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Tearing down walls

Marlon Barnes and Kirk Cash disassemble the construction wall Monday afternoon after the reopening of the Pit entrance of the Student Stores.

Condom machine installation OKed

By JASON KELLY
Staff Writer

Condom machines will be installed in the bathrooms of all UNC residence halls and the Student Union by next fall, University officials announced Monday.

The condom machines should be available by fall semester, said Frank Fearington, director of purchases and stores. "The plan is for the machines to be installed by the time students return in the fall. They should be ready by August 15."

The University's AIDS Task Force recommended condom machine installation to the University administration last December. Last week, Student Congress also passed a resolution to support the move, but the final decision still remained the

administration's responsibility.

Frederic Schroeder, dean of students, said the availability of health-related materials was crucial for disease prevention. "Any disease-prevention mechanism is only as effective as it is available. The reason we need these machines is that some people are not as comfortable going into the snack bar to purchase condoms as they would be a rest room."

Residence Hall Association President Liz Jackson said the installation of the machines was a good cooperative effort between the administration and the student body.

"I think it's a real positive step forward. The decision speaks highly of the respect the administration has for students. I hope the machines

won't be abused. People should respect the intent with which they will be installed."

Fearington said the location of condom machines would be a cooperative decision. "The housing department and Vice Chancellor (Donald) Boulton will determine where the machines go with the help of student government."

Wayne Kuncl, director of housing, said the administration had asked his staff for recommendations about where to install the machines.

"The machines will be installed in public bathrooms dispersed evenly through the residence halls and the Student Union. The condom machines, like all other vending

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Marriott turns profit for first time at UNC

By RHETA LOGAN
Staff Writer

Marriott Corp., UNC's food service company, has earned a profit at the University for the first time since it came here three years ago, Marriott officials said Monday.

Marriott's UNC operation earned a profit of \$40,000 to \$50,000 at UNC in the fiscal year that ended in December 1988, said William Dux, Carolina Dining Services director.

This is only the third time in the past 12 years that a UNC food service has earned a profit, said Tom Shetley, Auxiliary Services director.

Marriott has also recouped losses it experienced during its first year of

operation at UNC, Dux said. These losses were one-time opening costs Marriott had to pay when it came to UNC in May 1986.

The profit is a result of increased sales, Dux said. Marriott will earn more than \$5 million in sales this fiscal year, whereas ARA food service had reached only \$3.2 million in sales when Marriott replaced it in 1986.

New food service features, such as the Union Station in the Student Union, may be part of the reason for the sales increase, Dux said. "We've tried to stay in tune with what the customer is looking for."

Marriott had hoped to make a profit here during the second fiscal

year, but the time needed to adapt to sales fluctuations typical of a campus environment prevented that, Dux said.

Dux said he did not know how the proposed consolidation of the food services contract and the athletic concessions contract, now held by Oden food services, would affect Marriott's future profit-making abilities.

"I don't know the terms of the new contract, so I don't know what the net effect of the two services will be," he said.

But Shetley said he thought the

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Rosemary Square plan abandoned after 5-year debate

By BLAKE DICKINSON
Staff Writer

After five years of delays and controversy, the debate over Rosemary Square ended Monday as developers announced the project's cancellation at the Chapel Hill Town Council meeting.

"Our conclusion is that our project cannot be built as a conventional hotel in the allotted time, nor can it be built as a condominium project in that time," said James Adams, president of Algernon Blair Group Inc. and executive officer of The Rosemary Group Inc.

"There is no sense in putting the city, nor us, into a protracted ending."

The Rosemary Square agreement between the town and the developers of the controversial hotel/condominium/parking complex was referred to Town Manager David Taylor for final consideration.

The development would have been constructed behind the Franklin Street post office at the corner of Rosemary and Henderson streets.

The brief presentation by Adams to the town council ended the project, conceived in 1985 as a remedy to the town's lack of parking.

After five extensions of the closing date deadline, the addition of two development companies to the original project team and alterations in the project's financial plan, the town will have to re-examine plans for downtown development and revitalization.

"The question before the town council is: 'How do they see their downtown area?'" Adams said. "Do they want office buildings? Do they want retail? The city of Chapel Hill has some tough decisions to make."

Adams, speaking for the Algernon Blair Group, Airco Equity Interest

and the project's original development firm, Fraser Morrow Daniels, said his firm would like to help the town in considering alternative sites for a downtown hotel, retail development and parking deck.

"We hope that y'all would want to do more business with us," Adams said.

The slow rate of sales of the condominium-hotel units and the \$145,000 to \$165,000 cost to investors of hotel rooms caused the Rosemary Group to rethink its commitment. Facing a Sept. 30 closing deadline, which the town council stipulated as

the termination date of the agreement between the town and the developers if not met, the developers opted to abandon the project.

"You (the town council) have been very kind to us," Adams said. "We were not going to drag you out to the end."

If the town council found it hard, after the years of involvement, to accept the development's demise, Adams said, imagine how the developers felt after spending more than \$250,000 on the project.

"We do appreciate your interest in our community," Mayor Jonathan

Howes said. "But economics and time passed us by until the project wouldn't work."

The presence of a hotel would add to the vitality of the downtown, Adams said. But the cost and extent of the Rosemary Group's project, along with the uncertainty of direction by the town, had doomed Rosemary Square.

Still, Adams said, shortcuts would not have made the project a reality.

"Frankly, we didn't think that cheapening the project was the thing to do — not that Chapel Hill did, either."

Faculty pay not up to par

Editor's Note: This is the first of three articles examining the problem of low faculty salaries and poor benefits at UNC.

By WILL SPEARS
Staff Writer

UNC is in danger of losing its reputation as one of the premier institutions of higher education in the nation.

Low faculty salaries and poor benefits are drawing some of the top teachers and researchers away from the University, and the problem may get worse, according to faculty members.

"Our faculty salaries are not competitive with other research

Faculty in Flight

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universities," said Harry Gooder, chairman pro tem of the faculty council. "Undoubtedly, we are having trouble recruiting faculty of the caliber that UNC has been able to recruit in the past because of the salary structure."

The problem has hit UNC's academic departments hard, and some department heads fear they will not be able to retain quality faculty much longer.

"I am (able to keep faculty members who get other offers) right now, but I'm right on the edge," said Richard Richardson, chairman of the political science department. "I may be able to stop others (from leaving), or I may not be. My feeling is that I'm hanging on the edge."

UNC's reputation as a leading research university is in jeopardy because of low base pay for its faculty, according to the Board of Visitors Task Force Report on Compensation at UNC-CH from June 1988. The board is a 120-member service organization created by the Board of Trustees (BOT) to advise the chancellor and the BOT in University affairs.

"Our university cannot continue to rank in the 90th-plus percentile of major research universities in the country while being in the 60-79th percentile in base pay," the report

said.

The University's rank in base salary as compared to its peer institutions has been slipping since 1980, according to the report. In 1980, between 5 percent and 20 percent of UNC's peer universities paid their faculty a higher base salary. By 1986, between 20 and 40 percent paid a higher base salary.

In 1980, UNC ranked between 10th and 25th in base pay among peer institutions nationally. By 1986, however, 69 of 172 comparable institutions topped UNC's faculty base pay, according to the report.

The average base salary for a UNC faculty member — professor, associate professor, assistant professor and instructor — for the 1986-87 academic year was \$42,100, compared to \$54,600 at the University of California at Berkeley, \$38,100 at N.C. State University and \$47,200 at Duke University, the report said.

Correcting UNC's faculty pay problems is in the hands of the N.C. legislature, Gooder said. "Most of the things that need doing can't be done by the University. We need legislative action."

There is no way to determine when the legislature will reach a decision concerning state salaries, Gooder said. "They will make a decision before they go home. But I have no way of determining what, if anything, they'll do about state salaries."

The legislature could reach a decision as early as June, Gooder said.

Gooder said the administration has done all it can to make the legislature

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Warming up to the issue

Steve Mumford, president of the Center for Research on Population Security, speaks Monday on the greenhouse effect in a Pit forum sponsored by the Student Environmental Action Coalition.

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Omit needless words. — W. M. Strunk