

# AIDS treatment has high price tag

By MARY PARADESES  
Staff Writer

Patients using the AZT drug, manufactured by Burroughs Wellcome, to combat AIDS may face drug costs of about \$800 per month, said Dr. Raphael Dinapole of the N.C. Division of Medical Assistance.

Azidothymidine, known as AZT or zovirax, was placed on the market with the approval of the Food and Drug Administration March 19, primarily for use against Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

Manufacturing costs, building of an \$80 million factory to produce it and the six month period it takes to make the drug contributed to the drug's cost, said Dr. Stanley Lenon

of N.C. Memorial Hospital.

AZT works by stopping the replication of the AIDS virus. But AZT also has a long list of side effects, including the suppression of marrow production. Less severe effects include severe headaches or muscle pain.

"These patients don't care about the headaches and such," Dinapole said. "They're dying, and they need this drug. It is estimated that possibly two and a half million people are carrying the AIDS virus, and one out of 220 people will die. I'm convinced we will all know someone who will die from AIDS."

AZT surpasses the effectiveness of any other AIDS drug on the market,

Dinapole said.

During testing, 147 patients took AZT, and one died. Of 137 patients receiving a placebo, 16 died, according to Burroughs Wellcome statistics.

Patients must meet strict requirements to receive AZT, said Liz McRoberts, spokeswoman for Wake Medical Center. The patient must not be undergoing chemotherapy or any other treatment or medication.

Combined hospital and drug costs for AIDS patients could reach astronomical sums.

Wake Medical Center charges an average room rent of \$167 per night. With no other charges included, the two costs for one month total \$5,810.

An AIDS patient can receive Medicaid when the reserves of the patient 19 years or older do not exceed \$1,500, said Arthur Paradeses, manager of Institutional Investigations for the Division of Medical Assistance. A couple's liquid assets may not exceed \$2,250, he said.

So far, 28 AIDS patients have received Medicaid, Paradeses said.

Burroughs Wellcome officials said the therapy would actually lower the costs of AIDS by preventing infections and hospitalizations. But the Department of Health and Human Services reports that by 1991, the cost of support services for AIDS victims will rise to \$2.3 billion.

# Gorbachev offers to remove missiles from eastern Europe

From Associated Press reports

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev offered Tuesday to eliminate short-range nuclear missiles now in East Germany and Czechoslovakia as part of an arms control agreement with the United States.

The proposal, as reported by the Soviet news agency Tass, could remove a major roadblock to a treaty ridding Europe of medium-range rockets.

But the Tass account said Secretary of State George Shultz, who met with Gorbachev and other Soviet officials for more than 10 hours, insisted on a U.S. right to match the amount of shorter-range missiles that would remain in the Soviet Union. Those missiles have a range of 350 to 600 miles.

## News in Brief

levels of radiation in Europe that some experts believe may have been caused by a nuclear power plant accident in the Soviet Union.

West Germany, Sweden, Switzerland, Norway and France on Tuesday confirmed varying increases in atmospheric radiation last month. The Soviet government denied it was the source of the emissions, which officials said caused no damage or injuries.

### Retired medical professor dies

CHAPEL HILL — William Perry Richardson, 82, a UNC professor emeritus and pioneer in public health and family medicine across the state, died Tuesday at N.C. Memorial Hospital.

Richardson was principal investigator of a study on handicapped children in Alamance County that helped lay the groundwork for understanding the state's handicapped children and services available to them.

Among the programs he started was a popular weekly radio program in 1961 that enabled medical school faculty and physicians in local communities to communicate via two-way radios and telephone lines.

The School of Medicine and the Medical Alumni Association presented Richardson with their Distinguished Service Award in 1978. In 1980, the American College of Preventive Medicine presented him with its Distinguished Service Award.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete Tuesday.

### Marines suspected of spying

The investigation of an espionage scandal that has rocked the Marine Corps' elite embassy guard force broadened Tuesday with the announcement that four guards formerly stationed in communist-bloc countries were being recalled from Austria for questioning.

Robert Sims, chief Pentagon spokesman, said the Marines, now assigned to the U.S. Embassy in Vienna, were suspected of possible improper fraternization with foreign citizens while posted to other embassies in Warsaw Pact nations.

Sims told a news briefing he could not release the identities of the Marines and stressed that none of them had been formally charged with wrongdoing.

### Radiation levels rise in Europe

West Germany said Tuesday it will ask Moscow about higher

# Legislators propose state symbol bills

By SHARON KEBSCHULL  
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Picture this: a UNC student sits on a large hunk of granite in the shade of a pine tree by the seashore, his shad boat beached by the water. A cardinal chirps merrily on his shoulder, and a dogwood blossom rests behind his ear. He wolfs down a mess of collard greens and chases them with cold milk. Is this person idiotic? No, he's patriotic!

The N.C. General Assembly has taken a break from some of its more serious bills lately to propose some state symbol legislation.

The shad boat, which passed the

state Senate 36-2 after some tongue-in-cheek debate Monday, is the most recent addition.

The boat was invented in the 1870s to handle the shallow water areas and changing weather conditions of the state's upper sounds, said the bill's sponsor, Marc Basnight, D-Dare. The boats were not manufactured after the 1930s, so this would preserve their place in history, he said.

Sen. R.L. Martin, D-Pitt, introduced a bill last week to make the collard green the state vegetable.

"We in the southeast live and die

by the collard," he said. "It's a good poor man's vegetable. There's nothing better than a good mess of collards with a little meat on the side."

He said the vegetable had earned enough prestige in Pitt County to warrant a week-long festival.

Sens. Tony Rand, D-Cumberland, and Aaron Plyler, D-Union, have introduced a bill making milk the official state beverage.

North Carolina has about 1,000 dairy farmers who produce more than 179 million gallons of milk a year, and North Carolinians drink

143 million yearly, according to the bill.

Part of the bill reads, "The delectable, pearly passion of the palate contributes to the betterment of the life, health and enjoyment of all the citizens of our great state."

Rand said it should be a week or two before the bill comes to the floor.

"I think we should consider adding cornbread to the bill, and then we'd have a state meal, and eat that on the state boat," Rand said.

Rand called milk a wonderful product, saying it deserves a place in the state's legislation.

# '88 class officers recruit during mini week

By TOM CAMP  
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Thursday night "bar-hopping" has long been a Chapel Hill tradition, but tomorrow night will be a special time for rising seniors at Purdy's on Franklin Street.

The gathering is part of a "mini junior week" designed to get juniors motivated for next year.

Senior class committee members manned a booth in the Pit Monday and Tuesday, encouraging rising seniors to sign up for special committees for next year. Members also handed out surveys to juniors to solicit suggestions for activities. Today is the last day the booth will be

in the Pit.

Anne Davidson, president of the class of 1988, said the mini junior week is a good way for the rising senior class to get off to a good start.

"This is basically an information week to let juniors know that this is their class," she said. "We need to get everyone psyched for next year."

Tomorrow night, Purdy's will admit rising seniors with valid University identification cards to see the Comedy Zone for \$2. The show starts at 9 p.m. There will be no charge for juniors after the show.

"Thursday will be a time to dance and have fun," Davidson said. "It will be a good chance for juniors to get together and know each other."

Rising seniors should feel a sense of camaraderie, she said. "I think that we have a unity bond because we are all a part of the class of '88. The more we have a chance to get to know each other, the more special I think we will be."

Dave Brown, vice president of the rising senior class, said the suggestion boxes were set up in the Pit to obtain student opinion about next year's commencement

service and social events.

"We're just trying to get students more involved," he said. "This year I'd like to see a student design our logo." The senior class logo has been designed by professional artists in the past, he said.

"There's a lot of artistically inclined juniors in our class," he said.

Abraham Segres, a senior class marshal, said he has seen juniors show enthusiasm about getting involved in extracurricular programs next year.

"They've shown a lot of interest in this junior week," he said.

# Fraternity sponsors show by hypnotist

By KRISTEN GARDNER  
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Students may see a different side of their friends' personalities when hypnotist Dan LePore performs at 8 p.m. tonight in Memorial Hall.

The performance is sponsored by Delta Tau Delta fraternity, and proceeds will go to Meals on Wheels, said show organizer Mike Groch.

LePore, who performs under the name of "Dan Who, the Hilarious Hypnotist," will hypnotize 16 volunteers from the audience, Groch said.

"If your boyfriend or girlfriend gets up there on stage and gets

hypnotized, you'll see the darker side of them, or whatever side he wants to bring out," Groch said.

"The humor element comes into it," he said. "It's not just a hypnosis demonstration; it's worked into a comedy act."

This won't be the first time LePore has performed at UNC, Groch said. The hypnotist has done a private show that was described as "pretty risqué" for a fraternity on campus.

LePore, registered through the California Professional Hypnotists Association, has been practicing

hypnosis for 25 years. For the past five years he has performed for clubs, colleges, conventions, and in civic centers across the country.

He has given hypnosis seminars and been a guest lecturer at California State University. He is the founder of the Success Dynamics Institute in Atlanta, which teaches methods of self-hypnosis for improving habits, increasing self-esteem and generating motivation.

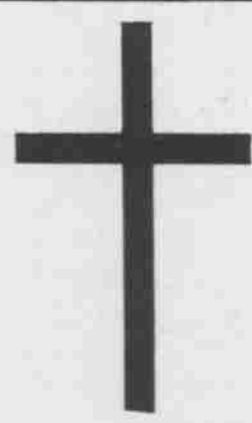
Groch said fraternity members chose to raise money for Meals on Wheels because they wanted to help

a cause close to home. "We wanted to pick a local charity so we can see the money really work."

Meals on Wheels provides meals to handicapped, elderly, homebound and recently hospitalized people.

The money raised from the performance will be used to purchase dehydrated food to distribute to elderly and homebound people when conditions such as snowstorms prevent drivers from reaching them.

Tickets for the performance are \$3 and are available at the Student Union or by calling 942-3756.



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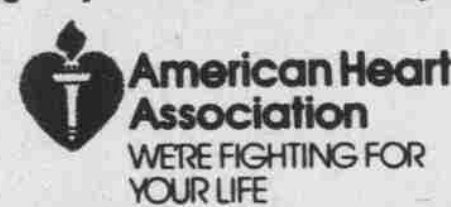
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Williams reminded the board that the legal age for smoking is 16, which means that some sophomores, juniors and seniors have the legal right to smoke.

Another CHHS student, David Smith, agreed that the ban on smoking would be very difficult to enforce. "There would be kids hiding in corners and bathrooms or getting suspended because they went across the street to smoke," Smith said.

CHHS student LaVonya Burnett said, "If principals can't stop students from cutting class, they can't stop smoking. I don't think the ban will work at all."

Students are now allowed to smoke outside on school grounds but not in the buildings. The students opposing the ban said the board

would receive more student support if it designated a restricted area for smoking at the high school.

"The ban deprives students of making a decision about smoking and being responsible for their decision," Smith said.

Battle said the policy should include the staff and teachers as well as the students.

"I'm sorry to see that we have not included the staff," said board member Ted Parrish.

Board member Carolyn Horn said the board had the responsibility to be guardians for the students, not the adults.

"Young people are more likely than adults to halt the process of forming an addiction," she said.

Superintendent Gerry House said, "I have confidence that students with addictions to nicotine will seek help if they are not allowed to smoke."

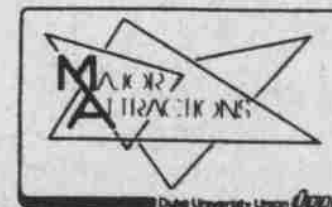
Board member Edith Wiggins said she would support a policy banning teacher smoking if a proposal arose in the future.

According to the policy, the superintendent will decide the penalties for violations of the ban. The school staff will also implement programs to inform students about the hazards of smoking and the use of other tobacco products.

## For the Record

In the "For the Record" which appeared in Tuesday's paper, Student Congress representative Bobby Ferris (Dist. 14) was incorrectly identified as representing District 10. The Daily Tar Heel regrets the editing error.

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