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Restrictions on art grants reconsidered

WASHINGTON — The House moved toward a vote Thursday on a bill that would scrap explicit anti-obscenity curbs on the National Endowment for the Arts and instead penalize grant recipients later convicted of violating obscenity laws.

Supporters predicted passage of the measure after months of controversy over public financing of art considered by some to be offensive.

Conservatives led by Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif., fought to muster opposition to the bipartisan compromise bill that would extend the NEA's statutory authority for three years, without any restrictions on the kinds of art eligible for federal subsidies.

"Let's quit wasting money on pornography and sacrilegious art," Rohrabacher urged House colleagues in advance of floor action on the NEA

But Rep. Pat Williams, D-Mont., the bill's floor manager, predicted that the compromise he negotiated with Republican Rep. E. Thomas Coleman of Missouri would win votes of a "significant majority" of House members.

The Williams-Coleman bill would drop the detailed anti-obscenity restrictions that Congress imposed on the NEA a year ago at the urging of Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C. The measure would shift from the endowment to the courts the burden of deciding whether NEAsupported works are obscene.

School revises pledge to condemn abortion

LORAIN, Ohio - A Roman Catholic high school has amended the Pledge of Allegiance by adding the word "unborn" to reflect church opposition to

Some students at Lorain Catholic High School reportedly are unhappy about the change, which adds, after "liberty and justice for all," the words "for the born and unborn."

"What's really upsetting, they are trying to make us believe what they believe about abortion," said one 17year-old student who declined to be identified. "But most of us here think it's a woman's right to choose."

Joanne Miller, Lorain Catholic principal, defended the move as appropriate.

"We are a Catholic school and therefore our philosophy is one of prolife," she said. "(The pledge change) was suggested to us. It does not go against our philosophy."

ANC accuses de Klerk of breach of faith

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa-The African National Congress accused President F.W. de Klerk of negotiating in bad faith Thursday and warned of a renewed armed struggle if peace talks

A government minister, meanwhile, criticized an ANC leader's statement that the organization was continuing to recruit fighters for its suspended armed struggle.

ANC spokesman Sakkie Macozoma told a news conference that the government reneged on an agreement to release only a joint statement after Monday's meeting between de Klerk and ANC deputy president Nelson

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256 fewer spring sections scheduled

By MARCIE BAILEY Staff Writer

About 256 fewer class sections will be offered this spring than were offered last spring semester because of budget cuts, administrators said Thursday.

Departments had planned to teach fewer classes this spring in anticipation of budget reductions, but classes probably will not be canceled as they were this semester, said David Lanier, University Registrar.

The Registrar's Office is unsure what will happen because of the elimination of sections, Lanier said.

Administrators do not know which class sections have been eliminated, or whether the eliminated classes will be those highly requested by students, he

Scheduling should not be a problem, even with the cuts. If class sections are cut, they may not be very significant and may not include sections students generally are concerned about, Lanier

This semester, the number of class sections was reduced by 395. More sections were deleted because departments had not prepared for large slashes in the budget.

Although the number of fall classes was reduced by 395, only 30 class sections were canceled after students received their schedules, he said.

The number of students who enrolled at the University and the number who went through drop-add this fall was

consistent with past years, which shows students have little cause for worry, Lanier said.

"There may not be any class sections canceled (for spring)," he said. "It is difficult to analyze the impact of this until students sign up for classes. We just never know.'

Students have not had severe scheduling problems in the past because more than 8,000 classes are offered each semester and about 5,500 classes are filled, Lanier said.

For spring, a lower number of classes was set as the initial target because administrators knew about budget cuts,

Departments are not sure if they will have to cut sections.

Lawrence Gilbert, biology department chairman, said he would not know the details about the section cuts until the department received its final budget.

"We are trying hard not to cancel any classes," he said. "Unless something else happens, we will pretty much keep to the original schedule."

Jane Lindley, history department administration manager, said the department cut some classes in the summer when they were planning the year's budget. The department is not planning to cut any sections for the spring, she

Joseph Flora, English department chairman, said the department would be unable to add some basic English classes

sophomores usually took because of budget limitations. In the past, the department offered the courses in response to student needs.

"Our priority is to provide for required basic (freshman) English classes, and we were able to do that," Flora said.

Similar to this fall, fewer classes will be offered this spring than last, which will result in fewer spaces for students,

He is uncertain about specific problems the section cuts will pose and how the cut classes and new telephone registration system will fare together, Flora

"It is coming at a time of adjustment on two scores," he said.

Literacy directors awarded by Bush

By APRIL DRAUGHN

Two of President George Bush's points of light are shining at the Uni-

Bush presented his daily Thousand Points of Light award to Clay Thorp and Lisa Madry Wednesday morning at Raleigh-Durham International Airport. Thorp and Madry are employed by Campus Y's Student Coalition for Action in Literacy Education (SCALE). They are co-directors of the program.

Thorp and Madry received the award for their involvement with SCALE, which they formed in November 1989. SCALE is a national network, involving 400 campus groups of college students, administrators and faculty in literacy projects.

The Thousand Points of Light award is presented by President Bush daily to a group or person involved in community service.

The award came as a surprise, Thorp

The Office of National Service called Thorp and Madry Tuesday to tell them the president would recognize them as the 270th daily Point of Light.

President Bush usually does not present the award personally, but because he was attending a fund raiser for Sen. Jesse Helms in Raleigh, he took the time to meet Thorp and Madry when he gave them the award, Thorp said.

Meeting Bush was exciting, Thorp

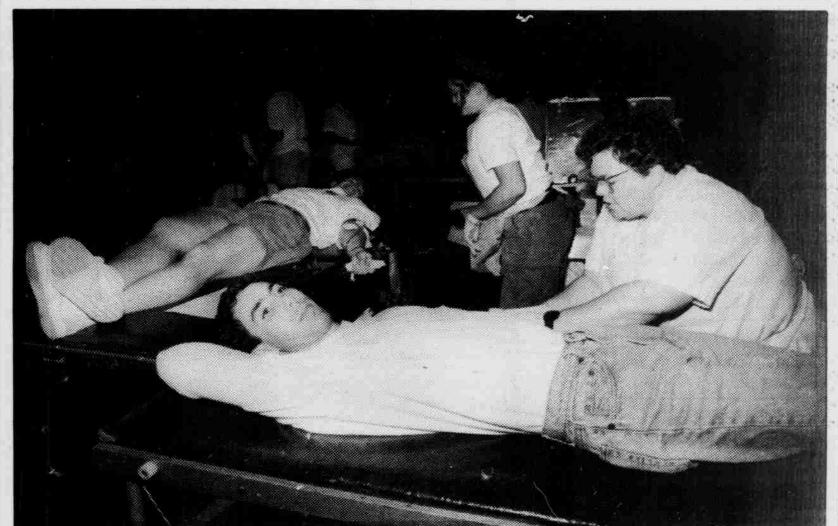
"He was good at making us feel at ease," he said. "He was a nice, warm

Madry said when she met the president he had a "sort of pat-you-on-theback attitude."

Thorp and Madry presented Bush with SCALE buttons for him and Barbara Bush, Thorp said. Bush told them about the first lady's involvement in literacy programs, Thorp said.

Thorp said the Thousand Points of Light program was a good way to promote volunteer service, but the program's financial support for community service programs was not suf-

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Lifesavers

Senior Max Weiss, a psychology major from Durham, donates at the Bloodmobile, sponsored by Henderson Residence College, in the Union Wednesday afternoon. See story, page 4.

Students seek SAFE alternatives to escort service

By JENNY BURRIS

Staff Writer

Some students are discovering that finding a safe way home is not as easy as they think.

Freshman Scotti Thomas, who lives in Spencer Residence Hall, was on South Campus last week about 8:30 p.m. and needed a safe way back to North Cam-

She tried to call SAFE (Student Averting Frightening Encounters) escort service, but the University operator told her they weren't in service, Thomas said. The operator told her to call University police, who would be happy to help her. "When I called University police and

told them where I was and where I

needed to go, they said, 'Sorry, catch a bus," Thomas said. "All through orientation and my first weeks at Carolina, it was stressed that we should not ever walk alone," she said. "It seems ironic that the same

walking alone told me to catch a bus." Maj. Bob Porreca, support services commander of University police, said University police urged students to use

people who were scaring me into not

public transportation as often as they

The University police can only give rides to students in emergency situations, he said. If University police were to pick up anyone that called for a ride, it would interfere with other police force duties, he said.

"The University subsidizes the public transportation system so heavily to provide students with a way to get around," Porreca said. "We only have so many people. We can't provide a taxi service.'

Many students also depend on SAFE

escort to get home safely. The service cause they want to develop a program has posters on campus stating it will begin operation in mid-October.

Kathleen Benzaquin, SAFE's adviser and associate dean of students, said the program probably will not begin services until the end of October. "This year the service, for liability

reasons, is real strong and under the leadership of the University," Benzaquin

SAFE escort is undergoing reorganization so it can become a more dependable program. The process is taking longer than organizers planned bethat will not be restructured every year,

Misse Larsen, a freshman business administration major, said she was unhappy SAFE escort had not begun operation.

"It's a hassle to find someone to walk you home," she said. "The guys feel obligated to walk with you because SAFE escort is not in service yet. There is no other way for you to get home

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Budget crises nothing new to University

By SHANNON O'GRADY Staff Writer

"The situation of the University is a distressing one, and the more so, as it is not likely to be soon capable of any remedy, being the necessary consequence of legislative hostility to the institution."

These words may sound familiar, but they were written in 1805 by William Davie, UNC's founding father. The budget problems the University is experiencing are not the first, as this letter indicates.

After the Civil War

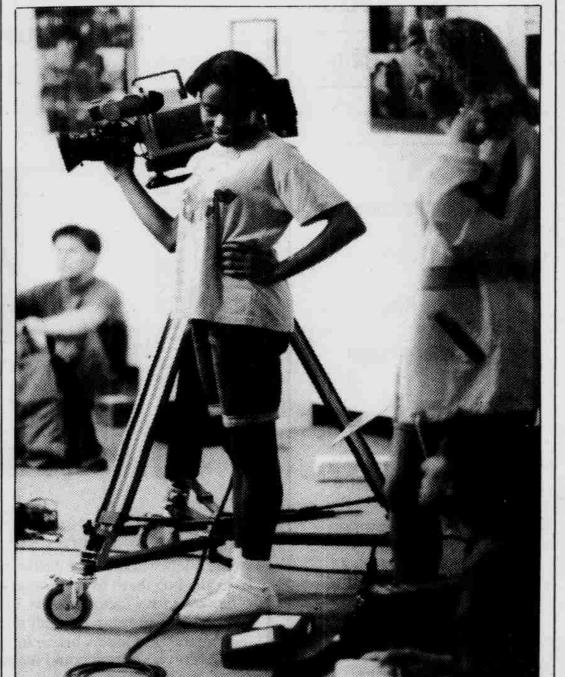
The University was closed during the Civil War and reopened in 1870, said Kevin Cherry, a UNC graduate student. When it reopened, the University received minimal funding from the state. The main source of funding from the state came from unclaimed estates of deceased North Carolinians, he said.

If no one claimed an estate, the University was allowed to sell the land and retain the profits of the sale. "That is how the University stayed open,"

The University had to depend almost entirely on student tuition to supplement the state's funding. Administrators could not hire any new faculty members until they had an exact count of student enrollment, he said.

"They had to make sure they had enough tuition money to pay a new

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Lights, camera ... oops!

Camerawoman Regina Underwood smiles at sound technician Julie Manushkin while filming "General College" Wednesday night in the Union.

Duke policy limits keg parties to three nights

By MICHELLE RABIL

Duke students can tap the keg at

Fridays and Saturdays after November. A new policy prohibits the distribution of alcohol on campus except on those days. Because fraternities at Duke are located in campus residence halls,

fraternity parties only on Thursdays,

they will be subject to the restriction. William Griffith, Duke vice president of student affairs, said a committee of students, administrators and faculty decided on the policy. Incidents of alcohol abuse on campus prompted the formation of the policy. Students' welfare and University liability resulting from alcohol abuse were considerations in making the policy.

When the drinking age was raised to 21 in 1986, the committee was formed to recommend "appropriate policies for the University," Griffith said. "There was a general perception in later years that we'd have some problems with alcohol abuse. We felt now was a good time to evaluate the situation and suggest changes."

Suzanne Wasiolek, dean of student life and a member of the committee, said the policy was needed because students were not adhering to the former alcohol policy. "It was too complicated and students

didn't enforce it," she said. "We wanted an easier policy to understand with external enforcement to address the issue The old policy stated that if a fraternity

or sorority had more than one guest per member, no alcohol could be served,

on Thursday nights, because the University's noise policy is in effect during the week until 5 p.m. Friday. "We expect a period of adjustment," Wasiolek said. "There will be confusion between the two policies but we hope

Wasiolek said. It also stated that if more

than 200 people were attending a party

in a non-residential facility, the party

had to be registered and no alcohol

The new policy is tougher, especially

could be served.

over the long term it will be successful." Lauren Womble, president of the Panhellenic Council and a member of the alcohol policy task force, said she had mixed feelings about the policy, even though she supported it.

"It was a compromise because half of the administration wanted to ban all alcohol distribution, but students said that would never work," she said. A no-distribution policy invites

drinking and driving because there are no big bars in Durham. "At least this way students will be on campus when they're abusing alcohol," Womble said.

"We've had overly high incidents of abuse," she said. "It scares me when people drink to obliteration three times a week. Alcoholism is no joke when it's how you spend your free time. It's a reflection of society; people need alcohol as a social lubricant." The new policy will give students a .

chance to try alternatives to drinking for. fun, Womble said. Some people are afraid that limiting drinking to three days a week might increase the amount

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