

# Area parks remain closed due to Fran; residents wonder why

■ Carrboro officials said they hope to have the parks open by today.

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Area residents who want to spend a day at the park may be disappointed to find many Chapel Hill and Carrboro parks still closed due to damage caused by Hurricane Fran.

All parks in the Carrboro park system were still closed Monday for public safety reasons. "There are dangerous situations due to wind damage and trees," said Richard Kinney, director of the Carrboro Recreation and Parks Department.

Kinney said the department was hoping to have the parks reopened by Tuesday, but they had to wait for the town attorneys to give them recommendations

as to the procedure to follow. "We're going to open certain sections of the park and rope off others."

Some Chapel Hill parks were also closed Monday. Umstead Park was closed so work could be done without danger to visitors, and North Forest Hills Park was closed because of the number of trees down.

Mike Loveman, director of the Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation Department, said most of the play areas and tennis courts were open, but it could be "some weeks yet" before trails were open due to trees blocking paths.

"We're working just to make them usable in the next couple of weeks," he said.

Loveman said individual parks were being examined on a case-by-case basis and, although there were obviously no gates to be closed, hazardous areas had been roped off.

"Ball fields and general facilities are

open," Loveman said. "I would just urge folks to take special caution and look overhead for hanging trees."

Both Kinney and Loveman said the National Guard, state Department of Prisons, and Public Works Departments from both towns had been called in to help clean up debris.

"We've had the National Guard in Community Park since this weekend," Kinney said.

Kinney also said the cleanup was very expensive, although he had no assessment as of Monday.

Zach Hoskins, a graduate student in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication at UNC, went to play tennis Saturday at Wilson Park and said he was annoyed to find it still closed even though the park seemed safe.

"We didn't think we were posing a threat to our safety or that of others," he said. "I didn't see any reason for the park to still be closed. It seems ridiculous."

# Southeast Asian economy successful

■ Jeffrey Koo said Southeast Asia still had many difficulties ahead.

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The successes and difficulties facing Southeast Asia's economic and political structures were addressed by Jeffrey Koo on Monday night.

"Asian performance is more eye-catching than in Latin American and Africa countries," he said. "It was under very difficult conditions that we achieved an economic miracle."

Koo, chairman of Chinatrust Commercial Bank, was selected as this year's guest speaker for the Phillips Initiative Address.

The annual address is part of a gift received by the Kenan-Flagler Business School. Alumni Earl N. Phillips donated \$100,000 to promote a better understanding of economics in Southeast Asia.

Koo is also the national policy adviser to the president of Taiwan and senior

adviser to Taiwan's prime ministers.

Koo and his uncle founded The Koo Group, a \$16 billion business conglomerate with affiliates around the world. Koo was also instrumental in introducing the credit card system, private banking and the leasing business to Taiwan.

Koo began his address by explaining the hard work Asian countries have had to do since World War II.

"After the second World War all countries were sickened with debts, poverty and low income," Koo said in his address.

Despite these problems, the countries of Southeast Asia have managed to prevail.

"It took Great Britain and the United States 200 years to increase capital income 10 times, and it took Asia 40 years," Koo said.

Koo also spoke about Japan's lack of concern for other manufacturers.

He said Japanese manufacturers were greedy and not as willing to share technological information with the rest of the world.

"I'm not here to criticize Japan, but that's the basic difference," Koo said.

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JEFFREY KOO  
Southeast Asian businessman

Koo said he disagreed with the policies of the democratic government in Taiwan.

"The problem we are facing now is the inefficiency of our government," he said. "We used to pass laws in three to four days. Now it takes four years."

Koo said the government was less efficient now because people were not educated about the issues.

But Koo said he is not totally against democracy.

"I think democracy is a must, but it is expensive."

# Access to future conference center raises concerns

■ The executive education center is located on the Meadowmont development.

BY LAURA GODWIN  
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Nearly one year after the Chapel Hill Town Council approved the master land use permit for the 425-acre Meadowmont development, University representatives came before the council to answer questions regarding a proposed conference center on the site.

David Stevens of the Kenan-Flagler Business School explained that the Paul J. Rizzo Conference Center, which will house an executive education center for the business school, is an important part in making the business school competitive.

"What we are establishing is a full-

fledged conference center," Stevens said.

The center will house a two-story, 56 executive suite residential building. The conference area will be a single story with 15 breakout classrooms where most of the training and lectures will take place, Stevens said.

The parking lots will accommodate up to 70 cars, with additional parking adjacent to the center, Stevens said. "Most of the people are bused in and shuttled in," he said.

The town staff questioned whether the current driveway access to the conference center was sufficient for the construction process.



Council member JOE CAPOWSKI said he did not think the current center access was sufficient.

Currently, the access to the property is provided by a one-lane paved road. The master land use plan calls for a four-lane, median-divided road, referred to as Meadowmont Lane, to be used as the primary access to the completed development.

According to a memorandum by Town Manager Cal Horton, some town staff members wondered what problems would arise if the conference center was completed before the road — more specifically, how it could handle heavy traffic.

"The primary point of access is proposed to be Meadowmont Lane," said J.P. Colpepper, member of the Chapel Hill planning board. "The primary issue is related to infrastructure and timing. It is our hope that the conference center will be able to coordinate with the larger Meadowmont."

Council member Joe Capowski said he was not sure if the current access to the

development was sufficient. "I don't see how that lane can handle a 28-ton construction truck," he said.

Stevens said the University, while willing to work with the town staff, said their ability to build the center should not be affected by the town's concerns about the access road.

"We are willing to work out this issue cooperatively," Stevens said. "We are sensitive to the issue. We object to having it tied to our (special use permit)."

In a separate concern raised by the staff, Mayor Rosemary Waldorf said she would like to see the DuBose mansion, which still stands on the property, open to the public, even after the conference center opens.

"The DuBose mansion will become a project site," she said. "I think it is important that the property be open to the people of the state."

The council will vote on the permit at the Oct. 16 business meeting.

# \$30,000 gift will fund career services center

BY KATIE ABEL  
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The School of Journalism and Mass Communication received a \$30,000 contribution, the third large gift announced by the school in less than a month.

The donation, given by Sue Millholland, will be used for a career services center in Carroll Hall, the site of the journalism school starting in 1998. Millholland gave the donation to honor her late parents, L.C. and Mildred Gifford.

In the past month, the journalism school has also received a \$5.5 million grant from the Park Foundation and a \$10,000 grant from the Reader's Digest Foundation.

Millholland's family, which has owned the Hickory Daily Record since 1929, has been an important part of the journalism school for many years, said Tom Bowers, assistant dean of the journalism school. "As a family, they have probably done as much for this school as anyone else in North Carolina," he said.

The L.C. and Mildred Gifford Career

Services Center will include an office for the journalism school's career services director and several interview rooms.

Millholland said, "My folks were very interested in the journalism school because it was closely connected to the North Carolina Press Association. We have always thought a lot of the school."

L.C. Gifford first became involved with the school in 1953, when he was elected to the school's Foundation Board. Gifford's wife, Mildred, took his spot on the board in 1969 following his death.

Millholland and her husband, Ken, also served on the board.

The family has contributed to the school in many other ways. The family set up the L.C. Gifford Distinguished Journalism Scholarships in 1967.

In 1969, the family created the Sara Lee Gifford courtyard to honor and remember Millholland's sister, who was killed in an automobile accident in 1967. The courtyard lies between Howell Hall, the current home of the journalism school, and Davie Hall. The University also established a scholarship in Gifford's name in 1986.

# Improvements scheduled for Lenoir

■ Lenoir will close in 1998 for renovations, which include a new food court.

BY MINDY HODGES  
STAFF WRITER

Major renovations to Lenoir Dining Hall will increase seating and attempt to provide students with a better eating experience, said Carolyn Elfland, associate vice chancellor for auxiliary services.

"We want to create a better, more attractive place to eat in," Elfland said.

Plans are set to begin renovating Lenoir in May 1997.

Elfland said Carolina Court, the dining area currently located in the basement of Lenoir, would be transformed into office space for auxiliary and food services.

The ground level will contain a food court similar to the one currently upstairs at Lenoir, but with different food venues and an additional level, which will have the same format as the present Carolina Court, will be added, Elfland said.

She said the proposed renovations would increase seating capacity, as well as change the infrastructure, such as sewage and ventilation improvements.

"One goal is to make it more environmentally friendly," she said.

Scott Hammack, co-chairman of the

student services committee, said the primary purpose of the renovations was to have a food service that met the demands of students. "It'll make dining on campus much more pleasurable," he said.

Student Body Secretary Lacey Hawthorne, who is involved in decision-making regarding Lenoir renovations, said, "This will brighten up the place. Students will no longer be eating in a basement."

There are also tentative plans to add escalators to the dining hall to organize traffic, Hawthorne said.

Another change will be the method of cooking and serving the food. On the food court level, food will be cooked in smaller quantities directly in front of the students, Elfland said.

"It will be fresh food and fresh ingredients," she said.

"We're trying to bring everything to the students," Hawthorne said. "Students have been involved in the whole process because students are the customers."

Lenoir renovations are not expected to be complete until the fall of 1998, and the dining hall will not be available for an entire school year, Elfland said.

One option for feeding students during renovations is to obtain portable food stands and kitchens to set up on campus, but all possibilities have not been researched yet, Elfland said.

"Most students are excited about the renovations, but there is a good deal of apprehension about what will happen next year," Hammack said.

The renovation plans must still be approved by the Board of Trustees, the Board of Governors and Chancellor Michael Hooker.

Chase Hall, the dining facility on South Campus, will undergo minor renovations to expand seating capacity and improve service.



Student Services Committee Chairman SCOTT HAMMACK said the renovations would make service better for students.

# Firm plans development of new Franklin Street building

BY MEGHAN MURPHY  
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Businesses hungry for a piece of lucrative Franklin Street real estate are in luck, thanks to a project that intends to bring two buildings with more retail and office space to downtown Chapel Hill.

Starting in December, West Franklin Preservation Limited Partners will begin converting a parking lot next to BW-3 at 206 W. Franklin St. into space to lease to stores and offices.

West Franklin Preservation Limited Partners, composed of Chapel Hill residents and UNC alumni, have struggled through three different projects for seven years to establish a commercial building on Franklin Street. The two buildings, which will open in June of next year, will be a culmination of their efforts.

"It's been one of my challenges in my life to get this done," said Antoine Puesch, head of the West Franklin Preservation Limited Partners. The group has encountered many roadblocks in the West Franklin project, including the indictment of former member Guil Woddell for embezzling from the project several years ago.

Puesch said and he is confident that the group's project will be lucrative now because of the demand for Franklin Street space.

Puesch said the two buildings would be a "contribution to the vitality of downtown Franklin."

The group had originally wanted to convert the parking lot into a site for a five-story commercial building, but decided against the plan because of financial problems, Puesch said.

"When you get up to the second or third floor, you get a nice view of Granville Towers and the area around there."

ANTOINE PUESCH  
West Franklin Preservation Limited Partners

While the group researched alternative projects, they leased the parking spaces to earn additional revenue.

The group decided to renovate and lease the building adjacent to the parking lot to telemarketing company FGI and BW-3 before deciding how to best use the lot to their advantage.

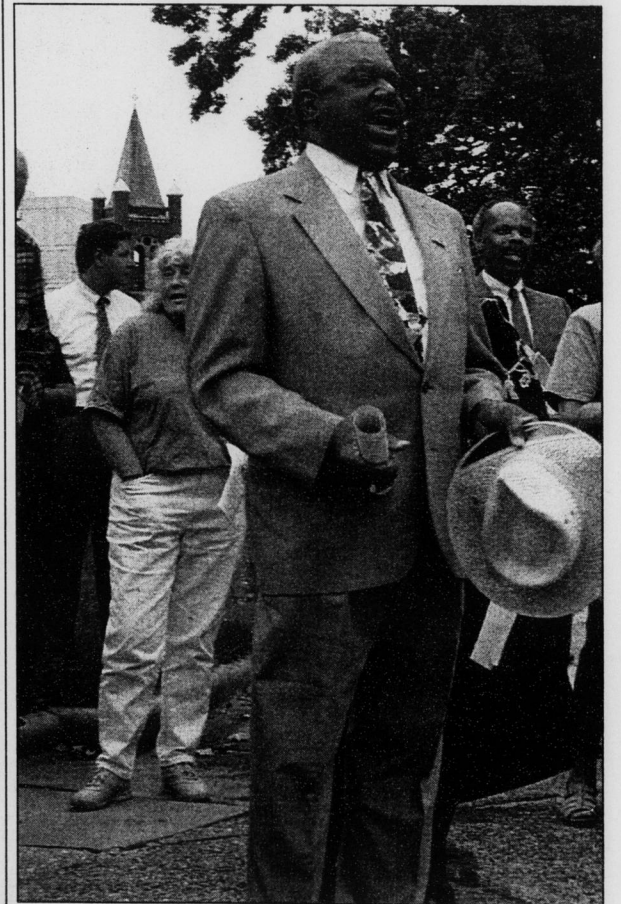
The Partners decided to erect two buildings of leasable office and retail space, especially since the lot was in such a desired Franklin Street location.

"When you get up to the second or third floor, you get a nice view of Granville Towers and the area around there," Puesch said.

In addition to providing office space, Puesch said the project would provide more jobs and tax revenue for the community while attracting potential customers to surrounding businesses.

BW-3 Manager Todd Horning said the eatery was "looking forward to the extra lunch business" but not to the loss of parking spaces in an already hard-pressed area for parking.

Permits and finances currently pose obstacles to the construction of the buildings, he said, but the construction should be finished by June 1997.



Pastors and other marchers pledged to take the ideas about religion and race discussed Monday back to their congregations.

## Campus Calendar

**Tuesday**  
11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. - The 45th quarterly meeting of the UNC Retired Faculty Association will be held in the Willow Room of the Friday Center.  
The speaker will be Professor Gerald Home, the director of the Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center, and the topic will be "The Role of the BCC on Campus." A salad buffet will be provided (\$10).  
noon - There will be a lecture on "The Development of Higher Education in the European Union between Europeanization and Regionalization," at the Center for International Studies at 223 E. Franklin St.  
3:15 p.m. - The University Counseling Center in Nash Hall will hold a career clinic to help students develop a plan of action for choosing a major or career.  
The UCC will also conduct a minority student support group to discuss the experiences and concerns that arise from being a member of a minority group at UNC at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 18.  
4 p.m. - The Study Abroad Office will hold an information session on programs in France in Union 208. Please call the Study Abroad

Office at 962-7001 for further details.  
5 p.m. - The Student Ambassador Program will hold its general interest meeting in Union 209.  
Come serve as a liaison between your state legislator and the University. North Carolina residents only.  
5 p.m. - There will be a Student Environmental Action Coalition meeting in the Carolina Union Auditorium. Help plan the anti-Helms rally, educate voters and learn about privatization and the housekeepers' struggle.  
6 p.m. - Green Games, an environmental outreach group, will hold a general interest meeting in the Union basement. Refreshments will be provided.  
7 p.m.-8:30 p.m. - The World Traveler Books & Maps will kick off its eighth semi-annual "Travel Talk" series at the bookshop, located in the Galleria Center.  
The popular series gives patrons a chance to share their pictures and travel experiences with other customers. Refreshments will be served.  
7 p.m. - Tell Aaron Nelson and the student government what you want and what you think about what they're doing. Come to the Student Body Government meeting in 209 Manning Hall.

7 p.m. - The People Organized for Women's Empowerment and Rights will hold its first meeting in the Campus Y basement. Everyone welcome!  
7 p.m. - University Career Services will conduct the Job Hunt 101 orientation workshop for seniors/graduate students in 210 Hanes Hall.  
UCS will conduct the Job Hunt 102 resume writing workshop at 8 p.m. in the same room.  
7 p.m. - Psi Chi, the Honor Society in psychology, will hold its first general meeting for all current members in 112 Davie Hall.  
7 p.m. - The publicity committee of the Carolina Union Activities Board will meet in Union 200. Anyone who is interested is welcome.  
7:15 p.m. - The Carolina Association of Translators and Interpreters will meet at the EPA Environmental Research Center. For more information call 851-1901.  
8 p.m. - The UNC Young Democrats will meet in Union 208 for a review of the Democratic National Convention. Call Shannon at 914-7677 for more information.  
8 p.m. - The Carolina Civil Liberties Union invites you to its second organizational meet-

ing to elect officers and discuss programs for the upcoming year in Union 211. All are welcome!  
The Center for Teaching and Learning is conducting a workshop on "Understanding Different Student Learning Styles," on Sept. 18 from 3 p.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Please call 966-1289 to sign up. Enrollment is limited. The CTL will also hold an informal lunch discussion for female TAs on "Issues of Special Concern to Women Who Teach," on Sept. 19 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Toy Lounge on the fourth floor of Dey Hall.  
Join us for a memorial service for all students, faculty and staff who have died during the past year. The service will be held Sept. 18 at 4 p.m. in Memorial Hall. All are welcome to attend.  
The Carolina Association of Black Journalists will meet in the Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center on Sept. 18. Information on the trips to Atlanta and Washington, D.C., will be discussed.  
The Daily Tar Heel Editor Jeanne Fugate will talk about opportunities to work at the campus paper.  
Student Health Service is forming a diabetes support group. Call 966-6562 to enroll.

## MARCH

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Barber suggested closed-door talks between legislators and religious leaders to initiate policies. "We'll go in and get things knocked out," he said. "It's not about the media. This is a moral crisis. In the past five years, nine churches in North Carolina have burned. Hate rhetoric will continue until morality is put on the public agenda."

One legislator said the issue was in the hands of the churches. Rep. Howard Hunter, D-Northampton, has worked with the seminar for the last two years.

"There's not a lot we can do in the political realm until ministers get together and work on the moral fabric of society."

The events also included a public seminar and worship service before the march at St. Paul's Church.

Several members of the community asked discussion leaders, the Rev. David Forbes and Kilburn, how to handle racist confrontations.

"One must come up with mechanisms to deal with conflicts. I've learned to tune out many things I hear," Forbes said.

The worship service featured a sermon from the Rev. William Turner, professor of preaching at Duke University.

With a raised voice and fierce arm gestures, he said people have to fight fire with their own spiritual fire. He urged people not to take reckless talk about violence as gospel and to become spiritual fire marshals.