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News Briefs

*Three geography majors from the Spring class of '91 will be on full scholarships in graduate school. Evelyn Cooper, Thomas Parrish, and Lionel White will attend the University of Maryland at College Park, the University of South Carolina, and the University of California at Santa Barbara respectively.

*Between Nov. 24-26, nine geography majors participated in the 46th meeting of the Southeastern Division of American Geographers in Asheville. Marcus Banks, Carlous Brown, Godfrey B. Fulmore, Byron Goff, Kenneth Graves, Erik Jonson, Barrance T. Roberts, and Ronald Tucker participated in topical seminars ranging from land resources to the global economy. The majors also had an independent trip to Highlands to explore gorges, domes and waterfalls.

*On Sunday, November 24th, the Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society held an induction ceremony at the L.T. Walker Complex. To become a member of the society, one must have 70 semester hours with a 3.3 cumulative grade point average. Students participating in the ceremony were Tamara Baker, Staris Best, Kimberly Bishop, Tanneh El-Amin, Janice Evans, Carla Gilchrist, Marice Grissom, Mari Haas, Amanda Hall, Pamela Joyner, Wandá McAllister, Jaunita McLaughlin, Clarice Opara, Felicia Sawyer, Joe Smith Jr., Cindy White, Annie Wiley and Stacey Williams. Alpha Kappa Mu is open to all majors.

*The Tau Psi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi is sponsoring a campus clothes drive. Students are urged to "donate old clothes or unwanted clothes." Since November 25th, the group has collected 10 large bags of clothes. Collection boxes can be found in the lobby of each dormitory.

*Political science professors Sheikh R. Ali and Jeffrey M. Elliot have written *The Trilemma of World Oil Politics*. Nursing professor, Dr. Marion F. Gooding, and three other professors, will produce the 1991 edition of *Nursing School Entrance Examination*.

*Blacks are denied loans at North Carolina National Bank Corporation at rates double that of whites on loan application rejections and turned down home-mortgage loans. Figures were released by the Federal Reserve Board on November 4th.

Spangler Names Interim Chancellor

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Chapel Hill—Donna J. Benson has been named interim chancellor of North Carolina Central University, effective January 1. Benson, appointed yesterday, December 3rd, by UNC President C.D. Spangler, Jr., succeeds Tyrone R. Richmond, who announced in September that he would leave the post December 31.

A scholar of American and African-American history, Benson, 37, joined the staff of UNC General Administration in 1987 as assistant vice president for academic

affairs and was named associate vice president earlier this year. In that capacity, she is responsible for helping to plan and review academic programs on the 16 campuses of the University of North Carolina. She has been a member of the history faculty at North Carolina A&T State University since 1981 and was previously a visiting lecturer at NCCU.

"Dr. Benson has the intelligence, the integrity, and the energy required of a chancellor," said Spangler in announcing her appointment. "The first college stu-

dents she ever taught were North Carolina Central University students, and she has high regard for the institution. For all these reasons, I am pleased that Donna Benson has agreed to serve as interim chancellor."

A native of Charlotte, Benson earned degrees in history and education from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, where she was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa and graduated magna cum laude. She holds master's and doctoral

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Adverse Ruling in Mississippi Will Negatively Affect NCCU Says Chancellor Richmond

by Johnnie Whitehead
An adverse ruling in the Supreme Court case dealing with civil rights and segregation in Mississippi's public university system will relieve the states from addressing past inequities, said Chancellor Tyrone Richmond.

"I don't think there would be any immediate impact on the UNC system," said the Chancellor. "But it would clearly say to this state that they need not be concerned about ensuring equity between the predominantly black and white institutions."

At issue is the *Ayers v. Mabus* case in which a group of blacks accuse Mississippi of maintaining lower standards at its predominantly black universities than at its white ones. The group also charges that admission requirements make it difficult for minorities to get into white schools.

In this case, the state argues that it maintains an open enrollment policy at all eight of its public universities.

The justices must decide whether that the fact alone means Mississippi has met its constitutional obligations to desegregate or if the state must do more to overcome long-standing inequalities stemming from the state's previously segregated system.

"If the ruling favors the state there will be a very chilling message sent to this nation concerning the role of historically black colleges," said Richmond.

However, the Chancellor made it clear that there is a major differ-

ence between what has happened in Mississippi and the situation in North Carolina. "This state has been far more attentive in trying to correct past inequities," he said.

In North Carolina, according to figures for the 1991-92 school year, released by the UNC General Administration, the state is spending \$6,732 per student at its five historically black institutions and \$7,033 per student at the 11 historically white institutions.

Private dollars, not just those from the state, play an integral part in NCCU's ability to function, said Richmond. "The dollars the system appropriates are comparable. I have looked at these numbers every way possible and I can't make the case that we have been unfairly funded."

In making a comparison, Richmond said that NCCU's law program is comparable to that at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill because both programs operate at the same degree level. But it is not fair, for example, to compare the nursing schools because NCCU has only an abacalaureate program and UNC has a baccalaureate, master's and Ph.D. program. Furthermore, universities such as UNC and North Carolina State are research institutions and NCCU is not, he added.

Also, NCCU has three percent of the enrollment in the state and it is important to take number this into consideration when we look at state funding to this institution, said Richmond. "North Carolina has done well in terms of funding."

Speech Competition Provides Excitement for Students

by Johnnie Whitehead

This year's second speech competition proved to be a valuable experience for the contestants because everyone was good, according to the three winners.

"I'm honored and I had a great time," said Jeanetta Alexander, who finished first in the competition.

Although Jeanetta was elated and overjoyed when she was announced the winner, she admits it was a pleasant surprise. "They [contestants] were very tough and I had second doubts," she said. "Anyone of them could have easily been selected."

In addition, Jeanetta credits her psychology professor, Dr. Richard Mizelle, for assisting her in researching the topic of her prize-winning speech, "Subliminal Seduction."

Jeanetta, a sophomore political

science major from Queens, N.Y., said she thought her topic



Winners: (l. to rt.) Jarwin Hester, Jeanetta Alexander, and Jeff Fulton

was an interesting one and she wanted to inform the audience on the techniques advertisers use to "seduce" them.

Jeff Fulton, the second place finisher, agrees that the seven contestants were nothing short of superb. "The competition was very stiff," he said. "Everyone had excellent speeches to say the least."

Jeff, a sophomore psychology major from Washington D.C., gave a speech, "An Appointment You Can't Miss," which dealt with the issue of death and how society refuses to deal with the issue. "It is a subject we don't think about," he said. "We don't prepare for it."

Jarwin Hester is overwhelmed with the results and is not disappointed with his finishing third place. "Everything is perfect,"

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University Official Claims Students Are Not Provided With Adequate Activities

by Phyllis Jeffers

There is a lack of student services because there are no services or "structured" activities provided said a university official.

Curtis Daye, director of student activities, said, "We simply have a lack of services." The library closes at 11 p.m. and there is no place for the students to eat on campus after 8 p.m. which provides students with absolutely nothing said Daye.

According to Daye there is a desperate need for services, not events, which provide the student body with a program and agenda throughout the school year. There are approximately 400 events a

year and from August to fall break there were 12 parties and a movie planned during a nine week period. "Events include parties, speaks and movie nights, however, services are long-standing, frequent activities," he said. These services may consist of a Thursday night film series or bowling every Friday night, for example.

The lyceum committee is responsible for the acquisition of student activities. All students are charged \$7.50 fee in which Phyllis Joyner Simms, a member of this committee, said is used to provide cultural activities. Their goal is to bring in artists, musicians and dance groups to expose students

and enhance their interests in the area of art.

However, the committee is not designed to meet the demand for on-going services.

Daye added that freshmen, for instance, are given no choice when they arrive at NCCU. "They can either sit on the hot 9th floor of Baynes and Eagleson or loiter on the patio," he said. "We have nothing for them."

Although campus organizations such as fraternities and sororities provide some activities, the costs for security and disc jockeys are far too high. Therefore, they are

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Kwanzaa Celebration Plans Announced

Chapel Hill—Kwanzaa, a unique event that pays tribute to the rich cultural roots of Americans of African descent, is being observed at UNC-Chapel Hill December 2-7.

The celebration focuses on several fundamental principals which serve as guides for daily living. Known collectively as Nguzo Saba, the seven principals include Unity (Umoja); Self-Determination (Kujichagulia); Collective work and responsibility (Ujima); Cooperative economics (Ujamaa); Purpose (Nia); Creativity (Kuumba); Faith (Imani).

The observance began December 2, in the Carolina Union Auditorium, with "Town Fellowship," a gathering of people from the University community, local black churches and the Chapel Hill/Carrboro/Durham communities which encompass the principals of Umoja and Kujichagulia.

Ujima will be celebrated tonight at 7:30 p.m. in room 100, Hamilton Hall. This will include a pre-birthday celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. Sonja Haynes Stone with a dramatic tribute to an African Queen.

African-American vendors will offer their wares to room 205-206 in the Carolina Union from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on December 4, in celebration of Ujamaa.

Nia will be celebrated by the telling of American and African American folktales to local schoolchildren from from 12-1:30 p.m., December 5, in the Carolina Union Auditorium. The celebration continues in the evening with a Miss Black Carolina Pageant at 8 p.m. in Memorial Hall. Tickets for the pageant are \$3, with a percentage of the proceeds earmarked for the Sonja Haynes Stone Scholarship fund.

Carmichael Ballroom is the setting for Kuumba, an African Ball, beginning at 8 p.m., December 6, and

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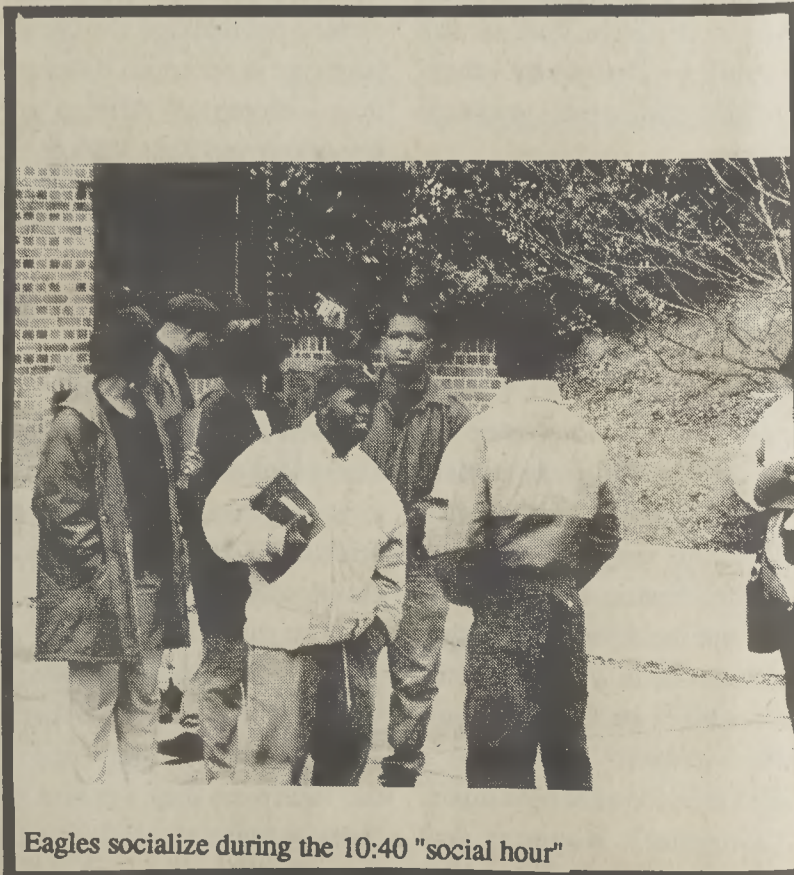
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Eagles socialize during the 10:40 "social hour"

Local Politician Calls Durham's Anti-Loitering Ordinance Fascist

by Johnnie Whitehead

The state chairman of the New Alliance Party calls Durham's anti-loitering ordinance "fascist" and a "blatant attack on young black men."

Bernard Obie said that this ordinance, implemented by lame duck Mayor Chester Jenkins, gives the police the authority to arrest black men, in a way that violates their constitutional, civil and human rights.

The ordinance declares anyone loitering and wandering about in public places for the purpose of engaging in drug activity can be arrested. In a November 4th meeting, the Durham City Council removed the sunset provision which now makes it a permanent ordinance.

"People, especially black people, should be alarmed," said Obie. "This may not be quite the same as the gestapo in Nazi Germany, but we are certainly moving in that direction."

According to Obie, Durham Police Chief Trevor Hampton said that the law is only enforced in certain communities [low-income, black neighborhoods] because these are the only places where street dealing in drugs occur. "This is a perfect example of another black man attacking black youth," he said.

Obie accuses the city of neglecting the most important concerns. And although drugs is one of them, the approach which relies on thwarting trafficking and usage such as increasing the police force

and purchasing larger weapons is ineffective. "Nowhere in the country has this worked," he said. "I challenged the police chief to name one instance in which it has, and he could say nothing."

The city needs to invest in the youth rather than attacking them, said Obie, because the city, for example, spent only \$300,000 on recreational facilities in 1990. "Durham is on its way down because recreation is unavailable, affordable housing is a tragedy, the homeless population is growing, vocational opportunities are limited, the educational system has failed, and no drug treatment

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