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Racial incidents cause concern but no action

By Peter Sigal
Staff Writer

In the wake of two racially charged incidents in Morrison Residence Hall during the past month and a recent U.S. Supreme Court decision that could change the University's Code of Student Conduct regarding racial harassment, some Department of University Housing officials are concerned about their inability to take action against racial incidents.

"We have been told to back off," said Robert "Bo" Aylin, Morrison area director. The two recent incidents in Morrison prompted concern among

University housing officials that they now have less authority to discipline racially motivated crimes.

"I think for black students on campus, it's a real concern," Aylin said. Morrison has 300 black residents, the largest concentration of minority students on campus, he said.

Rick Bradley, assistant housing director for student services, said that in the past, the housing department was able to respond to racial incidents because they were a violation of the housing contract. The contract, which students in University housing must sign, includes both the University's Code of Student Conduct and separate housing

regulations.

But Bradley said University officials had told housing officials they no longer were allowed to take disciplinary action in racial incidents.

"We've been told we're no longer able to take action" beyond talking to the students involved, Bradley said. All racial incidents now are referred to the Honor Court, he said.

The first incident occurred in early January, he said.

A sign stating "This bathroom is no longer desegregated. No niggers allowed except for housekeepers" was found on a bathroom door in a Morrison suite, Bradley said. The sign only was posted

for about 10 minutes before a resident assistant found it.

Aylin said the second incident occurred at about 2 a.m. on Jan. 23, when a white student was reported to have assaulted a black RA and used a racial slur.

In both cases, the offenders were discovered, Bradley said. But the housing department had no authority to take action beyond telling the students that their behavior was "not appropriate to the housing code," he said.

The cases then went to the Undergraduate Student Court, but Bradley said he did not know the outcome. One of the offenders still is living in Univer-

sity housing, while the other's contract was revoked for unrelated reasons, Bradley said.

Susan Ehringhaus, the University's general counsel and assistant to Chancellor Paul Hardin, refused to comment on the specific incidents. She said certain aspects of the University's Student Code would change as a result of the 1992 Supreme Court ruling that prohibited content-based "hate crime" regulations.

Ehringhaus said she did not yet know which parts of the Student Code would be changed. She said UNC would continue to prosecute those parts of the code that were not affected by the ruling

"as vigorously as the law allows."

"We're still against (hate crimes)," she said. "We can't be against them in a way that violates First Amendment rights."

Aylin said he was less concerned with punishment than with educating offenders.

"I am in favor of doing something to challenge their beliefs," he said. "If we are here to make better citizens, then that's part of the message we have to send. I'm certainly in favor of First Amendment rights. At the same time, we have to balance these with students' rights to be free from racial harassment."

TUESDAY IN THE NEWS

Top stories from state, nation and world

Marines who beat gay man show no remorse

WILMINGTON, N.C. — Three Marines who shouted "Clinton must pay" showed no remorse as they were being booked on charges of beating a gay man, police said Monday.

The White House called the attack deplorable and said it was not a reason to delay Clinton's plan to lift the ban on homosexuals in the military.

"They were saying things like they hate all faggots, and they wish (homosexuals) were all dead, and they're not ashamed of it," said Wilmington police officer Ed Gibson.

The three Marines, stationed at Camp Lejeune, were each charged with four counts of assault. They each were released from jail on a \$400 bond.

The victim, Crae Pridgen, suffered cuts and bruises, particularly on his head, in the attack early Saturday. He lost a tooth, had a black eye, swollen lip and cut ear.

Pridgen went to Raleigh on Monday to meet with representatives of Gov. Jim Hunt, saying he would do whatever it takes to prevent more gay-bashing. Hunt was at the meeting of the National Governors Association in Washington, D.C.

Israel to repatriate all deportees within year

JERUSALEM — Israel will repatriate 100 of the deported Palestinians from Lebanon immediately and return the remainder within a year, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin announced Monday.

The deportations had prompted the United Nations to demand the exiles' immediate return and endangered the resumption of Middle East peace talks.

Israel's environment minister said the compromise unanimously approved by the Cabinet on Monday night would avert U.N. sanctions.

However, the Palestine Liberation Organization quickly rejected Israel's move.

Clinton adopts tough stance in trade feud

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration, taking a tough approach in its first major trade dispute, announced Monday that it was banning federal government purchases of European-made utility products.

The move, scheduled to take effect on March 22, immediately was attacked as "unilateral bullying" by a European official.

The U.S. action was in retaliation to the 12-nation European Community's adoption of rules favoring European manufacturers in the purchase of telecommunications and power generation equipment, U.S. Trade Representative Michael Kantor said.

Danforth says he will not seek re-election

ST. LOUIS — Sen. John C. Danforth said Monday that he would not seek re-election in 1994.

In a hastily called airport news conference, Danforth, R-Mo., said that he had no immediate plans but that he wanted to fulfill a commitment to the Episcopal Church.

Danforth, formerly Missouri state attorney general, first was elected to the Senate in 1976. He was re-elected in 1982 and 1988.

The moderate Republican's decision to run for a third term had been somewhat of a surprise because he had said two terms were enough for any senator.

—The Associated Press

Forum highlights tuition, grad student issues

By Thanassis Cambanis
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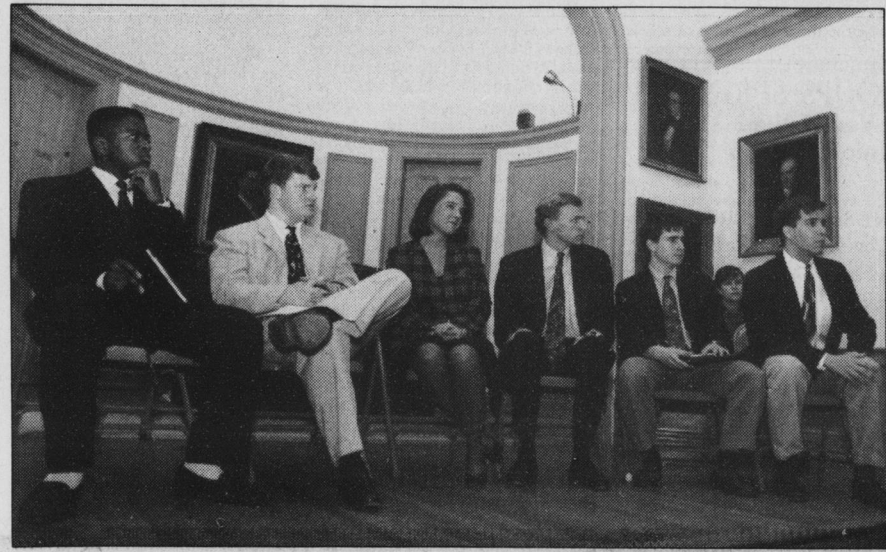
A proposed tuition increase and graduate student involvement in student government were the focuses of discussion at the first student body president candidates' forum Monday, sponsored by the Dialectic and Philanthropic Society.

The six candidates for student body president were given seven minutes to speak and then took part in a 20-minute question-and-answer session. The event was held in the Dialectic Society Chamber in New West.

The strict structure of the forum allowed time for only two audience questions after the candidate presentations, focusing on the proposed tuition increase and getting graduate students involved in student government.

According to the proposed tuition hike, graduate student tuition at UNC-system schools would rise 50 percent, and in-state undergraduate tuition would increase 20 percent.

All six of the candidates agreed that UNC needed a strong lobby in the state legislature, but they disagreed on the student body president's role.



The six candidates for student body president mull over the issues during the Dialectic and Philanthropic Society forum Monday.

Adrian Patillo, a junior from Chapel Hill, said UNC-CH needed to focus on lobbying the General Assembly through the officially delegated UNC-system lobbyist, D.G. Martin.

"You cannot lobby as one school;

that's illegal," Patillo said. "I'll work with D.G. Martin to lobby with the entire UNC system."

Jim Copland, a junior from Burlington, said the system goals Martin represented were not always com-

patible with the needs of UNC-CH.

"The system might want something that is not good for Chapel Hill," he said. "It's important to go beyond the UNC-system lobbyist."

Kevin Ginsberg, a junior from Co-

Death prompts concern for gay soldiers' welfare

By Lloyd Whittington
Staff Writer

As debate about President Bill Clinton's determination to lift the ban on homosexuals in the military continues, the mother of a gay Navy seaman who was beaten to death fears for the lives of others like her son.

Beyond the issue of lifting the ban looms another question, a question of life and death. Some members of the American public wonder whether gays and lesbians who openly reveal their sexual orientation within the military will become victims of gay-bashing, hazing and physical violence.

Lt. Cmdr. Betsy Bird, a Pacific Fleet spokeswoman, said all possible motives, including gay-bashing, were being investigated in the 1992 death of Seaman Allen Schindler. The Navy has not charged the airman being held in connection with Schindler's death.

But Dorothy Hajdys, Schindler's mother, said she thought the motive was clear.

After filing for a discharge in September on grounds that he was gay, Schindler, 22, was killed Oct. 27 in a public restroom near the U.S. Naval base in Sasebo, Japan, Hajdys said. His body and face were so severely beaten that she could only identify her son by

the tattoo on his arm, she said.

In a telephone interview from her home in Chicago Heights, Ill., Hajdys said that according to the autopsy, her son's skull was crushed, his ribs were broken, his lungs had hemorrhaged, and there were lacerations on his genitals.

Navy Airman Terry Helvey of Eloise, Mich., is being held in connection with the case, pending the decision by Naval authorities on whether to charge him with murder.

In return for testifying in the preliminary hearing, Airman Charles Vins, 20, of Sturgis, Mich., was sentenced to four months incarceration and a bad-conduct discharge after pleading guilty to resisting arrest and failing to report a crime, the Washington Post reported Jan. 24.

Hajdys said she was undecided on the issue of lifting the 50-year-old ban against gays in the military, but "only for fear for their lives." She added that one military publication even quoted a Marine as saying he would have to kill any gay he discovered in his unit.

"The whole time he was on that ship, my son told me over and over that he didn't have to worry about dying and going to hell because he was already there," Hajdys said.

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SBP hopefuls address possible solutions for racial tensions

Editor's note: The following is the second in a four-part series investigating what issues students consider the most important and what solutions candidates for student body president have proposed.

Staff Report

If members of the University community learned one thing from the debate about a free-standing black cultural center last fall, it was that not everyone is happy in the "southern part of Heaven."

Race relations, always a hot topic at UNC, a predominately white school that has elected only two black student body presidents in its 199-year history, was the first priority on the minds of 129 students polled last week by The

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Of the 129 students reached, 55 named race relations and the BCC controversy as the most important issue of this year's student body presidential election.

The candidates, only one of whom named race relations among their top three campaign issues, had differing views on how to solve a problem the entire campus has been forced to acknowledge in recent months.

Presidential hopeful Adrian Patillo, a member of the working group to develop plans for a free-standing black cultural center, says race relations are and will continue to be a problem no

matter what is done.

Patillo, a junior from Chapel Hill, was attacked by some BCC advocates for joining the working group, a committee in which members of the coalition for a free-standing BCC had refused to participate.

Since the working group was formed, Chancellor Paul Hardin granted his support for a new center, and Hardin's committee participated in joint talks with the BCC Advisory Board. The

working group members will make their final report to the chancellor in March, Patillo said.

Patillo said he was aware of the racial tensions on campus and added that whites and blacks were not communicating with each other.

"It's a real sticky situation, especially for me as a black man, because it seems like the people who are in power to make great gains in race relations are people of color, the people who have had to deal with discrimination and what-not," he said.

Patillo said his victory could help the situation, although he wasn't sure how much change he could bring.

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lumbia, S.C., advocated an aggressive approach to swaying legislators.

"What we need to do is tell the legislators who vote for the tuition increase that in two years they'll be out of a job," Ginsberg said.

Copland specifically cited Ginsberg's philosophy as counter-productive.

"We shouldn't be combative," he said. "We are perceived at the University as the privileged few, so we don't need to threaten legislators but work with them."

Jennifer Lloyd, a junior from Burlington, said swamping the General Assembly would not help UNC-CH students. "Many students can run around and be disruptive," she said.

David Cox, a junior from Chattanooga, Tenn., said experience did not necessarily mean effective leadership.

"Why do we have these problems now if (the current student government leaders) are so effective?" Cox asked. "Obviously this experience isn't leading to much action."

Carl Clark, a junior from Fuquay-Varina, said he thought lobbying the state legislature in Raleigh should be a low priority for the next student body president.

"I'm afraid that many of our student body presidents have lived in Raleigh. We're going to have students going to

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UNC officials oppose \$1 tax

By Daniel Feldman
Staff Writer

University officials said Monday that a \$1 entertainment tax imposed on Smith Center and Kenan Stadium events would lower ticket sales and unfairly burden the athletic department.

For the past 12 years, Chapel Hill resident Roland Giduz has proposed to the town council taxing event-goers to raise money for the town.

The tax would raise an estimated \$600,000, which could help offset the town's \$864,000 budget shortfall, town officials said. The tax would have to be approved by the town council and the General Assembly.

Wayne Jones, University vice chan-

cellor for business and finance, said the new tax unjustly would allow stadiums in Raleigh or Durham to steal upcoming attractions.

"There is a limit on how high ticket prices can go before attendance begins to drop off," Jones said. "The athletic department has to underwrite all operations for our facilities, thereby maintaining the operating costs."

Chapel Hill Mayor Ken Broun said he would support the tax only if it applied to the entire state.

"One limited to Chapel Hill would put the Smith Center at a disadvantage," Broun said. "Having Raleigh tax their programs would put Walnut Creek on the same level as the Smith Center."

But Chapel Hill Town Council mem-

ber Joe Herzenberg said he supported the proposed tax, but he thought it stood little chance of being approved by the state legislature.

"It passed two years ago and should again," Herzenberg said. "The usual obstruction from the University will probably cause it to fail."

Council member Joe Capowski also said he thought the state legislature would side with the University and prevent the bill from being passed.

If the bill does not pass, town residents could face service cuts, higher user fees and a mild tax increase, Capowski said.

Although Giduz acknowledged that

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Town council to consider housing subsidies

By Richard J. Dalton Jr.
Staff Writer

Most students are apartment renters, not homeowners, so they are unaffected by housing subsidies, right? Wrong.

The lack of affordable housing makes it difficult for many residents to own their own homes, creating competition in Chapel Hill's rental market, according to Chapel Hill Town Council member Mark Chilton.

At a housing work session Monday

night, the town council discussed implementing housing subsidies to alleviate the lack of affordable housing. "What we're doing has a very large effect on the rental market," Chilton said.

Chilton said residents earning less than \$30,000 per year could not afford to buy a house in town, so they often were forced to rent. A large number of students are renters, creating competition for living space and increasing rent.

If the town were to offer housing subsidies, some apartment renters would

be able to purchase homes, he said.

Students could benefit from lower rents, but Chilton said students were not targeted to be the main recipients of housing subsidies.

Keith Aldridge, chairman of the non-profit Orange Community Housing Corporation, said the group targeted residents at or below the median-income level, including school teachers, and town and University employees.

Council member Barbara Powell said the high cost of housing had forced many black residents to leave Chapel Hill. "I think we need to look at how we can maintain African Americans in our

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Candidates: Last chance

Okay, we'll give you one more chance.

Candidates for Student Congress must contact The Daily Tar Heel by 3 p.m. today — no exceptions — to set up an interview and photo session.

Call Marty Minchin at 962-0245 or stop by the DTH office in Suite 104 of the Student Union. This time we mean it.

Never learn to do anything: If you don't learn, you'll always find someone else to do it for you. — Mark Twain