

Ceremony to reflect on Holocaust victims

■ Fifty-eight years ago this Friday, mobs in Germany murdered 91 Jews.

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Kristallnacht, "the night of broken glass," marked the beginning of the Holocaust 58 years ago this Friday. To commemorate that night, United Jewish Appeal will sponsor a service Friday at noon on the steps of Wilson Library to reflect on all the lives lost in the Holocaust.

"The service is a way to commemorate the victims who perished in the Holocaust," said Beth Stern, co-chairwoman of UJA.

"It is a small way for us to remember something that happened over 50 years ago. By holding a service yearly to commemorate the night of broken glass, it is a way to guarantee that people don't forget what happened."

On Nov. 8, 1938, German mobs destroyed more than 1,100 synagogues; robbed, vandalized and burned Jewish businesses and family homes; and murdered 91 Jews. This night of violence heralded the coming of the Holocaust, which ultimately claimed 12 million lives.

While memorial candles burn at the service, poems, eyewitness accounts and quotes about the Holocaust will be read. Attendees will be given yellow ribbons

attached to Holocaust information cards to tie around trees. The color yellow symbolizes the Holocaust.

"By putting up yellow ribbons, it is a way to spread the message of the service not only to the participants at the service, but also to the members of the Chapel Hill and University community," Stern said.

All students are invited to attend the service.

"The service is a way for both Jewish and non-Jewish students to come together to remember an event that affected the entire world," Stern said.

Michael Scheinberg, program director at N.C. Hillel, said the service was designed for people from all backgrounds.

"We are trying to let students from all backgrounds know about Kristallnacht, a night of terror for Jews and many others in Germany," said Scheinberg. "This commemoration will help people become aware of our history."

At last year's Kristallnacht Memorial Service, yellow carnations were passed out and students who had visited concentration camps shared their thoughts about the Holocaust.

About 75 people attended that service.

UJA sponsors the Kristallnacht Memorial Service annually at UNC. Co-chairwoman of UJA Hannah Herman said the group is a service organization that strives to unite the Jewish community worldwide.

Other activities UJA participates in include raising money to help Jewish communities around the world. UJA works with N.C. Hillel.

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like James Brown — I feel good."

Hayes said he had called Hunt with congratulations and acknowledged Hunt's successful campaign. "He knew what he had to do, and he got it done," he said.

Hunt thanked the people of the state for choosing a candidate who did not use negative campaigning. "This is not just a victory for one person or one party," he said. "This is a victory for everyone who voted to rise above negative politics."

Some charged Hunt's opponent with using negative advertising, such as a TV ad asserting the state should "Dump

Hunt," to gain an upper hand in the polls.

Hunt emphasized his agenda for action, which included increasing teachers' wages, expanding Smart Start, increasing public safety and creating better opportunity and a brighter future. "That is what North Carolina voted for," he said.

Despite Hayes' concession, he said he would remain the same — a family man, a business man and a man of his word.

"If you like where I stand today, you'll like where I stand tomorrow," he said.

As supporters chanted, "Hayes 2000," Hayes thanked his family and campaign staff, offering them advice. "Trust the Lord with all your heart," he said. "Lean on him and acknowledge him in all your ways, and he will direct your path."

Orange County jumps on Information Superhighway

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Orange County has just contributed to the World Wide Web with the creation of a site that allows viewers to obtain information from all county government offices.

The idea for the site originated after the last presidential election, said Jane Sparks, Orange County systems analyst.

"We took our time with the project," Sparks said. "The thought may have been there (during the last presidential election), but we didn't have the technology

until this past year."

The site debuted Friday, just in time for yesterday's elections. It displayed results as soon as the polls closed, and tallied votes were updated regularly.

Also in time for the new property valuations in 1997, Orange County Assessor John Smith has put together an informational site where users can find out what counts as taxable property, how it is valued and how tax rates are determined.

Information soon will be made available for those who think their valuation is incorrect, telling them how they do their

own valuation.

Upcoming services available on the new site will include census and demographic data for the area, a calendar of events, volunteer opportunities, leisure activities and a job openings web page created by the personnel department.

A Government Information Locator Service is also in the works to allow viewers to enter a few search words and search every government computer to which the site has access.

The site, while focused on Orange County, also provides links to cities, neighboring counties, the state and the

White House.

If browsing the entire Web site sounds too time-consuming, Hot Topics, found immediately upon entering the site, lists the county's latest and most important information.

The information for the site is compiled by the offices of Orange County, but is put on the Web by Scott Technologies in Hillsborough, whose projects include mapping large quantities of proprietary information for governments and research institutions.

The Web site can be viewed at <http://www.co.orange.nc.us/Orange>.

Chapel Hill, Carrboro prepared for Mother Nature's worst

BY JULIA WOOD
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Although this year's first cold snap just hit Chapel Hill, local officials said they already were prepared should icy weather hit the area again this winter.

Chapel Hill Public Works Director Bruce Heflin said that last year was the first noticeable accumulation of precipitation Chapel Hill has had in five years.

"It's true that we don't have the equipment you might find in New Jersey, Minnesota or Maine, but we don't need it," he said. "We have a statistical average of seven inches of snow a year."

Heflin said last year's storm was a unique situation, with a snowstorm followed by five days of freezing temperatures, then an ice storm followed by four days of freezing temperatures.

"It was a combination of events and situations that we usually don't encounter," he said.

Heflin said, however, he thought the Public Works Department handled the situation well. "We had equipment on every street in town within a few days of the storm," he said. "We used enormous quantities of sand and salt."

Heflin said this year's inclement weather policy would be basically the

same as last year's policy. "We have a little more salt and sand on hand because we reordered at the end of last year," he said. "We didn't run out last year, and we would take steps to make sure we don't run out this year during a storm."

Heflin said the public works department had presented options to the town manager earlier this year for ways to improve its level of service, but the town manager and the Chapel Hill Town Council had not felt them necessary.

Carrboro Public Works Director Chris Peterson said Carrboro was also prepared for the possibility of inclement weather. He said each November the

street superintendent holds a meeting to go over the Winter Storm Plan.

Peterson said Carrboro has three snowplows and one salt and sand spreader. "When you only have one, you're limited to what you can cover," he said.

Despite sparse equipment, Peterson said he thought Carrboro was "super prepared" for last year's storm. "We got compliments on how quickly we got the roads open in Carrboro," he said.

He said the main difference in this year's plan was that the Public Works Department has recruited a construction company to help. They would be supplying a motor grader, among other things.

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Carolina press secretary, said he believed they had run a tough campaign.

"We ran a great coordinated campaign. I think we connected well with voters in the state," Kwalwasser said. "Our common-sense solutions resonated well with what people here think."

Standing behind the presidential seal at a party in Little Rock, Ark., a proud incumbent celebrating a final political triumph, Clinton delivered a sentimental address that wove images of his past with promises for the future. "Tomorrow we greet the dawn and begin our work anew," he said.

Before fireworks lit up the night sky, Clinton said voters had good reason to produce election results that gave both Republicans and Democrats reason to celebrate.

"They are sending us a message: Work together. Meet the challenges. Put aside the politics of division," he said. "It is time to put country ahead of party."

In a homey piece of stagecraft, Clinton walked out the doors of the Old State House hand in hand with his wife and daughter. They beamed, their eyes sparkling against the pop, pop, pop of camera bulbs. Vice President Al Gore, who hopes to celebrate

his own triumph in 2000, strolled out on the same red carpet with his blond-haired clan before he and the president clutched hands high above their heads.

They hugged after Gore introduced the boss. This victory celebrated beneath the white blaze of TV lights followed a remarkably disciplined reelection campaign, the final political race for a man who always seemed to be running.

At 50, this is already his 10th race for office: The name "Bill Clinton" or "William Jefferson Clinton" has appeared on at least 21 ballots.

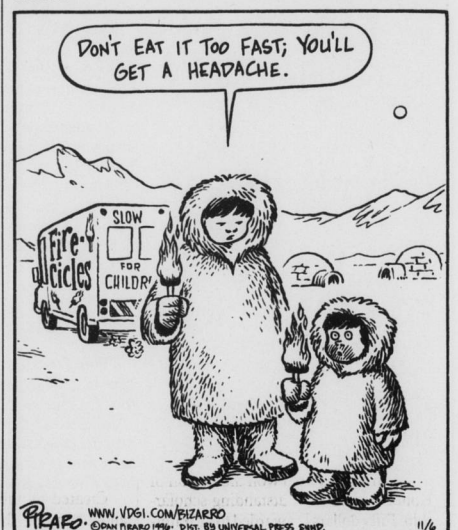
From failed congressional candidate to attorney general to nation's youngest governor, to nation's youngest ex-governor to governor again and then president, bidding to be the first Democratic president re-elected since Franklin Roosevelt, Clinton lived for the hunt.

Ever since he returned to the Arkansas governor's office in 1983, a chastened idealist, Clinton has governed in a constant state of campaign. Partnered with since-disgraced consultant Dick Morris, Clinton fashioned policy with polls and used his offices to unabashedly promote himself throughout the political seasons.

He raised money in a panic, living in fear he'd be outspent. He analyzed detailed poll results better than most pollsters.

Now, there is no next campaign for Clinton.

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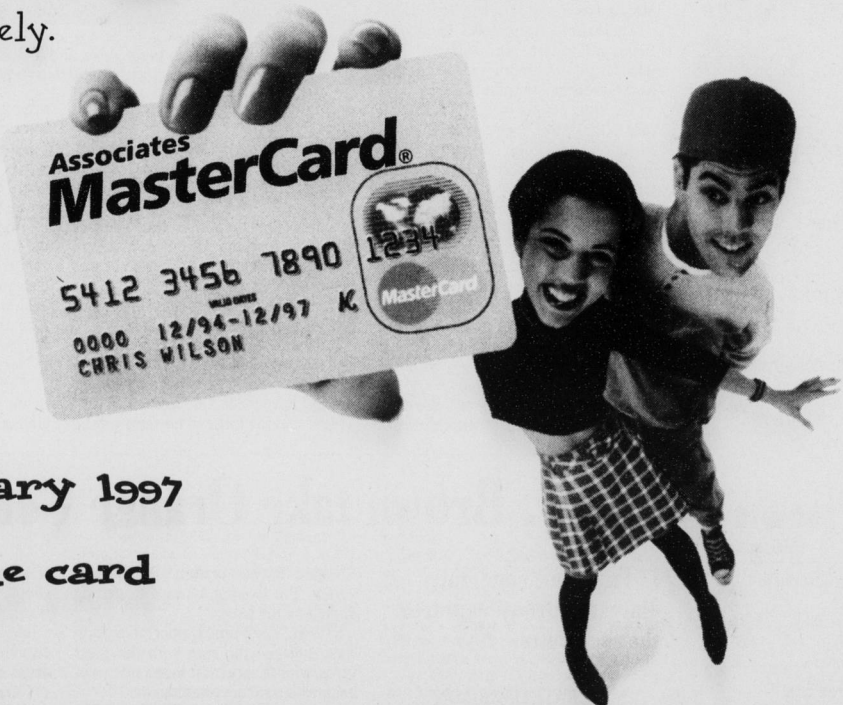


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