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Stories from the University and Chapel Hill

EastWest Fest Delivers World-Beat Boogie Blues

Merl Saunders and his Rainforest Band and The New Riders of the Purple Sage will join Solar Circus, Ras Alan and the Lions and Natural Healing for EastWest Fest '95, a celebration of today's best live music.

EastWest Fest '95 opens in Raleigh on Thursday evening at The Ritz Theater, 2820 Industrial Dr., and travels to the Horn in the West Amphitheater in Boone for a 10-hour concert on Saturday.

Merl Saunders and the Rainforest Band's blend of world-beat boogie blues features unique, high-energy extended jams, which can lead the listener deep into the heart of a jungle, down a solitary street in Paris or into the blazing sunlight of a Caribbean isle.

Tickets, \$12 in advance and \$14 at the door, may be purchased for the Raleigh concert at The Ritz Theater, all School Kids Records locations in Raleigh and Cary, and at Monster Records in Chapel Hill.

Grassroots Concert To Dedicate Auditorium

The School of Social Work will kick off its 75th anniversary with a concert to inaugurate the auditorium in its new home, the Tate-Turner-Kuralt Building, on Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Performing at the concert will be Si Kahn and Hull House Revival.

Si Kahn is a singer, songwriter, author and community organizer whose compositions have become anthems of social justice.

His music keeps alive the traditions of his idol, Woodie Guthrie, and of Pete Seeger, who has recorded some of his most popular songs.

Hull House Revival is a duo that sings of the folk traditions that concern ordinary people and the social conditions which impact their lives.

Tickets may be reserved by calling 962-1225 or purchased at the School of Social Work. The Tate-Turner-Kuralt Building is located on Pittsboro St.

Tickets purchased in advance are \$12 for nonstudents and \$7 for students. On the day of the concert nonstudent tickets are \$15 and student tickets are \$10.

Author Cress Welsing Kicks Off Diaspora Series

Dr. Frances Cress Welsing will open the second annual "Blacks in the Diaspora" lecture series on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Hanes Art Center auditorium.

The free public talk is sponsored by the Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center. A reception and book-signing will follow.

The "Blacks in the Diaspora" series features the works of nationally-known scholars, faculty members, and graduate and undergraduate students from UNC and other local universities.

It focuses on issues facing people of African descent. The biweekly series is held at the BCC and will culminate in a spring student conference.

Leading North Carolina Writers Visit Carolina Inn

Leading North Carolina writers will help celebrate the bond between UNC's N.C. Collection and the Carolina Inn during "October Has Come Again: A Celebration of North Carolina Writers and Writing."

Writer Doris Betts, UNC Alumni Distinguished Professor of English, will preside over readings and discussions by writers such as Lee Smith, Allan Gurganus, Daphne Athas, Clyde Edgerton and more than 20 others.

The event will be held Oct. 1 at the Inn and will run from 2 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 for students, \$15 for the public in advance and \$20 at the door, if space is available. Seating is limited to 250. For tickets contact Liza Terll at 962-1301.

Reverend Hutchinson To Speak Wednesday

Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary's admissions director, the Rev. Dr. Stephen Hutchinson, will be on campus all day Wednesday to talk with students who may be interested in attending the seminary.

Hutchinson will be in Union 213 from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. to discuss Eastern's admissions and financial aid policies with prospective applicants. Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary is located in Philadelphia.

Journalism Conference To Discuss Race Relations

A joint conference of the Board of Visitors and the Journalism Alumni and Friends Association (JAFA) of the UNC School of Journalism and Mass Communication will be held Sept. 29-Oct. 1 to examine how race relations and racial situations are being covered in the media.

"Journalism and Race Relations: How Can We Help Bridge Racial Divides?" will feature a Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter and three representatives from Pulitzer-winning newspapers. Reporters, editors and other media professionals are invited to attend the event.

The Saturday and Sunday sessions are free. The Friday night dinner is \$55 per person, and seating is limited to 300.

For more information about the conference, call Paul Gardner at 962-3037.

Speaker Granato Requests \$600 Stipend

BY MARA CUSKER
STAFF WRITER

Student Congress Speaker Roy Granato has requested that a \$600 speaker's stipend be included in the congress budget appropriations, which will be voted on at the Congress meeting Wednesday night. He is the first speaker to make such a request in three years.

"I think (the stipend) is an excellent idea considering all the hard work we have to put into student government," Granato said. Noting that the time commitment of holding office usually limits one from work-

ing at a part-time job, he said, "A lack of financial resources should not prohibit someone from being a student leader."

Granato said in the past the stipend usually had been doled out in monthly installments. He added that if the appropriation was approved, he would receive about

\$100 per month.

Granato also said he was one of few speakers in the UNC system not being compensated for his work. The last speaker to receive a stipend at UNC was Tim Moore in 1992. Speakers Jen Lloyd, Wendy Sarratt and Monica Cloud, who succeeded Moore, did not ask for the stipend. "It isn't a new thing like some people think," Granato said. "I'm just putting it back on the budget."

The stipend amendment passed through the Student Congress Finance Committee last week, but Finance Chairwoman Julie Gasperini said it presented a number of

considerations. "I'm firmly against any kind of stipend for public office," Gasperini said. "I don't like the precedent it would set. Holding office should definitely be a voluntary thing."

Student Congress Speaker Pro Tempore James Kilbourne said the congress would address the constitutionality of the stipend Wednesday. "I haven't reached a decision as to how the Student Congress Code should be interpreted," he said. "The underlying question is not whether Granato deserves a stipend or not, but whether the stipend is constitutional or not. That's the million dollar question right now."



Speaker of Congress ROY GRANATO

Town Remembers Legislation That Enhanced Equality

BY MARY-KATHRYN CRAFT
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Chapel Hill recently celebrated the 20th anniversary of a piece of civil rights legislation that paved the way for the election of openly gay officials and the passage of a domestic partners ordinance in the town.

In September 1975 the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen (now the Town Council) unanimously passed a personnel ordinance that included protection based on sexual preference.

"I am really proud of Chapel Hill for taking those first steps 20 years ago," Alderman Mike Nelson said. "If they had not, then we might not have made so much progress." Nelson was elected to the Carrboro Board of Aldermen two years ago, the second openly gay official elected in North Carolina.

There has been much progress in the last 20 years, said Joe Herzenberg, the first openly gay elected official in the state. He attributed much of the breakthrough to students and the UNC community.

Herzenberg was a graduate student at UNC at the time of the ordinance's passage and was a leader in the movement.

"Rome was not built in a day," Herzenberg said. "Neither were gay civil rights in Chapel Hill and Carrboro. Students in the University have pressed for these things."

Herzenberg attributed the progress made in the past, as well as that of the present, to the Chapel Hill environment. He said a special type of life existed in university towns. Students and former students were active and receptive to gay and lesbian issues.

"Chapel Hill and Carrboro are special places," Herzenberg said. "There is an ambience in these two towns that is friendly to gay people."

UNC students were instrumental in the promotion and passage of this legislation. "Without the students nothing would have happened here," Herzenberg said.

Students of the Carolina Gay Association (now Bisexuals, Gay men, Lesbians and Allies for Diversity) worked for the addition to town policies of an anti-discriminatory clause based on sexual orientation.

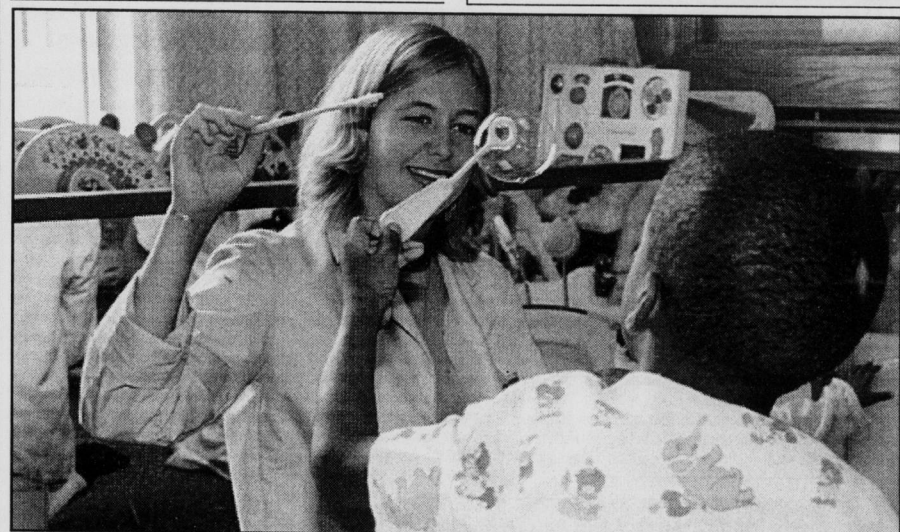
UNC students attended a Board of Alderman work session held the week of Sept. 15, 1975, and the ordinance was passed with little discussion.

According to Herzenberg, there were only 26 jurisdictions in the nation that had this type of ordinance; Chapel Hill was the first in the South.

Blues Power



John Drain from Tulsa, Okla., plays the blues on his harmonica Monday on Franklin Street. Drain says he plays to get money for food.



Volunteer Carson Myracle, a sophomore from Winston-Salem, blows bubbles with a five-year-old patient in the pediatric playroom at UNC Hospitals on Sunday. Student participation in the program is a major factor in its success.

Pediatric Playroom Offers Hospital Children A 'Therapeutic' Place to Kick Back and Play

BY MARSHALL BENBOW
STAFF WRITER

The hospital can be an intimidating place to stay for children. There are strange doctors and nurses and a somewhat menacing environment. But for pediatric patients at UNC Hospitals, there is a place to get away from that imposing scene, a place to play with toys and to feel like a regular kid.

The Robby Page Memorial Playroom in the pediatric ward of UNC Hospitals has been providing therapy through play since 1956.

"(The playroom) helps (children) in a therapeutic way in an environment (they) appreciate and flourish in," said Becky White, therapeutic recreation specialist II at UNC Hospitals. "There's a child's natural way of learning about the world, and that's through play."

The playroom, a part of the recreational therapy department, is open to all pediatric inpatients from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., White said.

The times between those open sessions are reserved for children who cannot ordinarily be with the other patients due to

more serious illness or who need to be specially protected from infection, White said.

White said a variety of activities were conducted while the children were in the playroom. The therapists use play to facilitate learning for the children, teaching them about medical procedures they might face, meeting with doctors and even teaching social skills, White said. No medical treatment is administered in the playroom.

Toys and activities range from picture books and toy cars for young children to Sega, Nintendo and a pool table for older children.

Many of the children undergo surgery, and the playroom staff helps prepare them for that. White said the staff worked with children one-on-one and explained the procedures in a way that was appropriate for the child's age level. The therapists also go with the child to the surgery and are with the child afterwards.

"The majority of the children here are children who are chronically ill, or they're going to be back, and if we can make it easier for them to understand, the goal is to improve their compliance," White said.

For older patients, the playroom offers the After Seven Program, which is open to

children in the fourth grade and older. A counselor meets with the children to facilitate discussion and help with peer interaction.

The playroom is staffed by three TRS I's, a TRS II and one fellow who is similar to an intern. All of the therapists have their master's degrees, though that is not a requirement for the fellow, White said. There is also a rehabilitation assistant who helps in the playroom.

Many UNC students are involved with the playroom through volunteer work, and White said that this volunteer involvement was crucial. Last semester over 75 students volunteered at the playroom, she said.

"We have terrific volunteers," White said. "We couldn't do nearly as well what we need to do without student volunteers."

Julie Meyer, a junior from Winston-Salem, said she volunteered because she enjoyed working with children. Meyer, who spends two-and-a-half hours per week at the playroom, said her job consisted of playing with the children and providing them with a way to have fun or vent frustrations.

"Basically we just play with them, what

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Consulting Firm Delays Tract Planning Visit To Digest Towns' Input

Johnson, Johnson and Roy need two more months to develop land-use options.

BY SUSAN HAZELDEAN
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Those looking for a definitive answer about future University development and growth will have to wait a little longer.

Johnson, Johnson and Roy, the Ann Arbor, Mich., land-use consulting firm hired by the University to explore development options for the Horace Williams tract, will not visit campus this month as planned. Instead, the planning meetings will now take place in November.

"We simply aren't at the point we needed to be for this (visit) to take place," said Wayne Jones, vice chancellor for business and finance.

Retired UNC philosophy professor Horace Williams willed the 700-acre tract and several rental properties to the University when he died.

"One of the reasons this has been postponed is so that we can consider more carefully reports we have received from the two committees (of Carrboro and Chapel Hill residents)," said Edward Hoskins, an architect at facilities planning and design.

The delay does not indicate any serious problems, Hoskins said. "This schedule was established about a year ago. At that time, we made our best guess about when things would happen."

Jones said the delay would allow opinion from Chapel Hill and Carrboro to be considered in formulating development options.

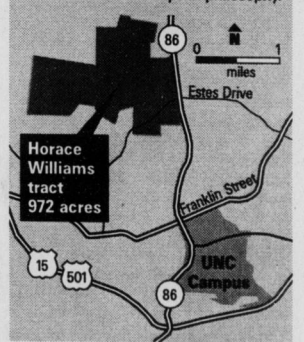
"We wanted to take all opinions into account and felt we could have a more productive meeting two months down the line rather than this week," he said.

So far the process of formulating proposals for the use of the land has been successful. "It has been going extremely well," said Dick Rigerick, project manager at J.J. and R. consultants. "The communities seem very comfortable with what we have done so far."

It is likely that following the consult-

Professor's Farm Prime Growth Area

The original 700-acre tract was deeded to the University, but proceeds were intended for fellowships in philosophy.



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ants' visit and meetings two or three alternative land-use plans will be presented. "They will be fairly specific compared with what we have been working with for the past 10 months. They will show specific road plans, land uses and facility locations," Hoskins said.

It is unlikely, however, that any one of these proposals would be accepted in its entirety, Hoskins said.

"More likely people will say they like the road layout in plan A and the land use proposed in plan B. It will be something to work from," Hoskins said.

"This process will continue into 1996," he said. "In November, we'll show alternatives and then two months later, boil it all down to a proposed final plan. Then there will still be time to deal with any problems, but hopefully we'll be hearing comments of approval."

This delay, though, is nothing to worry about, Hoskins said. "Conceivably, this work could be affecting University life for the next 200 years. Considering that, two months is not significant."

Service Project Eliminated

The Homecoming queen will be selected based on interviews and student vote.

STAFF REPORT

The Carolina Athletic Association's cabinet met Monday to finalize changes in the Homecoming queen selection process which eliminate the need for the queen to do a service project and attempt to make the process more objective.

CAA President Anthony Reid said the service project was a burden on women trying to finish out their senior years, going through job interviews and applying to graduate schools. Reid also said that anyone who would be considered for Homecoming queen would already have a strong record of community service.

"To be selected Homecoming queen is an honor, having to do a spring service project is not an honor," Reid said. "They must have service to be chosen to be a candidate."

Another change in the process is the manner in which the interview portion of the selection process will be done. In the past, students have made the first cut to the list of candidates, while faculty members performed the second cut.

This year, each candidate will be interviewed by three two-person teams comprised of a faculty or staff member and a student. Each team will ask a specific list of questions. After this round, each interviewer will complete an evaluation. From the six evaluations received, the top score and the lowest score will be disregarded.

"We are trying to make the process as open to student input as possible," Reid said.

The voting ratio, however, will be the same as last year, with one-third of a contestant's total score based on the application, a personal statement, assessment of community and campus service, the round of interviews, and the contestant's grade point average.

The remaining two-thirds of the contestant's total score will be based on student vote.

Reid said he hoped the new process would satisfy all student concerns and complaints with the former system.

"I sincerely hope the student body is satisfied," Reid said. "Short of chasing people down, we did everything we could to alert students to changes in the policy."

However, Reid said he was still open to student feedback on the issue.

"I would urge students to call with any concerns they now have," he said. "We want to know if there is huge opposition. But I think it is a very fair policy."