

WEATHER
TODAY: Mostly cloudy; high 80-85
FRIDAY: Cloudy; high low 70s

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The executive branch of Student Government will present a forum on the Hamlet fire at 12:20 p.m. in the Pit.

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Town council, University spar over planning consultation

Editor's note: This is the first of a two-part series.

By Matthew Easley
Special Assignments Editor

When Chapel Hill Town Council member Roosevelt Wilkerson cast the vote cementing the council's rejection of the University's proposed South Loop Road last week, his stated reason — poor communication between town and gown — stunned University officials.

"It seems to me we are communicating more and getting less credit for it from some members of the town council," Chancellor Paul Hardin said.

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

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Ben Tuchi, vice chancellor for business and finance, said he was taken aback by Roosevelt's comments.

"He must have something in mind of which I'm not aware," he said. "I have no idea what more can be provided."

The question before the town council was whether to recommend South Loop for inclusion in a regional road plan which the state's transportation board consults when it appropriates highway fund money.

By rejecting South Loop, the council has forced the University to seek funding from other sources, including the state's general fund.

Despite Wilkerson's complaint of poor communication, University administrators say they had fully informed the council about South Loop.

"I can't understand why the town council should feel it's been left out," said Gene Swecker, associate vice chancellor for facilities management. "We've had briefings on the land use plan and on South Loop over the years, and they've had ample opportunity to see what we're doing."

Various town-gown committees have studied the University's long-range transportation plans since 1988.

Mayor Jonathan Howes, who voted for South Loop, said the University kept the council well-informed. "I think the problem is that the University has come to different conclusions about its

development than some of the people who don't agree with it," he said.

Most council members agree the University provides far more information about its development plans now than four years ago, when officials unveiled a long-range land use proposal.

Wilkerson and other council members say what they really want is not more communication, but consultation at earlier planning stages.

"There still seems to be a lot of unilateral decision making on the part of the University," said council member Art Werner.

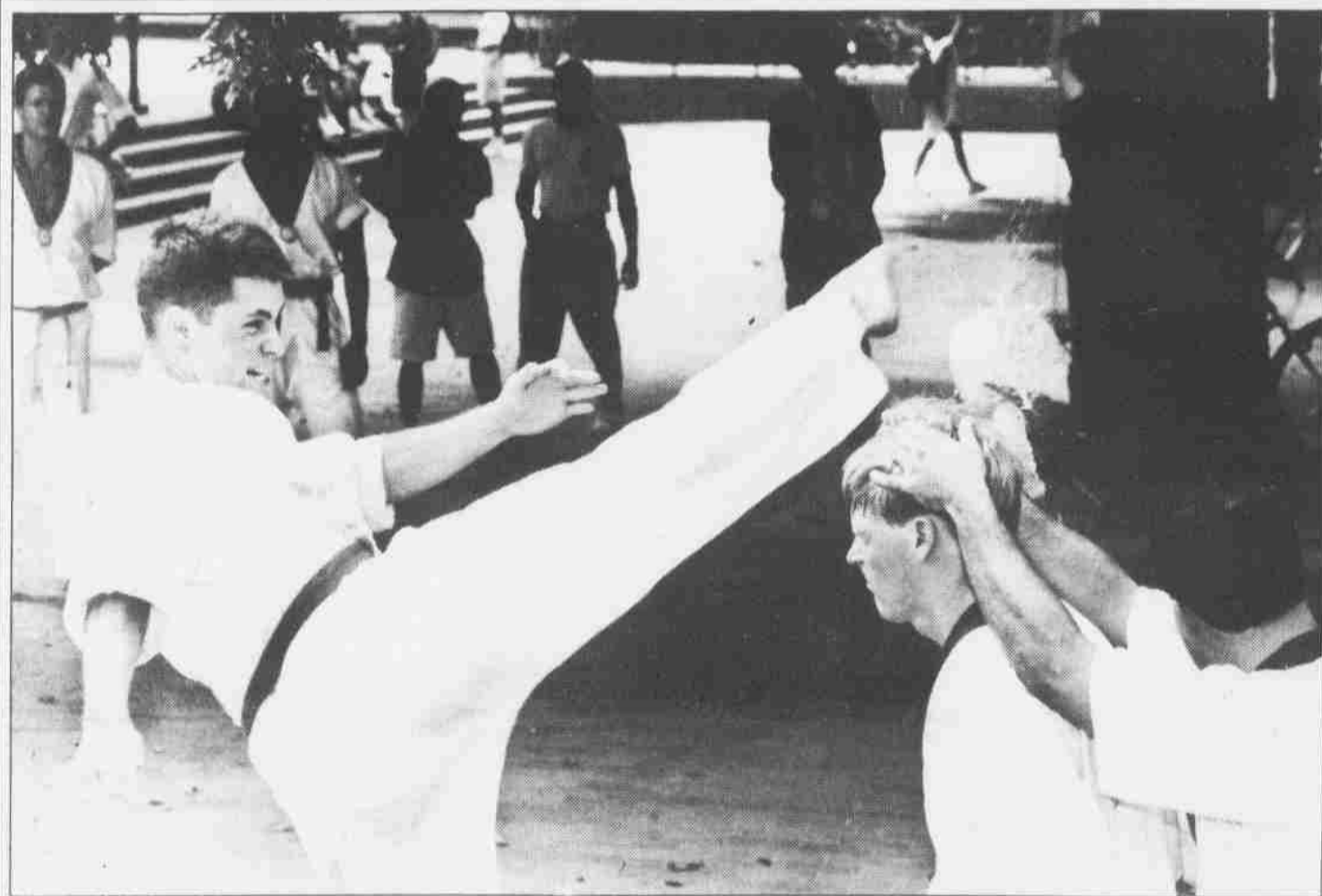
Council member Nancy Preston said University officials typically want rubber-stamp approval of development projects without much alteration.

"They sort of present their plans to us and say, 'These are our plans. Won't you look at them and let us do it?'"

"We get a fait accompli, as it were, waiting for approval," she said. "That's not the way it should work. We need more dialogue early on, as the plans are laid out."

Council members say Chapel Hill.

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Melon mashing

Nathan Ligo demonstrates form and control by shattering a cantaloupe on first-year graduate Ransom Murphy's head in the Pit Wednesday. Ligo earned a black belt in Tae

Kwon Do from Master Choi, who has taught martial arts at UNC for 12 years. Choi's students broke ice, boards, baseball bats and cement blocks in the demonstration.

Fraternity says bound, naked men not hazed

By Ashley Fogle
Assistant University Editor

Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity members said they were involved in an incident in which naked men reportedly were tied up and lying in the middle of a road Sunday night.

Peter Bowles, vice president of Delta Kappa Epsilon, said members of the fraternity were involved but the incident was not a hazing activity.

"This is not a hazing-related incident," he said. "It was just a big joke — a bunch of people celebrating. None of the new pledges were naked in the street."

Fraternity member Chris Mumford said, "It was more of a congratulatory thing for the rush chairman for a job well done."

Witnesses reported seeing naked men tied up in the road at the corner of South Columbia Street and Cameron Avenue.

Dan Mackey, a senior from Fayetteville, said he saw a group of men hold down and undress one or two other men, carry them to the road and pour

water over them as he passed by about 9:30 p.m. Sunday.

A crowd of 20 to 30 gathered around the men, who were left tied up in the middle of the intersection, he said.

Once they untied themselves, the men ran onto the lawn to the fraternity house on the corner, he said.

The Delta Kappa Epsilon house is located at that address.

Mackey said he assumed a fraternity was responsible for the incident.

"They were holding them down, and that would indicate to me that they were resisting to some extent," he said. "I also noticed that once they were free and coming back up the lawn, getting congratulated by their brothers, they acted proud of what they did."

Not many passersby witnessed the incident, but a normal amount of traffic was passing by, Mackey said.

Chapel Hill police officers responded to a report of an unidentified naked male tied up in the street at the corner of South Columbia Street and Cameron

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New power plant to save campus money by turn of century

By Heather Harreld
Staff Writer

The construction of a new power plant should save the University \$20 million a year by 2001, UNC officials said.

The plant cost \$100 million to build and will allow the University to generate its own steam and power.

Ben Tuchi, vice chancellor for business and finance, said the plant's advantages will not be apparent in the immediate future.

The real savings will begin a few years out when we would otherwise have had to buy all of our power needs," he said. "We can now control and stabilize prices and save very sizable sums of money."

Gene Swecker, associate vice chancellor for facility management, says the money the University will save represents money that previously would have been paid to an outside supplier.

The success of the plant depends on the theory that the cost of power will increase in the future, he said.

"There won't be any profits from the plant, as power costs are increasing slowly, but we will be able to pay back the loan by the year 2009," Swecker said.

Despite an outstanding debt on the plant in 2001, the school expects to be saving money by then because the cost of power should be quite high. The savings will be the difference between the costs of buying power elsewhere and the plant's debt.

Thomas Grisham, director of special projects, said the plant also was built because some of the boilers in the old plant were 40 years to 50 years old.

"Our existing facility was in significant need of repair," he said.

The new power plant, which is located behind the present plant at the corner of Cameron Avenue and Graham Street, will provide power and steam for the entire campus and UNC Hospitals.

All power generated will be sold to Duke Power during the plant's first year of operation and the University will buy back what it needs, Grisham said.

"We are going the buy-all/sell-all route, as we determined it to be cheaper to sell all the power and attain a rate structure favorable to the University," he said.

"We are also trying to adopt a larger view rather than a narrow one which just considers what we can do to save money today."

The campus will begin using the power from the new plant in November, 1992.

"The existing plant provides adequate power, but we must have it on line and running before we convert," Grisham said.

Rejected student accuses Duke of reverse racial discrimination

By Anna Griffin
Staff Writer

A white female applicant charging Duke University with racial discrimination said Wednesday that she was rejected over a black female applicant whose extracurricular and academic qualifications fell short of other rejected applicants.

Elizabeth Elkins, 17, charged Duke with discrimination on Aug. 15. Elkins recently sent a letter to several large newspapers, charging the school's admission policy with "downing the aspirations of the white race."

In a letter sent to The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, the Birmingham (Ala.) News, The Charlotte Observer, The Durham Herald-Sun and the Greensboro News & Record, Elizabeth Elkins charges Duke University with reverse racial discrimination.

Elkins believes she and several of her white classmates were rejected from Duke because they are white and that Kamaria Morris, a fellow classmate at Jacksonville (Ala.) High School, was accepted because she is black.

"Our valedictorian did not get in. We had a guy who scored near 1300 on his

SAT who didn't get in. Then this little girl gets in and we're all going 'Wait a minute,'" Elkins said Wednesday.

"The other people were more qualified than her, and they were more qualified than myself. We all did more and had better grades than she did," Elkins said.

Morris declined to comment on Elkins' charges.

Elkins said she could only recall Morris' involvement with the school Honor Society. But Elkins said her own extracurricular activities far outweighed those of Morris.

Elkins said she was a varsity letterman, editor of the school literary magazine, sports editor of the newspaper, a member of the school and county choirs, a member of the band and a member of the pony club.

Although she was accepted by Middlebury College, Washington & Lee University, Allegheny College, Randolph-Macon Woman's College and Mary Washington College, Elkins said she will apply to other schools after completing a year at Jacksonville State in Alabama.

Morris is now a freshman at the Ivy League school Cornell University in

Ithaca, N.Y.

In a complaint filed with the U.S. Department of Education on Aug. 15, Elkins claimed she scored 1180 on her Scholastic Aptitude Test and was ranked 11th out of her high school class of 114 while Morris scored only 1130 on the SAT and finished 18th in their graduating class.

This is proof, Elkins claims, that her qualifications "far outweigh" those of Morris.

"I write to make public the most overlooked travesty in our nation's colleges and universities: reverse racial discrimination," Elkins wrote in her complaint.

Elkins said she filed her complaint in an attempt to bring the issue of reverse race discrimination into the public eye.

"This is happening in more than just education," she said. "No one knows what is really going on."

"My big goal in this is to let people know what is going on. A lot of schools out there are getting away with this."

Morris, who learned of Elkins' claims from a reporter, has since refused to comment on the situation. Elkins said

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Student Health Services not affected by Supreme Court abortion decision

By Shea Riggsbee
Staff Writer

The Student Health Service's counseling programs have not been affected by the recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling on abortion, SHS officials said.

Because SHS is funded entirely from student health fees, the court's decision does not have an impact on the University health service.

The court decision prohibits health care workers in federally funded clinics from mentioning abortion to their patients as an option and from referring patients to clinics whose primary functions are to perform abortions.

Pregnancy counseling at SHS involves a discussion of all possible alternatives, said Beverly Yuhasz, gynecology practitioner for the service's gynecology clinic and coordinator for pregnancy counseling.

About 200 students test positive for pregnancy at SHS each year, she said. Only 50 to 60 of the 200 students opt not to have an abortion.

According to 1988 SHS statistics, 198 women had pregnancy tests with positive results at SHS, although 16 of

the results turned out to be false.

Of the remaining 182 women, 62 continued the pregnancy and 100 opted for elective abortion. Six of the women had either spontaneous or ectopic abortions, and the outcome for 14 of the women was unknown.

John Reinhold, a senior clinical social worker in Student Psychological Services, said the patients he saw opted for abortions 85 to 90 percent of the time. But most pregnancy counseling now is done by SHS.

It is important for counselors to help patients review all of the options carefully because a review helps patients make more informed decisions, Reinhold said.

"A discussion of therapeutic abortion might lead a woman to decide she didn't want it for herself," he said. Patients are referred to other clinics, hospitals or private doctors, depending on the care they need.

If a gag rule prohibiting discussions about abortion were placed on all clinics, it would impair medical care, Reinhold said.

The recent Supreme Court decision is ironic because when abortions were illegal, doctors could discuss abortion

with patients who might have an abortion for medical reasons, he said.

Judith Cowan, SHS director, said the court's ruling is "a terrible limitation" on physicians.

"I think it would be the business of SHS to provide a full discussion of any medical option legally available," she said.

Cowan said she thought more women were carrying pregnancies to term than in the past, but the majority of unmarried women's pregnancies were aborted.

UNC students expressed mixed feelings about whether health care workers, including those at the Student Health Service, should discuss abortions with their patients.

"It's not an option — period," said Candace Wright, a junior from Greensboro. "I'm a born-again Christian ... I don't think we have the right to make that kind of choice."

Joe Hatem, a second-year graduate student, said he thought the Supreme Court ruling was too conservative. "Physicians and health care workers should not be told what they can discuss with their patients under any circumstances."

Just when you get really good at something, you don't need to do it anymore. — William Lowrey