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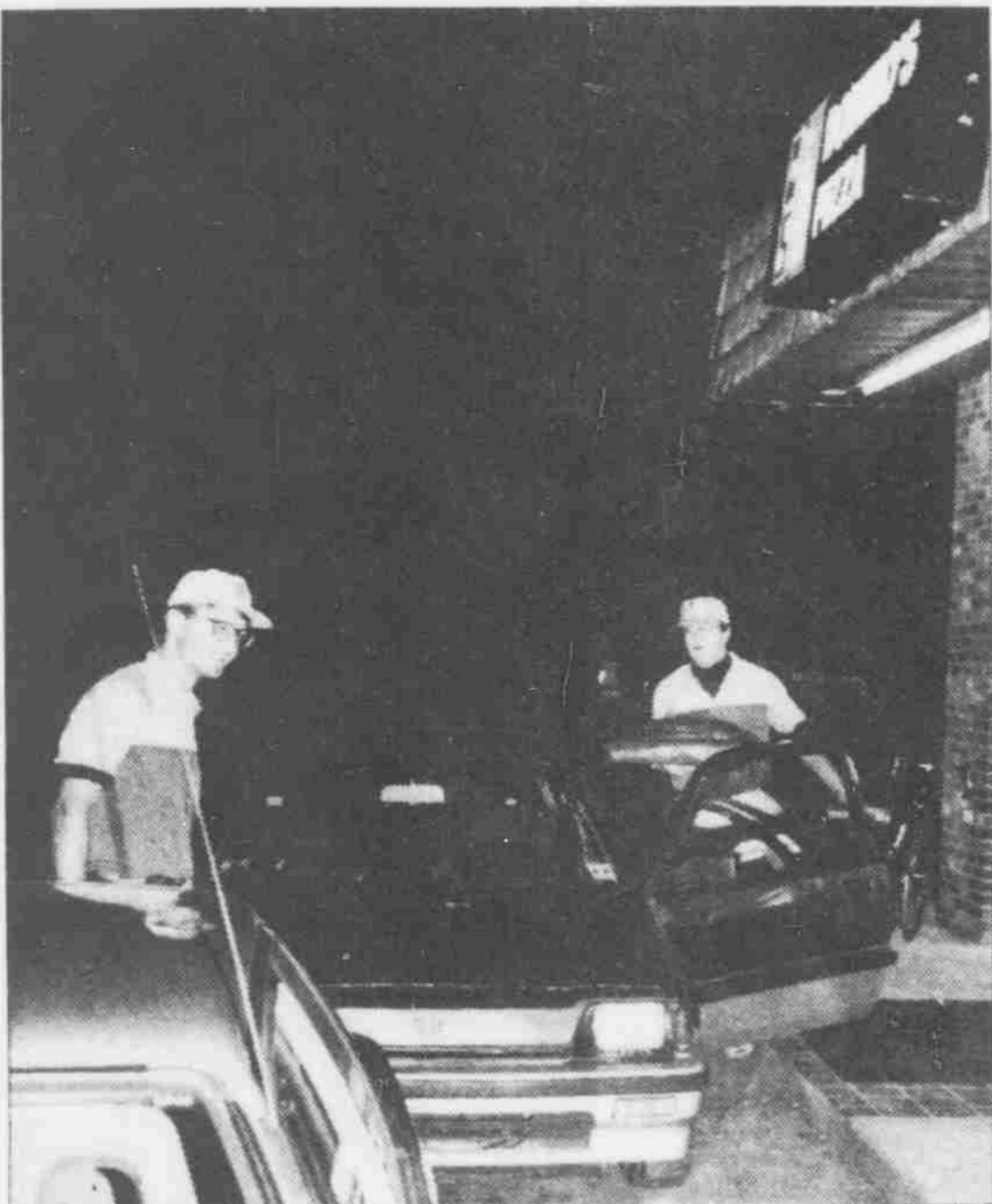
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Decisions, decisions

3 pizza delivery companies win meal card contract



Rob Lee and Larry Hays deliver Domino's pizzas Saturday

By STACEY KAPLAN
Staff Writer

Students can charge pizza delivered from Domino's, Pizza Hut and Gumby's to their meal cards starting today, according to Chris Derby, director of Carolina Dining Services.

Checker's, University Pizza and Crusty's also met the Dec. 1 deadline for bids, but they did not receive contracts with the Marriott Corporation, which runs Carolina Dining Services.

The decision was made last month by Derby and the Food Services Advisory Committee based on taste tests, on-site evaluations and evaluation of the businesses' proposals, Derby said. "Selection of the three was the result of careful evaluation of all aspects of the evaluation process."

The contracts will run through June 30, when Marriott will evaluate the services provided, Derby said.

"The dominant issue was to provide students with the best possible pizza delivery service on the meal plan, and we feel we've accomplished this."

Domino's has had an exclusive contract with Marriott to deliver pizzas purchased using the meal card; this is the first time other businesses have also received contracts.

"We (Domino's) did an excellent job last semester, and we will continue to do so," said Randy Easter, district manager for the Sheffy Corporation, the owner of the local Domino's.

He said Domino's expected to lose some meal card orders to Pizza Hut and Gumby's due to their receiving contracts. "But only time will tell."

Jim Caramello, the owner of N.C. Gumby's, said the extra paperwork involved with using meal cards is definitely worth the increase in business.

"It should give us a fairly good increase of orders on campus, as much as 15 to 20 percent overall."

Scott Poland, manager of the Pizza Hut on Franklin Street, said students would benefit because they will have choices. "Students can make their own decisions now that it is not so monopolized."

Checker's Pizza went out of business Dec. 27 as a result of not receiving a meal card contract, said Al Vittaro, one of the owners. He said it just was not worth competing any longer with the other pizza businesses.

"The sharks ate us up," Vittaro said.

University Pizza owner Doug Hampton said his business would not be drastically affected by not receiving a contract because he offers other products in addition to pizza. "Pizza sales will be tougher to come by, but it won't hurt us as much as those who only have pizza."

Students seemed pleased to be given choices for pizza delivery using their meal cards.

Joey Janzen, a freshman from Charlotte, said he would probably use his meal card more often now that he is not forced to order from Domino's. "Personally, I don't like Domino's, but now I can order from a different place."

Geoff Newman, a freshman from Concord, Mass., also said he would use his meal card more frequently. "It gives us more options, especially for people who live on South Campus."

Checker's closes after losing bid

By TOM PARKS
Business Editor

Doug Hampton is still mad. Al and Rudy Vittaro are going out of business.

The two Vittaro cousins closed down Checker's Pizza Dec. 27, five days after learning Marriott had turned down the business' offer to become a part of the meal card pizza plan.

"Rather than struggle with it, we decided to close," Rudy Vittaro said Monday.

And Hampton, owner of University Pizza, said Monday that he had been very optimistic about the chances of Marriott accepting his bid, one of six made in November.

"I was positive we were going to get a share of it."

Hampton said he was told that University Pizza had done very well in the student taste tests Marriott conducted, and he was confident that his delivery guarantee — delivered within 33 minutes or no charge — was as good as any made by Domino's, Gumby's or Pizza Hut, the three companies whose bids Marriott accepted. And, like the other bidders, Hampton had agreed to pay 18 percent of his meal card receipts to Marriott.

As the Vittaros and Hampton see it, there is only one real difference between the companies whose bids were accepted and those whose weren't.

"They didn't give it to any independents; they gave it to chains," Rudy Vittaro said.

Domino's, Pizza Hut and Gumby's are all franchises in either national or regional chains.

Chris Derby, director of Marriott's Carolina Dining Services, said Friday that the proposals were accepted or rejected on the basis of an on-site evaluation, the quality of the pizza as judged by taste tests, service and delivery quality, and an evaluation of the business' proposal.

In addition, Marriott would require the pizza companies to use 100 percent dairy cheese and use specific accounting practices.

Derby said he was not free to talk about the specific reasons why one business was taken over another. "That's proprietary information."

But Marriott does not expect an increase in the amount of meal card pizza business now that there are three pizza delivery businesses available and not just one, Derby said.

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Shortened NCAA seasons draw favorable response

By JANNETTE PIPPIN
Staff Writer

In light of last week's vote to shorten the college basketball season and spring football practice, NCAA member institutions are enthusiastic about the move to improve the state of academics and athletics, but they say the decision is more symbolic than practical.

The third day of the NCAA Convention, which began Jan. 7 in Dallas, was dominated by a debate on Proposition 30, an attempt by school presidents to reduce time demands on athletes. The proposal gained approval from convention delegates only after a compromise was made on the final version.

Effective Aug. 1, 1992, basketball's regular season will be limited to 25

games, a reduction of three games. The proposition also would delay the start of basketball practice from Oct. 15 to Nov. 1, and the first official game to Dec. 1. Spring football practice has been reduced from 20 sessions to 15, with 10 involving contact drills and scrimmages. Originally, the proposal called for basketball practice to begin Nov. 20 with the first game on Dec. 20 and spring football practice to be reduced to 10 days.

Division I delegates, at first planning to send the proposal to study, angered the President's Commission when they approved the less severe measure by a 206-116 vote. The Atlantic Coast Conference vote was 6-2, with Duke and Georgia Tech opposed.

ACC Commissioner Gene Corrigan said he was pleased with the convention results.

"Athletics has become almost too big. It was time to take a step back. The athletes don't have much time to be students, and this may give them a chance to take in more of that (academic) culture."

But athletic officials at various ACC schools argue the rule change will not be effective.

"Football wise, five days is not a substantial change," said Tom Butters, Duke athletic director. "If home games are the ones eliminated in basketball, the seven and a half hours of free time is only a small amount of time."

Joe Robinson, recruiting coordinator for the UNC football team, said he felt the change would only be disruptive. He said reducing practice by five days was not extreme enough to make a difference in the area of academics.

"It's not that I disapprove, I just don't understand it."

The time demand now placed on UNC football players is not something that he sees as a problem. By having to structure their schedule to fit time constraints, students do better academically, Robinson said.

"Spring ball all over the country is going well. Why mess up something that is working?"

Both Robinson and Butters said the solution to improving the combination of athletics and academics is going to have to come from other areas.

"All of this is in response to growing national concern over low graduation rates," Butters said. "The answer to that is not going to come in 27 games, 26 games or 25 games; it's going to have to come from admissions accepting qualified student athletes."

UNC Athletic Director John Swoford said he did not think Proposition 30 in its present form would create dramatic change, but he said the University supported the move because of its purpose of reform.

"Maybe more important than the reduction in games and practice time is what is trying to be accomplished symbolically. It has the effect nationally of keeping things in perspective."

UNC men's basketball coach Dean Smith agreed.

"I think the President's Commission felt they politically had to do something to show they were involved. Coaches, being the way they are, will still try to get in the same number of practice hours before a game."

NCAA officials said the time demand placed on athletes was an issue that could not be ignored.

"Too great a demand is placed on student athletes," said Rick Evvard, director of NCAA legislative services.

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UNC destroys UVa 92-70 behind Williams' 31 points

By DAVE GLENN
Senior Writer

While the colorful chants of 21,017 filled the spacious Smith Center early Saturday afternoon, the words of Scott Williams echoed through the tunnel outside the North Carolina locker room.

It turned out to be tunnel vision, you might say — as in focused energy.

Williams, the Tar Heels' 6-foot-11 senior center, yelled about emotion and intensity — two things he thought his team lacked in a disappointing 98-88 loss at Maryland that opened an oh-so-difficult 1990 Atlantic Coast Conference schedule.

Then, when he was through talking a good game, Williams went out and played a great one.

After notching 31 points and sparking a stingy North Carolina defense, Williams was back up and yelling about the frenzied Tar Heels' 92-70 thrashing of the Virginia Cavaliers. "Whenever we play hard, we win," Williams said. "Whenever we're lackadaisical, we lose. It's all in our attitude."

With the attitude adjustment and the win, the Tar Heels upped their record to 11-6, 1-1 in the ACC. Virginia dropped to 8-4, 0-3 in conference play.

UNC's Rick Fox said it was a fired up Tar Heel squad that burst onto the court for pre-game warmups. "We thought we were ready to play at Maryland, but we were quiet," Fox said. "We're the kind of team that has to be emotional and enthusiastic to play well."

So who said the magic words in the tunnel prior to the game? "It was more than one person, but let's just say Scott is our most emotional player," Fox said.

But Williams — and just about everyone else, including Virginia head coach Terry Holland — was a little surprised at his individual performance on the court. When told of his statistics after the game in the Tar Heel locker room, Williams' face lit up. "I didn't miss today?"



Pete Chilcutt and the Tar Heels bowled over UVa. Saturday

No, Scott, you didn't.

Indeed, from buzzer to buzzer Williams was amazing, almost perfect. In only 23 minutes of play against the smallish Cavs, he hit 12 of his field goal attempts, canned seven of eight free throws, grabbed six rebounds and blocked three shots. The 12-of-12 per-

formance from the floor fell one short of UNC alum Brad Daugherty's NCAA record 13-for-13 showing against UCLA in 1985.

At one point, Williams accidentally deflected the ball behind his

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Bibbs enters race for SBP position

By JASON KELLY
Staff Writer

Mark Bibbs, a sophomore political science and speech communication major from Kings Mountain, has announced his candidacy for student body president.

Bibbs said the theme of his campaign would be "a commitment to service." In serving the student body, Bibbs said he has targeted four areas of student needs: food services, financial services, educational services and student services.

"In each area I've found problems that haven't been covered and really need to be addressed."

The downtown meal card, which would be usable at Franklin Street restaurants, is high on Bibbs' list of priorities. "We need (a) variety of quality food at a reasonable price because the food we eat is important to the students' health. I will try to push for the downtown meal card. I have been working with other agencies and the Downtown Commission, and I think it's a feasible plan."

Bibbs said he wanted to change the adviser system to help students. The University should have full-time advisers who could concentrate on students' needs without the pressures of teaching and research involved in the present system in which advisers are also professors, he said.

"A lot of students don't trust their adviser or can't find their adviser when they need them. Many times they are not advising in their area of specialty. We need to have more personal contact."

Bibbs said he supported increased salaries for graduate assistants. The



Mark Bibbs

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quality of the University's graduate students directly affects the whole student body, he said.

He said he wants to have the Cashier's Office moved to a bigger place with longer hours so that more people could get through quickly.

Bibbs, a Student Congress representative (Dist. 12), is chairman of the Student Congress Rules and Judiciary committee. He is also the director of the North Carolina Inter-campus Government Association and a member of the Human Services Advisory Board of Chapel Hill.

Attention all candidates! Watch this space for race info

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How could I possibly be expected to handle school on a day like this. — Ferris Beuller