

Local students protest outside the post office on Franklin Street

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Chapel Hill High Amnesty Club demonstrates for non-violence

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City Editor

With posters held high and voices raised against a war in Iraq, around 25 students and faculty from Chapel Hill High School demonstrated Saturday in support of a non-violent resolution to the Middle East crisis.

The demonstration, organized by the Chapel Hill High School Amnesty Club, began at 2 p.m. and lasted for one hour. Participants marched in a circle in front of the old post office and paraded down the center of Franklin Street. As protesters chanted "no war, no war," Betsy Dawson, Amnesty Club faculty adviser, said she was impressed with the enthusiasm of the students.

"They take the initiative for everything," Dawson said. "They're concerned about the environment. They're concerned about social issues. Basically, they're concerned about everything that's going on in the world."

The protest was the idea of Amnesty Club members, Dawson said, and she usually doesn't need to organize club activities because the students come up with most of the plans and ideas themselves. She said sentiment in Chapel Hill High School and elsewhere was shifting in favor of a peaceful solution to the Middle East crisis.

"I just don't think people want this war," Dawson said.
Tonya Haff, Amnesty Club president,

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said young people should take a stand against a military solution to the Middle East crisis. If the United States does go to war, friends, family members and even students may be forced to fight, she said.

"I don't believe in war in any case," Haff said. "Personally, I think there should be a non-violent solution to the conflict."

Members of the Amnesty Club have varying opinions on the Middle East crisis, and they have different ideas about how the situation should be handled, Haff said. The group has around 60 active members, and membership is growing as students become more concerned about the world around them, she said.

"I think people are becoming more aware of social and environmental problems," Haff said. "That's what the Amnesty Club is focusing on."

Jasmine Beach-Ferrara, an Amnesty Club member, said a statement made by President George Bush last week about the difference between the Middle East crisis and the Vietnam War puzzled her. She said any war is undesirable, and

differences between them are insignificant when lives are at stake.

"I don't see how President Bush can distinguish between military conflicts," Beach-Ferrara said. "In a war, people die. People died in Vietnam, they will die in the Middle East."

Rob Greenberg, a Durham resident, said he happened upon the demonstration by chance, and he decided to join in because he supported the protesters' cause. Greenberg said he was glad to see young people taking a stand for something they believed in.

"I think it's a sign that the age of apathy is coming to an end," Greenberg said. "We're all in this together. I'm really glad to see that people from all generations are getting involved in this."

Greenberg said the United States would be making a big mistake by taking military action. A chance does remain to find a peaceful solution to the Middle East crisis, he said.

"There's still a flicker of hope inside of me that this whole thing will be resolved," Greenberg said. "I'm just trying to keep the flicker alive."

Triangle restaurants to wine and dine for local charitable organizations

By NANCY JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Triangle residents can help the needy by eating at local restaurants Tuesday during the second annual Restaurants Sharing 10 Percent (RSVVP).

Through RSVVP, restaurants agree to donate 10 percent of their profits from a designated day to groups that provide food and shelter to the needy, said Mary Andrews, chairwoman of the project.

"(We want) to tell everyone to go out and eat breakfast, lunch, supper and snack at a local restaurant," Andrews

said.

This year, the Food Bank of North Carolina, the InterFaith Council's food pantry and Community Kitchen, the Durham Community Shelter, and the Urban Ministry Center of Raleigh will receive the donations, Andrews said. The Food Bank, which provides relief across the state, will receive 5 percent of the funds, and the other three organizations will divide the remaining 5 percent, thus the name, Restaurants Sharing V(5)+V(5) Percent.

"It's kind of a joint effort on behalf of the hungry across the state," Andrews

said.

Andrews said RSVVP, which is run entirely by volunteers, raised \$7,000 last year with only Chapel Hill restaurants participating. She said she was excited the entire Triangle area was participating this year, and she hoped RSVVP would become a tradition for restaurants in the area.

Andy Pslam, a senior political science and history major, volunteered for

RSVVP last year and is volunteering again this year. He and others approached restaurants and asked them to participate, Pslam said.

Restaurants reported increased business during RSVVP last year which meant more revenue for the owners and more money to help the needy, Pslam said.

"It's an everyone wins type of situation," he said.

A list of participating restaurants will be publicized by the local media prior to the event, Pslam said.

The Food Bank of North Carolina is a private, non-profit initiative to help feed the hungry in 38 counties of central and eastern North Carolina. Every dollar contributed to the Food Bank makes it possible for the organization to distribute \$25 worth of food.

The IFC food pantry has provided

55,400 meals for 2,300 families during the first six months of 1990.

The Durham Community Shelter houses nearly 20 percent of the city's homeless and provides more than 36,000 meals each year.

The Urban Ministry Center of Raleigh is a coalition of 100 congregations in Wake County. The organization provides funding for several area charities.

For the Record

In the Nov. 30 Daily Tar Heel article, "Forum extends discussion on sculpture," Charlton Allen should have been quoted as saying that other students believe the statues would offend some students no matter where they were

located and removing them from view altogether would be the only alternative, and that they were going to be offensive everywhere. Allen believes removing the statues is censorship.

The Daily Tar Heel regrets the error.

MONDAY
11 a.m.: The Umstead Committee of the Campus Y will collect Christmas gifts for the Mental Health Association until 2 p.m. in front of the post office on Franklin Street.

2:45 p.m.: Career Planning and Placement Services will hold Job Hunt 102: Resume writing workshop for seniors and graduate students, in 210 Hanes.

3:30 p.m.: UCPPS will hold Job Hunt 101: Basic information on how to use the UCPPS office for seniors and graduate students, in 210 Hanes.

5 p.m.: The Department of Medical Allied

Health Professions wants you to explore the Health Professions. Meet with representatives from all of the undergraduate and graduate health professions degree programs offered on this campus. In Great Hall until 6:30 p.m.

The American Advertising Federation is having a stress management workshop in 203 Howell. Open to all AAF members and others interested. Sponsored by the Wellness Resource Center.

6 p.m.: The N.C. Student Legislature invites anyone who likes to discuss and debate current issues to come to our meeting in 423 Hamilton.

6:30 p.m.: The Umstead Committee of the

Campus Y will meet for an end-of-the-semester party in the Y lounge. Old and new volunteers welcome!

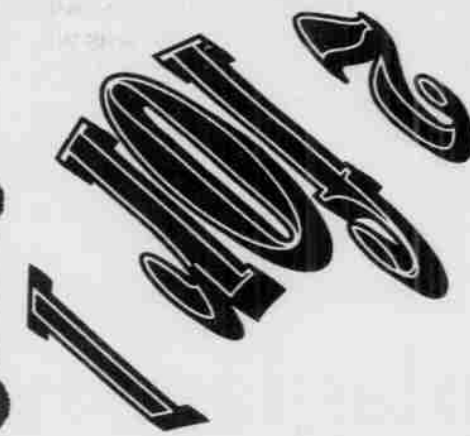
7 p.m.: The Network for Minority Issues of the Campus Y will have an important meeting until 8:30 p.m. to develop a proposal for a multicultural curriculum for the chancellor. Be there!

7:30 p.m.: CGLA announces a poetry reading will be held in Gerrard Hall. Everyone is encouraged to bring any literature they wish to share, including original works. Come to read or just to listen. Also, L.D. Newman will discuss lesbian and gay issues as they relate to the residence halls.

8 p.m.: The Black Student Movement, Kawaida

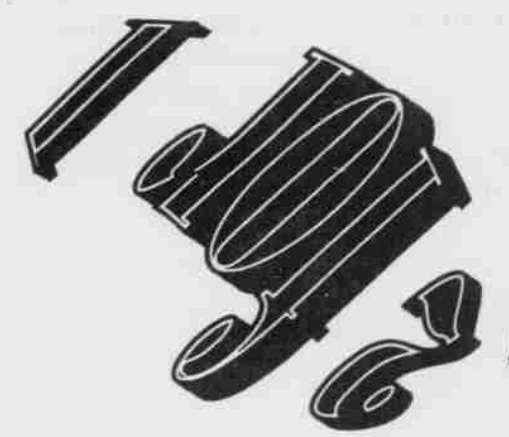
and CUAB Special Projects Committee present Maulana Karenga, the creator of Kwanzaa, who will speak on "The African American Holiday of Kwanzaa for Umoja or Unity - the first day of Kwanzaa," in 100 Hamilton. Maulana is chair and associate professor of black studies at California State University in Los Angeles.

ITEMS OF INTEREST
Ridgefield Action Project of the Campus Y needs you! Come by the Campus Y office and pick a name off the holiday tree. Buy a gift for a child in a local housing development. Return gift to the Y by Dec. 10.



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