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## IN THE NEWS

Top stories from the state, nation and world

### Right-Wingers Challenge Israeli-PLO Peace Accord

JERUSALEM — Right-wing protesters hoisted Israeli flags above the ramps of Jerusalem's old city Monday while Parliament prepared for what promised to be one of the most heated debates in its history.

Israel's 120-seat parliament takes up Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's peace initiative with Yasser Arafat today. Most predictions give the accord a bare majority of support.

Shas, the government's ultra-orthodox coalition partner, has yet to decide whether to back the agreement.

### Polish Voters Elect Slate Of Former Communists

WARSAW, Poland — A yearning for the social safety net under the former Communist regime and fear of suffering under free-market reforms drove many Poles to vote for two parties with roots in the old system.

The Communist-run system was one that people knew and understood — a guaranteed job for life, a place to seek some comfort if things went bad.

The balloting largely became a referendum on the switch to a free-market system that followed the fall of Communism in 1989. Despite the strong anti-reform vote, however, the only likely change is some fine-tuning in the move toward a market economy.

The Democratic Left Alliance, a group mainly composed of former Communists who claim they are now Democrats and free-market advocates, apparently was the big winner with 20.6 percent of the vote, according to early results.

### Bosnian Leaders Continue Talks on British Warship

ZAGREB, Croatia — A British warship in the Adriatic Sea became the latest venue for Bosnian peace talks Monday as leaders of the country's three warring factions tried again to settle their differences.

The talks aboard the aircraft carrier HMS Invincible were aimed at clearing the way for the signing of a peace package Tuesday in Sarajevo.

The biggest obstacle to the plan, which would divide Bosnia into Serb, Croat and Muslim mini-states, appeared to be the Muslim-led government's demand for access to the Adriatic Sea.

Sources said the meeting included Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic, Bosnian Croat leader Mate Boban and Croatian President Franjo Tudjman.

### Congress Ready to Vote On Military-Base Closings

WASHINGTON — Congress neared a final vote Monday on recommendations to shut 130 military bases and scale back 45 others in a money-saving effort that would cost tens of thousands of jobs nationwide.

The Senate considered a motion to disapprove the work of the seven-member Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission. The panel submitted its recommendations to President Clinton July 1; it took him less than 24 hours to approve the list and send it to Congress.

The law creating the commission requires that the entire package take effect unless both the House and Senate vote to overturn it in its entirety. The Senate was expected to endorse the recommendations.

This marks the third round of base closures in five years, and another swipe at reducing military infrastructure is planned for 1995.

### Mercedes-Benz to Choose Site for Assembly Plant

CHARLOTTE — The much-anticipated announcement by Mercedes-Benz on the site for its first U.S. assembly plant won't be made until sometime next week, a company spokeswoman said Monday.

The Business Journal of Charlotte, quoting unidentified sources, said North Carolina — long touted as the front-runner in the fierce competition to land the 1,500-job Mercedes plant — had slipped to as low as fourth among five contending states over the last month. The Charlotte Observer and the Columbia State have reported that North Carolina, South Carolina and Alabama remained in the running.

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### Weather

TODAY: Variably cloudy, 40-percent chance of rain; high in low 80s.

WEDNESDAY: Fair skies; high in 80s.

## Group to Air Concerns About WUNC

BY HOLLY STEPP  
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Officials at the University's public radio station will meet today with a member of a statewide citizens' action group to discuss the station's programming.

WUNC General Manager Bill Davis said he planned to have lunch with Barbara Earls, membership coordinator for North Carolina Fare Share.

The conference comes on the heels of a meeting earlier this month between Davis and members of Balance and Accuracy in Journalism, a Chapel Hill-based group.

Davis said Monday that the complaints raised by BAJ were accurate but said WUNC's format was different from what the group had in mind.

"Most of the questions BAJ brought to me were concerning the kind of programs

we should carry," Davis said.

"They wanted WUNC to provide a platform for various community activists groups, really open-access to the airwaves for people who have various concerns."

Davis said his priorities were different from the group's views. "I just think that hiring more local reporters to cover more local stories is more important," he said.

"That's one of the things that people say they value most about the station."

But David Kirsh, one of the founders of BAJ, said Monday that the public should have a say in WUNC programming since the station was publicly owned.

"The (programming) process itself is an unpublic process," Kirsh said. "We think it ought to be more public."

Kirsh said Davis didn't seem receptive to BAJ's suggestions when he met with the group.

"The best phrase I can use is, he was politely dismissive," Kirsh said.

WUNC is a Federal Communications Commission-licensed radio station that is controlled by UNC's Board of Trustees. Chancellor Paul Hardin selects a community-advisory board that meets to provide community input, Davis said.

"BAJ brought up this whole thing about control and who should control the radio station," Davis said. BAJ members thought the advisory board should not be controlled by the chancellor, Davis said.

"Even though we are supported partially by listener contributions, we are also funded in great deal by taxpayers' dollars," he said.

Davis also said that some BAJ members accused WUNC of focusing on maximizing audience and profits. "I think that it is interesting that some of the members criti-

cized us for having such a large audience," Davis said.

"We are more diverse and democratic than most university radio stations; we have an enormous audience because of that," Davis said.

He has already talked with Earls, Davis said.

"She had few suggestions for the station: Southern listeners listen for Southern voices and radio should reflect the changing public," Davis said.

WUNC staff are working to adapt to some of those suggestions, Davis said. "By hiring more local reports, we are trying to get a native feel to programs, and we have had people of various ethnic backgrounds to do commentaries for our station about their culture and some of their problems."

Michael Workman contributed to this article.

## Downtown Merchants Call For More Police Patrols

BY JACOB STOHLER  
STAFF WRITER

After a rash of violent incidents in Chapel Hill this weekend, downtown merchants said they planned to ask the town for increased police patrols and lighting on Franklin and Rosemary streets.

"It's sort of an old cliché," said Robert Humphreys, executive director of the Chapel Hill Downtown Commission. "But we need to take back our streets."

The commission represents merchants and businesses in Chapel Hill's downtown area, where most of this weekend's gun-related crimes occurred.

Humphreys said the commission hoped to meet with both the Chapel Hill Police Department and the Chapel Hill Town Council to voice concerns about downtown violence. "Citizens of this community have to take a stand and say they're not going to take this anymore," he said.

Chapel Hill police received reports of six gun-related incidents between 9 a.m. Friday and early Saturday morning. Three gang assaults in a 30-minute period also were reported early Sunday morning. Most of the incidents happened either in front of or near Franklin Street businesses.

Police investigators haven't linked any of the crimes to out-of-town visitors, despite the influx of alumni and Florida State football fans over the weekend.

Chapel Hill police spokeswoman Jane Cousins said the department was considering a variety of responses to this weekend's incidents, including paying officers overtime and using more reserve officers.

Franklin Street merchants said they weren't as concerned about isolated violent weekends because visitors also brought business to town, but that they were more

disturbed by daily problems.

"The problem is Hardee's — they close after 12 (midnight), but kids still hang out," said Jim Marcinowski, who owns Franklin Street Market, located across from Hardee's on West Franklin Street. Chapel Hill police responded to a call that a man was hit over the head with a beer bottle in front of the shop Friday night.

Marcinowski said he used to keep his store open 24 hours, but added that he now closed at 3 a.m., partly for safety reasons.

Humphreys said he didn't attribute increasing crime to late-night stores or weekend football fans. "Florida State (fans) didn't cause problems," he said.

Walter McFall, the owner and manager of TJ Campus Beverage at 108 W. Franklin St., agreed that an increased police presence would improve safety on the block. "They need to saturate it with police and enforce the loitering law."

Cousins said she did not think loitering was the real problem with increasing violent crime. "We're talking about people who are hurting other people," she said. "And we have laws to cover that."

McDonald's, located at 409 W. Franklin St., was the only local business to report a disturbance inside its store. Just after midnight Saturday a disgruntled customer threatened to return with a gun, police reports state. A Chapel Hill police officer stood watch until the restaurant closed, and the customer didn't return.

Scott Bain, co-owner of T.S. Elliott's Groundhog Tavern on East Franklin Street, said his bar hadn't had major problems with violence, but added that the town's late-night atmosphere discouraged business. "People don't feel safe walking on the street. They just go straight to a place and stay there."

## A Soulful Solo



Larry Price of Durham plays his alto sax Saturday on East Franklin Street. He previously has played with members of the Durham symphony on the Duke University campus. Price usually comes to play in Chapel Hill once a week.

## Students Flock to Donate Plasma for Easy Cash

BY LEANN SPRADLING  
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The perfect job? \$13 to \$20 an hour for lying on a couch, reading and talking to friends — and helping people at the same time. Anybody can do it, and you don't have to give an arm and a leg.

Just blood. Donating plasma is a way to get some extra money for almost no effort, said freshman Laurie Tweed of Concord.

"It would take me about an hour or an hour and a half to get in, donate and get out of there. I think if anybody needs extra money, it's a great way to get it."

"I went to get extra Christmas money."

Much of the plasma is used to treat hemophiliacs.

"It takes 287 donations to get one month's supply of medication for a hemophiliac," said Karen Takas, a client services worker at Miles Inc. in Raleigh.

"A lot of things it's used for you may have used yourself but didn't know it," Takas said. Burn victims, shock and trauma victims, and patients with immune problems may use plasma-based medications.

Dr. Kenneth Karb, a physician in Greensboro, said all human-derived products were very expensive.

The plasma product Albutin, made by Alpha Therapeutic, costs \$55 for 50 mL of a 25-percent solution.

Prices paid to plasma donors vary. Miles Inc. pays \$20 for the first donation and \$15 for succeeding donations. Sera-Tec Biologicals on Franklin Street pays \$13 per donation.

Sera-Tec offers the buddy program as an incentive. If two donors come in and

give together, they each receive \$5 more. "A lot of times it seems students are apt to come in more regularly if they have someone to come with," explained Diane Tietz, center manager at Sera-Tec.

Donating plasma is less debilitating than donating whole blood because the red blood cells, which take longer to replace, are returned to the donor's body after the plasma is collected. Someone can donate whole blood safely every six to eight weeks, but someone can donate plasma safely twice a week.

Tietz said approximately 250 people a week donated at Sera-Tec. More than 300 people a week sometimes donate during incentive programs. About 60 to 80 percent of the donors at Sera-Tec are college students.

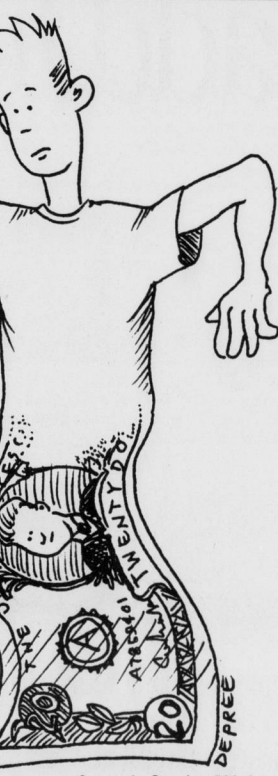
"We have 32 centers, and over half are in college towns," Tietz said. "They want younger, healthier people to donate."

Safety is a big concern, Tietz said. Plasma centers are required to have a physician on staff to examine new donors and lab results. Everything that touches a donor's blood is disposable, including the centrifuge that separates plasma from the rest of the blood.

Karb said there was no danger in donating plasma.

"I do it myself, so I'm a believer." Freshman Michelle Vanstory of Greensboro said she also felt safe at the plasma center.

"Everything they use they throw away



## Point-to-Point Plans to Begin 24-Hour Service at Month's End

BY KEVIN MCKEE  
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University transportation officials are considering offering the Point-to-Point shuttle service 24 hours a day except on weekends and University holidays.

The changes would go into effect Sept. 30.

"We will be able to more equitably meet the needs of all the students and faculty now," said Randy Young, marketing specialist for the Department of Transportation and Parking.

"Those that work third shift, housekeepers and hospital staff, as well as students leaving libraries late at night, will benefit greatly from the extended hours."

Jim Copland, student body president, said, "I think this is a very positive step."

"Operation at all nighttime hours will significantly improve safety for students. Any aware student will be able to get safe transportation just by calling P2P."

The P2P program was initiated in August 1992 to help faculty and students get around campus after dark, but faculty and disabled students now also may use the shuttle to get around campus during daylight hours.

"The P2P system is one of the best systems the University has developed," said Maj. Bob Porrea, public safety officer for UNC Police. "I've used it myself."

The shuttle also has been a major player in the attempt to reduce rape on campus. Students can use the P2P system to travel from one area of the campus to the other without worrying about having to walk alone in dark areas.

"People will always find new uses for the system," Young said. "If the decrease in assault and rape is a by-product of the

## Students, Friends To Honor Stone

BY PHUONG LY  
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To many Black Cultural Center supporters, the memory of the late professor Sonja H. Stone keeps them fighting for a center.

"If it wasn't for Dr. Stone, there wouldn't be a movement," said junior Staci Hill, a member of the BCC Advisory Board. "Without Dr. Stone, I probably wouldn't understand what institutional racism is."

To commemorate Stone's contributions, the Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center is holding its third-annual memorial service at 6 p.m. today in the Great Hall.

The program, entitled "A Time to Reflect on the Life and Legacy of Dr. Sonja Haynes Stone," will include speeches and songs.

Stone, an African and Afro-American studies associate professor, died three years ago at the age of 52. During her 15 years at the University, she pushed for an Afro-American studies curriculum.

Students honored Stone after her death by officially naming the BCC for her.

Margo Crawford, director of the BCC, said Stone was needed now more than ever in light of recent developments in the fight for a BCC.

"The institutional racism here has been unveiled," Crawford said. "It's hitting us between the eyes. It's clear to everyone that the BCC has not been included in the Bicentennial plans."

The Bicentennial Steering Committee decided Friday to defer a decision about raising the campaign goal until its December meeting because several areas of the campaign were behind schedule.

Crawford said it was important to keep educating students about Stone.

"As they come to think about her, surely they will also think about their responsibility to work also to dismantle this institutional racism that was also burdensome to her," said Crawford, Stone's friend for more than 20 years.

The main segment of the memorial service will be "Expressions," short statements about Stone delivered by her friends, colleagues and students.

Funk Moses, a member of the Ebony Readers, will present a poem, and the Black Student Movement choir will perform several songs.

Speakers will include Robert Stone Jr., Stone's son; UNC graduate student

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When I'm good, I'm very good, but when I'm bad, I'm better.

Mae West