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## Etched in stone

Senior class officers watch intently as University employees place the senior class gift, a marble University seal, in the

ground in front of South Building Monday afternoon. The stone weighs 2,000 pounds.

## Parking proposal criticized

By JENNIFER WING  
Staff Writer

Chancellor Paul Hardin told about 50 students during the third parking forum Monday night that he would consider students' proposals when the ad hoc parking committee reconvened later this week.

"I am perfectly certain we will recognize your proposals," Hardin said. He said the committee would probably revise two or three of the proposals based on student suggestions, but would retain several that students do not support.

But according to Student Body President Kevin Martin, if the ad hoc committee's proposal is accepted as it stands, students will lose 350 spaces in addition to a temporary loss of 500 more spaces because of construction.

A major concern students expressed at the forum was the danger faced when walking alone from bus stops to apartments, houses or commuter lots.

Safety precautions will take precedence over any of the other parking issues, Hardin said.

"What terrifies me is that we have to deal with this safety issue," Hardin said. "We have to take human safety

as first priority; what we need is lights, lights, lights."

Student Congress Representative Stephanie Ahlschwede (Dist. 14) said she would only feel safe walking to the bus stops or to her apartment if the faculty also had to deal with this problem.

"I don't understand why faculty does not have to worry about their escort service or strangers on the bus," she said. The faculty needs to experience these fears in order for something concrete to be done, she said.

Stephanie Robinson, a junior from Greer, S.C., said women who live off campus could not rely on a SAFE escort because SAFE does not work with off-campus students. The bus system does not protect students all the way to their apartments, she said.

Harry Gooder, Faculty Council chairman, said because he walked to campus from his house, he has observed the safety problems. "I don't think there is enough parking on North Campus for the faculty, staff and students," he said. "Why not take one of the peripheral parking lots and run a shuttle from North Campus to

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## BSM misses Student Congress funding deadline

By JUSTIN MCGUIRE  
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For the second time in three years, the Black Student Movement (BSM) has missed the deadline to apply for Student Congress funding, congress members said Monday.

The Carolina Course Description, Carolina Quarterly, SAFE Escort and the N.C. Student Legislature (NCSL) are among other groups that received funding last year but won't be eligible during this year's budget process, when congress allocates student activities fees.

There were two deadlines that

groups could have missed in order to not be included in the budget process — the Feb. 10 deadline to apply for funding and the Feb. 3 deadline to be officially recognized by student government. The BSM missed the Feb. 10 deadline.

BSM President Kenneth Perry said Monday that the group would file an appeal with the congress appeals committee. He and BSM Vice President Tonya Blanks declined to comment further.

The BSM also missed the deadline for funding in spring 1987. That year, the group had to wait until the fall

to receive subsequent funding from congress.

Congress Speaker Neil Riemann said to grant an appeal, the appeals committee would have to decide that there was either an error on the part of congress or a fundamental flaw in the filing procedure, Riemann said.

The number of groups missing the deadlines is slightly higher than in past years, Riemann said.

Because the inauguration date of elected officials has been moved back, the congress budget process is earlier this year than in past years, when the final budget hearings were in April.

But Riemann said he didn't think the new time caused the groups to miss the deadlines. "The only groups that should have had the expectation that it would be later are the ones who've been through it before," he said. "And we sent letters notifying groups that went through the process last year."

Riemann said congress had also publicized the deadline through articles and Campus Calendar announcements in The Daily Tar Heel; a sign in Suite C; information sessions; and by mailing reminders to groups that were funded last year.

Most of the groups that missed the deadline have indicated they may appeal.

Susan Hayes, NCSL delegate chairwoman, filed an appeal with congress Monday.

Graduate student Allison Bulsterbaun, editor of the Carolina Quarterly, said she missed the Feb. 3 deadline to be recognized by congress, and she appealed Monday.

"It (the deadline) came unexpectedly early," she said. "I was studying for my Ph.D. oral finals and that is all-time consuming."

She said the group received noti-

fication of the deadlines, but she wasn't expecting it because the budget process was early this year.

The Carolina Course Description has also indicated it is interested in appealing, Riemann said.

Graduate student Bonnie Morris, a former president of the Carolina Course Description who was in charge of filing with congress, said her group missed the deadline through a misunderstanding. She did not file to be officially recognized by student government because she

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## Library officials say budget bills crucial

By AMY WAJDA  
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The UNC library budget proposals must be passed intact by the General Assembly if the library is to overcome losses in purchasing power and sustain its national reputation, library officials said Monday.

"Having suffered purchasing power losses before, this one is crucial to us if we are to continue to maintain the quality of the library," said University Librarian James Govan.

Donald Kennedy, chairman of the administrative board of the library, said international economic conditions have hurt the library.

"It (the proposed budget) is

extremely important for the library because the acquisitions budget for the past couple years has been woefully inadequate," Kennedy said. "We need a very sizable increase to keep up with the losses of the last couple years."

He said, "If the library continues to lose ground, it will affect the University's ability to attract and keep faculty who depend on the library to do their work."

The library's quality is also a factor in attracting graduate students who use library resources for their research, Kennedy said.

"If we are to remain as a research institution, we need to have the books

and journals faculty need to do their work," he said.

One of the two proposals before the General Assembly is a budget for the Academic Affairs Library, which includes all campus libraries except the Law and Health Sciences libraries.

The total fiscal 1989 library budget proposal is \$10,887,173, an increase of \$701,561 from the fiscal 1988 total of \$10,185,612, said Larry Alford, assistant University librarian for planning and finance. The proposed budget for fiscal 1990 is \$11,027,173, an increase of \$140,000 from the fiscal 1989 budget, he said.

The increase for fiscal 1989 would

include an \$356,962 increase in the library materials allocation, bringing that to \$3,633,216, Alford said. The increase for fiscal 1990 would include a \$40,000 increase over the 1989 allocation, raising it to \$3,673,216, he said.

The other proposal, sponsored by the General Administration of the UNC system, would increase the book budgets of libraries on all UNC-system campuses to compensate for a decrease in library purchasing power.

Overseas and domestic inflation and a weaker dollar contribute to the

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## Council hears downtown tax plan

By DANIEL CONOVER  
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Supporters of a plan to levy an additional tax on downtown Chapel

Hill merchants took the first official step toward that goal at the Chapel Hill Town Council meeting Monday night.

Downtown Commission president Joe Hakan said the downtown would benefit from the tax, which would help fund the commission's \$150,000 operating budget.

"We do have problems and we do need solutions, and the Downtown Commission is offering to help solve those problems," Hakan said.

Hakan's proposal would create a special service district in downtown Chapel Hill and Carrboro. Property owners would be assessed at a rate of 7 cents per \$100 of property.

Revenues from the tax, which Downtown Commission co-director Debbie Dibbert estimated at about \$65,000, would be used to operate a free trolley in the downtown and fund

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other downtown revitalization programs.

Hakan and Dibbert said the proposal is popular with downtown merchants.

But council member Joe Herzberg said he had read about opposition to the plan from small businesses, and he suggested that commission members address those concerns.

"I think it's a wonderful thing when citizens come to the council and ask for their taxes to be raised," Herzberg said.

Dibbert said the tax would cost the average downtown business between \$10 and \$15 a month.

But council member David Godschalk said some assessments may be significantly higher. A published

report claimed the tax would place a \$1,200 per month assessment on University Square. Hakan said he was still discussing the tax with some landlords, including NCSL.

Mayor Jonathan Howes asked Hakan whether the proposed special tax district might require an arrangement between Chapel Hill, Carrboro and the Downtown Commission.

"Have you considered the possibility that one government will act and one will not?" Howes said.

Hakan said, "I think we'll have to take that as we go along." The proposal does not require Chapel Hill or Carrboro to relinquish autonomy on spending issues.

Carrboro officials with questions about the specifics of the tax district plan were not necessarily opposed to

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## Bell announces candidacy for SBP

By JENNY CLONINGER  
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Rod Bell, a junior from Miami, has announced his candidacy for student body president.

He is a good choice for the office because he is different from the other candidates and because he plans to work toward goals, not just specific issues, Bell said.

"I'm for direction," he said. "If you want the same kind of leadership we've had in the past, you've got a couple of guys who can offer you that kind of leadership."

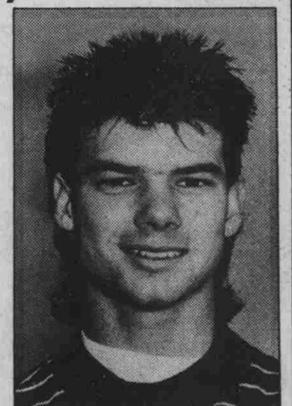
"I can take student government in a different direction. I think that's what the student body needs right now."

Bell's two main goals are to work for better relations between campus leaders and administrators and to make student government less reactive, he said. "We need to be aggressive in our leadership."

Continuity in student government is important, and "keeping talented people in government" would be a part of Bell's administration, he said. Working through campus organizations would help him find talented, experienced leaders to staff the executive branch.

"I don't just want to put my friends in there," he said. "I want to be a leader in the true sense."

Making the campus safer and improving UNC's learning environment are key issues of his platform, Bell said.



Rod Bell

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Improving campus safety stems from student government's aggressive stance, he said. "It's part of not waiting for something to happen."

Designating several paths as main walkways and increasing lighting and patrols there would make heavily used areas of campus safer, he said.

Also, course descriptions, professor and class evaluations, and schedules should be combined and

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### Congress candidates

Attention candidates for Student Congress! If you want to appear on The Daily Tar Heel Student Congress candidates page on Feb. 20, you should go to Union 211 any time between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday or Union 220 any time between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Thursday. You will be interviewed and photographed at this time. Any candidate who can't make these times should contact Justin McGuire at 962-0245 or 962-0246.

Thou art to me a delicious torment. — Ralph Waldo Emerson