# Foster care Christmas needs more volunteers

Area foster children will receive Christmas gifts from sponsoring volunteers.

> BY AARON LEVINE STAFF WRITER

As the holiday season approaches, the annual Children's Foster Care Christmas program gives residents a chance to make a difference in the life of local foster

Pat Keck, a foster care social worker at the Orange County Department of Social Services, said the program consisted of volunteers who sponsored foster children by providing them with Christmas gifts during the holidays.

Sponsors can get wish lists, which social workers have compiled for the children, or they can send money to the Foster Children's Christmas Fund, Keck

"Our goal is for every child that we are involved with to have a nice Christmas," she said.

Though the program requests dona-tions of at least \$50 to sponsor a child, everyone can help. "Sometimes people can only donate \$30, and when this is the case, we'll get two sponsors and put them together for a child," Keck said.

Maria Noel, a foster parent, said the gifts this program provided were very important to her foster children.

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because before, when they were with their parents, at least half of them didn't

get anything," she said.

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> **MARIA NOEL** Foster parent

Foster children often can get exactly what they want because they make out wish lists, Noel said. "Nine times out of

ten they get everything on their lists.

"And most of the time they really remember what was on their list," she said. "It's really exciting when the open their gifts, and say, 'Oh, I did ask for

Noel said the program could help im-prove the foster children's outlook on

"(The children) are happier," she said.
"A lot of them are going to be in foster care for a long time, and it just makes things a little easier. It makes them look forward to next year. It makes them fit

Noel, who has three biological children as well as three foster children, said the gifts really help the foster children feel like they are at home.

"I really want to say thank you to people who really have good hearts. I know a lot of the donors have children of their own, and I just want to thank them for making a sacrifice and helping out.

People who wish to sponsor a child should contact Pat Keck at 732-9361 Ext. 2848 or Donna Hall at Ext. 2852.

# Panelists say privatization requires balancing act

A Campbell University professor noted a lean toward the private sector.

BY DANA SPANGLER

The costs and benefits of privatization must be weighed before determining if it will be effective, panelists at a forum on privatization said on Monday.

The forum was sponsored by the Federalist Society as one of control of the same of

eralist Society, a group of conservative and libertarian law students.

Privatization concerns the unique balancing of public and private sectors, and there seems to be a leaning more toward the private, said Martin Sellers, a professor at Campbell University and chairman of Campbell's department of gov-

The reason be-hind this leaning, Sellers said, "is our belief that private companies can do it in a least cost

way."
"When a government disposes itself of a service and privatizes, the argument is that there is more op-portunity for inno-

Sellers said groups needed to look at the degree to which privatizing affected people

Bruce Runberg, coordinator of outsourcing for the University, said the pros and cons to outsourcing should be weighed.

University Outsourcing Coordinator BRUCE pros and cons of

The University established an Outsourcing Steering Team to determine if privatization would be beneficial. The University system already outsources a great deal of services, Runberg said.

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make people aware of what happens in the University," Runberg said. "Our goal is not to look at least cost,

John Locke, director of the John Locke Foundation, a privately-owned think tank

in Raleigh, said privatization could be defined in many ways. In order to contract out services previ-

ously under state control, the govern-ment must get bids, he said. "We must encourage the private sector to come to

"The only way the government can be effective is to have a permanent office with permanent employees that accepts calls from people who give their privatization offers."

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N.C. Rep. Donald Davis, R-Harnett, said he was concerned about big government. "I want it turned back to the free-enterprise system," he said.

"I am conservative when it comes to big budget issues," Davis said. He said this was because he was trying to cut spending for tax payers.

## Human Rights Week talk focuses on ethnic conflict

A panel of professors discussed ethnic conflicts and multiculturalism.

BY KATIE ABEL

Americans promote multiculturalism to ease tensions among diverse groups, ethnic conflict continues to tear apart societies in all corners of the

A panel of UNC professors discussed the worldwide humanitarian crisis at a Monday discussion kicking off Human Rights Week.

"The reason we decided to have this panel is to educate people about ethnic conflict," said Ashwini Rode, co-chairwoman of Human Rights Week. Several other speakers will appear in the next few days as part of the Week.

Robert Greenberg, an assistant professor in the Slavic Languages Department, addressed the conflict between individual states and multiculturalism in

He explained that, contrary to popular belief, neither side was the aggressor or the victim.

'To me the conflict is between those who believe in one ideology and those who believe in another," he said. History Professor David Newberry dis-

cussed the challenges facing refugee communities created by recent occurrences in Central Africa. We are facing a humanitarian cri-

sis," he said. Displaced refugees, 80 percent of whom are women and children, have

received no aid in recent weeks. Crops are not producing sufficient quantities of food, and a large number of people will die if assistance is not provided soon, he

Newberry said the food shortages represented a larger problem of inequity and injustice within Africa as well as glo-

Visiting Professor Alphonse Mutima discussed the crisis in Eastern Zaire and

the reluctance of the United States to intervene in the situation.

A native of Zaire, Mutima said, "This

situation is my own story as well." Some of Mutima's relatives are missing as a

result of the conflict.

The discussion was held in the Carolina Union Art Gallery, the site of a photo exhibition called "Zones of Separation — The Struggle from Multiethnic Bosnia."

The exhibition, sponsored by the Campus Y and the Carolina Union Activities
Board, will remain throughout the week.
Educator Marva Collins, the keynote
speaker for Human Rights Week, will

talk on educational methodology at 7 p.m. today in Hill Hall.

## **Campus Calendar**

3:30 p.m. — University Career Services will conduct "Internship Opportunities in N.C. State Government" for underclassmen in 307 Hanes Hall. UCS will also conduct "Job Hunt 104: Expanding Your Job Search" for seniors and graduate students at 4 p.m. in 209 Hanes Hall. Tuesday 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.—The Center for Teaching and Learning invites TAs to an informal lunch discussion on "Using Self-Evaluations to Improve Your Teaching" in the Toy Lounge of Dey Hall.

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3 p.m. — Dr. Lee Greene will be signing copies of "Blacks in Eden: The African American Novel's First Century" at the Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center.

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 selecting a major or career. 4 p.m. — The Physics and Astronomy Dept. will present a Triangle Nuclear Theory Colloquium titled "Nuclear Shell Model Re-sults with Monte Carlo Methods" featuring David Dean of Oak Ridge National Labora-tory in 277 Phillips Lall.

tory in 277 Phillips Hall. 4p.m. — There will be a meeting for Study Abroad applicants for the Spring 1997 EPA

Internship programs in 214 Saunders Hall.

5:30 p.m. — Come to N.C. Hillel for Cameron's Kosher Cafe. This week is Italian week, so don't miss it.

7 p.m. — Nationally recognized educator Marva Collins will discuss effective educational methods when she delivers the keynote address for Human Rights Week in Hill Hall auditorium. The talk is free and open to the public, and is sponsored by the Campus Y.

7 p.m. — Sangam, in collaboration with the Campus Y's Human Rights Week, will present "Borderline" by Hanif Kureishi. This read-through production deals with South-Asian immigrants living in England during a

time of violence directed at minorities. The event will be held in the Union Cabaret and admission is free. All are encouraged to attend.

Items of Interest

The Senior Class will be cooking dinner at the Orange Community Residence in Carrboro this evening. All seniors are encouraged to participate. Call Erin at 914-2827.

Conversation Partners applications are available at the International Center. If you would like to befriend a new international student by volunteering to converse for one hour a week, one-to-one, at a mutually convenient time and place, apply at the International

Center, on the main floor of the Union. Call 962-5661 for more information.

Yackety Yack yearbook portraits are being taken this week. Seniors call 1-800-836-0558 to schedule an appointment. Underclassmen, drop by Union 213 anytime on Thursday or Friday. It's free.

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N.C. Hillel will be conducting its annual parent phone campaign. Call Rabbi Ed at 942-4057 if you are interested in helping.

The Carolina Indian Circle will present the Third Annual Native American Performing Arts Festival at 7 p.m. on Nov. 22 in Memorial Hall. Tickets are on sale now in the Ticket Box Office. \$3 for students and \$5 for

the general public. For more information call Sabrina at 914-1919.

The Duke Art Museum is displaying an exhibit entitled "'Chaika': Preserving the Images of Ideology," from Oct. 24 through Dec. 29 as part of a growing collection of contemporary Russian art. The museum is also sponsoring an "After Hours" with the artist at 6:30

ing an "After Hours" with the artist at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday in the North Gallery. Admission for the general public is \$3.

The Sierra Club will be featuring Richard Franks at a science and technology program for children on Nov. 12 at 7:30 p.m. at The Depot. Call (910) 578-3106 for additional information.

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