



BRIEFS

Stories from the University and Chapel Hill

Petitions Available for Dist. 19 Congress Seat

Candidates are needed for the upcoming Student Congress election for Dist. 19. The election is scheduled for Oct. 19, moved up from the original Nov. 9 date. Former representative Jeff Matkins resigned last Friday, opening up the position. Petitions are available in the Student Congress office of the Student Union and are due Oct. 11.

Panel to Plan Programs at Center for Study of South

UNC's year-old Center for the Study of the American South will get new direction from a recently appointed committee that will plan the center's programs and head fund-raising efforts.

The faculty committee, chaired by Kenan professor of sociology John Shelton Reed, will produce a report outlining what kinds of programs such a center should have.

Once the focus of the center is established, fund-raising efforts can begin, Reed said.

The committee comprises faculty in the liberal arts and social sciences departments and faculty in professional schools who do policy-related research and outreach programs.

In addition to starting a new journal called "Southern Cultures," the center is working with the Southern Historical Collection at Wilson Library to publish the Southern Research Report, a guide to research in the South, Reed said.

"We are talking to people who work in the South to find out what needs to be done, and we may run regional studies elsewhere also," Reed said.

More than a dozen departments at UNC already offer courses on the South.

Timberlyne Subway Shop Donates Money to Charity

The Subway Sandwich Shop of Timberlyne Shopping Center will donate a portion of its sales to the Inter-Faith Council in celebration of the council's 30 years of service to the Chapel Hill community.

Pat Cropp, president of Emmaus Inc., which owns several Subway shops, said she thought this would be a good way to help the Inter-Faith Council celebrate its 30th birthday.

"We will always be having a worthy cause donation. Ever since we took over that store three years ago, we have had a worthy cause," Cropp said.

On the 30th day of each month, until Dec. 30, the Timberlyne Subway will donate 8 percent of that day's sales to the Inter-Faith Council. Subway is located on Weaver Dairy Road, off N.C. 86.

The Inter-Faith Council's Community House is located at 100 W. Rosemary St. and offers three daily meals year-round to the needy. The house also provides shelter and a medical clinic.

Carrboro Center to Hold Grand Opening Sunday

The Carr Court Community Center in Carrboro will celebrate its grand opening at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at 100 Eugene St. Eugene Street is located off Franklin Street.

The opening of the newly renovated community center will include a "thank you" to the volunteers who donated the labor, funds, equipment and supplies to make the renovation possible.

The opening also is a celebration of Carrboro's revitalized community and of change.

"What we've been trying to do is to rescue the community and, in order to do this, we are bringing services into the community," said James Harris, a community and economic development officer.

Sunday's celebration will include an introduction of the programs being run at the new center. UNC minority nursing students will speak about the health-promotions project they plan to start.

An after-school tutorial program for children, headed by a Carrboro resident, is another project running through the community center. The program runs from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on weekday afternoons.

On Sunday, Carrboro resident Susan Gambling will lecture on the center's new Cynthia Watts Program, and information will be given on an Outreach Ministry project. "The purpose of the program is to help the people of the community to develop a sense of individual, artistic, creative talents, to develop a stronger partnership with neighboring communities and to have participants recognize their own self-worth," Harris said.

The public is welcome at the grand opening.

Local Lodge to Sponsor Voter-Registration Drive

The upcoming municipal election is coming up Nov. 2 — are you registered to vote yet?

The Mount Olive Masonic Lodge, located at the corner of West Rosemary Street and Sunset Drive, will sponsor a special voter-registration drive from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Proof of name and address are required to register to vote in Orange County.

The Chapel Hill mayor, Carrboro mayor, members of the Chapel Hill Town Council, Carrboro Board of Aldermen and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro School Board are up for election this fall.

Leaders Learn How to Shape County's Future

BY ANUBHA ANAND
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Gridlock, air pollution and over-development — is that the future of Orange County?

It could be, unless local voters change their thinking on land-use issues, transportation, housing and regional planning, according to public-policy consultant John DeGrove.

DeGrove, a nationally known authority on growth management and a 1958 UNC graduate, spoke to a group of county and local officials at the University Presbyterian Student Center Thursday.

DeGrove was the featured speaker at a morning conference designed to help local leaders develop plans to control growth in the county.

DeGrove said the local prognosis for the future was not good.

"You're not going to be a pleasant place 20 to 30 years down the road in my guess," he said, citing zoning and transportation trends in the area.

DeGrove said North Carolina should not try to expand its highways, but should concentrate on building mass-transit systems, such as light rail and bus systems. "Take a lesson from big cities," DeGrove said.

He said his home state of Florida had had to innovate its current transit system at the cost of millions in taxpayer dollars.



JOHN DEGROVE, a public-policy consultant, spoke to local leaders.

"We're not going to expand another highway. We're going to work on moving people, not more cars," he said to a round of applause.

DeGrove said the impact of bad policies today really would be felt by younger generations.

"I think you're going to inherit a huge

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Region's Towns Should Cooperate, Expert Says

BY DANIEL FELDMAN
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Chapel Hill isn't what it used to be. John DeGrove, a public policy consultant in the field of city planning, told a group of elected officials Thursday night that economic and population growth already were taking their toll on the once-small town.

DeGrove spoke to elected officials from Chapel Hill, Carrboro, Hillsborough and Orange County in town hall. The speech was the second in a two-part conference on growth-management issues in Chapel Hill.

The evening session was designed to give elected officials an opportunity to plan some strategies.

"I think the image of Chapel Hill as a nice little village is not realistic these days," DeGrove said. "You'll be a mess unless you seize hold of your future. You're going to grow, so it's best to plan wisely and well to be proactive."

Local governments should not blame the supervising roles of state agencies for their own failure to implement local growth-management policies, he said.

DeGrove said it was important for

leaders to regulate rural and urban-development zones. He added that the two should be separated for efficient urban growth and for protected agricultural rights.

"A county-sponsored \$100-million bond is a substantial method to purchase environmentally sensitive lands without over-regulating the people," he said.

"Use sales and gas taxes, which aren't popular but bring in a lot of revenue, to catch up on lagging public works."

A variety of representatives and local citizens asked questions about planned development and whether it would be successful in Orange County. Many residents expressed concern about growth in the county's rural regions. A larger population means more money would have to be directed toward social services.

Chapel Hill Town Council member Joe Capowski said the county should annex land to curb future zoning problems.

"We need to work on having the county work on its functions and have the cities manage the municipal functions," Capowski said. "Orange County is spending too much time on Hillsborough's issues, and that's a problem."

Carrboro alderman Jacquelyn Gist said DeGrove offered a few good starting points,

but she added that the region's problem was that it did not act on the goals it set. "We must move to put all parties together and hammer out something workable, which is not easy."

Capowski agreed with Gist that local governments analyzed problems excessively without tangible results emerging. "We have a closing problem, for we're playing a chess game with all the planning and studies, but we have a problem putting them into effect."

DeGrove said the cooperation between neighboring governments was key to avoiding future havoc. "Planning in isolation is a killer — this will not cut it," he said. "Nor is Orange County enough. You need Durham and Wake counties to promote regional growth and development."

DeGrove ended his presentation by emphasizing that the area would be a mess unless cooperation between rural, urban, environmental and other stakeholders developed.

"The typical reactive model is to sit back and wait for it to get so damn bad. Let's not wait 'til all the horses are out of the barn," he said. "I bring you no cookbook solutions to your problems."

University Mulls Investment In Companies in South Africa

BY JUDY ROYAL
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In October 1987, the University's endowment committee acquiesced to demands from anti-apartheid activists and sold all University-owned stock in companies doing business in South Africa.

Six years later, the committee is considering the possibility of revamping the policy that some students and faculty members fought so hard to change.

Due to recent developments in South African government, African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela asked the world last week to help terminate all-white apartheid by lifting economic sanctions.

John Harris, chairman of the endowment committee, said it was too soon to tell if the policy would change. The situation will result in further discussion, he said.

"My initial reaction is that it is something that will be discussed at the appropriate time," said Harris.

"We will talk about (changing the policy) at the next meeting."

For years the endowment committee denied requests to sell University-owned stock in companies dealing with South Africa.

Their refusal to divest sparked protest during a time of political unrest and all-white rule in South Africa.

However, after numerous marches, rallies, and other forms of resistance on campus, the endowment committee finally decided to sell \$6.1 million worth of stock as part of an anti-apartheid policy.

The University divested about 7 percent of its total endowment at the time, selling its stock in companies such as American Express, General Motors, IBM and Coca-Cola.

Harris said he did not think Mandela's statement was an open invitation for companies to reinvest in South Africa.

"I had mixed emotions about regulations in the past that we adopted," Harris said.

The endowment committee will do whatever they can to help end apartheid, Harris said, but they are not placing very high priority on scrutinizing the policy issue.

"We'll get to it when we get to it," said Harris, who also is chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Marguerite Arnold, a 1989 graduate and co-founder of Action Against Apartheid, was involved in several protests urging divestment.

She was among five students who were arrested during a protest against the BOT.

"(The BOT) just waffled around and would not listen," said Arnold, who now works as a television producer in Washington, D.C.

Arnold said she was in favor of reinvesting only if South Africans were not exploited in the process and a true policy of constructive engagement was enacted to protect the economically oppressed.

"If the social inequality that exists now is replaced by the investment policy by companies because of the cheap labor force, social inequality will be replaced by economic inequality."

"The whole point (of divestment) was to end apartheid, not to hurt blacks in South Africa," Arnold said. "If the investments can be used in a truly constructive manner, I think (reinvestment is) a positive move."

Arnold said she found it ironic that the endowment board had decided to discuss the proposed new policy so quickly after being so resistant to the initial changes.

All That Jazz



Gordy Frankie, a UNC sophomore, performs a solo during the UNC Jazz Combs' performance Thursday night in the Union Cabaret.

WUNC Meets With Advocacy Group

Station's Advisory Council Hears Citizens' Complaints About NPR Programming

BY JIFFER BOURGUIGNON
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The quarterly meeting of WUNC's Community Advisory Council usually doesn't get much input from the public, but at Wednesday's meeting, seven members of a local citizens' group voiced concern over slanted news coverage in National Public Radio broadcasts on WUNC.

Balance and Accuracy in Journalism, a local media-watch group, has begun an initiative to increase the diversity of public affairs programming, and increase public input into the decision-making process of the radio station.

"NPR presents the news from one angle or one group's perspective," said Dick Paddock, a BAJ member.

"For example, while covering the unveiling of Clinton's health care plan, reporters spoke to Republicans and to individual members of the House, but never touched on the (other House health care plan), the plan which over half of the House supports."

WUNC broadcasts news from National Public Radio three hours each weekday morning and another three hours throughout the day.

"The idea that someone can simply report facts separated entirely from opinion is conceit," said David Kirsh, one of the founders of BAJ.

"The NPR news does a good job; we're not trashing it. Its primary need is a greater range of perspectives."

At the meeting, BAJ gave the council a list of suggestions to help the station increase the diversity of its public affairs programming to serve its community audience better.

The group recommends that WUNC:

- Offer programs that increase local coverage and the range of perspectives beyond that of NPR.
- Institute a moderated, locally produced public-issues discussion program featuring speakers with different viewpoints.

- Increase public access to Community Advisory Council meetings. The meetings currently are held during the work week, and are often scheduled with a few hours' notice.
- Change the role and selection process for members of the Community Advisory Council.

Curtis said the council could not take direct action on BAJ's suggestions because it had no power to make decisions regarding programming.

"The advisory council only listens," Curtis said.

"It is the radio station's final decision which instigates action."

But Paddock said the BAJ still was pleased with the outcome of the meeting.

"The council was very receptive to our needs," he said.

"Most of our requests were met with genuine interest."

WUNC General Manager Bill Davis said he thought the meeting was productive.

"The advisory council willingly listens to the concerns of the entire community as to the content of our programming," Davis said. "The BAJ had some good suggestions."

"They also had some that were not so good. We must separate the wheat from the chaff."

Learning CPR Now Could Help Save a Life Later

BY ANGIE WAINWRIGHT
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It was supposed to be a day like any other at her part-time job in a local bank. Heather McCary never could have predicted what would be in store for her as the day progressed.

Everything appeared normal during the January day until McCary heard the sound of something hitting the floor. She came out from behind the desk and saw a man lying on the floor.

"A customer was loosening his tie, so I knew something was wrong," McCary said. "I didn't realize who it was until I was closer."

She soon discovered that the person on the floor wasn't a stranger, but a fellow worker, senior loan officer Charles Harris.

Upon checking Harris, McCary was stunned to find no pulse or signs of breath-

ing. The only thing left to do was perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation to revive him.

"I was so thankful at that moment that I had been trained in CPR," she said.

"The customer that I found him with was also trained, so we performed the two-

man CPR method."

Shortly after McCary and the customer began performing CPR on Harris, the paramedics arrived to take him to the hospital.

"The doctors said that it was very fortunate that we had reacted so quickly in the situation because the result may have been different otherwise," McCary said. "Mr. Harris collapsed due to heart failure, but after two months and surgery, he returned to work."

McCary, a hospital administration major from Asheville, took her first CPR and first-aid course through the American Red Cross in 1991 to become a certified life-guard for a summer job.

"In the three years that I worked as a lifeguard, I never had to use CPR," she said. "My first experience was at the bank this year when I least expected it."

Because most people are not trained in CPR, the probability that someone will be

caught in an emergency without knowing how to deal with it is high.

According to American Red Cross statistics, 1.5 million Americans will experience a cardiac emergency this year. One in 14 Americans will need medical help because of injuries occurring in the home.

"You never know when there will be an emergency," said Samantha Caplan, director of health and safety for the American Red Cross chapter in Orange County.

"That is probably the strongest argument in favor of learning CPR and first aid."

CPR restores normal breathing after traumas such as cardiac arrest and drowning. The process involves clearing the air passages to the lungs and carrying out external heart massage by exertion of pressure on the chest.

Although many movies depict the use

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B-GLAD Hotline to Give Advice, Information on Coming Out

Callers Can Leave Messages During Day or Talk With Operators During Evening

BY CHRIS GIOIA
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Gay and lesbian students who fear "coming out of the closet" will get a new source of support Monday when a campus gay and lesbian group begins a telephone hotline for students unsure of or uncomfortable with their sexuality.

The hotline is the project of Bisexuals, Gays, Lesbians and Allies for Diversity's Coming Out Committee.

"We want to be able to chat with (closet gay students), just so they have a nonjudgmental person to talk to about their feelings," said B-GLAD co-chairman Trey Harris.

Students will be able to call B-GLAD's office during the day and select a counselor

to call them back.

The hotline also is open in the evening from 7 to 10 Monday through Wednesday for students who prefer not to leave a name and number.

A daytime caller can choose a counselor based on gender, race, religion, major and other factors. "We have a diverse group," Harris said. "They're a diverse committee, people who are white, black, Asian and Jewish."

The 13 counselors, all current and former UNC students, were given a crash course by Harris, who spent several months working on a Wilmington hotline for gay and lesbian youths.

The service is for people who are unsure about their sexuality, as well as those who know they are gay and need help dealing with that fact.

Harris said B-GLAD already served the needs of openly gay students, but the group needed to expand its focus to students who are not as comfortable. "We don't want to encourage people to make decisions about

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TRULY CLARK
Co-chairwoman of B-GLAD's Coming Out Committee

their sexuality that they don't feel comfortable with themselves," he said.

Coming out often is traumatic, Harris said. "There are people who have roommates who say, 'If I ever knew a fag, I'd kill him.' That can be a really uncomfortable situation."

Gays and lesbians often suffer intense loneliness because of their sexuality, said Truly Clark, co-chairwoman of the Coming Out Committee.

This sense of separation is one reason

why B-GLAD and other organizations encourage them to come out of the closet, she said. "Sometimes people just really agonize over this," she said. "There are many gay people who are scared, who have been alone."

Doug Ferguson, a UNC law student and gay-rights activist, said he thought the service would help such people escape their isolation.

"The idea of the hotline is to help people come out of the closet and provide support that wasn't there before," he said.

"I see (the hotline) as providing a valuable source of support for people who are isolated," he said.

For gays and lesbians alienated by the group's high profile, the telephone service is a less-public alternative to the group's meetings.

Clark said she knew of many campus gays and lesbians who "wished that (B-GLAD) had been less 'out there' — most of them wanted it to be more low-key and provide a more personal atmosphere."