

Fire Destroys Homestead Barn

The Tilson family mourned lost history after Tuesday's blaze.

BY JAMES LEWIS
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C.Y. Tilson could only stand and watch early Tuesday evening as a fire destroyed a family barn he helped build some 20 years ago.

"It's sickening," said Tilson's daughter-in-law Debbie, after she and her two children walked around the smoldering remnants.

Firefighters from Chapel Hill, Carrboro, New Hope and Orange Grove responded to the blaze at 2209 Homestead Rd. around 6 p.m. Tuesday. Traffic on the road was rerouted for about two hours until the fire was under control.

The fire completely destroyed the barn, which was used for storage by four fami-

lies. Orange County Fire Marshall Mike Tapp said the building and its contents were worth an estimated \$30,000.

By 8 p.m. Tuesday, glowing embers and patches of burning debris were all that remained of the Tilson barn.

Tapp said he would not know the cause of the fire until sometime Wednesday. "It'll be tomorrow afternoon before its cool enough for us to get in there," he said. "We really don't have any idea right now."

The fire only destroyed a barn, but the Tilsons said they felt terrible about the loss.

C.Y. Tilson said he moved from the North Carolina mountains to the farm on Homestead Road 50 years ago. He said the barn, which was built sometime in the 1970s, was only being used for storage, but held great sentimental value for the family.

"The material for the barn was from the farm. Neighbors around here helped construct it," he said as a pall of smoke from the barn gathered in the sky.

He said the 40 ft. by 90 ft. structure

originally was built as a poultry house. But Tilson said he got out of the poultry business more than a decade ago.

The land around the barn was still farmed, mostly for hay, Tilson said.

The barn "went up in minutes," Connie Tilson said. "There was a lot of stuff in there. It was just gone in no time."

Debbie and C.Y. Tilson's son, David Tilson, live just down the road from the barn. Tilson said she and their two children were getting ready to go to a preschool board of directors meeting when a neighbor called about the fire.

The neighbor said she looked out her kitchen window and saw the flames coming from the barn when she called the Tilsons.

"We were silly enough to come out and try to put it out with a garden hose and a fire extinguisher," Debbie Tilson said.

She said she was sad to lose the old barn, but was glad the fire had not spread. "At least it wasn't our house."

Conner's Poster Fine Appeal Denied

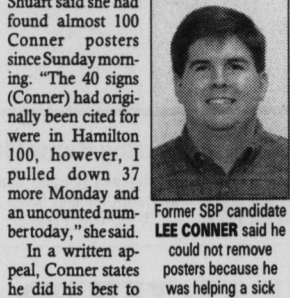
The former candidate was fined \$100 for failing to remove campaign posters.

BY JAY MOYE
ASSISTANT UNIVERSITY EDITOR

The Elections Board voted unanimously Tuesday night to reject the appeal of former student body president candidate Lee Conner, who was fined \$100 after failing to remove campaign posters by the established deadline.

After hand-counting the votes of the run-off elections of Senior Class president, vice president and CAA president, the 10-member board took less than five minutes to reach its decision. Conner, who was supposed to have removed all posters by 7 p.m. Saturday, filed the appeal Monday after learning about the fine, which was the maximum amount allowed.

Elections Board Chairwoman Annie



Former SBP candidate **LEE CONNER** said he could not remove posters because he was helping a sick friend.

Shuart said she had found almost 100 Conner posters since Sunday morning. "The 40 signs (Conner) had originally been cited for were in Hamilton 100, however, I pulled down 37 more Monday and an uncounted number today," she said.

In a written appeal, Conner states he did his best to remove signs when the illness of one of his campaign members caused him to reorganize the removal process. The appeal states the deadline, which mandates candidates to remove all materials from campus buildings within 96 hours of the election, was unfair.

"It is asking a lot to remove in mere days signs that required weeks to put up," the letter states. "I have spent numerous hours personally removing signs and would ask the board to consider that it is much harder to find people to help you remove signs than it is to find people who are eager to help you put them up."

Shuart said the appeal was denied because candidates were aware of the policy before the elections. Shuart said candidates in Tuesday's run-off election would have until 7 p.m. Saturday to remove their materials.

Conner said he was disappointed with the ruling but that he stood by his decision to help his friend, who was admitted to UNC hospitals Thursday for complications with asthma. "I still consider my friends and their health more important than taking down a few signs," he said. "I feel it very unfortunate that the Elections Board doesn't see it that way."

Conner said he had not decided if he would pay the fine or if he would pursue an appeal through the Student Supreme Court.

Project Uplift Gives Minority Students Taste of UNC

BY NAKITA ROWELL
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Each summer, more than 1,000 high school juniors come to this campus to attend a popular program for minority recruitment at UNC, Project Uplift.

The high school students stay on UNC's campus for two days to learn about the true college experience. Project Uplift is sponsored by the Minority Student Recruitment Committee, headed by director Archie Ervin. Project Uplift is now entering its 26th year at the University.

The purpose of the program was "to further diversify the minority population," Ervin said. Other UNC-system schools are involved in the program, which attempts to desegregate the student population by bringing more minorities to campus.

Uplift is a state-funded program open to most minority students with a satisfactory

academic standing. All costs for the project are covered by the University.

Project Uplift provides information about the University's academic and social environment by allowing high school students to attend sessions with professors and social event with students. It also encourages minority students to consider applying to the University.

"I already had my heart set on UNC," said senior Eric Johnson from Winston-Salem, who participated in Project Uplift in high school and has been both a counselor and a dorm assistant in the program for the past three years.

"The need to recruit more minority students into the University influenced me to continue with the program," he said.

Uplift provides students with information sessions about the University that range from how to apply for student aid to how to prepare for the Scholastic Aptitude Test

and how to choose a college major.

The high school students also have a chance to have fun and interact socially. There is time for students to intermingle with college students. By doing this, Uplift hopes to make minorities feel they would be welcomed at UNC.

The project was geared to keep students entertained. Johnnie Artis, a senior from Raleigh, attended Project Uplift and is now the program coordinator.

"(The program) greatly affected my decision to come to Carolina," Artis said. "As a junior, I looked at Duke and (the University of Virginia) because I didn't know if Carolina would have the proper climate for me as an African American."

Kim O'Pharrow, a sophomore from Winston-Salem, was not considering UNC as a high school junior, but Uplift made a major impact on her.

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Newcomers Get Hyped for College at Freshman Camp

BY TOM ACITELLI
STAFF WRITER

It's the year of confusion and adjustment. The work is much more difficult and a heck of a lot more plentiful. You gotta do your own laundry and find your own food. And, for some, beer becomes a good friend. Yup, it's that kind of a year.

Freshman year. As overwhelming as it usually is, there are ways to ease the transition from high school to college life. From classes of 15 or 20 to classes of 90 or 400. One such way to make the change easier is Freshman Camp.

According to one of its directors, Freshman Camp, which celebrates its 50th year this fall, is a unique introduction to college life.

"Freshman Camp is unlike any other orientation program at UNC," said junior co-director Dave Brooks of Williamsburg, Va. "It's more of a social orientation."

The program takes place just a few days before the start of the fall semester. This year's Freshman Camp will be held August 15 to 17 at Camp New Hope, north of Chapel Hill. Last year's session drew about 170 eager new Tar Heels.

Freshman Camp is staffed by over three dozen students selected from an applicant pool of more than 70. Brooks said that diversity and pride were keys in selecting excellent camp counselors.

"We look for people with a diversity of experiences in college and a deep love for Carolina," he said.

So what goes on at this one-of-a-kind orientation weekend? It begins by taking the incoming freshman away from the normal collegiate surroundings.

"Basically, we take the freshmen away from the regular hectic environment of UNC in order to help them acclimate to university life," Brooks said.

Once at Camp New Hope, freshmen are divided into groups of around 20, with

each group receiving a name based on animals. Then, it's on to icebreakers, skits and important stuff like finding out about different organizations on campus and learning the University's lingo: the Pit, DTH, it's Dey Hall as in "die," not "day," etc.

According to one Freshman Camp counselor, this ongoing activity over the span of three days can wear you out, but it's more than worth your while in the end.

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DAVE BROOKS
Freshman Camp Co-Director

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development. The council would also hold off on rezoning the tract, Waldorf states in the letter.

The new council discussed asking Hooker to agree to this policy at its Jan. 22 meeting. When Hooker submitted his response Jan. 25, council members were confused about the speed of his response.

"The council is a policy-setting body and we need to be a part of any policy setting before it happens," said council member Joyce Brown.

Pavao said he believed the problem stemmed from the fact that council members were not given a copy of the first letter,

which was normal policy.

"The council receives a copy of everything that goes in and out of Town Hall, but the council never received a copy of the correspondence," Pavao said. "The letter just didn't get to us through the proper channels. It was just a slip up during her transition."

Waldorf defended her actions saying the letter was a follow-up to a meeting she, Hooker and former Mayor Ken Brown had in November. She said the letter discussed what had taken place at the meeting. She also included another letter asking Hooker not to develop the land until an agreement had been reached, which was a promise former Chancellor Paul Hardin had made during his administration.

"I was doing what I thought I was supposed to do as mayor — carrying out the council's policies to fruition," Waldorf said.

As mayor, following through on policies was part of the job description, but with the knowledge and agreement of the council members, Andresen said. After Andresen's neighbor received the letter by mistake and notified her of its contents, she said she believed other council members had the right to know about the agreement.

"I was concerned this was a public matter and the council needed to be aware," Andresen said.

Waldorf said she was unaware of the

normal procedure surrounding letters and getting them to the council, which was why council members never received the letter. Waldorf also cited this as a reason for some of the council members' anger.

"I didn't think it was a mortal sin to send the letter," Waldorf said. "Honestly didn't think about (getting copies to the council). It was just an oversight on my part."

The controversy over the letter was just a minor snag in Waldorf's transition to the mayor's office, he said.

"I expect it will not happen again and if it does happen, then it's when we should bounce on it and say, 'Is this how it is going to be?'" Pavao said. "That's when we need to worry about communication."

Waldorf apologized for the mix-up Feb. 12 and agreed with Pavao saying this was not a sign of future communication between herself and the council.

Although council members were upset about the letters, Andresen said since Waldorf apologized, the most important thing now was to look at this as a learning experience. "I think we're all going to move forward."

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"It's been a considerable time since there's been any substantial raises ... that even kept pace with inflation," Neill said. "It's critical in retaining a good faculty and attracting new faculty."

Faculty chairwoman Jane Brown said she also supported the proposed salary increase. "I'm happy that they're proposing an increase for our staff as well."

Interim Provost Richard Richardson said he thought 7 percent would be a justified increase for the faculty. He also said the current condition of state finances should allow for the increase.

Benjamin Ruffin, secretary of the BOG, said the salary increase was among the top priorities in the budget proposal and he thought there was a good chance the General Assembly would approve the increase. He also said Governor Jim Hunt would probably support the BOG with the budget proposal.

Ruffin said, "It is a good year, revenue-wise, for the state of North Carolina."

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Dionne Warwick (1941-)
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With Bert Bacharach conducting, Warwick made her singing debut at Philharmonic Hall in New York City's Lincoln Center in 1966, after which she received rave reviews.

She made grand tours of the major capitals of the world where her musical style was highly acclaimed. Warwick also appeared in "Slaves", her first motion picture.

Campus Calendar

Phillips Hall.

3:30 p.m. **SUPPORT GROUP FOR WOMEN GRADUATE STUDENTS:** Discuss the challenges and explore the problem-solving strategies. University Counseling Center, Nash Hall. Registration required, 962-2175.

INTERNATIONAL CAREERS PANEL will feature representatives from private, federal and NGO agencies in Union 208. All welcome.

JOB HUNT 103: Interviewing (for seniors/graduate students). Learn what to say and how to act in an interview in 209 Hanes Hall.

4 p.m. **DR. HECTOR AGUILAR CAMIN,** Mexican scholar, will give the Hanes-Willis address, "Mexico: Shock, Crisis and Perspectives," in Toy Lounge, Dey Hall. Free. reception to follow.

5:30 p.m. **LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY** worship, fellowship meal to follow.

NEWMAN CENTER will have Ash Wednesday Mass followed by Student Night Dinner.

6 p.m. **GENERAL ELECTRIC PLASTICS** presentation at Kenan Labs. Open to graduate level Chemistry majors.

7 p.m. **NEW GENERATION CAMPUS MINISTRIES** will sponsor a panel discussion on race relations in the Great Hall.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY will meet in Union 205-206.

PUBLIC FORUM ON CUBA AND HAITI in 111 Murphy Hall.

DR. CHARLES SANDERS, candidate for U.S. Senate discussing higher education issues in Toy Lounge, Dey Hall. Open to the public and discussion.

DREAM ANALYSIS on second floor Carmichael Dorm Health Sciences Hall.

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7:00pm at Carmichael Auditorium

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For the Record

Tuesday's article "ALE Busts Underage Drinkers," should have stated that Player's was issued a warning for not properly marking used liquor bottles.

The article should have also stated that at press time, Player's co-owner Marty Hensley had not been notified of five violations the ABC alleged against the bar.

Also in that article, the co-owners of Cheap Shots should have been identified as George and Valerie Iatridis.

The Daily Tar Heel regrets the errors.

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