

Lenoir's Summer Hours Leave Students Hungry

Lenoir is only open on weekends for special events, but not for students.

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Students looking for a Chick-Fil-A sandwich or a personal pan pizza on campus on the weekends are out of luck. Lenoir Dining Hall closes at 7 p.m. on Friday and does not reopen until 7:30 a.m. Monday.

Director of Food Services Scott Meyers said Lenoir is usually closed for the weekend in the summer.

"Lenoir has always been closed on the weekends unless there is some event going on, like a conference," Meyers said. Lenoir was open on the weekend for the Berkshire Women's History Conference. The dining hall was closed to students.

The decision to close during weekends is based on previous summer evaluations of students' dining demands, Meyers said. "A lot of students go down to Franklin

Street, but most students aren't here on the weekend so there isn't a great demand for Lenoir to stay open," Meyers said. "It's a decision that is also unified with what the University proposes after careful evaluation."

Garrett Watson, a worker at Lenoir, said he thought students should have limited on-campus dining options on weekends.

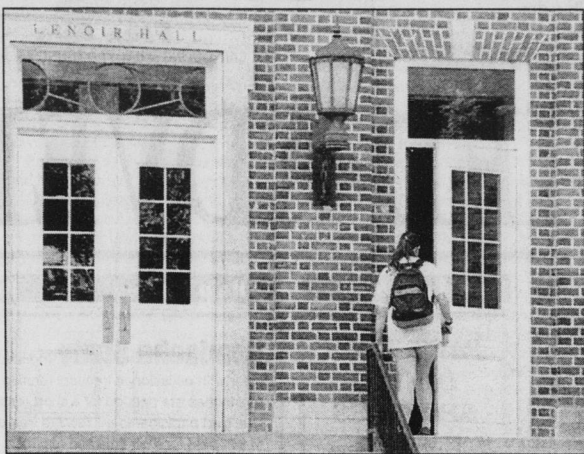
"At least one food station should stay open on the weekends, not for breakfast or dinner, but for lunch," Watson said.

Deborah Smith, another Lenoir employee, said there should be an eatery that stayed open seven days a week on campus.

"The students put money into their meal plans so there should be at least one place open on campus for them," Smith said.

Sophomore Tara Brown said the dining hall should stay open because students depended on it. "Lenoir should remain open on weekends for lunch and dinner because a lot of times the only money students have to spend on food is on their UNC One Card," Brown said.

Lenoir opens from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. weekdays.



The limited summer hours of Lenoir Dining Hall have sparked debate among students who depend on their UNC ONE Cards for meals.

Singing Hostesses 'Note'worthy of Praise

BY BRENT SIMON
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When most of us dine out, we generally tend to view the entire process through a somewhat deluded lens of self-absorption. We tend to forget that the staff that serves and entertains us is comprised of people, each with their own unique talents.

But patrons of the Macaroni Grill in Durham may be less inclined to

underappreciate the skills of two talented hostesses, Jeanne Fischer and Lucy Yates. Their vocal gifts are on such prominent display night in and night out.

The silky-voiced duo serenade customers mainly in Italian at the popular restaurant, performing a wide range of operatic pieces that span several centuries.

While their musical talent alone is commendable, another impressive feature is that they perform these songs without

musical accompaniment.

"What we sing really depends on the audience," Fischer said. "We try to match the plot of the aria with the people at the table."

In addition some customers often request certain arrangements or composers, Fischer explained.

Fischer, 22, will graduate from UNC this summer with a double major in music and English. While at UNC, the Greens-

boro native performed for Opera Theatre and the Chamber Players, among several other groups. After the summer she will be furthering her education in London, where she will study for her masters in voice at the Royal Academy of Music.

Yates also graduated in 1995 with a double major in music and English. She will be going to New York, where she will attend the Manhattan School of Music and work toward her masters in vocal performance.

Summer seems to offer no respite for Fischer and Yates. The two are currently on a two week trip to the Baroque Performance Institute at Oberlin Conservatory, where they are performing the works of Bach and other German baroque composers.

"This trip is somewhat atypical," Yates said. "In America there tends to be a break between early classical music and mainstream Italian and French opera. I hope to fit somewhere in between."

After their work there, Yates will leave for a five week stint as a choral assistant and accompanist at Governor's School East in Laurinburg, North Carolina, while Fischer will return to her appreciative customers.

While the concept of singing servers or hostesses at restaurants is not a new idea, the Macaroni Grill is certainly atypical in the type of songs they offer customers. The classical training of both Fischer and Yates helps elevate them past the ranks of many would-be crooning waiters.

Both Fischer and Yates enjoy the opportunity to work in a job where they actually get to practice their craft.

"Singing at the Macaroni Grill has certainly helped my performance skills," Fischer said. "I've learned to be less nervous since I've had to sing to an audience that is right in your face."

Council member Mark Chilton, who attended the news conference, said he sympathized with the BPWA's problems and said if they could not be solved this year then maybe they could be next year.

"(The BPWA proposals) significantly help out the people at the very lowest pay grades," Chilton said.

However, Chilton expressed doubt that the Town Council would consider addressing the BPWA's problems.

England explained that the BPWA would continue to work with the Town Council on more equitable and racially unbiased town practices.

"We plan to continue our assault on the budget system until we can get the cooperation from the Town Council," England said.

"We are not going to wait, and we will still be around."



DTH/KATHERINE BROWN

Hostesses Jeanne Fischer and Lucy Yates sing an operatic Italian Happy Birthday to customers at the Macaroni Grill. The two women delight crowds nightly with their performances of songs that span several centuries.

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higher," England said.

As of March, the salary of the lowest-paid white first-year Sanitation Collector Level I was \$17,163. The lowest-paid black first-year employee in the same position earned \$15,685.

Matt Robinson, an intern for the BPWA, said 10 of the Public Works Department employees made less than the lowest-paid white Sanitation Collector. All 10 employees are black.

The BPWA also addressed the problem of racially biased evaluations and their potential effect on pay raises. According to the budget, the town will be able to implement a percentage increase to all employees that would be based on the midpoint of the employee's salary range. These raises

would average 3.75 percent, with an additional 1 percent increase to workers with a salary below \$30,420, which is the town's "living wage."

The BPWA press release stated the actual amount of the percentage raise in the town's budget (3.75 percent) would vary based upon employee performance ratings determined by evaluations.

England said racially discriminatory evaluations had been a long-standing concern of the BPWA.

"Ever since times of slavery, white supervisors and crew leaders have been responsible for evaluating black workers," England said. "Basing employee salary increases on these evaluations only perpetuates racial disparity and worsens morale among employees."

England said the BPWA had evidence that the evaluations of black employees by

white supervisors and crew members were biased and racially discriminatory.

The BPWA cannot divulge this evidence until the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission has investigated the allegations.

To deal with problems in the budget, the BPWA formulated a number of proposals called the Freedom Budget proposals.

One proposal suggested that the Town Council implement a series of progressive flat tax raises according to employee's current income.

The BPWA claimed these raises would ease compression.

The BPWA also discussed a number of other proposals in its Freedom Budget that would deal with the problems of racial discrimination and unfair salary raises that the BPWA said were inherent in the budget.

SPRINKLERS
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estimated \$18 million to revamp the campus dormitories. The \$18 million figure arises from an estimate of \$4.32 per square foot. Spangler said the cost could be as much as 20 percent more or less.

Wayne Kuncel, director of housing, said, "That's probably still a very conservative number."

Kuncel said figures needed to include possible renovations to get rid of asbestos.

"If you have to do asbestos abatement, you have to add that to the cost of sprinkler systems," he said.

University planners have estimated an additional \$13 million in necessary renovations to remove asbestos and improve fire safety capabilities.

Kuncel said UNC had established a sys-

tem of renovating the residence halls on a schedule. Old East and Old West, both of which have sprinklers, are the most recently renovated living areas.

"Our next renovations would be Aycock and Graham, and in that project we would be adding sprinkler systems," he said.

Kuncel said so far he had not received plans beyond the two residence halls.

"But as future buildings move into our planning cycle, they will be included," he said. "And any future project would include sprinkler systems."

Spangler said the University system might be tempting fate and history by not providing fire safety.

"Nobody can remember there ever being a fatality in a dorm owned by the University caused by a fire," he said.

"It seems like an impossible good fortune."

BREAK-IN
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President Aaron Nelson. The letter urged the employment of security monitors by the fraternities.

The letter also stated that the members of fraternities should routinely check fire equipment, clean up all trash or residue that could easily be flammable and hold meetings to review safety measures.

Schroeder and Binder stated that members should make sure their houses are "well secured against break-ins and that unauthorized persons are not permitted access."

Cousins said the Chapel Hill Police Department is aware of the need for increased security.

"Historically, when the fraternity and sorority houses are empty, we increase our services and patrols to the area," she said.

Adar Berghoff, a member of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity, said he sees police patrols drive by his fraternity house several times a day.

"People see fraternity houses as easy targets, and we need to make sure our houses stay secure," Berghoff said.

Will Leonard, the lodge manager and member of Chi Psi fraternity, said they are making a concerted effort to secure their house.

"I make a round checking the doors one final time before we go to bed," Leonard said.

"It's our home, and we're trying to keep an eye out."

ALDERMEN
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increase in parking," he said.

Alderman Hank Anderson asked similar questions of the current parking shortage.

"I am concerned about parking on Main Street," Anderson said of existing parking problems. He then questioned Silver. "What are your ideas about parking? Where will you be seeking additional parking?"

Silver said he had looked into satellite parking, without avail. He said he felt the site's current parking spaces would be adequate, considering the amount of customer transition experienced by a short-term repair shop.

Ken Holland, son of property owner Murry Holland, and former supervisor in the proposed site, spoke on behalf of Silver.

SEX EDUCATION
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Another major concern expressed by parents was the need to begin sexual education at an earlier age than mandated by the program.

Dr. Charlie Van der Horst, a parent attending the meeting, said his second-grade daughter was already able to comprehend the importance of safe sex to control the spread of the HIV virus and other sexually transmitted diseases.

He also revealed some startling data about sexuality and Orange County. Van der Horst said 30 Orange County residents were infected with HIV. Twenty-seven people in the county are afflicted with AIDS.

Van der Horst also said 112 people aged

13 to 19 were diagnosed in Orange County in 1995 with a sexually transmitted disease such as gonorrhea. Also, the number of females aged 10 to 19 who had either given birth or had an abortion in the county was 219.

The issue of homosexuality was addressed, as well.

The sexual education program promotes abstinence until marriage, thus excluding homosexuals. Eliza DuBose said the wording of the curriculum should be changed to include homosexuals.

The school system has only one more step to finish, as they have already adopted a policy stating that students will learn about contraceptives and held a public hearing about it. They must now continue to have their teaching materials on display for the remainder of June and July.

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Rain site in Memorial Hall

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Monday, June 17
8:00 PM • Union Auditorium
This international flick is the story of a troubled woman who, after leading a life of crime, ends up in the hands of a secret government operation. Forced to do the government's dirty work, Nikita undertakes numerous dangerous missions while secretly longing a normal life. (117 minutes)

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