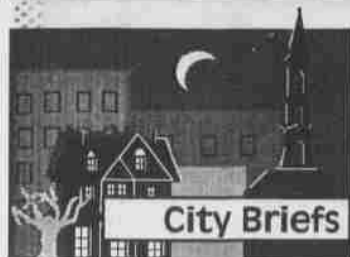


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City Briefs

Council to hear comments on parking
Residents will have a chance to give the Chapel Hill Town Council suggestions for changing the development ordinances concerning downtown parking at a public hearing scheduled for Monday night.

The town staff has considered changing the parking requirements for businesses in the town center. Proposed changes to the development ordinance include eliminating a requirement that downtown businesses provide parking and adjusting the provision allowing businesses to pay fees rather than provide parking. Council members will vote on the issue following the hearing. The council meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers.

'Rescue 911' will feature local woman

A Chapel Hill woman who chased a police impersonator after he tried to get her to pull her car to the side of the road will appear on "Rescue 911" Tuesday night.

Diane Feiss and local police officers and dispatchers who were involved in the arrest of the police impersonator will be involved in the re-enactment of the September incident.

Feiss used her car phone to tell police where the impersonator was going as she chased him through town.

The episode will air at 8 p.m. on local CBS affiliate station WRAL, channel 5.

Town, DOT, residents to discuss N.C. 86

Members of the Chapel Hill town staff and the N.C. Department of Transportation will hold an informal workshop Wednesday to discuss improvements plans for N.C. 86 (Airport Road.) The DOT has slated a 1.5-mile stretch of the road, reaching from Homestead Road to U.S. Interstate 40, for widening during fiscal year 1995.

Officials will present information about possible plans for the road and answer questions.

The public is invited to attend the workshop, which will last from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Chapel Hill Town Hall Council Chambers.

Residents are asked to meet with officials on a one-on-one basis.

Residents who wish to provide information or comments to the DOT also can write L. Jack Ward at the N.C. Department of Transportation, Planning and Environmental Management Branch, Box 25201, Raleigh, N.C., 27611 or Town Manager Cal Horton, Town of Chapel Hill, 306 N. Columbia Street, Chapel Hill, N.C., 27516-2124.

League to sponsor waste reduction forum

Waste reduction and management will be the focus of a public hearing sponsored by the Chapel Hill-Carrboro League of Women Voters and the Sierra Club's Research Triangle Group Thursday.

Mary Beth Powell of the N.C. Department of Waste Reduction and Bill Holman, Sierra Club lobbyist, will speak at the meeting about influencing public policy and reducing materials sent to landfills and incinerators.

Judith Wood and Margaret Holton of the league's solid waste committee also will speak at the meeting.

Copies of the national league's booklet, "Recycling is more than collections: questions and concerns from the ground up," will be available at the meeting for \$5.

The meeting will be held in the Chapel Hill Town Hall Council Chambers and is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m.

Ronald McDonald House selling discounts

The local Ronald McDonald House is selling \$800 worth of discounts at area restaurants for \$25 until April 25.

For the \$25 fee, donors can become members of the After Hours Dining Club. Members will receive a card that entitles them to discounts and specials at local restaurants.

The restaurant specials are valid through the end of 1992.

For every membership sold, the Ronald McDonald House will receive \$10.

Memberships are available at The Purple Puddle in Village Plaza and at the Ronald McDonald House on Old Mason Farm Road.

Investigation upturns more bone particles

By Dana Pope
Assistant City Editor

Orange County sheriff's deputies discovered more than 100 bone fragments and remains Friday in a field behind the northern Orange County house rented by accused murderer David Allen Sokolowski.

The new evidence seems to indicate that Pamela Owens Ellwood, 42, Sokolowski's live-in girlfriend who has been missing for weeks, was killed and dismembered at the house.

Ellwood's father, David Owens of Winston-Salem, said Sunday he didn't know how to react to Friday's discovery at the 3600 Mincey Road home where his daughter lived with Sokolowski for the past three or four

years. "I don't know what to say. It's hard," Owens said.

Owens said he wished that investigators could have found the remains during the initial investigation.

"I don't think they did a thorough investigation," he said. "I think they should have found this the first time around."

Owens said Orange County Sheriff Lindy Pendergrass had not notified him of the most recent find.

No information has been released about whether a "meat substance" found last week in a frying pan in the kitchen of Sokolowski's house was human flesh.

The State Bureau of Investigation is



Up and out

Mike Taylor and Donny Camp, workers for Southern Bell, hoist the last of their tools out of a manhole between Phillips and Memorial halls. The men were installing brackets for new underground telephone lines Thursday afternoon.

Forums to discuss BCC, coalition demands

By Megan Brown
Staff Writer

A coalition of student activists hope two forums this week will address misconceptions about their demand for a free-standing black cultural center.

"I think we know of a lot of people who, if they really knew the issues, and knew what we were asking for, would want to be part of it," said Elizabeth Kolb, Campus Y co-president.

Coalition leaders also will send a letter to the Board of Trustees explaining the history of the movement for a free-standing Sonja H. Stone BCC and elaborating on their other demands for an endowed chair in Stone's name and concessions for University housekeepers.

Scott Wilkens, Campus Y co-presi-

dent, said the coalition wants to ensure that the trustees understand the goals of the coalition, not just the action members have taken.

"We are concerned that they may be just thinking of the tactics that have been used, and the word 'demand,'" Wilkens said. "We want to make clear the way the students feel and the way they've been treated by the administration."

BCC Director Margo Crawford said the formal naming ceremony of the Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center Friday will be an opportunity to discuss the coalition's goals with University administrators and trustees, who are meeting Friday.

"It's a cultivation celebration to encourage people to be supportive, or even to contribute," Crawford said.

Kolb said the coalition's main goal now is to disseminate information about their cause. Coalition leaders hope the forums will help students understand that a free-standing BCC will not be just for black students, she said.

Wilkens said, "A major misconception is that a free-standing BCC would be segregationist, that it would be for black students."

"It will offer a place where black students can feel comfortable on campus ... but the purpose of it is to be all inclusive," he said.

Leaders also want to convey to students that they are not against a multicultural center.

"It's a wonderful idea, just not as opposed to a free-standing BCC," Kolb said. "We need this first, and then we'll fight just as hard for a multicultural

center." To put all of the minority groups on campus into one center would devalue the individuality of each culture, she said. "It would be impossible to find a programmer or director that would understand the specific needs of each culture."

The coalition also wants students to know they are not asking the University to fund a free-standing black cultural center, Kolb said.

"They think we're asking for a lot more than we are," she said. "We're asking for a location, and we're asking for a commitment."

Wilkens said a free-standing BCC would cost several million dollars, which the coalition intends to raise. "We have already got a potential list of prominent people to help us raise funds for this,"

he said. It is also a misconception that the coalition wants the University to fund an endowed chair for the late Sonja H. Stone from Bicentennial Campaign contributions, Kolb said.

"We're willing to raise the money," she said. "They said everything has to go through the development office, and they aren't working with us."

Coalition leaders said the development office, in charge of fund-raising for the Bicentennial Campaign, has not communicated to them the protocol for establishing an endowed chair.

"We have not yet had a quality meeting," Crawford said.

Of 77 endowed chairs at the University, none are for African Americans.

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Campolo addresses 'Was Jesus P.C.?'

Howard Thompson
Staff Writer

The pastor of the Chapel Hill Bible Church promised the crowd of 900 in Memorial Hall Thursday night that they would see fireworks.

"Those who have seen Tony before know the water's going to move," Jim Abrahamson said.

The crowd had come to hear Tony Campolo, noted author and lecturer, speak on the subject of political correctness.

Campolo is a professor of sociology at Eastern College in St. Davids, Pa., and has written 14 books, including "20 Hot Potatoes Christians are Afraid to Touch," "We Have Met the Enemy and They are Partly Right," "It's Friday but Sunday's Coming" and "The Kingdom of God is a Party."

Thursday's lecture, sponsored by the InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, was titled "Was Jesus P.C.?" Campolo is the first to admit to the challenging



Tony Campolo speaks to a crowd of 900 about the political correctness of Christianity

nature of the subject.

"Knowing what to say is difficult," Campolo said. "Everyone is expecting

something different."

He defines political correctness by explaining its opposite. "Political in-

correctness is a way of talking about things that puts individuals in a inferior position at the initiation of the discussion."

As an example, he pointed to the statement "Columbus discovered America." "That immediately implies that no one was here before, or at least no one important." He said that this would immediately put Native Americans in a dehumanizing, inferior position.

Campolo believed Christianity was politically correct, although he added, "Many people think Christianity is part of the problem." Campolo saw himself as representative of a Christian community with elements of "WASP triumphalism" that needed a new way of speaking. WASP stands for white Anglo-Saxon Protestant.

"I am politically incorrect trying to become politically correct," he said. "Some of the things we say as Chris-

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Arrested student cleared

By Amber Nimocks
City Editor

A University student arrested during a political science class before Spring Break was found not guilty of assault charges Friday by a Chapel Hill District Court judge.

James Brandon Graham, a senior from Charlotte, was exonerated of a charge that he assaulted Latosha White on March 23, 1991.

Graham, who was arrested on three separate occasions in connection with the case, said he was glad it had been decided.

"I feel like my character has been distorted," he said. "I feel like I've been the victim."

University Police interrupted a Political Science 157 class Feb. 26 and arrested Graham on charges of failure to appear in court.

Orange County public defender Fran Muse said neither Graham nor his attorney were informed of the scheduled court appearance, which resulted from a second assault charge filed by White.

White filed the second charge against Graham after she failed to appear in court for the hearing of the first charge, Muse said. The first case against Graham was dismissed, she said.

Charges against Graham originated when White accused him of assaulting her last March.

But Graham said White assaulted him. "She dug her fingernails into my neck ... and was hitting me and beating me," he said.

The couple, who had been dating for three weeks, broke up before the incident occurred, Graham said.

Graham said White was embarrassed by the incident, and that prompted her to file the charges.

Graham said he was surprised when he was arrested in class because Assistant District Attorney James Woodall told him before his arrest that he would go to court and that the case probably would be dismissed.

Woodall admitted the arrest resulted partially because of his own failure to appear in court.

White, a former UNC student, could not be reached for comment Sunday.

Group seeks funding for Midway businesses

By Jennifer Brett
Staff Writer

Members of a local development commission are seeking the town's support for the revitalization of a predominantly black business district, but town officials are calling for more information about the plan before making a decision.

Members of the Midway Development Commission stated in a declaration to the Chapel Hill Town Council last week that economic, social and

spiritual crises plagued the black community and asked the council for funds to revitalize the Midway business district. Located on the west end of Franklin and Rosemary streets on the Chapel Hill-Carrboro border, the Midway area is populated by mostly black businesses and churches.

A black cultural center annex, which would be affiliated with the UNC black cultural center, should be included in the downtown revitalization plans, according to the declaration.

Harvey Reid, editor of the Village

View, a local magazine that focuses on black issues, said a downtown black cultural center would give blacks a place to congregate, socialize and learn.

"I honestly feel a cultural center would be healthy," Reid said. "There is a void in the black business district. We don't have the capital base to expand without help from the town."

The declaration cites a historically "whites-only" attitude in the business community as the reason for deficiencies in the black community.

"Many of our Black families have

been ruined by lack of jobs and economic opportunities," the declaration states. "Our lives are controlled by a sense of economic deprivation. Small Black businesses cannot survive without help."

James Brittan, president of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said that the Midway area needed improved buildings and additional property to ensure a

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Town to pursue outstanding parking ticket debtors

By Chris Goodson
Staff Writer

An amnesty program designed to collect unpaid parking ticket fees ended last week, and Chapel Hill parking officials said that a low response will force them to get tough with the outstanding offenders.

Eric Luther, head of the parking division at Chapel Hill Transit, said the town had collected \$8,300 of the \$350,000 owed by parking ticket holders.

Despite the small response to the amnesty program, the town will get its money back no matter how long it takes, Luther said.

"The people who ignored us and think we will do nothing about it will soon be proved wrong," he said.

The Chapel Hill Town Council approved the month-long Parking Ticket Amnesty Program in February. The program waived some late fees for unpaid parking tickets if offenders paid the tickets during the amnesty period.

Luther said many factors contributed

to the meager success of the program.

Some residents did not think the threats were serious, and some were out of town or failed to get the information on the program, Luther said. Residents also may have ignored the program, he said.

Luther said many of the people who owed parking fines were former students, who sometimes were difficult to locate after graduation.

"Twenty-five percent of the population changes every four years," he said. The town will give offenders who

owe more than \$100 another chance to pay before taking them to small claims court, Luther said. The town plans to pursue all of the major offenders until they pay, he said.

"We will be billing people who owe us at least \$100," Luther said. "These are very serious actions we are about to take."

The town will use collection agencies to obtain fines from offenders who owe less than \$100, Luther said, adding

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