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Tuition may increase, Hardin says

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Chancellor Paul Hardin said recently that he is considering increasing in-state tuition rates to help finance higher faculty salaries and to make various improvements at UNC.

Gillian Cell, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said that Hardin discussed the possible tuition increase at last Thursday's College of Arts and Sciences faculty meeting.

Hardin also discussed the possible increase in an interview for the fall issue of the Carolina Alumni Review. But his secretary said Monday that Hardin told her he had no comment because he does not see it as an issue now.

Dennis O'Connor, acting provost, said Monday that the idea of a tuition increase is still very much in the planning stage. "Nobody's about to run off to the legislature and say, 'Let's raise tuition,'" he said.

In-state tuition for full-time undergraduates is \$252 per semester. The last in-state increase took effect in the 1987-88 school year, when the cost went up \$12 from the previous \$240 per semester.

Out-of-state tuition rates have increased annually for the past several years, and they went from \$2,053 per semester for full-time undergraduates in 1987-88 to \$2,229 per semester in

1988-89.

All in-state tuition increases for colleges in the 16-member UNC system have to be approved by the N.C. General Assembly.

"Increasing tuition is a thought that the chancellor has had, but he is also fully aware that this is not a wealthy state," O'Connor said.

In addition to helping finance higher faculty salaries, an increase might also be used for various projects including renovating science laboratories and improving writing programs across campus, O'Connor said.

Richard Pfaff, secretary of the faculty, attended the faculty meeting last Thursday and also said that any proposal like this would not be used solely for higher faculty salaries. For example, he said, the libraries have many needs, especially in purchasing, and many buildings need improvements.

O'Connor also said he thought UNC's graduate schools would probably be hit harder than the undergraduate programs if any tuition increase is implemented.

Pfaff said that if there were a tuition increase, Hardin's plans call for a percentage of the revenue to be set aside for increased financial aid

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Puttin' on the bricks

Claiborne Baker, a UNC Physical Plant employee, lays bricks Tuesday afternoon in Polk Place near Saunders Hall. The

walkways are being reconditioned in preparation for the installation of Paul Hardin as chancellor on Oct. 12.

New equipment affords extra airtime for STV

By JUSTIN MCGUIRE
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UNC Student Television (STV) has doubled its production capabilities and will produce three new original shows this year with equipment purchased through a temporary increase in student fees, STV officials said Tuesday.

Students voted in February's campus elections to pay \$1 extra in student fees each semester this year, giving STV \$35,000 to buy

equipment.

Mike Isenhour, STV station manager, said the station has purchased that equipment, which will allow them to add considerably to their production possibilities.

STV has purchased a second editing board, two portable video cassette recorders to replace old ones, two new cameras and other assorted equipment with the money, Isenhour said.

"This has made it possible for twice

as many people to do twice as much work," he said.

STV needed the new equipment because of wear and tear on the equipment they already had, he said.

"It had gotten to where the almost 24-hour usage on the equipment was too much," Isenhour said. "The new equipment will take the strain off the old equipment, allowing us to double our production capabilities."

The station will increase its number of original programs from three to

six by the beginning of next semester, Isenhour said.

The station now produces "Off the Cuff," a comedy program; "General College," a soap opera; and "Campus Profile," a news program.

A movie review show that will feature reviews of Union movies is one of the new programs and will be ready to air by the middle of the semester, Isenhour said.

"Sports Talk" will feature coaches and players from non-revenue varsity

sports and should be ready by October, he said.

And a third program still in the works is a campus talk show "sort of like Oprah (Winfrey)," Isenhour said. "It will be a live audience show somewhere on campus featuring people involved with campus issues."

The show should be ready by the beginning of the spring semester, he said.

The extra shows will increase STV's air time, which now airs 6 p.m.

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Rapture '88: Is the end in sight?

By KARI BARLOW
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If this article makes it to print, it means that either the Rapture didn't happen or everyone left reading it is now officially condemned to Hell on Earth.

That's according to Edgar Whisenant's new book "88 Reasons Why the Rapture will be in '88," which says the Rapture should have occurred by sunset Tuesday. The Rapture, which marks the beginning of the end of the world, takes the saints to heaven and leaves everyone else to endure the destruction of the earth.

However, many local ministers say the exact time and date of the Second Coming cannot be mathematically calculated.

"I'm a pastor of one of the most conservative churches in Chapel Hill. No one that I know takes it seriously," said Jim Abrahamson, pastor of the Chapel Hill Bible Church.

"I think that's just astoundingly wrong-headed," said the Rev. Nancy Reynolds Pagano, associate for parish ministry at Chapel of the Cross. "It's irrelevant. The Bible was not meant to be some sort of predictor."

Most of the recent claims about the Rapture involve an inevitable nuclear war which will begin in early October.

"People are probably frightened about nuclear war. They feel powerless. People feel helpless. Maybe they are trying to have some kind of control over it," said Pagano.

"For me, it's kind of an unusual phenomenon," said Bart Ehrman, associate professor in the department of religious studies. "Originally, this arose where there was intense suffering. It was a way of dealing with the problem of intense suffering in a world where God was

in control."

Ehrman said that Whisenant's book was just one in a series of apocalyptic texts.

"This is what typically happens among apocalyptic sects. People have noted how graphic the destruction is in the Bible at the end of time. They try and take the accounts and put them in modern times," he said.

Since the foundation of the state of Israel, people have been more willing to accept certain events as signs of final prophecy, said Lydia

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Campaign to stress past achievements, Price says at kick-off

By LYNN GOSWICK
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Fourth District Congressman David Price stressed education, better economic conditions and leadership in his re-election campaign kick-off celebration Tuesday at the Courtyard in downtown Chapel Hill.

Price, a Democrat who has represented the 4th District for two years, will run against Republican Tom Fetzler in the Nov. 4 general election.

Price said that instead of leaning toward political mudslinging, his eight-week campaign will be about positive achievements during his first term and his aspirations for a second term.

"Nobody has worked harder for education than I have, and I don't believe anybody's likely to," Price said. Making a college education affordable for every family is a main priority, he said.

Along with 3rd District Congressman Martin Lancaster, Price introduced a bill that would make interest on student loans tax-deductible.

"If interest on a loan for a yacht is deductible, then interest on a student loan should be," Price said.

Second on Price's list of priorities was "helping real families on real budgets with real concerns."

"We struggle constantly to provide quality day care for our youngsters,"

he said. "Our older kids have taken part-time jobs. We're tapping family savings to make ends meet. We may be changing or postponing college plans."

"Clearly, the people of the 4th District are working hard, as hard as they can for their families, and I'm going to keep working hard, too."

Price said he would work hard for jobs with good wages, affordable housing with a mortgage that will not hurt the family budget, key investments in the community — roads, airports, and water treatment — and getting the federal deficit under control.

Price said one of his most satisfying acts was introducing a bill that would help young couples afford the downpayment on a new home.

If passed, the bill, co-introduced with Sen. Jim Sasser of Tennessee, will "reduce required downpayments on FHA loans by up to 30 percent," Price said.

"It would bring these mortgages into line with the actual cost of housing," he said.

Finally, this election is about leadership, Price said.

"The people of the 4th District ought to ask, 'Who will be a leader for our district's interests, and who

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Student Stores renovations under way

By JENNY CLONINGER
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The first phase of a \$1.2 million project to renovate UNC Student Stores begins this week, store officials said.

The project will raise the building's specifications to meet Chapel Hill building codes and will reorganize the store's departments, Rutledge Tufts, Student Stores general manager, said Tuesday.

The main entrance to the store, along with part of the Pit, will be blocked off with fences this week and from Sept. 26 until late December or early January, Tufts said.

While the front is closed, patrons can enter the store through an entrance on the side of the building

that faces the Student Union.

Workers will remove asbestos, install fire sprinklers and lighting and build access ramps for handicapped people. Asbestos removal will begin today, Tufts said.

Officials hope to improve the traffic flow through the store and present merchandise more effectively by renovating the store, Tufts said.

Originally, officials wanted to extend sales space by moving the store's entrance to the edge of the Pit, but that proposal was too expensive, he said. Under the present plan, the amount of sales space won't increase much, but departments will be moved and reorganized.

The center of the store will be closed off after Sept. 26, but the store

will continue to operate around the construction, Tufts said.

The existing stairway to the second floor will be dismantled and moved to the right, and half of the opening to the second floor will be enclosed to provide more floor space.

Customer services, the computer department and textbook sales will be located on the second floor after construction is completed, Tufts said.

Officials hope construction will be completed before spring semester.

"We're working very hard to hold the disruption for the January book rush to a minimum," he said.

The Bull's Head Bookshop will be moved from its location at the back of the first floor to the right side. School supplies and art supplies will

occupy the space the book store vacates.

Most of the plate glass windows in front of the store will be covered by an interior wall, Tufts said. The addition will reduce heating and air conditioning costs and stop damage done to merchandise by the sun.

The front doors will be moved from their present position to make them even with the front of the store, Tufts said, and a canopy will be placed over the entranceway.

An access ramp for the handicapped will be built so that wheelchairs can get into the sunken area of the Pit, and the edge of the Pit beside Student Stores will be lighted.

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A fanatic is someone who sticks to his guns whether they're loaded or not. — Franklin P. Jones