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Last chance to bid adieu to the Brewery

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If you haven't bid your final farewell to downtown Wilmington's Front Street Brewery, Sunday, April 9 will be your last chance. General Manager Daniel Pace is planning a "blowout party" unlike any the Brewery has ever seen, with discounted food and 50-cent pints of original beers brewed on the spot.

Despite their typical running hours from Monday through Saturday, employees are making a special exception, opening the Front Street Brewery around 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 9. Owner John McLatchey is in the final stretch of selling the 11-year-old brewery, located at 9 N. Front St. In an effort to clear the restaurant of food and its own micro-brews, Pace explains they will be offering a specialized, one-of-a-kind menu to customers.

"We're going to have a limited menu. We've been clearing out our food lately so we'll be restricted to what we have by the ninth. Probably, we'll be serving up pub-style food, like our burgers and chicken tenders, though."

Perhaps the most surprising discount of the evening is the 50-cent beers the brewery will be selling.

"We want to clear the place out of everything we have by the end of the night. That's our goal," says Pace. "We won't have our Scottish or Lumina that night."

The Dram Tree Scottish Ale and Lumina Moonlight Lager were popular picks on St. Patrick's Day.

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2006: A close year for SGA elections on campus

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After two run-offs were required, the 2006-2007 student body president and vice president have finally been elected.

Katie Gurgainus and Kaitlin Helms, running mates for the previous eight weeks, fought through an extra week of campaigning to emerge victorious. In the initial election, Brenton Hammond was leading the presidential race with 43.33 percent of the vote as compared to Gurgainus' 40.27 percent. Since neither met the requirement of 50 percent of the votes or better to be elected, a run-off was required. Gurgainus won the run-off by only 31 votes, 866 to 835.

The vice presidential race was even tighter. Following the initial election, Jermisha Dodson had 49.12 percent of the vote while Helms trailed with 45.31 percent. Again, neither had the 50 percent required to be elected. The first run-off failed once more to produce a winner. Finally on March 31, eight days after the elections were scheduled to end, Helms received 52.06 percent of the votes—matching Gurgainus and winning by 31 votes, 367 to 336.

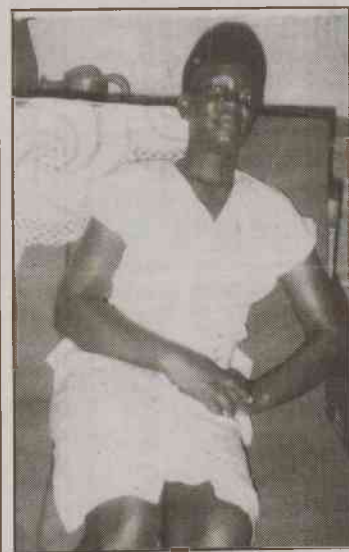
Gurgainus voiced her opinion of her opponents Hammond and Dodson. "I have complete respect for them. They are some of the best leaders on this campus."

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Courtesy of Densay Sengsouavong

Katie Gurgainus and Kaitlin Helms won Student Body President and Vice-President for 2006-2007. The election was close, with one run-off for President and two for Vice-President.



Courtesy of George Piwang-Jalobo

Louiza Akunu, a relative of speaker Geore Piwang-Jalobo, before her abduction. Akunu was abducted and killed by the rebel group the Lord's Resistance Army.

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Two films presented on the UNCW campus gave viewers a chance to see and do something about the problems facing Ugandan citizens.

Monday, March 27, the Invisible

Films show problems for residents, children facing civil war in Uganda

Children organization presented a film entitled "Invisible Children." The movie chronicled the journey of three college students to Uganda, where they came across the devastation of a 20-year civil war and children forced to sleep in hospital basements every night. After returning home, the students started the Invisible Children organization. Currently, six people from San Diego are touring the United States with the organization, showing the film and raising money to help the children in Uganda.

After the film, volunteers said the showing in Kenan Auditorium was the largest they've had on their tour.

Ashley Beard, a volunteer with the Invisible Children organization, said, "I definitely recommend (college students) getting involved. We just really encourage the youth of America to rise up against the atrocities. Don't be blind to these things any longer. We like to tell

everyone to get out of the American bubble and do more than the average person. I think we all get so consumed in it and don't really take advantage of the opportunities that we have. We have a voice, and those children don't."

Thursday, March 30, a film called "Gulu Stories" was shown. Rex Miller, a local filmmaker, traveled to Gulu, Uganda. He filmed the lives of the Ugandan citizens living in refugee camps in their own country. The film told the story of eight women who walked more than a kilometer outside the camp to garden and were attacked by the rebel group. The women's hands, mouths and ears were cut off. It also showed the children who walk to safe places to sleep every night, called night commuters.

Due to technical difficulties, the film was stopped partway through. Another showing is planned but the date has not been set yet.

After the film ended, there was a question and answer session

with Miller, Reverend Macleord Baker Ochola II, former Bishop of Northern Uganda, George Piwang-Jalobo, former citizen and researcher in Uganda, and Daniella Boston, co-founder and executive director of uNight, an organization that helps the night commuters.

Rev. Ochola shared the story of how his daughter committed suicide after being raped by rebels. Ten years later, his wife was killed when a landmine placed by the rebels exploded. He now lives in the United States.

"I think maybe the students here can talk to people in Northern Uganda and explain themselves," he said. "Because, you see, these are part of humanity. And when you see yourselves as one of the children who are dying in North Africa, then you have that connection. And it is that connectiveness that will help you relate."

Piwing-Jalobo shared the story of

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