

# Community figures might apply for open council seat

BY KATE HARRISON  
STAFF WRITER

As if trying to organize the office of student affairs in the last month before her retirement weren't enough for Edith Wiggins to worry about, she is also facing the decision of whether to apply for the vacant Town Council seat.

Wiggins, interim vice chancellor of student affairs until her Oct. 1 retirement, said she has been so busy trying to wrap things up in student affairs that she hasn't had time to make a final decision.

She has been considering it seriously and will be making her decision very soon.

"I've thought about it a lot," she said, "and almost every day I think of more questions I have. I need more information on a lot of issues."

The council seat opened after Barbara Booth-Powell's death in early July. Booth-Powell, the only minority on the eight-member council, was known for her involvement in minority issues.

When asked if she agreed it was important to have a minority on the council, Wiggins said she thought "diversity wherever we can have it enhances any body of people."

Wiggins cited her more than 32 years of residency in Chapel Hill as an advantage should she pursue the seat. "I feel that it just happens to be that I am a minority," she said. "I've lived in Chapel Hill



**EDITH WIGGINS**, interim vice-chancellor of student affairs, is a possible contender for the open council seat.

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**ALICE JOYCE**  
Assistant to the Mayor

so long that I would represent all of the city if I were nominated."

Another resident who expressed interest in filling the council seat is Louise Stone, a state labor department employee. Stone could not be reached for comment on whether she had made a final decision.

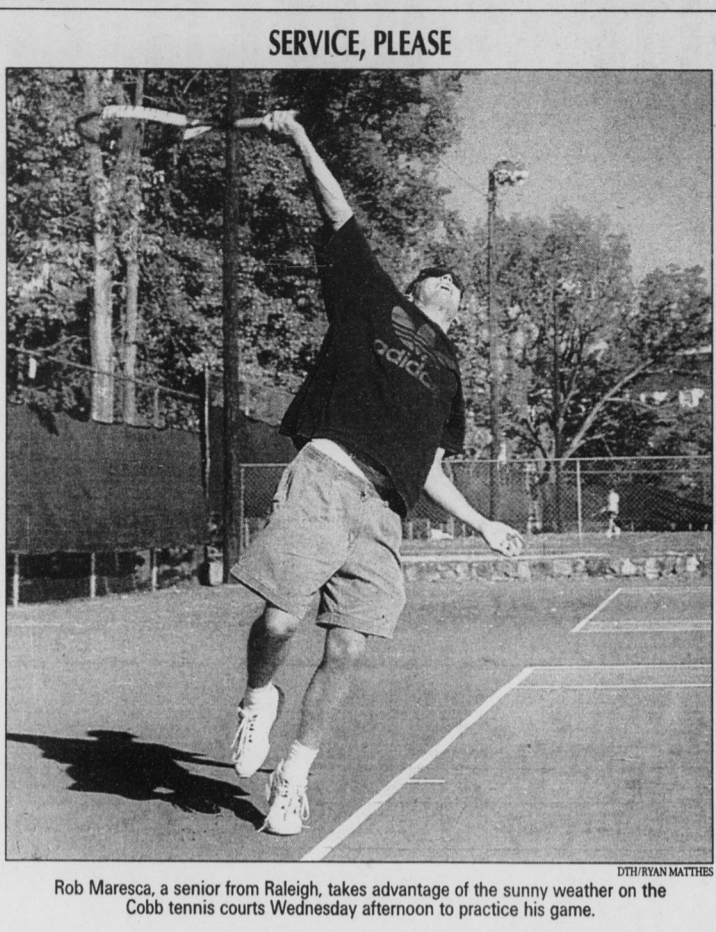
Though no other applicants have officially announced their interest, Alice Joyce, assistant to the mayor, said the mayor's office had received several calls from people interested in deadline dates and other general information.

"I had one person call wanting to know if anyone had (the nomination) sewed up yet and wanted to put her name in the pot if no one did. I assured her that it was still open," Joyce said.

Joyce said the person had left a name, but she could not release it.

Town clerk Peter Richardson said his office had not received any phone calls or applications from interested candidates.

Any interested Chapel Hill residents who are registered to vote and are qualified to hold public office should submit their applications to the Town Clerk's office by 5 p.m. Sept. 16.



Rob Maresca, a senior from Raleigh, takes advantage of the sunny weather on the Cobb tennis courts Wednesday afternoon to practice his game.

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# Foundation challenges University

■ A \$600,000 grant is at stake if UNC can raise \$1.8 million by July 1, 1997.

STAFF REPORT

The Kresge Foundation of Troy, Mich., has awarded a \$600,000 challenge grant to the University to help renovate Graham Memorial, which will become the home of the James M. Johnston Center for Undergraduate Excellence.

The grant — the first ever to UNC by the prestigious Kresge Foundation — requires UNC to raise an additional \$1.8 million for the renovation project by July 1, 1997. To date, \$3.3 million has been raised for the \$5.7 million privately funded project. When the Kresge challenge is met, the University will have raised the remainder of the cost.

"The Kresge grant is great news for two reasons," Chancellor Michael Hooker said. "First, grants from The Kresge Foundation are highly competitive, so this is wonderful recognition of the value of our project and our ability to raise the remaining funds. But even more important, this means that Graham Memorial will once again be a focal point for the intellectual life of our undergraduate students."

# Work begins at Durham school after health scare

■ NCSM halted work on a new building for over a month after workers said they had scratchy throats.

BY ERICA BESHEARS  
STATE & NATIONAL EDITOR

Last month, construction workers digging foundations for a new building at the N.C. School of Science and Mathematics complained of irritating eyes and throats.

The school, which is an affiliate of the UNC system, halted construction on the building July 17, said David Stein, head of communications for the School of Science and Math.

"There were some workers who said their eyes were red and there was scratchiness in their throats," he said. "Since then, we've gone through four weeks of exhaustive testing."

Construction work resumed Tuesday, although the testing did not determine conclusively what, if anything, made the workers sick.

On Tuesday, test reports indicated a trace of formaldehyde in the soil where the Watts Hospital stood during the first half of this century.

Rick Colb, senior geologist for Law Engineering and Environmental Services, which performed the tests, said the concentration of formaldehyde was lower than Occupational Safety and Health Administration standards.

Colb said the company had suspected

all along that formaldehyde could have been the cause of the workers' symptoms.

"The reason we suspected formaldehyde was it was a hospital in the past," Colb said.

When Watts Hospital was located on the land where the new building is being constructed, hospitals emptied most liquids down a common drainage pipe.

"Based on the workers' effects, we feel things are pointing in that direction."

But the first tests did not detect formaldehyde or anything else.

"They found a variety of compounds at low concentrations. Nothing jumped out," Colb said.

When the scientists narrowed their tests, the trace was detected, but at such a low level that they can't say for sure that

formaldehyde caused the workers' problems, said Michael Kalar, industrial hygienist for Law.

"That's why everybody's at an impasse as to what caused this problem," Kalar said.

At any rate, the school was sufficiently assured that the problem was not a threat, and they resumed work Tuesday. Colb said Law would perform more tests as workers stir up the soil.

Stein said students are not in any danger as construction continues. "The whole area is sealed off so they can't get anywhere near the site."

The future building, which will be known as the Educational Technology Complex, was slated for completion in June 1997, Stein said. "That has clearly been pushed back."

# Summer Honor Court holds 16 undergraduate hearings

BY JAMIE GRISWOLD  
UNIVERSITY EDITOR

The Summer School Honor Court held 16 undergraduate hearings, involving 20 students. Eighteen students were found guilty and received sanctions ranging from censure to definite suspension.

"I think it went very well," said Margaret Barrett, judicial programs officer for the University. "(Student Attorney General) David Huneycutt and (Honor Court Chief Justice) Susanna Matsen exhibited strong leadership in getting people to work so hard."

Barrett said summer Honor Court justices had to work harder than normal, but she stressed the importance of continuing to hear cases beyond spring semester. "I think it's important to keep Honor Court running throughout the summer from the perspective of protecting students' rights and getting closure on these difficult situations."

Cases heard during the summer included:

- 11 violations of section II.D.1.a. of the Instrument of Student Judicial Governance for academic cheating, including charges of plagiarism and unauthorized copying.
- three violations of section II.D.1.b. for furnishing of false information, with intent to deceive, to members of the University community who are acting in the exercise of their official duties.
- one violation of section II.D.1.c. for forgery, falsification, or fraudulent mis-

use of University documents, records or identification cards.

■ one violation of section II.D.1.h. for theft of personal property.

■ one violation of section II.D.1.k. for refusal to identify oneself to a University official in pursuit of her duty.

■ one violation of section II.D.1.q. for disorderly or obscene conduct on institutional premises or at University-sponsored functions.

■ one violation of section II.D.2.c. for illegal possession of any controlled substance identified in Schedule I or II of North Carolina General Statutes 90-89 and 90-90.

■ four violations of section II.D.2.d. for illegal possession of any controlled substance identified in Schedule III through VI of North Carolina General Statutes 90-91 through 90-94.

Three cases against graduate and professional students were heard by a University Hearing Board.

The board was made up of two faculty members, a chairman designated by the vice chancellor for student affairs and two students from the jurisdiction of the accused student.

The three cases included:

- two violations of section II.D.1.a.
- one violation of section II.D.1.j. for the unauthorized use of names of members or organizations in the University community.
- one violation of section II.D.1.s. for aiding and abetting in the infraction of any of the provisions of Section II.D.1.

# Campus Y seeks students for volunteer service, social activism

BY SHENG LEE  
STAFF WRITER

If you are a student seeking to better the world through efforts such as volunteer service and social activism, then you will probably be interested in joining the Campus Y.

The Campus Y will be in the Pit recruiting members for the fall semester from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sept. 10 and 11.

John Hipps, committee coordinator, said the organization served as a great tool for students who want to reform social problems.

"Students can always indulge themselves in what's currently happening out there. You name it, we try to do it," he said.

Malav Doshi, co-minister of information, said the Campus Y would work on many social projects this year.

"We're going to be dealing with issues of social importance like race relations, human rights and global issues," Doshi said.

Doshi said one of the Campus Y's special projects for the year would be to register as many voters as possible for the political elections.

Rebecca Hockfield, co-minister of information, said the Campus Y already had completed the year's first project.

"Freshman Camp was a program in which 170 freshmen participated in an informal orientation at Camp New Hope where they had the opportunity to listen to student leaders and professors speak," she said.

The Campus Y has other planned events: Footfalls, a 5K walk or run fund raiser held in October around campus and Chapel Hill; Human Rights Week, a week in November when different groups put up their displays and students can

attend seminars and forums about world events; Show of Hands, a traditional gathering at Polk Place during Martin Luther King Jr. week on Jan. 22; and Race Relations Week, a week of activities in April involving speakers held to raise racial awareness.

The Campus Y has about 800 members and 21 committees.

Red Ribbon, the newest committee, will try to educate students about HIV and AIDS.

Hipps said that anyone who is interested in beginning a project or committee is encouraged to stop by the Campus Y.

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only as a last resort. "We're at a point now where our hands are tied," he said. "We're at the mercy of the EEOC now."

Dorosin said he thought the real problem lay with the town. "The BPWA asked the town to mediate the complaint and the town refused," he said. "The town was reluctant to talk about any specific charges of racial discrimination."

Horton said the two groups had been meeting but an EEOC investigation was needed to work everything out.

"There are certain critical areas that would be well-served if the EEOC comes in and does an investigation."

## Campus Calendar

Thursday

5:30-7:30 p.m. - A free opening reception with artist Laura Hayes Riley will be held at the Hanes Art Center Glass Gallery, where she is presenting a solo exhibition entitled, "Modern Living," from Aug. 26 through Sept. 5. The exhibit is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

5:45 p.m. - The Baptist Student Union will hold a worship and prayer service, with a fellowship meal (\$2) to follow immediately afterward. Call 942-4266 for more information

or directions.

6 p.m. - Mazel Tov! You've survived the first week of school! Meet, eat and schmooze with other Jewish students on South Campus tonight to celebrate. Come to Chase Hall and look for the "Hillel" sign and balloons. For more information, call Lisa at 942-5939.

6:30 p.m. - The Company Carolina kickoff meeting will be held in Studio 6 in Swain Hall. Information on fall auditions available.

6:30 p.m., 9 p.m. - The Carolina Union Activities Board Film Committee will present

Massimo Troisi in "Il Postino." Admission will be \$2.

7 p.m. - The UNC Outings Club will have its first meeting in Murphey 111. Anyone ready for an adventure-be there!

7:30-9 p.m. - Anthroposophy at UNC will hold its first meeting of the year. Call 732-9754 for more information about the location.

8 p.m. - The Association of International Students will have a mandatory meeting in 103 Bingham in regards to the Beach Trip. All interested must come!

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