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IN THE NEWS

Top stories from the state, nation and world

Quayle, Reversing Course, Decides Against '96 Race

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Hard-pressed to attract the money and talent necessary for a strong campaign, former Vice President Dan Quayle abruptly reversed course Thursday and said he would not seek the 1996 Republican presidential nomination.



DAN QUAYLE announced Thursday that he won't run for president.

Quayle's decision came less than three weeks after he vowed to campaign aggressively as a voice for the conservative "unsilent majority" that he said was appalled at the decline of the family and the liberal bent of the social welfare system.

Foster Nomination Splits Congress' Doctors, Too

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congress' five doctors are divided on the nomination of Henry Foster Jr. to be surgeon general, reflecting splits not only between parties but in attitudes toward abortion.

Freshman Republican Reps. David Weldon of Florida and Tom Coburn of Oklahoma, both outspoken foes of abortion, call Foster unsuited to be the country's chief public health advocate.

But Rep. Jim McDermott, a liberal Democrat from Seattle, said that in performing abortions Foster had done "what any obstetrician might do, all of it legal."

Senate Panel Approves Term-Limit Amendment

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A divided Senate Judiciary Committee approved a popular constitutional amendment Thursday that would limit senators and representatives to 12 years in each chamber.

The Republican-controlled panel voted 11-6 to send the measure to the full Senate, where it will face an uphill battle when it is debated in several weeks.

Like all constitutional amendments, it will need two-thirds approval by the House and Senate before it can be sent to the states for ratification. Even supporters say that margin will be hard to attain.

Opposition comes from Democrats, who say voters already can limit lawmakers' terms by defeating them at the polls.

IRA Negotiations Stall Over Bugging Accusation

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — Peace negotiations between Britain and the Irish Republican Army's political allies broke up within minutes Thursday over suspicions that a negotiating room was electronically bugged.

Both sides stressed that talks to strike political compromise in the British-ruled province would continue.

Security officers for the IRA-allied Sinn Fein party were conducting a precautionary sweep of the Stormont Parliament Building east of Belfast, site of the talks. Their electronic scanner detected a signal coming from a piece of office equipment in one room.

Israel-PLO Meeting Breaks Down in Disagreement

EREZ JUNCTION, Gaza Strip — The crisis in Israeli-Palestinian relations deepened Thursday after their leaders failed to agree on how to expand Palestinian autonomy without endangering Israeli security.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and PLO chief Yasser Arafat did not resolve any disputes during their 2-hour meeting Thursday at an Israel-PLO command post in northern Gaza.

Reflecting the tensions, the two did not hold a joint news conference. However, they agreed to meet again Feb. 16.

Rabin told Arafat he had to rein in Islamic militants before Israel would talk about expanding Palestinian self-rule to the West Bank.

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Weather

TODAY: Snow changing to rain; high 42.

SATURDAY: Rain; high lower 50s.

SUNDAY: Variably cloudy; high lower 40s.

SBP Candidates Address Women's Issues, Campus Questions at Forum

BY ADAM GUSMAN
UNIVERSITY EDITOR

Student body president candidates addressed issues pertaining to women, minorities and non-heterosexuals Thursday at a Women's Issues Network forum co-sponsored by POWER, WIN and B-GLAD.

Amy Swan, a member of the Women's Issues Network and organizer of the forum, said the groups decided not to endorse a specific candidate because they

"saw this as an opportunity for education both of the candidates and the audience."

Susan Covington, co-chairwoman of WIN, moderated the forum, allowing two minutes for each candidate to answer questions prepared by the group. Members of the audience asked questions of the candidates later in the forum.

In her opening comments, Covington said that although females comprised 60

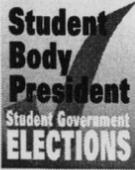
percent of the University's student population, only 10 percent of the tenured faculty and one-fourth of the members of the Board of Trustees were women.

Covington asked the candidates how they would evaluate the climate for women on campus.

Most candidates responded that issues of campus safety should be addressed.

Andrew France said he thought women were underrepresented in positions of leadership at the University.

Calvin Cunningham said he had become aware during his campaign that Stu-



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SBP candidates responded to questions primarily centered around women's issues Thursday night at a forum sponsored by WIN, B-GLAD and POWER.

STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT ISSUE PROFILE

In Poll, Students Split Over How to Distribute Fees, but Insiders Favor Congress System

BY PETER ROYBAL
SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS EDITOR

According to an old adage, there are two things that you don't want to watch being made — sausage and legislation.

There's no exception to this rule here at UNC. Regardless of ideological bent, campus political observers agree that it's a messy and distasteful sight when Student Congress and the student body president dole out money to groups. But there's also a sense that the present system is desirable, even if it doesn't always work.

"It is a kind of one-stop shopping thing," Student Body President George Battle said. "From time to time you have glitches in the system, but that is just the hazard of the system."

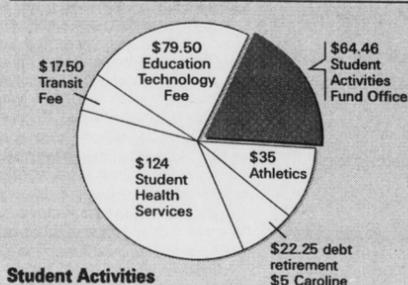
Added Dawn Prince, co-chairwoman of Bisexuals, Gay men, Lesbians and Allies for Diversity, "I think (B-GLAD) as a consensus thinks that Student Congress as a whole has been unfair in the past, but I think the process is fair."

Students are split on the viability of the legislative system for distributing fees, according to the results of a recent Daily Tar Heel poll. Thirty-two percent of students said the University should continue to use Student Congress, 28 percent said it was time for a new system, and 40 percent had no opinion. The margin of error is +/- 5 percent.

While students seem unsure about congress, they said "working closely with Student Congress to allocate student fees" and "halting increases in student fees" were considered the fourth and fifth most important issues, respectively, for the next student body president.

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Where Students' \$347.71 Goes



Student Activities Fund Money

- \$32 Student Union operations
- \$8.25 IM-Rec Sports
- \$4.86 Student Legal Service
- \$2.75 SRC operating expenses
- \$2.50 Student Library Endowment
- \$1.50 a.p.p.e.s.
- 85¢ Safety and security programs
- 75¢ Undergraduate teaching award
- 50¢ Need-based scholarships
- 50¢ Carolina Course Review
- Remainder to CUAB, WXYC and congress for allocation

Student Fee Distribution

- 32% Keep Present System
- 28% Establish New System
- 40% No Opinion

Schools Distribute Fees Differently

BY ERICA LUETZOW
STAFF WRITER

While UNC's system for distributing fees through Student Congress has been both criticized and praised, it is only one of several methods that schools across the nation use to appropriate student fees.

Shop 'Til You Drop
Student groups at the University of Michigan are funded

by a student council, departmental discretionary funds and direct allocations, said Rodger Wolf, assistant to the vice president for student affairs at Michigan.

The Michigan Student Council allocates about \$60,000 a year to student organizations. The school's University Activities Center also receives \$2 per student from tuition and dis-

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The Candidates Speak on Student Congress



STACEY BRANDENBURG
 ■ Meet with congress and eliminate political infighting
 ■ Opposed to increasing fees
 ■ Extend treasurer's role to account to follow money more closely
 ■ Work with student gov't to clarify student code



CALVIN CUNNINGHAM
 ■ Have treasurer help groups through the budget process
 ■ Draw on ideas of congress and sponsor proactive legislation
 ■ Platform is researched and fiscally responsible; no fee increases.



JEN FUMARA
 ■ Don't have political agenda so won't play favorites with student groups
 ■ Meet with congress and cooperate with them
 ■ Encourage more students to run for congress



ANDREW FRANCE
 ■ Won't veto legislation unless it's self-serving
 ■ Be sure to execute laws that congress passes
 ■ Recognize congress is the direct representative of students — not the SBP



ROBERT SIMES
 ■ Pressure administration and General Assembly for money to cover things like SAFE Escort
 ■ Establish liaison committee between executive and legislative branches
 ■ Plans to attend every congress meeting



KELLY JO GARNER
 ■ Ensure groups get fair funding
 ■ Look at how fees are spent and reprioritize, consider small increase if essential
 ■ Expect congress to behave with decorum; stop political games

Coors Gives Christian Testimonial

Campus Crusade for Christ Sponsors Former President of Silver Bullet Beer Firm

BY ANDREW RUSSELL
STAFF WRITER

The great-grandson of the founder of Coors Brewing Co. urged students to accept Jesus Christ into their hearts Thursday.

Adolph Coors IV spoke to a group of about 400 students in the Great Hall. The talk was sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ, Athletes in Action and GreekLife.

He told students about his life and how he turned to Christ after the death of his father.

Coors spent more than six years working for Coors Brewing Co. In 1979, he left the family business to be the investment adviser for his immediate family.

Coors began his speech by talking about the success of his family and its brewery.

"My father is truly one of the great success stories in history, and 50 years ago I was born into a great family," Coors said. "I'm sure you've all heard the slogan 'He who dies with the most toys wins.' That was drilled into my mind as a kid. Failure was not going to be tolerated in my family."

Coors' father, Adolph Coors III, was abducted on Feb. 9, 1960, and found murdered seven months later.

"My life turned upside down," Coors said. "He was my God."

He said he had learned that family and material things could not fill the void left in his heart.

"Many of us go through life thinking that our careers, our education, our material possessions will fill the void in our hearts," Coors said. "Don't look to your spouse to fill the void in your heart. Children can't fill the void. Tangible things will let you down."

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BILL BAXTER'S 'TEAM' PUTS FAMILIES FIRST

BY KARL SHULTZ
STAFF WRITER

When you walk into the Ronald McDonald House on Old Mason Farm Road by Finley Golf Course, you are greeted by a mockup of a tree on the front wall. The leaves of the tree are gold plaques, engraved with the names of supporters of the house.

"We call that the 'Tree of Life,'" said Bill Baxter, the executive director of the Ronald McDonald House, which serves the families of children who are sick at UNC Hospitals.

The purpose of the house, Baxter said, is, "To serve seriously ill children and their families." The Chapel Hill house has been open and serving patients and their families since April 1988.

"It's a respite of sorts—a sort of home away from home for patients and families," Baxter said. "We provide no therapeutic intervention."

Baxter beams when showing visitors around the house, which was built for \$1.3 million. "The mortgage was paid off in about two years," he said. "It's a testament to the amount of support we get here."

The house is large, with more than 14,000 square feet of space inside. Baxter said that, in an average year, about 1,200 families came and went through the doors of the house.

"Last year, we had a 90 percent occupancy rate," he said. "It was 100 percent in January of this year. So if we're not full, we're usually pretty close." The average length of stay at the Ronald McDonald house is 5.5 days.

Internationally, Ronald McDonald houses share a similar profile. There are 157 of them across the world, with 122 of them in the United States. Twenty-one more houses are under development now, and the average occupancy rate for all the houses is 80 percent. Four thousand people are served by the Ronald McDonald houses each night.

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Bill Baxter, executive director of the Ronald McDonald House in Chapel Hill, reviews an application with volunteer Madeline Connick.

Name: Bill Baxter
 Birthdate: Oct. 15, 1929, in Wake County
 Occupation: Executive director of Chapel Hill's Ronald McDonald House
 Education: A.B. Guilford College, M.A. in Education, UNC-G, Postmaster's in Educational psychology, Johns Hopkins.
 Hobbies: Golf, photography, traveling, following UNC athletics
 Philosophy on life: "As you get older, you realize the preciousness of life and try to acknowledge that."

Reality is a temporary illusion brought on by an absence of beer.

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