

# Multi-Million Dollar Renovations Planned for Undergrad

Improvements include relocating OIT services and adding group study rooms.

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The Robert B. House Undergraduate Library plans to update its services in a multi-million dollar renovation project, which could begin as early as this fall. The renovations would cost between \$4 to \$5 million.

services provided by the Office of Information Technology and housing them within the Undergrad facility, adding facilities for group study and reorganizing the reserve reading desk.

"We hope to integrate Information Technology with traditional library functions," said Larry Alford, senior associate University librarian.

The shell of the building would not be affected. "It won't involve anything external, except maybe some new doors," said David Taylor, head undergraduate librarian.

Instead, the library's book collection will be cut in half and some seating re-

moved so OIT's User Services can move into the building. Three classrooms equipped for computer training would also be added, Taylor said. Books dislodged by the renovations will be distributed to other campus libraries, he said.

Student expectations regarding the services libraries should provide are changing, OIT officials said.

"People used to go to the library simply to check out books. Now they go to get information," said Linwood Futrelle, director of services at OIT. "This will really expand our ability to make that information available." The renovations will further enable the Undergrad to keep up with

student demands, he said.

"This is a continuation of what began last fall with 24-hour access. We are really trying to make our services as relevant to student needs as possible," said Diane Strauss, associate University librarian for public services.

The 24-hour service proved very successful. "There was a great response to that initiative. It's been really heavily used and is well worth the running cost," Alford said.

The newly-added food lounge equipped with several vending machines was a further extension of this service, library staff said.

# Card Draws Praise From Students

The Student Advantage Card offers discounts from local and national vendors.

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Students checking their mailboxes are coming across a small card designed to save them big bucks. The Student Advantage Card, which was mailed out last week, enables students to receive discounts at over 250 local stores as well as several national chains.

A collaboration between Student Stores, the executive branch of student government and the Student Advantage Company of Boston brought the card to UNC.

The card offers discounts at businesses such as Caffé Trio, Amtrak and the Wicked Burrito. Discounted long distance plans are also offered.

Student Body Co-Secretary Mo Nathan said responses to the card had been favorable.

"We've gotten a lot of positive calls about the card from students," Nathan said. "Response from merchants has also been good."

The Student Advantage Company will send representatives to UNC in February to poll students who have used the card.

"They'll find out what works as well as what doesn't, and see which businesses need to be added to the card," Nathan said.

A few hundred students would not receive the card through the mail because of an incomplete mailing list, Nathan said. Students who do not get the card within a week should go by the Student Government Office in Suite C of the Student Union to pick up their cards.

"There were a few logistical speedbumps," Nathan said. "There was also a problem with (mailing) labels that caused a week delay."

Several students planned to cash in on the discounts the card offered. "I'd probably use the food discounts the most," said Anita Carmac, a sophomore from Asheville.

Freshman Amy Goodman of Apex said she would use the travel discounts most.

"I think I would use the bus discounts, but probably not the train or airline offers," Goodman said.

Nathan said he was not yet sure whether the card would be offered to students again next year.

"This is a trial period with the card," Nathan said. "We'll look at how it goes this year and then decide whether we're interested in doing it again next year."

All feedback on the card was welcome, Nathan said. Students with comments or questions should call the Student Government office at 962-5201.

Other universities charge up to \$20 for the card, but a collaboration between the Student Advantage Company, UNC Student Stores, and Student Government enabled UNC students to get the card for free.

# Future Mosque Draws Neighborhood Concern

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A Muslim mosque, which will be built on Hamilton Road in Chapel Hill's Glen Lennox neighborhood, has encountered protests from a community resident. The dispute centers around the neighborhood zoning codes, said Mohammad Banawan, UNC Muslim Association president.

While Banawan would not release the name of the protesting resident, he did comment on the resident's concerns.

"Some of the residents want to keep the neighborhood strictly residential," said Banawan. "Ten to 20 percent of our lot falls into the restricted zone."

Banawan said, according to the building plans, most of that percentage would be a buffer area, which would remain undeveloped. The rest, however, would be driveway.

"(The resident) said we can't put the driveway in the restricted zone because it's not a driveway for a residence," he said.

Senior Hafan Ahmad said he believed another concern of the Glen Lennox resident was whether the mosque would fit in with the surrounding houses.

"The guy doesn't want the mosque in his neighborhood because he feels it would ruin the architectural beauty of the neigh-

borhood," Ahmad said. "I know he doesn't think it fits in, but I think he should try to be a little more sensitive to the needs of the Muslim Community in Chapel Hill."

The mosque, Banawan said, will be 2,200 square feet and has an anticipated budget of \$200,000. Currently, \$80,000 to \$90,000 has been raised.

"The money has come from other mosques in general," Banawan said. "Established mosques from around the country have donated the funds to us."

There are about 30 to 50 Muslim worshippers in the Chapel Hill area, Banawan said. "For students who need to use the mosque every day to pray, especially those who live on campus, it's a real hassle to have to go to Durham," Ahmad said.

Ahmad said he believed the mosque would be used by at least 50 people.

Plans which have been in the works for 11 years have already been approved by the Chapel Hill Planning Board, Banawan said. "It should be built in one and a half to two years, but it depends," Banawan said. "We may have to shift gears and scrap the whole thing, or we may take them (the resident) to court. We'll have to wait and see."

The UNC Muslim Association is being represented by Attorney Mark Gunter. Gunter could not be reached for comment.

# Debate Over Tract Development Continues

The land was willed to UNC 55 years ago to benefit the philosophy department.

BY MARVA HINTON  
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After a year and a half of negotiations, the University and the philosophy department continue to wrangle over how best to develop the Horace Williams tract. The tract was willed to the University to generate funds and provide fellowships for philosophy students.

Horace Williams, a former professor in the philosophy department who died almost 55 years ago, willed the 700-acre tract of land and several rental properties to the University. Williams stipulated in his will that income generated from the property be given to UNC to support fellowships in the philosophy department.

Chancellor Michael Hooker said the University wanted to fulfill Williams' wishes, but did not want to make a hasty decision regarding development. "Some of the land was sold to provide fellowships," he said. "The question is how do we fulfill our obligation to the philosophy department and the town of Chapel Hill."

Both the University administration and the philosophy department said they wanted to carry out Williams' will, but they have disagreed over how best to achieve that.

"We're at a point in our negotiations where what I thought had been pretty understood is unclear," said Gerald Postema, chair of the philosophy department. "It's not the department's wishes or wants controlling here, the will is."

The University and the philosophy department are trying to determine what how the land on the tract should be developed to benefit both the University and the philosophy department.

"We've still got land that's not generating income," Hooker said. "We have to come up with a mechanism for financing their interests to satisfy their interests."

This weekend Hooker announced to the Chapel Hill Town Council that the University would not build on the tract until 90 days after the adoption of a land use plan by the University's Board of Trustees. The BOT is expected to address the issue when they meet in the spring.

Postema said he thought Hooker's agreement with the Town Council was fair, but he said he thought the administration needed to make a decision about the tract soon. "I don't think there will be any development for some time," he said. "However, the University's main campus is approaching carrying capacity, and that property suddenly becomes very attractive."

The rental properties have been sold and the University-owned Horace Williams Airport now sits on land located two miles north of the main campus.

Currently, the airport is the only development on the tract and the University has



not finalized any plans to further develop the land.

Postema said there was some confusion between the University and the philosophy department, but the philosophy department wanted to see Williams' wishes carried out.

Postema said the philosophy department wanted to see the land developed so more fellowships could be provided. "We have no interest in standing in the way of the University developing the land at a fair price," he said. "The idea was to meet the fund-raising interest of the donor through capitalizing in an endowment fund."

"We continue to talk, and talks are productive," Postema said. "We have no specific dollar amount now. (The talks) seem to be moving along satisfactorily. I would hope that we could settle it this spring."

# Student Elections Notes

## SBP Hopefuls Agree to Hold the Chalk

Reacting to the Elections Board decision to allow candidates to chalk sidewalks and other surfaces to further their campaigns, the four candidates for student body president banned together and pledged not to use chalk.

"In the interest of the campus environment and the aesthetics of the campus, we won't do it," said Lee Conner, a student body president candidate.

Sean Behr, Lee Conner, Michael Farmer and Aaron Nelson all confirmed their agreement Monday. "Everyone's in right now," Behr said.

"If all four of us came together and decided not to use chalk, we all equal each other out," Farmer said. "We don't want to scar and mar the campus."

## Candidates to Make First Appearance Tonight

The four candidates for student body president will address the Greek Women's Issues Group tonight at 7:30 in the Cobb Residence Hall Training Room.

Sean Behr, Lee Conner, Michael Farmer and Aaron Nelson will each have five minutes to speak about anything they find pertinent to Greek women's issues, said Mary Catherine Bauer, one of the founders of the group.

"At our last meeting, the women ex-

pressed a concern about Greek women, the stigma attached to them on campus and that people don't know what we're doing as Greek women," Bauer said. "We thought that the student body president could find a way to work to solve this. Also it's important for anyone interested in Greek women to be interested in their campus leaders."

Anyone is invited to attend.

## Platforms Due Friday

Any candidate for student body president, Senior Class president and vice president, Carolina Athletic Association president, Residence Hall Association president, and Graduate and Professional Federation should turn in their platforms to Daily Tar Heel Editorial Page Editor Jeanne Fugate by Friday at 5 p.m.

The DTH is located in Union Suite 104 behind the film auditorium.

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Nipper said the crime index rate, which is calculated by dividing 1,000 by the population of the school and multiplying the result by the crime index, is a more accurate depiction of the crime on university campuses. FSU's crime index rate of 33.8, 11th highest out of the 16 university system.

When the category is narrowed to violent crime only, the numbers look worse for FSU. With a violent crime rate of 2.2, FSU stands 13th out of 16 schools. Violent crimes include rape, murder, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft and robbery. UNC-CH ranks eighth, with a violent crime rate of .9.

## CHEAP DATES

gain film is another possibility.

The Union is usually playing an interesting feature, and Ram Triple has recently transformed itself into a \$1.50 theater. Though the movies aren't fresh from the box office, they still offer the going-to-the-movies feeling you just can't get from a rented movie and buckets of microwave popcorn.

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## Campus Calendar

TUESDAY

3:15 p.m. CAREER CLINIC: Develop an Action Plan for choosing a major or a career. University Counseling Center in Nash Hall.

3:30 p.m. SCHOOL FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAINING: Information session about study abroad programs in Asia, Europe, Africa and Latin America in Union 226.

LESBIAN EMPOWERMENT GROUP: An affirmative environment to discuss relevant issues. University Counseling Center in 210 Nash Hall.

4 p.m. TRIANGLE NUCLEAR THEORY COLLOQUIUM by Stanley J. Brodsky. Setting the scale of QCD: Commensurate Scale Relations, in 206 Cox Hall (NCSU). Refreshments at 3:45 p.m. on the 2nd floor of Dabney Hall.

6 p.m. GARTNER GROUP: a presentation sponsored by University Career Services will be held in 210 Hanes Hall. Open only to students on interview schedule.

INTERNATIONAL DINNER & PICTURE EXHIBITION in the Great Hall. Come taste the world! For only \$5 you can try many ethnic dishes in a diverse buffet. Tickets on sale today in the Pit and at the door.

UPPER/LOWER QUAD orientation counselor interest session in Manly Residence Hall Lounge.

IF THE SHOE FITS... be at the orientation counselor interest session in Chace II.

7 p.m. STEPHENS INC.: a presentation sponsored by University Career Services will be held at the Carolina Inn. Open to all interested students.

THE UNC YOUNG DEMOCRATS will meet in Union 208. We will be discussing the government shutdown. All are welcome.

POWER (People Organized for Women's Empowerment and Rights) will have a meeting in the basement of the Campus Y. Come make Valentines!

CHISPA will be meeting in Union 226 for a Cultural Dinner Night. Bring your favorite Latino dish to participate!

PHI DELTA CHI, a professional coed pharmacy fraternity, will be holding its second night of Formal Rush. Pharmacy and pre-pharmacy majors are invited. 968-9709 for rides or info.

JUNIOR TRANSFER ORIENTATION counselor interest session in the Green Room in Chace Residence Hall.

7:30 p.m. WALT DISNEY WORLD, a presentation sponsored by University Career Services, will be held in 209 Hanes Hall. Open to all interested students.

8 p.m. GUEST VOICE RECITAL: Carla Connors, soprano; Timothy Hoekman, piano. Works by Purcell, Schubert, Debussy and Hoekman. Free, in Hill Hall Auditorium.

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