

Parking lot to be closed

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Part of the Bell Tower parking lot will be closed at the end of this month as the University begins construction to expand its chilled water system.

About 190 parking spaces will be used to store equipment and install underground pipes for the expanded water system, said Mary Fox, UNC parking control coordinator. But she could not estimate how long the construction would last.

"Sometimes these kinds of projects drag on for several years," Fox said.

The lot, which extends from the Student Health Service to Mitchell Hall, is used by faculty and staff members and evening college students, she said.

James Mergner, associate director of utility operations at the Physical Plant, said the University's chilled water system serves buildings on both North and South campuses.

The expansion is necessary because several new buildings are being constructed, Mergner said, and they will require more water than the system now can provide.

The new pipes and cooling towers that will be built will also tie the University's water system into North Carolina Memorial Hospital's, he said. This will allow the University's facility to serve as an emergency backup system for the hospital.

Fox said some faculty members have complained about the decrease in available parking spaces, but the planned construction hasn't caused any major problems.

The University sold fewer Bell Tower parking permits this semester to prepare for the construction, she said.

Hunger Action Committee holds one-day fast

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People fast for many different reasons, including religious and moral causes. The Oxfam Fast for World Harvest, a fast that is part of the University's Human Rights Week, will help gather money for starving people all over the world.

The fast, which began Thursday at 5 p.m. and continues through tonight at 5 p.m., is sponsored by the Hunger Action Committee of the Campus Y. Participants will break the fast in the Student Union. Students are asked to donate the

money they would normally spend on food during the day to Oxfam America, a program that helps individuals become more self-sufficient. The money will be used as relief aid for Third World Countries.

"We're asking students to do what they can," said Mark Burniston, chairman of the Hunger Action Committee. "Some fast for one meal, others go for the whole 24 hours."

Students who don't want to fast can donate money by signing up at one of the tables in Lenoir or Chase dining halls, Burniston said. Students may also donate money from

their meal cards.

All participants are continuing their daily schedule despite the fact that they are fasting.

"We will get together to end it," Burniston said. "We'll celebrate and congratulate each other. We'll have some food there, and also show a very graphic film called 'Harvest of Hunger.'"

"We're expecting about 100 people to participate this year," Burniston said. Last year, there were about 15 participants.

Hunger awareness isn't as high in people's minds as it was last year, Burniston said.

"Since the television advertising with starving people in Ethiopia has decreased, the awareness has really dropped off," he said. "But people have found that the fast is really a great way to combine awareness with fund-raising. It's really a neat idea."

"We're trying to get an idea of what these people are going through," Burniston said. "The idea starts to hit home when you start getting hungry and you realize how terrible it really is."

One of the purposes of Oxfam America is to encourage job training

for people and get them started off at a secure home base, he said.

"Once they're self-sufficient, they generally don't need any more help," Burniston said. They just need help getting back on their feet, he said. "The chances of them going back to poverty once they've been helped are very, very low," he said.

"A lot of people think that hunger is some big, unscalable problem that we can't solve," Burniston said. "That just isn't true. There's enough food in the world right now to feed the entire projected population of the world in the year 2000. All people need is a chance."

Pep rally scheduled before game

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Students will have a chance to show their support for the UNC football team and get psyched to "beat Dook" at a pep rally sponsored by Carolina Fever in the Pit at 10:45 a.m. Saturday.

The Marching Tar Heels, the cheerleaders and the High Kicking Heels will perform at the rally. Fever members will offer free face-painting and sell "Taking a Dookie" T-shirts.

Suzanne Saldi, publicity and fund-raising director for Carolina Fever Committee, said the group will also work with the band to present a mock Duke homecoming during half-time.

Mock Duke homecoming queen candidates collected contributions in the Pit this week, and the candidate who collected the most money will be crowned Duke's queen, Saldi said.

Fever committee Co-chairman Robert Temple said the money collected by the candidates will go to the Ronald McDonald House, and proceeds from T-shirt sales will go to charity and will help fund committee activities during basketball season.

Suzanne Lowe, Fever co-president, said she feels the group has been successful in its first semester at Carolina.

"I believe it's evident that there was a necessity for the group because of the support the players get and because we now have 600 members," she said.

Lowe said she hopes fans will continue to be as spirited as they were at the Clemson game.

"The Clemson game was a wonderful boost," she said. "The Duke game is important because we don't want to lose the victory bell, and it is also the last game for a lot of seniors."

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insurance, \$30,000 for service and miscellaneous, \$6,750 for fuel and \$17,800 for labor.

John Gardner, UNC transportation planner, said he saw some problems with the proposal, although he called it a good initiative. The main problem is that the figures in the proposal are a little low, he said.

"I think that more costs need to be looked at in this proposal," Gardner said. "It's an interesting proposal, but I feel we could do things a lot cheaper by modifying the present system."

Brian Bailey, student body president, said the proposal would solve a number of problems of the present bus system.

Besides providing a free service, Bailey said the proposal would open up more jobs for students and provide charter bus service.

"A lot of students are putting money into the present system," Bailey said. "It just doesn't seem right that we have that kind of system while students can get around for free at most big universities."

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