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THURSDAY IN THE NEWS

Top stories from state, nation and world

Mulroney relinquishes Canadian leadership

OTTAWA — Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, battered by the lowest popularity ratings in Canadian polling history, called it quits Wednesday, ending months of speculation about his future.

Dogged by a three-year recession, unable to unite the country's bickering provinces or solve its French-English divisions, Mulroney bowed to the inevitable but went out insisting that he could have won again.

But the man who has governed Canada since 1984 acknowledged that he would not be given that chance.

"The time has come for me to step aside," Mulroney said, accompanied by his wife Mila and two of his four children. "I've done my very best for my country and my party, and I look forward to the enthusiasm and renewal only new leadership brings."

The Quebec lawyer who led his Progressive Conservative party for 10 years said he would remain in office until it selected a new leader.

Cuba holds first direct elections since 1959

SANTIAGO, Cuba — Cuba on Wednesday held its first direct elections for parliament since the 1959 Communist revolution, but only candidates supporting the party line were permitted to run.

Candidates were selected by labor and social groups affiliated with the Communist Party and were approved by city assemblies.

President Fidel Castro, himself a candidate, was greeted by thousands of cheering Cubans at the Manuel Isla Perez elementary school, where he voted. In a rare and free-wheeling news conference with reporters from more than a dozen nations, he said the elections would "change the course of the country, of the revolution."

But the only apparent opposition came from several anti-Castro radio stations in Miami, heard easily on the island, which urged Cubans to cast blank ballots or avoid the polls.

North Korea working toward nuclear bomb

WASHINGTON — North Korea has produced enough material for at least one nuclear weapon, the new director of the CIA said Wednesday in the first official public estimate of that nation's highly secretive nuclear program.

R. James Woolsey said North Korea refused to open its nuclear program for inspections, produces weapons-grade material, has developed a missile with up to 1,000-kilometer range and is willing to sell weapons to anyone with cash, putting it "almost in a class by itself in the proliferation world."

Most East Europeans distrust democracy

LONDON — Most East Europeans are deeply disillusioned with democracy and half believe they were better off under communism, according to an 18-country survey released Wednesday.

Among Russians, who were generally the most pessimistic of the 18,700 people polled between Oct. 30 and Nov. 17, one-third expect the nation to revert to dictatorship.

Lithuanians were the happiest of those surveyed by the Gallup organization.

"This survey is an indication in real terms that some of these countries are going to go toward a dictatorship," said Gallup managing director Gordon Head. "That doesn't necessarily mean a reversal back to communism," he said.

Libertarian challenge against state delayed

GREENSBORO — North Carolina and the state chapter of the Libertarian Party agreed Wednesday to delay a challenge of a law that calls for officials to drop the organization as a recognized political party, attorneys said Wednesday.

The State Elections Board could have moved to decertify the organization as early as Wednesday — 90 days after the board certified the results of last November's election.

"The board has agreed to not take any steps to take Libertarian voters off the rolls until the case can be heard on its merits," said Special Deputy Attorney General Charles M. Hensey, the elections board's chief legal counsel.

—The Associated Press

Higgins: Moody faked memo as 'joke'

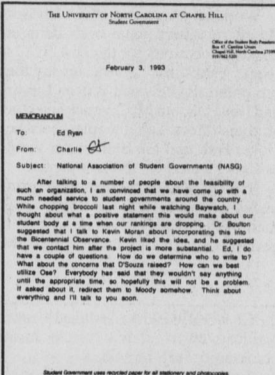
By Anna Griffin
University Editor

Student Body Vice President Charlie Higgins said Wednesday that a memo containing his name and initials and implying that he was involved in sending out mailings to colleges across the country was meant as a joke by Student Body President John Moody, who Higgins says is the actual author of the memo.

"(The memo) is some kind of joke," Higgins said. "John did that as a joke. I am not involved in this and never have been."

Higgins said he would not go so far as to say Moody forged the memo, which was delivered to The Daily Tar Heel Tuesday morning with a note apparently from Moody. "I'm really down on John right now," Higgins said.

The memo, dated Feb. 3 and addressed to Ed Ryan, gives the impression that Higgins is involved in Moody's



Moody wrote this memo

efforts to organize a National Association of Student Governments.

"After talking to a number of people

SBP admits to signing vice president's initials

Student Body President John Moody told members of Student Congress Wednesday night that a memo he wrote and signed Student Body Vice President Charlie Higgins' name to was "a joke."

The memo was addressed to student Ed Ryan and apparently was signed by Higgins. It implicated Higgins in the work of Moody and members of his staff in sending out

mailings to colleges across the country about the National Association of Student Governments.

But Moody said Wednesday night that the memo, which he wrote and delivered to The Daily Tar Heel office, was an effort to "mock" DTH attempts to report about the letters.

"We were very upset when we first caught wind of what the DTH was doing," Moody said. "The first thing we

did to mock the DTH, we gave them a memo that made no sense. It was obviously a joke, and they just didn't get it."

Earlier Wednesday, Moody abruptly ended an interview with Daily Tar Heel Editor Peter Wallsten, refusing to comment on allegations of wrongdoing after Wallsten said he

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about the feasibility of such an organization, I am convinced that we have come up with a much needed service to student governments around the country. While chopping broccoli last night while watching Baywatch, I thought about what a positive statement this would make about our student body at a time when our rankings are dropping,"

the memo states.

"Everybody has said that they wouldn't say anything until the appropriate time, so hopefully this will not be a problem. If asked about it, redirect them to Moody somehow," stated the memo.

Higgins said Wednesday that he was not involved in any of the planning of

the organization. "I think (the NASG) is a ludicrous idea," he said. "I have had no involvement in it at all."

Higgins said the letter was written by Moody, who refused to comment on the allegations Wednesday.

Moody and Doug McCurry, his chief

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Despite second vote, still no decision on CDS clause

By Gary Rosenzweig
Staff Writer

The managers of Carolina Dining Services met in a closed meeting Wednesday to discuss adding sexual orientation to their nondiscrimination policy, but did not reach a decision about the matter, CDS manager Chris Derby said.

The CDS managers voted 9-4 in favor of adding a policy, but Derby said he was looking for a consensus before making a decision.

Matthew Stiegler, a leader of the recently formed Student Organized Movement Against Discrimination, said Derby would like to get the entire management to agree on a policy change but possibly could make the decision himself.

"It's in Chris Derby's hands at this

point," Stiegler said.

Joan Petit, another leader of SO MAD, said she thought Derby favored adding the clause but wanted to avoid the spotlight. "He seems to want to change the policy," she said.

Derby said he could make the decision himself at this point but wanted to continue discussions with the other managers.

"It's going to take further discussions among the management team," he said.

Auxiliary Services Director Rutledge Tufts said he was asked to come to the meeting to explain the University's anti-discrimination policy, which includes sexual orientation. Tufts said that because CDS was run by Marriott Corp., the group did not have to abide by the University's policy.

The federal government, ROTC and

private contractors operating at the University are not required to adhere to the University's policy, Tufts said. But Marriott does follow some state requirements concerning anti-discrimination policies that do not address sexual orientation, he said.

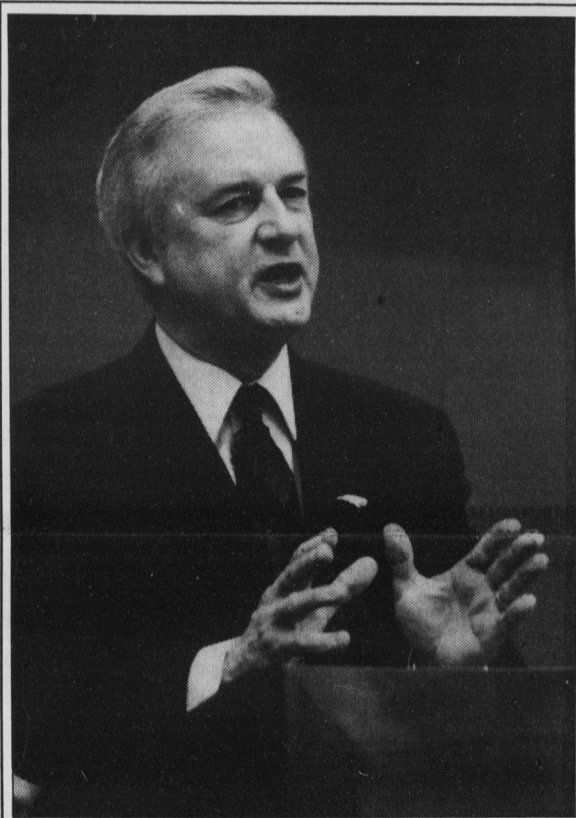
Tufts said he hoped the CDS management would decide to adopt the policy soon. "It's a Marriott decision," he said.

The 9-4 vote was the same as that of a Feb. 17 meeting where managers voted 9-5, except that one member was not present at this meeting, Derby said.

Stiegler, Petit and other members of SO MAD asked to be allowed to attend the meeting but were told it was closed, Stiegler said.

Derby said he and Tufts made the

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Children's advocate ...

Gov. Jim Hunt outlines his plan to improve North Carolina's children's programs in the closing speech of a symposium at UNC's Kenan Center Wednesday. See story page 3.

Sex-materials distributor denied relocation permit

By Daniel Feldman
Staff Writer

HILLSBOROUGH — Hillsborough Board of Adjustment officials decided Wednesday night to deny a permit to PHE Inc., a company that sells adult videos, vibrators and contraceptives, in a special hearing before a standing-room-only crowd of about 300 citizens.

Hillsborough Town Attorney Michael Brough said the permit was denied because PHE Inc. did not meet all of the necessary criteria.

"The Board of Adjustment may refuse if it fails to comply with specific points of the ordinance, fails to protect residential zones or if it fails to guarantee the safety of pedestrians and motorists," Brough said.

Board Chairman Frank Ray said the measure to approve the site permit failed because it was located too close to residential areas and did not comply with regulations forbidding products from being sold to minors.

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NAACP activist still fighting racism

Editor's note: This is the fourth in a five-part series recognizing blacks who have made a difference on campus and in the community.

By Karen Clark
Staff Writer

Despite drastic political and social changes over the years, James Brittian does not believe that Chapel Hill's attitude towards blacks has changed considerably.

"There were times when we were children that the (Ku Klux Klan) would hide in the woods and jump out at us with their sheets," Brittian said. "Nothing's changed. We still have the KKK. They're just wearing three-piece suits."

Brittian, who has been the president of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People since December 1990, was born and raised in Chapel Hill. He became active in the community in 1963.

Brittian said he remembered attend-

ing the segregated Lincoln High School and being expelled for participating in a civil rights protest march.

"All we wanted were the equal facilities at Lincoln High that the students at Chapel Hill High School had," Brittian said.

After the march, Brittian became chairman of the Student Commission, which was a branch of the Chapel Hill Freedom Commission. The Freedom Commission was a leading force working for civil rights.

Brittian said he enjoyed growing up in Chapel Hill, despite living in a segregated neighborhood. Because the town was segregated, Brittian and his playmates did not see themselves as oppressed people, he added.

"We lived in substandard housing and we didn't share the fruits, such as jobs and education, that others had, but we never felt oppressed," Brittian said.



James Brittian

Brittian said the Chapel Hill commu-
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BAC member Bradley elected BSM president

By Holly Stepp
Staff Writer

About 110 Black Student Movement members turned out Wednesday to elect John Bradley BSM president.

Bradley, a junior from Wilmington and co-founder of the Black Awareness Council, received approximately 55 percent of the total votes cast.

BSM members also elected Latricia Henry, a sophomore from Reidsville, to be the next BSM vice president. Lucy Chavis, a junior from Henderson, will serve as the next BSM secretary.

Bradley said one of his first goals would be to attend the Student Congress budget hearings for the BSM and attempt to re-establish the funding for the BSM Gospel Choir. The hearings will take place this weekend. Last weekend, members of the congress finance committee voted to cut

the amount given to both the BSM and its gospel choir.

In a BSM-sponsored forum Tuesday, Bradley said that if elected BSM president, he would work with Provost Richard McCormick, chairman of Chancellor Paul Hardin's black cultural center working group, to plan the new BCC.

But Wednesday after the election, Bradley said he hoped that the BCC working group already would have presented a proposal for a new BCC to Chancellor Paul Hardin by the time he takes office later this spring.

"I am optimistic that the negotiation aspect of the BCC planning will be over by the time my term begins," he said. "But if it is not I will strive to let the BCC working group know that the Wilson-Dey Site is preferred by

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