and plan ahead," he said.

Crowd control is another concern. Camp said there had not been a problem with people getting rowdy while waiting in line for basketball or concert tickets. He also said that

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around the state recruiting volunteers and asking for contributions.

in 1982 when the Tar Heels came the Center the third largest onhome as the national champions. After 2,362 people donated or campus arena in the country. pledged the \$33.8 million needed to build the arena, construction began on seven and a half acres on South

Smith Center was completed. Seating capacity in the Center varies with events, but there are about 12,500 upper level seats and

Campus. After 43 months of con-

struction, the 300,000-square-foot

9,000 lower level seats. Seating capacity is 21,444 for basketball, 21,500 for concerts-in-the-round and 21,000 for other events. This makes

Smith Center Director Steve Camp said he gets the same reaction from many of the other team members and coaches that play in the Center.

"They're awed at the size, and they're impressed that the (basketball) program is at such a point that we are able to fill a building like this."

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Council OKs beefing up police force By SCOTT GREIG Staff Writer of officers would simply do more as

The Chapel Hill Town Council held a special work session Sunday at Camp New Hope to discuss its plans for the upcoming year. As expected, the expansion and framework of the Police Department was a major issue.

The Police Department now has seven vacancies in its ranks; the Fire Department has three. These openings will be filled by 15 trainees who have begun training and will assume duties in March.

The town operates on a modified Public Safety Officer program. Officers complete training that qualifies them to serve on either the police force or with the Fire Department, but they primarily stick to one or the other.

Even though only 10 spots need to be filled, the council unanimously agreed that over-hiring five trainees is a good idea since high visibility is one of the main goals of the Police Department.

"Given the low solvability of some crimes. I think the increased number

crowds meant the Center was book-

Events in the Smith Center have

included Tar Heel hoops and pro-

fessional basketball with the Pro-

Alumni All-Star Game and the

Chicago Bulls and L.A. Lakers

Concerts also draw sell-out crowds to the arena. Kenny Rogers

performed the first concert in the

Smith Center on April 12. Since

then, Lionel Richie and the Monkees

have played, and the rock group

Genesis is currently booked for three

facility, but we're in the concert business because we need the

money," Camp said.

to make a profit.

"We're primarily a basketball

Camp added that he hoped

revenue from the concerts would pay

for all operating expenses so the

Smith Center would not be a burden

on the athletic department. But he

said he is out to break even - not

Besides being the home of Tar

Heel basketball, the Smith Center

also will host NCAA basketball play.

In 1988, the first and second rounds

of the East Regionals will be played

in the arena. The Koury Natatorium

also is eligible to host NCAA

championships and Olympic swim-

ming trials. This summer, the Center

will host basketball, swimming and

gymnastics during the U.S. Olympic

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match-up.

ing shows people wanted to see.

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deterrents who would provide high visibility," Mayor James Wallace

This visibility is what the council members said they hope to achieve by hiring more officers than there are spaces to fill on the force.

Members said they realized that the drain on existing officers is great, especially in Chapel Hill where offduty officers are often called in to help with crowd and traffic control at University athletic events. Town Manager David Taylor said

for every home football game at UNC and 17 are used for every home basketball game. The drain on officers is a growing problem that threatens to get worse

38 off-duty officers are brought in

as more concerts begin to come to UNC's Dean E. Smith Center and more personnel is needed, council members said. Although the proposal to increase

officers in the field made it through the session unscathed, some council members said they weren't convinced this increase would solve the crime problems they said exist in Chapel

"I think that most of us know that a determined criminal is not going to be dissuaded by a passing patrolman," Councilman David Godschalk said. "He'll simply wait until that patrolman passes and then go about his business because he knows that officer probably won't pass again for another six to eight hours."

Taylor said his office would like "to review the present setup of the Police Department within the Public Safety system, weigh the pros and the cons, and see where we as an administration stand on it."

Town officials feel that the modified Public Safety Officer system works best and most efficiently, Taylor said.

In other business, the council discussed future sources for town revenue. Of the possibilities raised at the

meeting, a hotel tax and a land transfer tax were the most popular. "We backed away from a hotel tax a couple of years ago because our

hotel operators said no one else had

it," Councilman Jonathan Howes said. "Now some people do have it and it could be one of our most viable sources of revenue with the (1987 Olympic) Sports Festival coming to

the area next summer." Taylor said the money raised from these taxes would be used for public

safety and public improvement.

A delegation from the council will review the hotel tax plans from Wake and Durham counties and meet with the Chamber of Commerce to make its recommendations in March for one in Chapel Hill. The members of that delegation are yet to be named.

Councilwoman Julie Andresen said she felt the land transfer tax would be financially beneficial because it would provide a substantial amount of revenue while not being a great burden for the small real estate buyer or seller.

"I think these two taxes are our best possibilities," Andresen said. "I might support a sales tax increase later, but I think the land transfer and hotel taxes will be better received by the public."



DTH/Larry Childress

Director Steve Camp in the Dean E. Smith Center

Festival. The Center also will continue to be open for concerts. Scroggs said there would not be a show every

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week, but he said the Center would average one major production a month.

Camp said the success of the Smith Center in attracting and selling out concerts surprised many people.

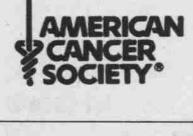
"Everybody knew we had a nice,

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new building in Chapel Hill," he said. "But people were skeptical that we could sell 20,000 tickets to anything because we were not in a metropolitan area. I think we've got people's attention now." Fans will notice two new additions

to the Smith Center this year. Eight television monitors were installed in the concessions booths so that fans standing in line can watch the arena action. Also new in the arena are 12 oversized jerseys hanging from the rafters. Four represent the retired numbers of UNC players and eight honorary jerseys represent other players recognized at the Pro-Alumni Game.







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