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Fiesta!

UNC students experience Hispanic culture through dance at an event sponsored by CHispA. *Page 5*



Cyber-Candidate

A fictional Republican presidential candidate takes his fictional campaign to the Internet. *Page 5*



Di-Phi Debates Prostitution

A Monday night forum discussed the legalization of prostitution. *Page 3*



Today's Weather

Chance of rain, high 60s.

Wednesday: Cloudy, high 50s.

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Court Calls for Re-election In Senior Class Competition

BY MARVA HINTON
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The Student Supreme Court ruled Monday in favor of Katie McNerney and Minesh Mistry's request for another election for president and vice president of the Senior Class. The court ruled the certification of the Feb. 20 run-off election invalid and scheduled a re-election for March 26.

"By winning today, we have brought the choice back to the students," McNerney said. "We could have easily given up, but in the interest of fairness and justice, our only choice was to continue."

McNerney and Mistry filed a suit against the Elections Board and Ladell Robbins and his running mate Amelia Bruce after the board declared Robbins and Bruce the winners of the run-off election.

Robbins said it upset him that the trial took attention away from the Senior Class.

"The disappointing thing for us has been that the focus has been taken off the Senior Class and put on the race," Robbins said. "The people who have been hurt the most are our class."

Both sets of candidates said they had no



LADELL ROBBINS and AMELIA BRUCE will face KATIE MCNERNEY and MINESH MISTRY in a re-election March 26.

regrets about running.

"I still feel the same way about serving the Senior Class," Bruce said.

The court cited the fact that the Elections Board did not tabulate the votes according to pollsite as their reason for declaring the certification invalid.

Elections Board Chairwoman Annie Shuart said she was personally and professionally upset by the trial.

"In certain respects, I feel like I was personally attacked despite whether they meant to during the trial," Shuart said. "I had to defend my actions and the actions of

the board. I had to defend my interpretation of the (Student) Code. Everybody says that this is a thankless job, but it should not be a position without respect."

Shuart, who will graduate in May, said she would delegate re-election duties to the board and supervise the process to let them get experience handling an election.

According to the Student Code, the ballots in an election should be broken down according to the polling place in which the votes were cast in addition to a

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Marathon Congress Session Yields Funds for Student Groups

■ The BSM will receive nearly \$20,000 in student activity fees next year.

STAFF REPORT

After a 25-hour marathon Student Congress meeting this weekend, the body allocated \$176,246.51 to eager student groups and recessed with a \$8,553.47 surplus, which will be applied to the fall subsequent budget process.

But congress members remain divided about the effects of last summer's Rosenberger decision on their budget process.

Panel Discusses Religious Funding

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The decision states that religious and politically partisan groups cannot be denied student fee funding at a public university.

"It allowed us to consider groups we had never considered," said Rep. Aaron Nelson, Dist. 13, student body president-elect. "So often in years past, the debate was focused around whether a group is politically partisan. There was no debate of that sort."

Rep. Julie Gasperini, Dist. 22, said that since few religious groups requested funding for religious activities, the court decision had little effect on the process.

"The only thing we have in our code anymore that remotely resembles the Rosenberger decision is a clause that (Rep.) Jamie Kilbourne (Dist. 1) authored," said Gasperini, chairwoman of the Student Congress Finance Committee. "(Rep.) Terry Milner (Dist. 1) addressed that clause with every religious group."

When Nelson presented his budget for

the executive branch, which included approximately \$6,000 for minority recruitment, \$2,400 for the student body president stipend and \$1,200 for the student body treasurer stipend, congress approved all the requests.

Nelson's budget, however, was one of several that sparked debate on the floor of congress.

■ After about an hour of debate Saturday morning, Student Congress voted to give the Black Student Movement \$16,366 as recommended by the finance committee. The group's original request totaled more than \$40,000.

After all groups were funded late Sunday night, congress reconsidered the BSM budget and allotted to it about \$3,000 dollars more.

Nelson motioned to reconsider BSM's budget, and Gasperini questioned his intentions.

"I just don't like to see any hint of preferential treatment," she said Monday. "That's why I asked the question. It's nothing against Aaron — I looked at it in a fiscally responsible point of view."

Nelson defended his move, claiming that many members of congress expressed to him they were not comfortable giving a single group nearly \$20,000 until all the rest of the funds had been appropriated.

■ Congress approved \$3,530 in lecture fees for Great Decisions, a lecture series about international issues attended by more than 400 people each week, after the finance committee recommended \$130 to the group.

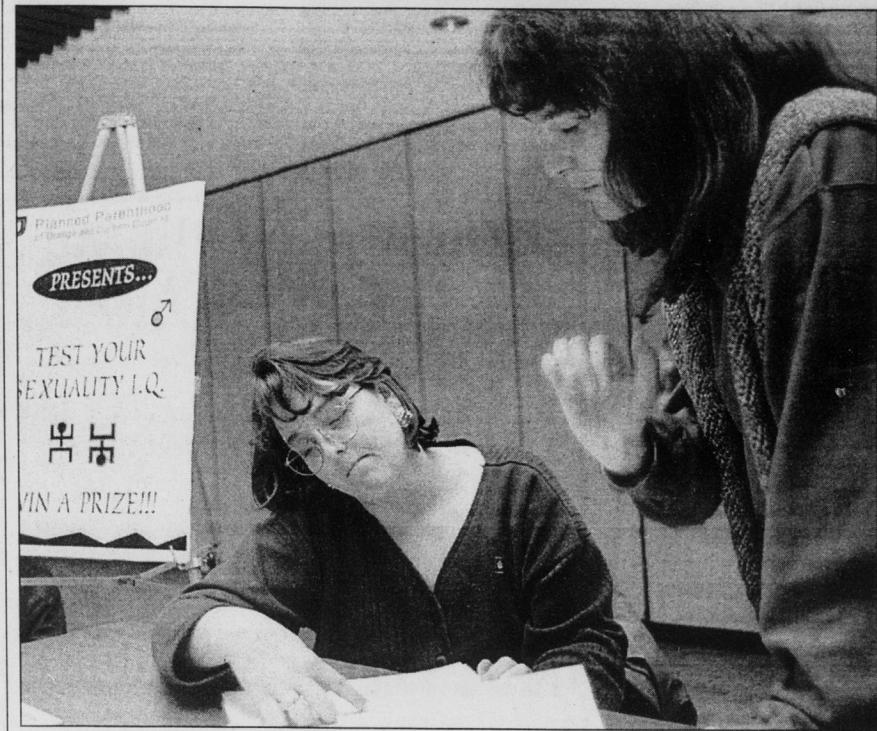
"My personal voting was based on the

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1996-97 Student Activity Fee Appropriations

Organization	Request	Recommended	Received
Elections Board	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
American Society for Library Science	\$660	\$660	\$560
Lab! Theatre	\$10,150	\$9,090	\$9,090
Alliance of Black Grad & Professional Students	\$23,800	\$14,025	\$7,475
NAACP	\$12,320	\$4,850	\$7,850
UNC-Japan Club	\$1,700	\$1,550	\$1,600
Newman Catholic Club	\$3,322	\$1,240	\$1,100
Units	\$460	\$390	\$390
Arnold Air Society	\$451	\$85	\$0
Great Decisions	\$3,500	\$130	\$3,530
The Catalyst	\$2,200	\$2,200	\$2,200
Asian Student Association	\$8,130	\$7,640	\$7,640
Haverin	\$3,561	\$2,690	\$2,715
Student Congress	\$5,066	\$5,135.98	\$5,160.02
Health Sciences Living and Learning	\$100	\$110	\$110
Executive Branch	\$27,237	\$23,377	\$20,925.24
Association of International Students	\$3,880	\$3,615	\$3,615
Students for America	\$22,455	\$16,655	\$10,000
Overcomers of UNC	\$6,492	\$1,772	\$1,772
Student Supreme Court	\$220	\$220	\$220
Pauper Players	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400
Women's Issues Network	\$1,215	\$1,025	\$1,025
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$5,500
Vietnamese Student Association	\$3,070	\$3,070	\$2,455
African Student Association	\$2,640	\$1,850	\$1,850
The Zeitgeist	\$2,300	\$1,800	\$1,800
Kallisti	\$1,860	\$1,860	\$1,860
Concept of Colors	\$4,450	\$2,625	\$1,795
Carolina Production Guild	\$10,974	\$5,260	\$5,260
SEAC	\$1,500	\$930	\$1,170
Carolina Quarterly	\$5,565	\$4,800	\$4,800
Sangam	\$4,980	\$3,210	\$3,560
American Arab Anti-Discrimination League	\$2,310	\$1,910	\$1,910
Hillel	\$3,939	\$3,209.34	\$3,209.34
Yakety-Yack	\$21,506	\$16,388	\$14,338
Campus Clowns	\$180	\$180	\$180
Carolina Academic Team	\$1,600	\$0	\$200
N.C. Student Legislature	\$350	\$200	\$200
Carolina Teaching Fellows	\$750	\$700	\$700
CHispA	\$3,095	\$2,280	\$2,280
UNC-CH Classics Club	\$3,930	\$1,200	\$1,200
Black Student Movement	-\$43,000	\$16,366	\$19,416
B-GLAD	\$2,535	\$1,855	\$1,845
Judicial Branch	\$10,378	\$5,900	\$7,460.93
Students for Children	\$1,305	\$600	\$700
C.A.R.E.S.	\$3,550	\$1,180	\$1,180
Totals	\$281,586	\$167,528.32	\$176,246.51

Service With a Smile



UNC students Connie Mann, left, and Carrie Burgen talk during the community service fair Monday afternoon in the Great Hall. They represented Planned Parenthood at the fair to educate about the services the organization offers. DTH/SIMONE LUECK

Court Says Players Must Clean Up Act; Bar to Appeal Decision

BY WENDY GOODMAN

CITY EDITOR

HILLSBOROUGH — An Orange County judge issued a preliminary injunction against a Franklin Street bar, requiring its owners to take action to stop beer and other liquids from leaking into the coffee shop below.

The injunction will provide temporary relief for Judges Coffee Roastery, located at 161 East Franklin St., from a "liquid invasion" from Players, housed above the coffee shop, said Gordon Brown, attorney for Judges owner Ed Donegan.

"The injunction is not permanent and is only for interim relief until a trial," Brown said. "I expect (Players) to do what is necessary to make sure that no beer is going from one place to another."

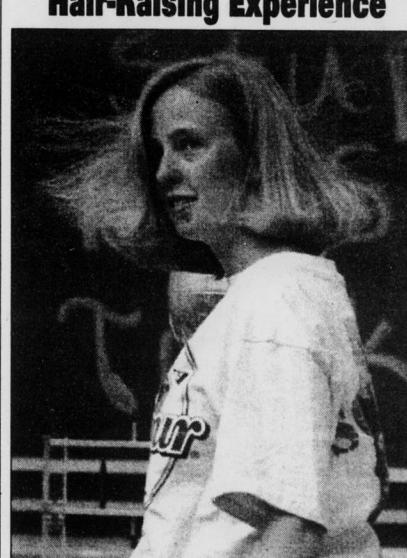
Players co-owner Marty Hensley, a former UNC basketball player, said he would try to meet the injunction's orders but planned to appeal the decision.

"Players is a wet place with college kids, and beer is always being spilled there," he said. "How I can personally stop that from happening is totally beyond me."

Donegan said he hoped Players would rectify the leakage

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Hair-Raising Experience



DTH/KATHLEEN OEHLER
Teaching assistants perform experiments during Stupid Physics Tricks held Saturday in Phillips Hall.

ASU Students Upset; Campus Police Can Search Rooms Without Warrant

BY DAWN PRINCE

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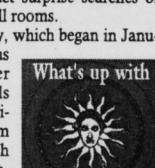
Angry Appalachian State University students say their constitutional rights are being violated by a new policy that allows officials to conduct surprise searches of their residence hall rooms.

The new policy, which began in January, allows campus police and other university officials to search any residence hall room without a search warrant and without the student's permission.

Rick Geis, director of residence life, said the new policy was intended to curb campus drug use. "What we're saying is, if you use drugs at Appalachian and we locate it, we're going to send you home," he said.

"We don't feel like we're violating anybody's rights."

Maggie James, a freshman majoring in education had two violations — both for



marijuana — within 24 hours under the new policy. For the violations, she has to go through counseling, do community service, pay a fine and will remain on probation for four months.

"It has lessened drug use in the dorm," James said. "They are doing their job, but they're also violating your rights."

For the three to five years leading up to the new policy, ASU officials had a hard time catching students with drugs because of the delay in obtaining warrants from a Watauga County magistrate, Geis said.

"By the time we'd get back to the hall after securing the warrant, the moment was lost," Geis said, explaining that students either swallowed or flushed the drugs down the toilet before officials returned.

Geis said the cases on campus mostly involved marijuana. Director of Campus Police Roy Tugman estimated that 1 percent of all cases involved drugs other than marijuana.

Tugman said the policy was for administrative searches, not criminal searches, and was therefore permissible under state law.

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Confessed Killer Pleads Not Guilty

■ Alleged interstate serial killer Sean Patrick Goble will be tried Aug. 12.

BY SUZANNE WOOD

ASSISTANT CITY EDITOR

HILLSBOROUGH — Alleged interstate serial killer Sean Patrick Goble pleaded not guilty Monday to charges of strangling a woman near Hillsborough last year, although he had confessed to the murder when he was arrested.