

## CAMPUS and CITY

# First Caroline users experience difficulties



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### Fraternity to sponsor Halloween party

A Halloween party will be held in the Black Cultural Center for Head Start children from Carrboro and Chapel Hill. Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, Inc. will sponsor the party Oct. 31.

### Hettleman winner to speak on biology

Pauline Kay Lund, associate professor of physiology and a 1990 winner of the Phillip and Ruth Hettleman Prize for Artistic and Scholarly Achievement, will speak Nov. 8.

The lecture, "Molecular Biology of Insulin-Like Growth Factors," will be held at 4 p.m. in the faculty lounge of the Morehead Building. The lecture is free and open to the public.

### Phone book recycling stations in Union

The Office of Waste Reduction and Recycling will collect old University telephone books from campus buildings Oct. 31-Nov. 6.

The recycling office will collect the books from central locations in each academic department as copies of the new University directories arrive. Department heads are asked to identify a place for collection and to notify faculty and staff of the recycling effort.

Department heads should call Rhonda Sherman-Huntton, recycling coordinator, when collections are complete.

Students also are encouraged to deposit their old telephone books in bins placed in the Student Union.

### UNC receives grant to benefit programs

UNC received a \$295,000 grant from the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation in Winston-Salem.

The grant will support UNC's Program for Minority Advancement in the Biomolecular Sciences, the School of Social Work, the Environmental Resource Project and the College of Arts and Sciences.

### Snack Bar relocates to Mason Farm Road

The Celsus Snack Bar on campus will move Nov. 5 from the corner of Manning Drive to Mason Farm Road, next to the Glaxo Building.

The store was located on Manning Drive for nine years. The bar is moving because the new Thurston Bowles research building is being built on the site.

The Celsus' reopening will include daily food specials for customers, and prizes.

### Lifetime achievement recipients named

A former UNC chancellor and one of the oldest practicing lawyers in North Carolina received Lifetime Achievement Awards from the School of Law during Alumni Weekend, Oct. 19-20.

The recipients were William B. Aycock, chancellor emeritus and Kenan law professor emeritus, and Katherine R. Everett, a Durham attorney who, at age 97, is one of the oldest practicing attorneys in the state.

Aycock, a 1948 graduate of the School of Law, retired as a full-time faculty member in 1985. He was chancellor of the University from 1957-64.

Everett is a 1920 graduate of the School of Law and was the fourth woman licensed to practice law in North Carolina. She was active in the women's suffrage movement and became one of the first two women to hold a seat on the Durham City Council.

By MATTHEW MIELKE  
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Students experienced technical problems with Caroline, the new telephonic registration system, this weekend, but there are ways students can minimize their frustrations.

Some students complained of receiving repeated busy signals, being put on hold for long periods of time and not getting a response from the computer.

Andrew Satenberg, a senior from Northridge, Calif., said that initially the computer repeatedly hung up on him. He said that, despite his having spent two hours on the phone, he considered himself "one of the lucky ones."

Other students reported problems after they had been connected to Caroline.

Ruth Dowling, a senior from Providence, R.I., said that after she got through, Caroline told her the computer was having trouble processing her information. But she finally was able to get her schedule, she said.

David Lanier, University registrar, said this weekend was "a stress test" for the system. A hardware problem caused most of students' difficulties in getting through, he said. Because of a flaw in the protocol converter, only about half of the 32 lines were available on the system.

Lanier said "business started dropping off" after 9 p.m. Sunday.

Thomas Stumpf, English professor and adviser, said one of his students gave the computer the personal identification number (PIN) he had been given, but the computer refused to verify the number.

Many of the students interviewed who had trouble getting through in the morning said they were able to register in the evening. Lanier said it was best to call in the evening.

Southern Bell has been working "full blast" to handle the large volume of calls in the registration process, he said. Lanier suggested that students read

the instructions in the Directory of Classes before calling. The first two phone calls to Caroline were from students who did not have their PIN or did not know how to use the system, he said.

Students should terminate a call when they are finished registering by pressing the 8 key and the pound sign, he said. Many people hang up without terminating the call, thereby keeping that line busy for 90 more seconds. With 32 lines "that's a lot of minutes," he said.

Another reason the lines remained busy was that many seniors thought last weekend was the only time they could register, he said. But seniors are able to

register anytime this week.

Also, it is unnecessary for a student to keep pressing "list function" after adding a course, he said.

Some callers have been tying up the lines with phone games, he said. One student added courses, dropped them, and then added them back again as a joke. One of the tests this weekend was to see if students could be responsible.

A time limit could be imposed on calls to Caroline, Lanier said. N.C. State University has a 7-minute limit on its phone registration system.

On the average, students said they were through registering in about 15 minutes.

## Fraternities question policies of IFC following BOT meeting

By APRIL DRAUGHN  
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After comments made by Chancellor Paul Hardin at Friday's Board of Trustees meeting, some fraternity members are expressing concern about the effectiveness of the Inter-Fraternity Council.

Robb Beatty, IFC president, said IFC members were taking Hardin's comments seriously. At the meeting, Hardin said fraternities did not have enough supervision, and the University did not have enough control over their activities.

Beatty will meet with Hardin in November.

Some fraternity members said IFC did not have the power to enforce its policies.

The IFC may not be useful if fraternities aren't willing to follow policies the council establishes, some fraternity members said.

Louis Bissette, Chi Psi fraternity president, said the council would be more effective if fraternities would follow the IFC's policies more closely.

"It's disappointing to us to see many of the other houses blatantly violating the policy," he said.

The positive image Chi Psi tries to project is done more by the fraternity than by IFC mandates, Bissette said. "There's little if any teeth in the IFC policies."

Bissette said although he thought Beatty had tried to improve IFC, the low adherence rate of fraternities to IFC policies has created problems.

Beatty said most fraternities followed IFC policies this semester. Fraternities who aren't members of the council still

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have to follow the IFC dry rush policy, he said.

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Beatty said three or four fraternities violated the dry rush policy.

Several fraternity presidents said membership in IFC had no effect on fraternities holding mixers with sororities unless the fraternity violated dry rush.

Mike Ferguson, Sigma Nu fraternity president, said a fraternity could have mixers unless it was put on probation by the council.

IFC is necessary to establish basic policy for fraternity functions such as dry rush, Ferguson said. "There needs to be someone to set policy for rush."

Bissette said IFC was beneficial because it helped promote a positive image of fraternities. "But if its policies are more for show, I feel little benefit of the whole organization," he said.

David Bone, Theta Chi fraternity president, said fraternities could still attend IFC meetings and vote on IFC policies even if they did not pay dues.

John Paulson, Sigma Chi fraternity president, said he thought IFC was beneficial because it helped bring members of other fraternities together.

## Sophomore improving after accident in Boone

By MARCIE BAILEY  
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A UNC sophomore from Hendersonville remains in serious condition at the Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem from injuries he received in a car accident early Oct. 21.

John Jason Egoft was the passenger in a car driven by Clyde Robert Ingersoll, 19, of Boone. Ingersoll was arrested for driving while impaired after being treated and released for minor cuts and bruises, according to an article in the Watauga Democrat.

Egoft and his roommate, Daniel Krug, were visiting friends in Boone at the time of the accident, Krug said.

Ingersoll and Egoft were on their way back to a friend's house after leaving Ingersoll's apartment, Krug said.

The newspaper reported that Ingersoll was driving east on Howard's Creek Road in Boone at 55 mph when the car swerved off the side of the road at a curve, went over an embankment and crashed into two trees. The accident occurred at about 3:45 a.m.

Rescue squads and volunteer fire departments worked 45 minutes to free Egoft from the wreckage. He was taken to a hospital in Boone where he was unresponsive to treatment, the newspaper article stated. He was later transported to Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem where he was initially listed in critical condition with massive head injuries.

Krug said Egoft went into a coma after the accident, but started to come out of it Tuesday. Egoft opened his eyes Sunday and attempted to speak, but was confused about what had happened, he said.

"He has made real good progress," he said. "They said he would be in the hospital for at least another month, but he should be O.K."

Egoft's sister Jenny said Monday that Egoft was improving, but would remain in intensive care for a few more days.

"He is going to be fine," she said. "He'll need rehabilitation for his right thigh, leg, arm and hand, but everything looks good."

## GPSF considers fee to aid graduate students

By BRIAN GOLSON  
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The Graduate and Professional Student Federation is considering proposing a \$2 per semester fee increase beginning fall 1991 for all graduate and professional students.

The money would help support individual graduate students in field research, travel expenses and costs of printing doctoral dissertations, said Dean McCord, GPSF president.

These costs can be serious barriers to some graduate students who are living on very tight budgets, he said.

Because salaries for UNC graduate assistants are among the lowest in the nation, the money generated from the fee increase will supplement these salaries, McCord said.

"The \$2 fee is an excellent opportunity for the graduate student body as a whole to aid those students in graduate and professional schools who are more needy."

Many GPSF senate members are in favor of the fee increase, and the GPSF has formed an ad hoc committee to investigate the best ways to administer the fee, he said.

Jürgen Buchenau, GPSF Senator and Student Congress member, originally proposed the increase, but said it was still in the planning stages. Problems that must be resolved include gaining the participation of each professional school and formulating a fair way to administer the funds to graduate students, Buchenau said.

"We (GPSF) must set up mechanisms to effectively distribute the fee so that all graduate and professional departments will benefit," he said.

The increase will be discussed at the December GPSF meeting and finalized at the January meeting.

In order for the fee to be enacted, the GPSF must submit a bill to be voted on by Student Congress. McCord said he would write the bill with Buchenau. If Student Congress passes the bill, it will be transformed into a referendum that will be voted on in the spring by graduate and professional students. If a majority of graduate and professional students vote in favor of the increase, it will be enacted for the 1991-92 school year.

## Franklin Street merchants anticipate Christmas rush

By ADAM C. WALSER  
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Although the trick-or-treaters have yet to hit the streets, some Chapel Hill merchants have begun trimming the trees in anticipation of the Yuletide season.

As the national economy continues to waver, area retailers are getting a jump on the holiday season and are banking on a strong year's end.

"Having a good year in sales depends on an especially strong finish," said Bill Stokes, manager of Grimball and Stokes Jewelers. "We always have a slight slump in sales during the first part of the school year, so we won't really know if the recession is going to affect us until the Christmas rush."

Brad Chesebro, an assistant manager at Rite Aid, said, "We want a good season to help our whole year's sales."

The official holiday shopping season traditionally begins on the day after Thanksgiving (November 23 this year). Because Chapel Hill is a university community in which a large part of the population leaves town a week or more before Christmas, it has a shorter shopping season than other towns.

Chesebro said his store is trying to encourage customers to shop early by displaying its holiday items before its competitors display theirs.

"We want them to be aware that we have those items far in advance, so when they start to buy Christmas items

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they remember they saw them on display at Rite Aid and come here," he said.

Many other factors are also adding to stores' mounting worries, including the rising costs of wholesale goods. These costs have been rising because of increases in oil prices, which lead to higher production and distribution costs.

In September, for example, the costs of consumer goods rose 1.2 percent, which corresponds to a 14.4 percent annual inflation rate. The inflation rate last year was just under 6 percent. As a result, the consumer confidence level dropped to its lowest point since 1983.

High gasoline prices may also mean that people are driving out to their local malls or shopping areas less frequently.

Murray Kappelmann, manager of Record Bar in University Mall, doesn't share others' concerns about the Christmas season. "Sure, Christmas is very important to us," she said. "But the fact that this is a college market makes it a different type of market. We're close to campus, so our student business remains somewhat constant. The fact of

the matter is, our sales for this month are higher than our sales for this month last year. I can't say what's happening corporately, but we've done very well in the past two months."

James Babb, manager of Circuit City, said that corporate restrictions won't allow him to say if business was slower than usual, but he said his store's answer to slow sales was a concentrated sales effort.

"When times get hard, you just have to execute better," he said.

Ken Hamilton, manager of The Hub, agreed. "I'm just not really concerned about the recession," he said. "Even though we sell only quality products, I think our emphasis on service is what gives us continuous repeat business."

Hamilton said they had prepared for the holidays this year by stocking the best inventory he's seen in the four years that he's worked there.

"The sales have been slow on our winter merchandise up until recently, but I attribute that more to the weather than to the economy."

Belk Leggett Assistant Manager Madeleine Sparrow said, "It'll be a little while before we put up the decorations, but we're already busy getting ready."

The new merchandise is coming in, and Belk's costs are still about the level that was anticipated, she said.

"We haven't been forced to raise prices yet, and we hope we won't have to," Sparrow said.



### Grim grin

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