

City Police Roundup

In Chapel Hill:

■ A man was bitten on the hand Friday night when he tried to separate two cats that were fighting. The man was not seriously injured.

■ A man told police that he attempted to get gas at Top of the Hill Thursday night. He could not do so because the parking lot was crowded. He parked near the Ackland Art Museum to use the phone, and when he returned his car had been towed. He recovered his car.

■ A woman hit another woman in the face with a beer bottle Friday night at Bub O'Malley's Pub. The woman was not injured.

■ Rite Aid Pharmacy on Franklin Street called police Thursday to arrest a UNC student who had shoplifted two cans of Skoal Snuff valued at \$1.47 each.

■ A resident of Phi Mu Sorority reported hearing a noise in the house's attic Friday. Police found a squirrel in the space but were not able to remove it.

■ A shoplifting incident at Kroger in Kroger Plaza turned into a major arrest for Chapel Hill Police Wednesday.

Leclian Deberry and Ananias Cates of Durham were arrested

and charged with taking nine cartons of cigarettes. Police caught the pair as they were leaving the parking lot.

Deberry was also charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of cocaine. Cates was arrested and charged with possession of a stolen license plate, possession of drug paraphernalia, driving with a revoked license, having no insurance on the vehicle, failure to register the vehicle with the state of North Carolina and displaying a stolen license plate.

Cates was also wanted on a warrant in Durham for failure to appear.

■ A Chapel Hill man told police that someone had placed telephone orders in his name and had also ordered a pizza and cab and locksmith services to his residence. There are no suspects.

■ Some people were throwing oranges from the balcony at Holiday Inn on U.S. 15-501 Wednesday. Police removed the fruit from the highway.

In Carrboro:
No reports were available from Carrboro Monday because of the Easter holiday.

— compiled by Larry Stone

Board rebuffs Pittsboro Street plan

By TRACY LAWSON
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A controversial proposal to extend Pittsboro Street encountered a setback last week when the Chapel Hill planning board voted to recommend removal of the proposal from the town's transportation improvement plan.

The Chapel Hill planning board voted 6-2 to recommend that the proposal be removed from a plan designed to improve town streets.

"The proposal was put on the overall throughway plan for good reasons, and it shouldn't be taken off without careful consideration," planning board member Julian Raney said.

There has been an increase of

traffic in Chapel Hill, especially at the intersection of Columbia Street and Cameron Avenue at the Carolina Inn, Raney said. However, there is no way to increase the size of the intersection without damaging either the Carolina Inn or Peabody Hall.

"It is a good idea to extend the road. Even though I grew up in Pittsboro Street area, I think the road should be extended.

"The area is no longer chiefly residential. It is a very logically thought-out plan," she said.

Chapel Hill Town Council member Nancy Preston said the proposal first appeared before the town council four or five years ago.

"The Department of Transporta-

tion (DOT) proposed the extension as a necessary north-south passage through Chapel Hill," Preston said. "There is so much traffic that goes through Chapel Hill that the Department of Transportation believed it was necessary to have an extra road through the middle of town."

The Alliance of Neighborhoods, a local group started in response to the concerns of rapid development of Chapel Hill, has voiced concerns about the extension project.

"I feel that it was a mistake for the planning board to ever include it (the proposal) in the transportation improvement plan. The DOT is only interested in moving vehicles and putting roads in Chapel Hill,"

Alliance of Neighborhoods' president Margaret Taylor said.

The group also opposes the proposal because the extension will harm the neighborhood located in the north part of Chapel Hill and the atmosphere of downtown Chapel Hill, she said.

"The Northside neighborhood is the oldest black neighborhood in Chapel Hill," Taylor said.

"If the proposal is passed, this middle-class neighborhood, where many people have lived for generations, will be destroyed," she said. "(The proposal) will also destroy the human aspect of downtown Chapel Hill and definitely not make it a place ideal for shopping."

Commencement Information Day set

By DEIRDRE FALLON
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Commencement Information Day, sponsored by the Senior Class of 1989, will be Wednesday in Great Hall from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. to give seniors information they need about commencement and life after graduation.

The event will provide seniors with information about events planned by the Senior Class of 1989 and the University for commencement weekend, said Steve Tepper, senior class president. Information will be avail-

able on various topics including Roger Mudd (the commencement day speaker), parking and hotels for family and friends and how to get caps and gowns, he said.

Every senior should know about finishing up at the University and various things going on during commencement weekend, said Joe McCall, Senior Class Commencement Committee chairman. "We hope a lot of seniors will attend Commencement Information Day," he said. "If a question about commencement can not be answered on

this day, I don't know when it can be."

Although there is no record of how many people attended previous Commencement Information Days, McCall said the event has been successful in the past. "(The Division of) Student Affairs and the Senior Class Office have received many calls about this (commencement)."

McCall said he expects at least 50 percent of the senior class to attend.

Representatives from the following University departments will be present at the event: the University Registrar's office, the Senior Class, the Cashier's Office, University Career Placement and Planning Services, Handicapped Services, Public Information, Student Legal Services, Transportation and Parking Services and University Housing. Dean of Students Frederic Schroeder will also be present.

Information will be provided by the following organizations: Student Stores, the Chapel Hill Chamber of Commerce, the General Alumni Association and the Educational Foundation (Ram's Club).

A video of Roger Mudd's Monday PBS broadcast will be shown throughout the day to give students a representation of the 1989 commencement speaker's work, McCall said.

McCall said he thinks most seniors will probably be interested in the tables for the Student Stores, the Senior Class and the University Registrar because they will give seniors information on caps and gowns, commencement weekend activities and on receiving diplomas after the ceremony.

For students who miss Commencement Information Day, information will also be available in the Pit on April 17 and 18 during Senior Week, McCall said. Follow-up information about Senior Day, May 13, and the finalized plans for the actual commencement ceremony will also be available then.

Kris Roberts, a senior from Wilmington, said she will go to Commencement Information Day. "I'm going so I can learn general commencement information and etiquette."

Great Decisions lecture series to host ambassador to China

His Excellency Han Xu, an ambassador from the People's Republic of China, will speak tonight at 7 p.m. in Hamilton 100 as part of the Great

Decisions lecture series. His speech is titled "China: Redefining the Revolution." The lecture is open to the public.

Training table

contract, said Charles Antle, committee member and associate vice chancellor for business.

Cansler said the athletic department would determine menus and serving times.

William Dux, Carolina Dining

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Service director, said the food service would need more information before commenting on how consolidation would affect the dining service.

But committee members said the Marriott-run service favored taking over the training table. "My understanding from Marriott is that Marriott would be interested in that as part of a food service contract," Johnson said.

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