



BRIEFS

Stories from the University and Chapel Hill

UNC to Host Publishing Institute This Summer

The fourth annual Carolina Publishing Institute, held during four, weeklong sessions June 3-28, will focus on all aspects of the publishing industry.

Music Department to Host Opera Workshop Tonight

Students at UNC can learn about the world of opera at a workshop tonight at 8 p.m. The workshop, which is free and open to the public, will be held in Hill Hall Auditorium.

Day to Speak at Meeting Of UNC Retired Faculty

The 44th quarterly meeting of the UNC Retired Faculty Association will be held April 23 from noon until 1:30 p.m. in the George Watts Hill Alumni Center.

Business Workshop To Be Held April 24

A workshop for anyone interested in business or desiring to go into business will be held April 24 on campus. The workshop, which will last from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., will include information on marketing, start-up and cash flow.

UNC Student Receives Doctoral Fellowship

Mary M. Myers, a doctoral student in the Kenan-Flagler Business School's accounting program, was one of 10 recipients of the Deloitte and Touche Foundation's 1996 Doctoral Fellowship in Accounting Awards.

Aldermen to Sponsor Talk On 'New Urbanism'

The Carrboro Board of Aldermen and the Citizens' Advisory Boards for the town are sponsoring an event on April 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Carrboro Town Hall.

'Artscapade' Festival To Celebrate Kids, Arts

The Community Independent School is inviting children up to 10 years of age to participate in music, dancing, sculpture and storytelling at the first annual "Artscapade" festival.

School System Distributes Surveys to Parents

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools is distributing questionnaires this week in order to determine people's satisfaction with services at Lincoln Center.

Black Workers Suggest Different Town Budget

Members of the Black Public Works Association said meetings with Chapel Hill officials were going well.

BY LESLIE KENDRICK STAFF WRITER

Black Public Works Association members and town staff members are in the process of developing separate budget proposals to remedy pay inequities among town employees.

Employment Opportunity Commission makes a special investigation of the town's employment practices later this year. The BPWA introduced a preliminary form of its "freedom budget" in a Town Council public forum in March.

BPWA steering committee member Steve England. "A 2-cent property tax increase would equal \$440,000 in funds, and that along with the \$500,000 the town has earmarked for increasing salaries is enough to accomplish what we need to do done."

encouraged," BPWA attorney Mark Dorosin said Monday. Town Manager Cal Horton said the meetings have increased understanding on both sides and have helped the town develop its own budget proposals.

the proposals would be instrumental in the BPWA's success in realizing its goals. The 38-member BPWA formed last summer and submitted a list of eight grievances to the town about inequity in wages, instruction and promotion in the Public Works Department.

Gore Proclaims N.C. Smart Start Success During Chapel Hill Visit

The vice president and the governor read stories to children at a local day care.

BY GRAHAM BRINK STAFF WRITER

Vice President Al Gore toured a Chapel Hill child care center Monday morning and pronounced the center and the N.C. Smart Start program a success.

services such as immunizations, educational support and playground equipment. Gore stressed the importance of early education and the impact the programs have on the community.

that the extra funding provided. "All the equipment and services would be virtually useless if the teachers were leaving every six months," she said.



Vice President Al Gore fields questions from reporters Monday afternoon before visiting a Chapel Hill day care.

Gore, accompanied by Gov. Jim Hunt, visited the Community School for People Under Six and discussed ways to implement Hunt's Smart Start program throughout the country.

"The majority of learning goes on in the first five years of a child's life," he said. "Stimulation, learning, nurturing and care" are needed to promote positive learning environments and a productive work force for the future, he said.

Brenda Breeze, a parent and a member of the school's Board of Directors, had difficulty finding quality child care that she could afford before she discovered the Community School.

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"North Carolina is the leader in focusing on early childhood education," Gore said during a roundtable discussion that included parents, teachers and school directors.

"We live in a system of federalism that allows the whole country to learn from a (program) that one of our states comes up with," Gore said. "This program ought to be emulated by the other 49 states."

"Now, when I'm at work, I know that my child is being taken care of," Breeze said. "I'm confident now that my child is learning what she needs to learn."

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Smart Start, proposed by Hunt in 1993, is a public-private initiative to help North Carolina's children enter school healthy and ready to learn. The program provides

Cunningham emphasized the importance of the stable learning environment

Cunningham and Breeze are prime examples of the program's value, Hunt said. Providing quality early-childhood education for families in need will pay dividends by creating an educated and productive work force, he said.

Doctors Stay at SHS Because of Love, Not Cash

Doctors in private practice make more than those at Student Health Service.

BY MARVA HINTON STAFF WRITER

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Seminar Proposal Catching On

A faculty-student group is considering a number of ideas from a year-old study.

BY JOHN SWEENEY STAFF WRITER

A committee composed of UNC faculty and students has spent the past several months examining concerns raised in last year's University self-study, including the possibility of establishing a "freshman-year experience" program much like the one discussed by student government.

The self-study called for a program that included "coursework, social events and individualized mentoring in order to introduce students to the intellectual life of the University while simultaneously easing their integration into its civic community."

Stephen Birdsall, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said Monday that the committee was formed to evaluate the feasibility of such a program, among other things.

Chancellor Michael Hooker said that he was familiar with freshman-year experience programs at other universities and that he "strongly favored" the implementation of one at UNC.

"Obviously, the freshman year is the most important in your college career, especially the first semester," Hooker said. But Hooker also said the University would have to find resources before the program could get off the ground.

The question is an old one and perhaps has no clear answer. But however one chooses to think about the subject, it is useful to remember that UNC's ethnic organizations didn't arise out of the blue. Each of the groups

formed around ethnicity so central a part of campus life. Do ethnic organizations promote diversity by educating students about different cultures and preserving traditions? Or do they stop students from having to deal with diversity by putting students into organizational slots that enable them to live on a diverse campus without really interacting with people different from themselves?

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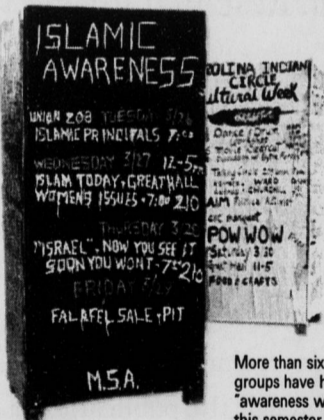
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FRACTURED CAMPUS? 1966 - 1996. Minority student organizations, which were nonexistent 30 years ago at the University, have forever changed the face of campus life. But for better or worse? BY JAMIE GRISWOLD ASSISTANT UNIVERSITY EDITOR. In 1987, 12 UNC students convened at the Franklin Street Pizza Hut for the first official meeting of the Indian Students Association. Nearly 10 years later, the Pizza Hut has transformed from a pizza parlor to a bar to a coffeehouse, and the Indian Students Association has become SANGAM, one of the largest and most visible ethnic organizations on campus. And SANGAM is hardly alone. UNC has experienced a tremendous growth in the number and political strength of ethnic organizations on campus. Eighteen ethnic student groups now vie for members. The groups sponsor activities ranging from heady intellectual discussions on the role of race in society to chess nights to multicultural fashion shows to three-course Asian awareness dinners capped off with a Japanese Fan Dance. The groups call for new curricula, become embroiled in controversies over the selection of the Homecoming queen and protest elections in nations half a world away. Since January, more than six organizations have held celebration weeks to share their culture with the campus. Hardly a week goes by in which the cube — the students' billboard — does not colorfully announce an activity put on by one of the clubs. The growth of student groups around ethnicity is linked to a dramatic change in the composition of the student body. For example, in 1970 — when the Black Student Movement was just three years old — only 420 black undergraduate, graduate and professional students combined were enrolled at UNC. In 1996, more than 400 students have memberships in the BSM alone. Former Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Donald Boulton agrees that the growth in the number of minority students on campus has been significant. "We have seen more growth in the past 30 years than in the previous 170 put together," he said. "For a long time, we were all male and all white." The growth of ethnic groups has undoubtedly left its mark on UNC. But as the long-standing debates about issues such as a freestanding Black Cultural Center and the multicultural course requirement at test, questions remain about the direction UNC has taken by making student groups



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Student Groups Based Around Ethnicity

- African Students Association
American-Arab Antidiscrimination Committee
Asian Students Association
Association of International Students
Black Student Movement
Caroline Hispanic Association
Carolina Indian Circle
Chinese Chess Club
Friendship Association of Chinese Students and Scholars
Haverim — Carolina Students for Israel
Hellenic Students Association of UNC-CH
Korean American Student Association
MASALA
Persian Cultural Society
SANGAM — The South Asian Awareness Organization
UNC-CH Chinese Student Association
UNC-CH Japan Club
Vietnamese Students Association



The Black Student Movement used its political clout to support Homecoming queen Maleikka Hardy in her 1993 selection.