

No Crackdown Follows Local Smoking Ban

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Recently-enacted regulations are intended to make Chapel Hill businesses non-smoking, but the lack of enforcement of these regulations has made this "ban" less than effective.

Joyce Smith, the town's representative on the Orange County Smoking Control Committee, said due to a lack of enforcement, these new rules did not necessarily translate into a smoking ban.

The smoking regulations would not actively be enforced because neither fire marshals nor building inspectors would visit local proprietors to insure the rules were being followed, Smith said.

"What we do is wait until someone files a formal complaint (against a business)," she said. "We're relying on the public to inform us where smoking is being allowed, then we will take the ball and run with it," she said.

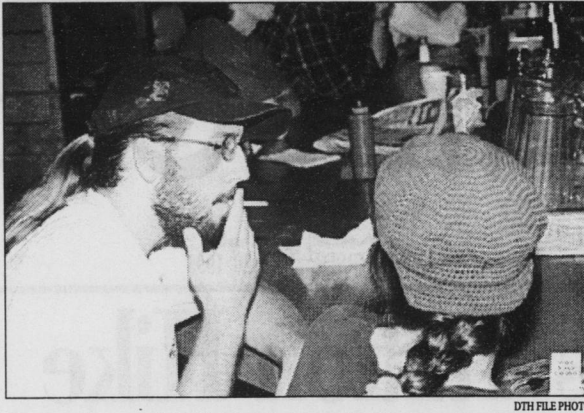
Once a valid complaint was filed against a business, the Orange County Health Department would send a letter informing the owner which section of the smoking rules was violated. In the case of a second offense, a citation would be issued and should a third complaint be filed, the owner could be taken to court, Smith said.

Daniel Reimer, director of the Orange County Health Department, said smoking allowed in any public place was a misdemeanor. Reimer said he was not worried about enforcement problems and thought the smoking regulations would actually help businesses.

"Studies show that 80 percent of the population does not smoke and prefers an environment that is smoke-free," he said.

The ban, which went into effect July 1, listed a group of regulations such as separate areas for smokers and separate ventilation systems in these areas.

"What this means is that as long as businesses can provide a separate room,



The recently enacted smoking ban in Orange County has required most public areas to go completely smoke-free in order to comply with regulations.

meaning four walls and a door, with separate ventilation and a different heating and air conditioning system, they can allow smoking in their establishment," said Smith.

Stephen Braswell, manager of Papagayo's on Franklin Street, said since the smoking rules were enacted, the entire dining area of the restaurant has been des-

ignated as non-smoking. Prior to the new rules there were three smoking booths inside.

If diners want to smoke now, they are seated in the patio area outside. The bar area, which is not enclosed in a separate room, "is also supposedly non-smoking now but with the late-night crowd, that becomes hard to enforce," said Braswell.

Black Employees Hold Public Speak Out to Voice Concerns

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Members of the Black Public Works Association gathered along with about 135 people in Chapel Hill Town Hall last week to voice grievances as well as appreciation for the support the community had given them.

The workers, however, said they felt Chapel Hill Town Council had not satisfactorily dealt with their findings of discrimination within the ranks of public

workers.

"We called this meeting together to ask for wisdom, peace information, challenge and inspiration," said Chapel Hill-Carrboro NAACP branch president Rev. Gene Hatley. He said the BPWA's grievances affected every person in Chapel Hill.

The speak-out marked the first time BPWA members were able to meet with their supporters and their one-month anniversary.

The group and their attorneys met with Town Manager Cal Horton on June 28

and discussed the listed grievances.

Members of the group's steering committee listed eight grievances they wanted to address.

The salaries of both white and black town employees and whether the town's practice of salary comparison and setting raised questions because, "it perpetuates old racist salary and job patterns, direct legacies of slavery and Jim Crow."

The group requested greater opportunities for training and advancement, including apprenticeship programs, as well as

cooperative training programs with educational institutions. The group wanted an analysis of disparities in assignments, opportunities and discipline.

Steering committee members, such as Marion Lyde, and speakers, such as Maurice Davis, cited specific examples of harassment and unfulfilled promises for training and advancement.

Committee member, and 20-year sanitation worker Larry Stroud, said the city had increased in size, the routes had increased, but the pay had stayed the same.

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additional library funding.

Student Body President Calvin Cunningham said that if the measure passed he would support raising tuition under the

provision. He said that if the full \$500 increase was realized, the University would receive an additional \$4.3 million for needed financial aid and \$11 million for faculty salary increases and the libraries.

"If this measure passes, I will advise the administration to implement it over a many

year period so as to minimize the shock of a tuition increase but to maximize the benefits," he said.

The Senate proposal also increases in-state tuition at UNC system schools 3.1 percent for each of the next two years. Out-of-state tuition increases at UNC-CH and N.C. State would be 7.9 percent in 1995-96 and 5 percent in 1996-97. These are identical to those in the House budget.

Cunningham said he was against the system-wide tuition increase because most

of the revenue it generated would go into the general fund. "I'm against any and all tuition increases that do not apply money to UNC-Chapel Hill specifically."

Sen. Fred Hobbs, D-Orange, said the increases were necessary to give more money to the UNC system in light of a \$350 million tax break present in the budget.

The proposal is in the House's hands. If it is not adopted, a conference committee will convene to reach a compromise.

Ousted GPSF President Trying to Regain Position

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The former president of the Graduate and Professional Student Federation said he was forced to step down by University officials after proposing a health insurance plan for graduate students which undercut the plan offered by Student Health Services. Following this action, the GPSF has plunged into a heated succession battle.

Former GPSF President Steve Hoffmann, who received his master's degree in the spring, was not accepted into another graduate program at UNC for the fall, losing his student status. Hoffmann did not immediately step down from the position, thinking, he said, that he had until the end of the summer.

He said he received a letter on June 28 from Craig Calhoun of the Graduate School telling him that since he was no longer a student, he could not serve in the GPSF.

"(Paul Ilecki, an administrative assistant in the Graduate School) knew I wasn't a student before that," Hoffmann said. "He took a picture with me at my graduation."

Ilecki said Wednesday that the letter was sent while he was away from school.

Hoffmann said the letter telling him to step down as president came after administrators became aware of a GPSF plan to offer graduate students an alternative to

the one health insurance provider the University currently offers.

Hoffmann circulated copies of an amendment he said he wanted to propose to the GPSF constitution that would allow presiding officers to finish out their terms even if they had graduated. A two-thirds vote of the GPSF senate would be necessary to pass the proposal.

If the amendment is officially proposed and passed by the GPSF, it could allow Hoffmann to continue serving as president. Student Body President Calvin Cunningham said he would challenge the amendment and Hoffmann's effort in the Student Supreme Court.

Katherine Kraft, a graduate student and a member of Cunningham's administration, said she was concerned about the order of presidential succession in the organization.

Kraft said she was concerned that Kim Miller, as GPSF vice president for external affairs, was not next in line for the presidency and should not have assumed the office's responsibilities.

"The vice president for internal affairs is next in line," Kraft said.

Miller contended that her copy of the constitution allowed the vice president for external affairs to assume the presidency if the vice president for internal affairs was unavailable, which she said was the case after Hoffmann stepped down.

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ing the inclusion of these two projects in the House's final budget.

Included in the Senate proposal is the same 2 percent salary increase for all state employees and faculty proposed in the House plan. The Senate plan also includes a provision not present in the House budget which would allow for a one-time bo-

nus of up to \$300 for faculty and staff to be paid from unexpected state revenue not originally accounted for in the budget.

Bret Kinsella, communications director for the Senate leadership, said Monday that the 1995-96 budget windfall would most likely exceed \$100 million due to the state's strong economy. He said he thought this excess was more than enough money to fund the one-time bonus.

— Sam Kirby

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The motion stated the need for separate juries was mainly due to the defense's use of the insanity plea. Psychiatrists at Dorothea Dix testified previously that Williamson had a history of mental illness and was "actively psychotic and delusional at the time of the shootings."

The request for two juries and other previous motions filed by Williamson's

defense attorneys will be decided September 6. The trial is slated to begin with jury selection Oct. 23.

Williamson, a former UNC law student, is charged with two counts of first-degree murder in the shooting deaths of UNC lacrosse player, Kevin Reichardt and Chapel Hill resident, Ralph Walker. The shooting spree took place Jan. 26 on Henderson Street. Williamson is also charged with 13 counts of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill.

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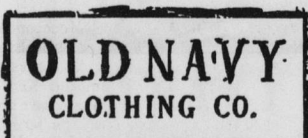
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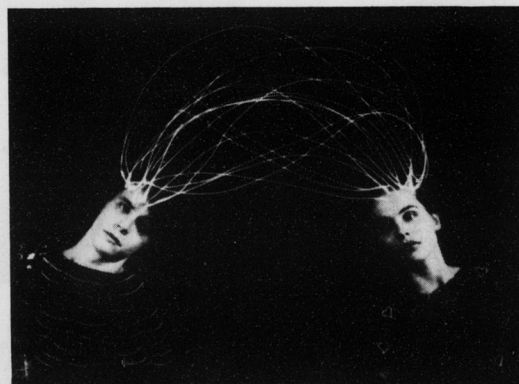
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