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IN THE NEWS

Top stories from the state, nation and world

European Leaders Hoping To Restart Talks in Bosnia

GENEVA — The European Community is hoping to lure the leaders of Bosnia's warring factions back to the negotiating table with an offer to lift sanctions on Yugoslavia, the troubled region's powerbroker. But prospects for achieving peace soon appear dim.

The 12 European Community foreign ministers will meet Monday with the leaders of each faction in a bid to restart the talks. Their new offer involves phasing out international sanctions against Serb-led Yugoslavians if Belgrade pressures the Bosnian Serbs into giving more land to the Muslims.

On Sunday, at least five people were killed when Serb gunners fired a mortar shell into the city center.

British Officials Confess Secret Contacts With IRA

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — The British government's admission Sunday that it has secretly communicated with the IRA has cast a shadow over months of peacemaking efforts for Northern Ireland.

An influential Protestant leader demanded British Prime Minister John Major's resignation. Sinn Fein, the IRA's political ally, said the contacts were more substantial than the British government was willing to admit. Major is due to meet his Irish counterpart, Albert Reynolds, next month in Dublin, where they hope to reach agreement on a way toward peace.

The British government admitted to the communications with the IRA in hopes of persuading the outlawed group to end its violent campaign against the British.

Court Hears Case That Could Bankrupt Union

ROANOKE, Va. — In the spring of 1989, coal truck driver Richard Adams rounded a curve on a southwestern Virginia road and encountered a group of striking miners. Adams, a replacement worker, told Circuit Judge Donald McGlothlin that they hurled fistfuls of rocks that "hit us like a hailstorm."

The U.S. Supreme Court has scheduled arguments Monday on whether McGlothlin was justified in fining the United Mine Workers union \$52 million for episodes of violence and civil disobedience in its 11-month strike against Pittston Co. Labor analysts said this was the largest civil contempt fine ever imposed by an U.S. court and could bankrupt the union.

Space Mission to Repair Hubble Space Telescope

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — The countdown began Sunday for the Hubble Space Telescope repair mission, considered by many to be NASA's biggest challenge since the Apollo moon landings. The space shuttle Endeavour is scheduled to lift off on the 11-day flight Wednesday.

Hubble program managers and scientists were thrilled to be, finally, this close to correcting the telescope's fuzzy vision and other problems. Even normally placid launch officials were caught in the excitement. Endeavour's crew will go out five and possibly seven times to work on Hubble after the bus-sized telescope is anchored in the shuttle cargo bay. No U.S. space mission to date has had more than four spacewalks.

U.S. Retailers Heartened By Early Holiday Shopping

Consumers who spent erratically for much of this year regained their zest for shopping during the Thanksgiving weekend, giving the nation's retailers an encouraging start to the Christmas season. Several big storeowners said Sunday that consumers, while budget-conscious, were buying more frills and luxury items.

Myron Ullman III, chairman of R.H. Macy & Co. Inc., said, "It's a healthy sign that people are buying in the categories that show they have some liquidity."

Retailers in the Midwest and on the East Coast lost some business to foul weather. But because the rain, sleet and snow came early in the season, most expect to make up the sales before Christmas.

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Weather

TODAY: Mostly sunny, chilly; high around 50.

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Students Protest BOT Vote on 24-Hour Policy

BY PHUONG LY
ASSISTANT UNIVERSITY EDITOR

Student leaders said Tuesday that they would use letters instead of angry protests to change the minds of the UNC Board of Trustees about the recently revoked 24-hour visitation policy.

Residence Hall Association members urged the 250 students attending the rally Tuesday in the Pit to tell their parents about the visitation program, write letters and make phone calls to University officials and trustees.

RHA President Jan Davis said students should not break the policy openly. "It's only going to show them that we are children who retaliate because someone has taken away something from us."

"We're here not to slam the Board of Trustees or the University," Davis said.

"We're here to show them our positive support for the policy."

The BOT revoked the pilot program, which allowed 24-hour visitation of opposite-sex guests in six dorms, at its Nov. 19 meeting.

Students in Aycock, Carmichael, Craige, Kenan, Mangum and Teague residence halls overwhelmingly voted in favor of the pilot program in September.

The old visitation policy, which has been reinstated in all 29 dormitories, allows opposite-sex guests in dorm rooms from 9 a.m. to 1 a.m. Sunday through Thursday, and from 9 a.m. to 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday.

BOT members said administrators should have told them about the program before it went into effect. Some trustees also said they were being barraged by phone calls and letters from irate citizens, some of

whom have threatened to withhold donations because of the policy.

Tuesday's rally didn't feature the angry chants, marches or sign-holding that mark many Pit protests.

When RHA leaders asked students to talk about the visitation program, only one student, fifth-year senior Wallyce Todd, took the microphone.

Todd, a former resident assistant, said 24-hour visitation was about students' rights to make adult decisions, not premarital sex.

Anne Cates, the only BOT member to attend the rally, said she thought the rally showed the maturity of students.

"I think it'll impress the trustees," said Cates, who was among the nine trustees who voted to rescind the visitation program.

Wayne Kuncel, University housing di-

rector, called the quiet protest a "smart move" from students.

"I think the trustees are sincere in their efforts to form a committee and look for a way to resolve the issue," Kuncel said.

Although trustees rescinded the policy, they said they would form a committee of trustees, administrators and students to discuss the policy and make a presentation at the board's January meeting.

Cates said she did not know what the committee's recommendation about the pilot program would be.

"We'll study it, and we'll do the best we can," she said.

Student Body President Jim Copland, an ex-officio BOT member who voted against rescinding the program, said that after talking to some trustees, he was "fairly sure" the board would recommend a policy that would be acceptable to most students.

The RHA rally was not the only protest that resulted from the BOT decision.

About 60 students gathered in the Upper Quad at midnight Nov. 22, the day the pilot program ended, in a peaceful protest sponsored by Mangum Residence Hall's government.

"I think that a gathering such as this shows that male-female gatherings are not limited to things of a sexual nature," Nicole Perez, a senior from New Jersey who lives off campus, said at the rally.

Davis, who made a speech to crowds in the Upper Quad, said most students disagreed with the BOT's decision to rescind the pilot program.

"Obviously students are concerned, or they wouldn't have shown up in 30-degree weather."

Peter Roybal contributed to this article.

Coffee Shop to Replace Barrel of Fun Arcade

BY ANUBHA ANAND
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From Dig Dug to Mortal Combat II, Barrel of Fun on East Franklin Street had been the place to go for video games since 1981.

But the popular arcade quietly pulled the plug on the few games left in the store Saturday night as managers prepared to move out after losing their lease.

"Everything will probably be out of here by Tuesday," said Glen Edmisten, area supervisor for NAMCO, the arcade's parent company.

Edmisten and store manager Brian Karasek were in the store Sunday afternoon packing.

"We're closed," he shouted several times to kids who tried the locked door.

A few teenage boys came to stare through the windows at the blank video screens; none knew the arcade was closed.

"I think most of our regulars knew," Karasek said. "The kids who came in after Sunday school tended not to know."

Karasek said he found out in mid-October and passed the news on to his patrons.

"I heard the arcade was closing a long time ago," said Paul Eberhart, 18.

"I used to come here to play air hockey with my girlfriend."

Edmisten wouldn't comment on why the arcade was moving out, only that the company was looking for a new location, preferably on Franklin Street.

"We intend to be back—bigger, brighter and better," he said.

NAMCO owns similar arcades nearby, Edmisten said, including Cyber Station in Cary Towne Center and Aladdin's Castle in Raleigh's Crabtree Valley Mall.

George Draper, the building's owner, said the arcade's lease expired and he decided not to renew it.

"It's something I've been contemplating for a long time," he said.

"I just decided it was time to make a change."

The same building houses Sutton's Drug Store, Player's, Jamaica Willie's Jerk Shack and a new restaurant opening in the back alley next semester.

Draper confirmed that a coffee shop would fill the arcade's old space.

"It's called the Judge's Coffee Roastery. It's going to be a combination cafe and retail shop where you can buy freshly roasted coffee."

Draper said construction would begin Wednesday, and the new store would likely open in mid-January.

The arcade's closing happened gradually.

First, managers shipped out 17 games in September. Slowly, other games disappeared, taking the evening crowds with them.

"(Closing night) was sad," Karasek said.

"It was really quiet. The employees said their goodbyes—everyone was really thoughtful and reticent. Some of these people have been playing here for years."

Karasek has a long history with the arcade.

"I started coming here on my bike from



Brian Karasek, store manager of Barrel of Fun, loads one of the store's most popular video games onto a moving truck. The arcade closed Saturday, and all of the games will be delivered to other stores owned by its parent company.

Durham about 10 years ago," he said.

The popular games then included such classics as Pac Man, Frogger, Tempest, Gorf, Space Invaders, Phoenix and a cacophony of pinball games.

"I'm really going to miss this store," he said. "It has a certain appeal. There have

been other arcades on Franklin Street, but this one lasted the longest."

But not everyone is sad to see the arcade go.

"I think the arcade is an eyesore because of the crowd it attracts," said Pete Losculzo, manager of neighboring Franklin Street

Pizza and Pasta.

There wasn't much spillover business from the arcade, he said.

"(Barrel of Fun moving) would be great for us," he said.

"I think (the new coffee shop) is going to be helpful."

Rookie Lynch Awaits Chance To Shine in Lakers' Uniform

BY CHAD AUSTIN
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Wants and needs. Everybody has them. And the NBA's Los Angeles Lakers have many. After winning five world championships in the 1980s, the Lakers are now trying to re-establish themselves among the league's elite.

And they are hoping that UNC product George Lynch can help them once again reach that pinnacle.

"We're a team that is in transition, so we have a bunch of needs," said Mitch Kupchak, Laker assistant general manager. "Our immediate need was a point guard."

"With Magic Johnson retiring, we didn't have anybody prepared to step in and take over. The whole thing was rather unexpected."

On June 30, the Laker organization looked to fill some of those needs. But sometimes you don't always get what you want.

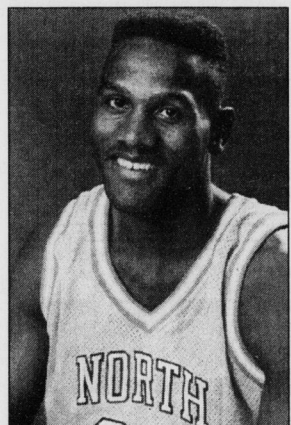
The Lakers made a fast-break toward the future on NBA Draft day. L.A. did not, however, get the point guard it wanted to lead that break. Instead the Lakers used their first-round draft pick on a forward that might one day help finish it.

After helping guide UNC to an NCAA championship just months earlier, Lynch became the first-round draft choice of the Los Angeles Lakers.

"When George's spot came around in the draft, the 12th draft, the two best point guards were already gone," Kupchak said. "So at that time we decided to fill another need that might not be an immediate need, but one that has to be filled in a year or two, which is the small forward spot."

Lynch's lofty draft status came as a shock to many draft analysts. During his senior season at North Carolina, Lynch was called everything from a poor shooter to an overrated player. But the Lakers, and Lynch, thought otherwise.

"My draft status was no surprise to me,"



GEORGE LYNCH is backing up fellow UNC alumnus James Worthy.

Lynch said. "If you look at my career numbers at Carolina, and just by playing in the ACC, you'll see that I played well."

And the numbers speak for themselves.

Need some defense? Ask Lynch. He is UNC's all-time steals leader with 241. Need a rebound? Ask Lynch. His 1,097 career boards are second only to Sam Perkins' career total of 1,167 on the UNC list.

Lynch is also one of only two players in ACC history to score 1,500 points, log 200 steals, dish-out 200 assists and grab 1,000 rebounds. Minnesota Timberwolves' center Christian Laettner—the third pick in the 1992 draft—is the only other who can make such a claim.

Plus, there is the North Carolina factor. "Lakers' General Manager Jerry West has gotten very close to Coach (Dean) Smith and that program in the last six or seven years," Kupchak said. "Jerry really believes that a player that comes out of

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AIDS Week Begins With Quilt Display; Two Panel Discussions Also Scheduled

BY STEVE ROBBLEE
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The University will display a portion of the AIDS Memorial Quilt on Tuesday as part of World AIDS Day observances that will take place Tuesday through Thursday.

More than 180 countries are expected to participate in the sixth annual World AIDS Day on Dec. 1. "A Time to Act" will be the theme for this year's activities.

"What we're doing is hoping to raise awareness and raise sensitivity to people who are HIV-positive," said Julie Sweedler, UNC World AIDS Day co-chairwoman and a graduate student in the School of Public Health. "Essentially, we want the pool of HIV-positive people not to get bigger."

UNC World AIDS Day officials have organized two panel discussions in conjunction with the observance. The first, at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Union Film Auditorium, will offer college-age adults' firsthand experiences with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. A former College Republican president who was an active fraternity member at UNC and a married couple will discuss how HIV has made an impact on their lives.

"We're hoping that people who attend the session will find that they are no different than the people (who are HIV positive)," Sweedler said.

A Thursday discussion focusing on women and AIDS will be held in 1301 McGavran-Greenberg Hall. It will be moderated by Rachel Royce, assistant professor of epidemiology at UNC. Both HIV-health specialists and an HIV-positive woman will participate.

HIV-positive women with children face an added burden of having to care for a family, Sweedler said. The panel will offer the opportunity for people to "see the depths to which the disease can affect women," she said.

In addition to the panel discussions,

UNC AIDS Week Events

Nov. 30 - Dec. 2

Tuesday, Nov. 30

11 a.m.-6 p.m. Panels of the AIDS Quilt, each the size of a coffin and featuring the name of someone who has died of AIDS-related illness, will be displayed in the Great Hall of the Student Union.

11 a.m.-2 p.m. Members of the campus community can write personal statements about how the HIV virus has affected their lives or loved ones in front of the Union.

Wednesday, Dec. 1

3:30 p.m. Dr. Peter Lamptey of Family Health International will discuss "HIV Prevention: Is It Working?" in 1301 McGavran-Greenberg Hall.

7 p.m. A panel discussion titled "HIV Among College Students" will be moderated by Peter Leone, assistant professor of medicine and director of the Wake County Department of Health's Sexually Transmitted Disease/HIV Clinic, in the Union Film Auditorium.

Thursday, Dec. 2

1:30 p.m. A panel discussion about "Women and AIDS" will be held in 1301 McGavran-Greenberg Hall and moderated by Dr. Rachel Royce, assistant professor of epidemiology and AIDS specialist.

two other events will be held in conjunction with the University's AIDS observance.

Students, faculty and other members of the campus community can write personal statements about how the HIV virus has affected their lives from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday in front of the Union.

At 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dr. Peter Lamptey will address the question, "HIV Prevention: Is It Working?" in McGavran-Greenberg Hall.

The two panels and other AIDS-awareness related activities should make people aware that AIDS can affect anyone, Sweedler said.

"One of the myths is that AIDS only hits drug users and gay men. In fact, the (AIDS-infected) population increasing the fastest is women and young people."

The AIDS quilt, which is divided into several pieces around the country, will give insight into the lives of individuals who have died of AIDS. Each patch on the quilt measures several square feet and is prepared by family members or friends of

someone who died of AIDS.

Sweedler said the Charlotte-based portion of the quilt would come to UNC, and those who viewed it would get a better understanding of how AIDS affected North Carolinians who died of AIDS.

"For people that go to see the AIDS quilt, it gives a different perspective than the statistics," she said. "You actually see coffin-sized panels that family members have made for them. It makes the devastating effects of the epidemic more real."

Several University and student groups, including the Chancellor's Task Force on AIDS, the Black Student Movement, Carolina Union Activities Board, the Department of University Housing, Student Health Service, the student government special projects committee and the School of Public Health will co-sponsor the UNC events.

Sweedler said students who wanted to become more active in the fight against AIDS could help with fund-raisers at local health organizations or volunteer to be a buddy for someone who is HIV-positive.

For certain people, after 50, litigation takes the place of sex.

Gore Vidal