

# WXYC to present K-Tel Extravaganza: rock, roll and remember

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Rather like kudzu, music of the 1970s just won't die.

Tunes of the disco era will electrify the air waves Friday afternoon in WXYC's K-tel Extravaganza. From 5 to 8 p.m., disc jockeys Niklaus Steiner and Steve Balcom (a.k.a. Electric Boogie Man and Dynomite Danny) will play the hits of our early teen years.

"This is a serious show," said Steiner. "We're on an archeological expedition through another age."

Today's edition of the Extravaganza represents WXYC's sixth adventure in tacky and oh-so-dated music. This slightly warped tradition of periodically devoting three hours of airtime to the music of the decade just past has become a popular campus event. According to Steiner, the phone was continually ringing during the last Extravaganza, which was broadcast in November.

Again, the DJs invite and encourage requests and loans of appropriate records. Another mode of participating in the Extravaganza is to throw K-tel parties.

"Get your friends together, get down your bell bottoms, and sail across your polyester shag carpet with your babe," said Steiner.

Neither Steiner nor Balcom place the Extravaganza in the category of cult phenomena. Students and non-students alike listen to the show, and many Extravaganza fans are not regular WXYC listeners. A few probably run across the show by chance.

"When people are pushing buttons on their radios, nobody switches the station when they run across 'Car Wash,'" Steiner said.

Today's show will feature 1970s Top 10 lists, such as Top 10 Worries, Top 10 Disaster Movies (remember "The Poseidon Adventure?") and Top 10 Compliments on a Disco Move. Also sure to be mind-expanding is a compilation of Top 10 Forgotten News Stories of the 1970s. Just a sample: the swine flu epidemic, King Tut and the fall of Skylab.

Lyrics back then were meaningful, according to Steiner and Balcom. While discussing important lyrics of '70s songs, Balcom quoted Paul Davis: "We're living such a sweet life, oh what a neat life, sharing my love with you." At this point, Balcom was swept away with the emotional content of the words and burst into song.

As always, Steiner raved about the intensity of Dan Hill's lyrics in "Sometimes When We Touch." "How can you have too much honesty?" he wondered.

Nobody really knows. However, it is certain that hearing these so-bad-they're-great songs on a regular basis is too much because, frankly, "Disco Duck" is not high art. But for three hours a semester, this stuff can be refreshing.

WXYC's K-tel Extravaganza will air today at 5 p.m. on FM 89. Call 962-8989 to make requests, nominate Top 10 items, harass the DJs or put in your 2 cents' worth.



WXYC's K-tel Extravaganza will feature such blasts from the past as the tunes of Earth, Wind & Fire

## Chancellor

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Student Congress to help changes take place."

Residence Hall Association President Jimmy Randolph said Hardin will have to listen to students' voices as a whole.

"He has to realize that students are not apathetic," Randolph said. "We are as big a part of this University as the faculty and alumni, and we deserve to be heard."

Last fall, students mounted an effort to stop the General Alumni Association from building an alumni center in the Big Woods. But by the time students found out about the project, it was too late to change the

plans.

Student activist Dale McKinley said if communication lines are open, activist groups could try to accomplish their goals without confrontation.

"A lot of issues we address are controversial," McKinley said. "The only course that is open to us is to challenge the chancellor and the administration through action."

"I don't think Chancellor (Christopher) Fordham had the necessary leadership to pull the University in one direction. I don't know if Hardin's leadership is the direction we would like to see it pushed in, but

we hope Hardin would not cause regression in the areas where we've made progress."

UNC's Endowment Board finally divested from companies doing business with South Africa in October, after several years of student protest. "If students are willing to persist as in the case of divestment, something will break," McKinley said. "But no way should it have taken two and a half years to make a decision. It shows how weak student input is."

"Student issues are at the bottom of the list," he said. "It is a dangerous

thing for the chancellor to put all his energy into making money. Other issues will be ignored. Money won't solve the problems inherent to a university."

### Opening lines of communication

Student leaders stressed that students have to take the initiative to build open communication lines. They should meet with the new chancellor and explain what their organizations do, as well as issues that have come up in the past, Geer said. Groups could then send Hardin written descriptions of what they do, clarifying the issues their groups handle.

"Students have to be realistic," he said. "We can't go knocking on his door every day."

Geer said students can become a helpful resource to the chancellor if communication lines are open.

"We are very informed about our areas," Geer said. "We can save administrators a lot of time and footwork. If something comes up, Hardin has to know where to go. He needs to familiarize himself about how students represent the students."

Joel Segal, organizer of the UNC chapter of the National Student Movement, suggested establishing bi-weekly meetings between students and the chancellor.

"All student groups who want to be there could go to the meeting," he said. "It would be like a round-table discussion."

But Segal also said the administration needs to care enough to find out what students think about issues. "Not just open communication, but a desire to find out what we think about financial aid and recruitment is needed," Segal said. "We want a

chancellor who is very sincere in listening. The chancellor represents the interests of the student body, not big business. The chancellor needs to put students in front of the Board of Trustees. This is not the University of IBM."

Martin said he will create a Student Advisory Council comprised of all student leaders to help the chancellor. "With the Student Advisory Council, the chancellor can relay what is coming up in the future and students can give Hardin the earliest possible input," he said.

Randolph said the Student Advisory Council was a positive step toward a unified student voice.

"We want to be sure we are heard on issues like the paving of the Hinton James tennis courts, where we are at odds with other groups," Randolph said.

The best way to establish a tradition of informal communication between the new chancellor and UNC students would be to take him to He's Not Here for a beer and give him a tie-dyed T-shirt, said Brock Winslow, Campus Y co-president.

### Issues that should be addressed

A number of issues exist that Hardin and students can work together to solve, leaders said. These include:

- minority recruitment;
  - the Black Cultural Center;
  - black faculty;
  - expanding black support systems;
  - the perspective system;
  - the conflict between athletics and education;
  - retention scholarships for black students;
  - faculty salaries;
  - the conflict for faculty members between education and research; and
  - parking.
- Don Suggs, CGLA chairman, said

the CGLA would like UNC to establish a nondiscrimination policy that includes sexual orientation, so that a student or professor who is either gay or lesbian cannot be expelled from the University.

"Hardin did say he was a civil libertarian, and most civil libertarians realize that lesbians and gays are discriminated against," Suggs said.

The University currently has no written policy to address sexual discrimination, Suggs said. Last year the anti-discrimination coalition lobbied the administration for a written policy, but administrators did not want it. "Possibly this will change with the new chancellor," Suggs said.

A greater commitment to education is another concern of student leaders.

Students should have more voice in educational policies, Riemann said. "The faculty controls the policy, and students are consulted, but beyond that point, student input is limited."

Students are not consulted when the administration makes its budget requests to the state legislature, Riemann said. Students should also have significant input about faculty salaries and Physical Plant funding, because those issues directly affect them, he said.

The Physical Plant has a backlog of \$56.5 million, according to a recent report.

Fifi Kashani-Sabet, Campus Y co-president, said the University needs to strengthen and re-evaluate academic programs and departments.

"The leadership change is a good chance to step back and look at the University's goals," she said. "We pride ourselves in our reputation, but we can't let it slip. We need to have a clearer idea of where we stand academically and evaluate education more often. We can only change if we know where we stand."

## Budget

subscriptions and search for more patrons and benefactors to raise more money, Sherrill said.

"Raising that much money won't be completely impossible, but it will be close," she said. "We've had to increase everything (subscription and patronage drives) just to make this year's budget."

The committee recommended cuts in specific areas of the organization's

budgets, like printing and publicity costs, stipends, and speaker fees.

Committee members said they decided which areas to cut before the meeting.

"We decreased everybody's speaker fees pretty consistently," said Jurgen Buchenau (Dist. 4). "Those could be cut because most people don't have speakers scheduled yet."

Committee member Brock Dick-

inson (Dist. 13) said, "We committed ourselves before (the meeting) to cutting raises of salaries and stipends."

Bobby Ferris, finance committee chairman, said he was pleased with the committee's work. "I thought it went very well, although both the groups and the committee were a little anxious going in. We didn't make cuts because the groups didn't deserve the money — the money simply wasn't there."

"These are only recommendations, and can be changed. This was sort of a stop-gap measure. We put a little Band-Aid over the budget until Sunday."

Ferris commended the committee's fairness and hard work. "There has been great patience and cooperation between them," he said. "They've been very fair but have also taken care of the strong cutting necessitated by this year's budget crunch."

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