

# Town Council Candidates Face Off At Season's Final Election Forum

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Gun control, town-gown relations and mass transit were among the key issues addressed by Chapel Hill Town Council candidates at a forum Thursday night.

The forum was sponsored by the League of Women Voters. Each candidate issued an opening statement and then answered questions submitted by the audience, which numbered about 100 people. Almost every candidate came out in favor of stricter gun control and more police presence.

Eleven candidates are running for six open seats in this year's election.

Scott Radway, a member of the Chapel Hill Planning Board, said the responsibility of gun-related violence should rest on the owner.

"If guns and owners have liability insurance, we can at least ease the burden for the victim on the other end of the gun."

Jeff Snyder, a Durham police officer, said Chapel Hill should lead the state in pushing for stronger legislation.

"Violence should be dealt with strictly, swiftly and for the long term," he said.

Snyder has proposed using community-oriented policing to augment the current police force. He said that would be a cost-

effective solution to the crime problem.

Ken Rudo, an environmental engineer, said he advocated a complete ban on handguns and assault weapons. "Guns should be banned because they are used only for violence."

Almost all the candidates agreed that the town should increase police presence to enforce existing ordinances.

Pat Evans, who serves on the Downtown Commission, said she didn't want to see guns being funneled back onto the streets.

"Guns that are confiscated should be destroyed, not auctioned off."

On a related question, most candidates said they would like to see more town-sponsored activities aimed at young people.

Lee Pavao, chairman of the parks and recreation board, said the town would have another summer basketball program aimed toward at-risk kids.

But other candidates said basketball wouldn't solve problems. They said the community needed service programs.

"Parents spend a lot of time entertaining their kids. I don't think community service is a bad idea," said Rosemary Waldorf, chairwoman of the town's law-enforcement committee.

Barbara Powell, who is seeking her first full term, said the parks and recreation staff should recruit more children from affordable-housing neighborhoods.

"Parks and recreation must seek out the kids, not wait for them to come to the board," she said.

Joyce Brown, who is seeking re-election, said the town should seek more input.

"We need to hear from the youth themselves about what programs they'd like to have," she said.

One audience member asked how the candidates felt about development of the Horace Williams property, which is owned by the University. The town and the University are beginning to deliberate the best way to develop the 970-acre tract.

"We have an opportunity here to have a definite impact in developing that property because we control zoning," said Alan Rimer, a town council member and an environmental engineer.

Paul Tripodi said the town and University still should try to work together.

"Town-gown relations seem to be in separation. Between divorce and reconciliation, I believe in reconciling."

One audience member asked candidates if they would support mass transit, particularly light rail. Jim Protzman, chief executive officer of the local marketing firm FGI Inc., said growth depended on transit.

"Many of my employees commute from Raleigh," he said. "It takes them over an hour to get here. We need transportation alternatives because we depend on Raleigh and Durham for economic expansion."

Reaction to the candidates forum was mixed. One audience member said none of the candidates adequately addressed how to pay for the council's programs.

Tom Gunn, a town resident, said he came to see how the candidates spoke. "It sounded like a lot of them were ditto-ing each other."

# UNC Resources Valuable to Area Schools

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Many UNC students pledge not to return to their high-school alma maters after entering the world of higher education.

University students could be heading back to high school, middle school and even elementary school when three new members of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education are sworn in.

All eight of the candidates, vying for three board seats, said they would like to see a closer relationship between the University and the local school system.

"We are sitting in UNC's backyard and not accessing the great resource there," said write-in candidate Richard Kryder. "There is a great natural resource going to waste."

Using University students to tutor, mentor and teach is on the minds of all the candidates.

LaVonda Burnette said she would like to talk to University officials and implement a "student-to-student" program in which University students could receive class credit for going into the high school and volunteering.

She said she would like to see University students help to build self-esteem, teach study techniques and motivate high-school students.

A college student would be paired up with an 11th grader at Chapel Hill High School as a mentor. Then the 11th grader would gain the skills to go into the elementary school and be a mentor there, Burnette said.

Kryder said he would like to see students from UNC's schools of education and social work used in an "alternative classroom" for students with disciplinary

problems. "It's not a detention room," he said. "It's a place to get the kids calmed down, find the problem, deal with it and get them back to the classroom."

This classroom would be the base of operations for the school's counselor, and University students in the schools of education or social work would have access to the classroom, Kryder said. "They will be helping the kids, plus getting hands-on experience."

Kryder said this also would be an opportunity for education students to apply what they were learning in class to local schools and then talk about what did and didn't work.

"What you learn in a book doesn't always transfer to the classroom," he said.

In the past, both the Campus Y and the Black Student Movement have had mentoring and tutoring programs in the school system. Bea Hughes-Werner said she thought it might be helpful to coordinate existing and new programs. "I'd like to see it have some continuity," she said.

Hughes-Werner also said many parents were professors or staff members at the University and that their expertise could be used, along with UNC's supplies and technology. She also said mentoring programs between African-American University students and African-American students in the public-school system were very important.

"There seems to be a lack of African-American role models," she said.

Billy Bevil, who said he thought UNC could offer tutoring opportunities, agreed with Hughes-Werner that more minority role-models were needed for minority students.

"We need role modeling, especially for minority kids who don't often see people in their ethnic group in very successful endeavors," Bevil said. He also said he thought University students could be those role models.

The University's business school also could play a role in bringing the University

and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro schools together.

Grainger Barrett said he thought experts in the business school could come into the schools and see if the system could be run more efficiently.

"We could use some expert third party to take a fresh look at everything," he said. "Someone who is familiar with schools and business could say, 'Here's a different way to do things.'"

Mary Bushnell, the only incumbent running for re-election, said there already was a plan in place for the business school to help with administration analysis.

She also said discussions were under way between the school board, the law school and the MBA programs to connect the different groups' resources.

"I'm excited to be able to say there's a lot of interest on both sides," Bushnell said. "Chancellor (Paul) Hardin has endorsed a greater partnership between the school system and the University."

On Nov. 8, a Partners in Education meeting will be held to discuss ways to bring the University and private sector together.

Mark Royster said he thought the business school could help students plan for the future and learn about business in the real world.

"They could come in and look at the running of a company with the students," he said. "They could look at what the real world looks like with them."

David Miles said he also wanted students to get a better picture of the real world, and that the University could help with that. He suggested that different people come into the schools and talk to students about different career opportunities and areas of study to get them interested in higher education.

"We need to help them realize that all jobs give to the world in different ways, and that each job gives to each person in a different way," Miles said. "I want kids to be able to come out of school and into society."

an elected official to be attentive to the needs of the entire community," she said. "They are citizens of the town. As far as I'm concerned, their needs and views are equal."

Rudo said students should become involved to keep Chapel Hill their own.

"The students are the vitality of this town," he said. "I think this needs to be a university town."

All the candidates agreed on one issue that concerned students—the importance of being safe all over Chapel Hill.

"Crime affects everyone," said Jeff Snyder, a former Chapel Hill police officer.

Candidates mentioned several areas where students had vested interests, including noise ordinances, environmental

concerns and public transportation. Most candidates emphasized that communication between the council and the campus community was the best way to increase student involvement.

"Involvement would open the dialogue and with that you can work together better to find solutions," Radway said.

"It's a joint venture, and if we screw it up on one side or the other, we all fail."

Waldorf said, "While they're here I very much want them to treat this as their home for four years."

Evans said students should realize that the town council could work with them.

"I think students are willing to work in the community," she said. "They just need to know where and they need to be asked."

## Campus Calendar

### FRIDAY

**NOON:** Leadership Development will present "The Art of Leadership" in 101 Greenlaw Hall.  
**3 p.m.** The Christian Science Organization will meet in the Student Union. Check the desk for the room.

University Career Services will sponsor a presentation by the U.S. Department of State in 209 Hanes Hall.

Asian Studies will present a seminar on "The Original Analects" featuring E. Bruce Brooks in 02 Manning Hall.

Carolina Athletic Association will sponsor a lecture by Dick Vitale on "Dick Vitale's Philosophy

### SATURDAY

10:45 p.m. Carolina Athletic Association will open the doors for the Tar Heel Tip-off in Carmichael Auditorium.

9 a.m. Leadership Development will present "Diversity — An Introduction" in 101 Greenlaw Hall.

10:30 a.m. Leadership Development will present "Diversity — More Depth" in 101 Greenlaw Hall.

1 p.m. The BSM Freshman Committee will sponsor a pre-Halloween Jam.

### SUNDAY

10:30 a.m. Campus Christian Fellowship will hold worship service at the CCF House.  
4 p.m. WXYC 89.3 FM will host a radio call-in show with the candidates for the Chapel Hill Town Council election.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Campus Y Human Rights Committee would like committees interested in participating in Human Rights Week to contact Kieran Pohurit (914-5358) or come to the weekly Campus Y meetings at 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

Phi Sigma Pi, national honor fraternity, will sponsor a clothes drive for the Orange County Women's Center. Clothes will be collected in Union 230.

UCS presents the Job Hunters' Network on Wednesdays in 307 Hanes to discuss the job search.

Elections Board will accept petitions for anyone interested in running for the Student Congress Dist. 7 seat. Petitions are available in Union Suite C outside the Elections Board Office. They will be due at 5 p.m. Monday.

WAR, RAP and POWER will have a table in the Pit for the Victim Assistance Fund to pay for rape victims' medical bills.

## SIMPSON

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officers were trained in the proper and legal manner necessary for handling an arrest situation.

"I have full faith that officer (Robert) Malory carried out the affairs in the correct manner," Cousins said.

Orange County District Attorney Carl Fox said he was unable to comment on the possible suspension motion, adding that it would not be profitable to hint at the truthfulness or outcome. "A hearing will be conducted at some point, where a judge will have to decide on its legality."

Bill Blocker contributed to this story.

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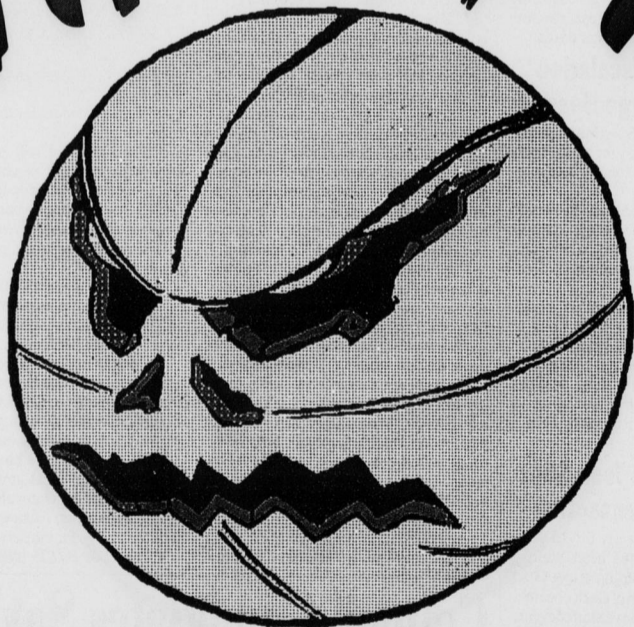


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