

'Unplugged' Professors Stop to Chat

BY OLIVIA PAGE
STAFF WRITER

While the courses offered to UNC students are a fairly varied bunch, few students have the time to take all of the classes that interest them. However, Erica Eisdorfer, who manages the Bull's Head Bookstore, has invented a practical solution to this problem.

She has designed a new faculty spotlight series called "Faculty Unplugged: shootin' the breeze with the Ph.D.s." This series of faculty presentations will take place in the Bull's Head.

"The types of themes we hope to discuss will be sort of related to communication studies," Eisdorfer said. "It will be very cutting edge, with lots of new ideas; we won't address classical topics."

Eisdorfer said the goal of the series was to provide a casual setting in which students would feel comfortable expressing their own ideas and engaging in dialogue with professors.

"We hope to create a coffee house-like atmosphere," Eisdorfer said. "We're just going to push all of the tables out of the way and hope we have enough room. This is a big, loud, noisy place. It's not library-like at all, so everything will be very casual, and the professors will be very approachable."

The Bull's Head plans to hold a Faculty Unplugged session once every month. The format and content of the discussions will vary monthly, according to the preferences of the individual professor.

"Professors are chosen based on public suggestion," Eisdorfer said. "Lots of students work here, so we're bringing in their favorite professors. Also, it helps if they have a new book."

Today at 3 p.m., Carol Maver, a professor in the art department, will be discussing her new book, "Pleasures Taken: Performances of Sexuality and Loss in Victorian Photography." She plans to present a slide show of photographs featured in her book and then discuss them. Refreshments will be served.

Next month, communications studies Professor Larry Grossberg is slated to appear.

He will be discussing his new book "We Gotta Get Out of This Place: Popular Conservatism in Post-Modern Culture."

"I plan to introduce the ideas in my book, and throw out a few of my own theories," he said. "Then I hope that people will tell me their ideas. Hopefully, people will disagree with me and form their own ideas."

Eisdorfer said she thought the series would be a refreshing change from the normal classroom setting, which can sometimes be intimidating.

"The books by some of the faculty here are really interesting," Eisdorfer said. "I know I would like to hear the authors talk about their books so that I could understand more myself. I don't think that I am alone. I'm really looking forward to this series; it should be a really interesting and wonderful hour."

A Graceful Moment



Award-winning southern novelist Lee Smith reads from her new book, "Saving Grace" Tuesday in front of Student Stores. Joining Smith and promoting his own book, "Unarmed But Dangerous," was her husband, Hal Crowther.

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Campus Calendar

WEDNESDAY

11 p.m. RHA will have an information table in the Pit until 3 p.m.
2 p.m. STUDY ABROAD will have several information sessions. Internships in Scotland, Europe and Russia will be discussed.
3 p.m. DISSERTATION SUPPORT GROUP will meet in Nash Hall.
3:30 p.m. CONVERSATION PARTNER INFORMATION SESSION for English-speaking volunteers only who have already been matched with international partners, Union 226.
4:00 p.m. JAPANESE CONVERSATION TABLE will meet in Lenior.
5:00 p.m. YOKEFELLOWS will meet in the

lobby of Campus Y.

INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL COMMITTEE MEETING will be held in Union 206.
5:30 p.m. LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRIES will meet for worship in the campus center in Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.
NEWMAN CENTER will have student night at 218 Pittsboro St.
6 p.m. ANTHROPOLOGY AT UNC will have its first meeting in the Union South gallery meeting room.
7 p.m. SARR is meeting in the basement of Campus Y.
UNC ENTREPRENEURSHIP CLUB will meet in TI New Carroll.

CAROLINA CLUB TRACK AND FIELD will be having an interest meeting 106 Fetzer.
BOWLING CLUB will meet in the Union.
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY will have its first meeting in 111 Murphey.
7:30 p.m. KALLISTI! The UNC Student Pagan Organization meets in the Union, room 226 to make kites.
8 p.m. SELECTED HILARITY has a sneak preview in the Union Carbare. Free admission.
ITEMS OF INTEREST
HELLENIC ASSOCIATION is announcing the beginning of Greek dance classes. Classes will be held 7-8 p.m. on Wed. and 1-2 p.m. on Sat. in Studio A in Woollen Gym.

Chapel Hill Twosome Creates Artists' Group

Artists Joshua Levine and Romney Biddulph seek out others with similar interests.

BY ELIZABETH ARNOLD
STAFF WRITER

It's a rare and unusual occasion to meet a person who not only can walk on water, but also has the unique ability to reseat his soda can in case he gets thirsty later. But one such man is Joshua Levine, and now, with a new group forming in the Chapel Hill area made up of other interesting individuals, he'll be in the spotlight.

No, Levine is not the second coming; he's a local artist specializing in invention, which he has his own definition for. "It's the art of making up ideas and building them ... designing contraptions," he said.

Levine, together with fellow artist Romney Biddulph, is attempting to form a social group for visual artists interested in getting together to discuss and critique each other's work.

"It's basically a chance for fellow artists to meet, network and discuss things we have in common," Levine said. "Maybe somebody knows of a good junkyard in the area where we can get materials."

Another important objective of the group is to locate a large studio space for members to share. The possibilities are many; the group has discussed doing a community art project and maybe some future exhibitions and sales. "We're still getting it

together right now," Biddulph said. "It could really go in any direction."

The group is open to artists of all mediums, including sculptors, painters, photographers and woodworkers.

Levine and Biddulph said they were looking forward to having more students in the group.

Art students could benefit from contact with older, more experienced artists who were already out of school and attempting to build careers, he said.

Biddulph moved to the Chapel Hill area recently from an artists' community in Arizona.

Biddulph said he was then introduced to Levine, a graduate of Hampshire College who came to Chapel Hill about two-and-a-half years ago.

At Hampshire, Levine said he studied a combination of art and anthropology that he calls "ethnotechnology," and has since taken art classes at UNC.

He has worked with autistic children and adults, taught pre-school and is conducting a class in invention for kids ages 8-12 at the Carrboro Art School.

As for Levine's inventions, the water-walking device hasn't actually been tested yet, and so far he's received no serious offers for the soda resealer. But that doesn't bother him much, he said. "My real dream is to get studio space near Carrboro and teach private kids' classes from there," he said.

Artists interested in becoming members of the group should contact Levine at 933-6388 or Biddulph at 932-7659.

University Will Force First Citizens Bank From Franklin Street

BY LUTHER CALDWELL
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The downtown branch of First Citizens Bank will have to vacate its current location because of the ongoing debate over the usage of University-controlled property.

The bank, located at 134 E. Franklin St., has until December 1996 to move out. The University decided the bank needed to relocate because the building is state-owned and under University control.

Wayne Jones, the University's associate vice chancellor for business and finance, said the situation was a matter of UNC attempting to maximize the space in its own buildings.

"It is a case of the University leasing a lot of its property in town for its own use," he said.

Jones said most of the University-owned properties operate as University entities.

"There was a suggestion that we start using (University space) for our own needs, instead of leasing out to third parties," Jones said.

Joel Harper, president of the Chapel

Hill/Carrboro Chamber of Commerce, said he agreed with Jones' assessment.

"From the University's point of view, they own the buildings and they need the space," he said. "From the shoppers point of view, if Franklin Street has a strong mix of retail stores in the area, this creates more pedestrian (interest)."

Jones said the University may continue leaning toward fewer third-party leases on its properties. This would allow the University to make use of the property it owns now, instead of commercial renters taking over the buildings.

"There are always circumstances that might dictate otherwise, but as a general rule, I would say yes," Jones said.

However, there have been no complaints over the move from First Citizens Bank. Chris Bubin, a member of First Citizens' communications department, said relations between the bank and the University continued to run smoothly.

"We are committed to remaining in downtown Chapel Hill," Bubin said. "We want to continue to work with the University in any way we can."

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