

# Charlotte police say curfew protects teens

■ The ACLU is protesting the curfew, saying it violates personal freedom.

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In the fairy tale, Cinderella had to be home by midnight, or she turned into a pumpkin. In Charlotte and Knightdale, children under 16 can't be on the street after midnight, or they'll be picked up by the police.

Many city officials and policemen involved in implementing the Child Protection Ordinance agree that the curfew is necessary not only to protect children from being the victims of violent crime but also to prevent them from committing crimes. However, those opposed call the ordinance a violation of human rights.

Officer Mickey Casey, spokeswoman for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department, outlined the guidelines of the ordinance that took effect on April 17, 1996.

It stated that children under 16 can't be out in public or inside a business between the hours of midnight and 6 a.m. on any morning of the week. This includes riding in a car unaccompanied by an adult. Eleven exceptions to the ordinance exist for people who are attending religious services, school-sponsored events, riding to or from work or responding to an emergency.

"Personally, I'm in favor of the teen curfew," Don Reid said at large Charlotte city council member. "I've raised six kids, and my opinion is that for (kids) under 16 and maybe even older, nothing good happens after midnight."

Captain Craig Huneycutt, also known as Captain Curfew, serves as the supervi-

sor of the family services bureau with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police. He said the ordinance had been successful in his area and he just took it with a grain of salt that some people felt it infringed on their rights.

"But don't we infringe on people's rights a little bit everyday?" he asked. "I'll admit it infringes on people's rights, but is it justified and reasonable? I think it is because children don't have the knowledge and experience to allow them in all situations to make wise decisions. This keeps them from being drawn into criminal activity and keeps them from being victimized."

Deborah Ross, the executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of North Carolina said she and her organization believed the curfews infringe on people's rights to free speech, free association and the right to travel. But their qualms don't stop there.

"Our biggest objection is that they're totally unnecessary and ineffective tools in fighting juvenile crime," she said.

She said fewer than four percent of crimes committed by juveniles occur between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. and more than 20 percent occur between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

"I think our government has a wonderful idea," Ross said. "It is to have after-school programs, such as Save Our Schools, that give kids opportunities to do after-school extracurricular activities that don't depend on parents (for money or transportation). We need more community-based programs that are accessible to kids and attract all sorts of kids."

Ross also suggested reducing truancy by ensuring that any suspended or expelled student has an alternative education program to attend.

Ross said she had no problem with the curfew if children and parents supported

## Beating the clock

In April of this year, Charlotte passed the Child Protection Ordinance, enacting curfews throughout the city that state:



SOURCE: CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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■ Children under the age of 16 cannot be out in public or inside a business between the hours of midnight and 6 a.m. during any night of the week.

■ Eleven exceptions exist for people attending religious services, school sponsored events, driving to and from work or responding to an emergency without an adult.

and complied with it. "But if they agree with (the curfew) then they can make it self-imposed," she said. "Why does the government have to do it?"

# Developer applies to construct student apartments in Carrboro

■ The aldermen heard concerns and support for 72 possible new apartments.

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Carrboro could be the recipient of 72 new student housing units if the Board of Aldermen approves a developer's zoning request.

The board discussed the possibility of building a new condominium complex

at 303 Smith Level Road. Onsite Corporation applied to the board for permission to build a 72-unit complex.

The condos would be built on a heavily wooded, 17-acre tract of land to the east of Smith Level Road and across the street from the Berryhill subdivision. Six three-story buildings would each contain 12 four-bedroom individual units.

Developer Scott Brunet said the condos would be marketed exclusively to college students. Brunet, who has built other college cities, said his company has never built a unit which was not sold to a college student.

"This complex is designed and directly geared to a student market," Brunet said. "This company has sold over 300 units in more than 10 college cities and never have we sold even one to an entire family."

Zoning administrator Keith Lankford addressed the board about the procedures for Onsite Corporation and the necessary building requirements for the complex such as drainage, tree loss, recreation areas for children and the poor condition of Smith Level Road.

"Because of the (varying) topography, (Onsite) has to do a lot of tree reduction

and grading," Lankford said. "They've identified 256 specimens of trees on the sites."

Over 150 trees of sizes 18 inches and larger have been marked to be cut down, but Onsite has plans to try to save many trees and plant more.

"We're proposing to replant trees throughout the site," Brunet said. "We are saving 52 percent of the 18-inch trees and larger."

Alderman Jay Bryan said he was very concerned with the poor condition of Smith Level Road and the heavy amount of traffic it receives.

"We are concerned with more traffic on crowded Smith Level Road," Bryan said. "I have a lot of concerns about the quality of (the road)."

Resident Ed Baumgartner said he was concerned about the construction of a "dormitory" across the street from his house and the affect it would have on property value.

"Basically the developer is proposing to build a dormitory in the middle of subdivisions," Baumgartner said.

"Had I known this would be built near my home, I would never have moved here."

## For the Record

The Nov. 25 photo for "Jones sparks defensive dominance as Tar Heel women trounce Tribe" should have been attributed to Ben McAllister.

The Nov. 26 photo for "Tar Heels discover defense, stop Spiders with late surge" should have been attributed to Margo Hassleman.

The DTH regrets the errors.

## FILLED WITH GLEE



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Soloist Georgia Lee Hamilton sings "Gloria Tibi" during Tuesday evening's UNC Glee Clubs Fall Concert. The event, which was sponsored by the Department of Music, was held in Hill Hall Auditorium.

# Search for new vice provost nears end

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The chairman of the search committee for vice provost of academic affairs said Tuesday that he and other faculty members hoped the person chosen to fill the position would defend the academic integrity of the University in light of an increasing emphasis on running universities as business operations.

Townsend Ludington, the committee chairman and a professor of English and American Studies, said the new vice provost should be someone academically oriented and not just an administrator. "This person should be able to stand up strong to the powers that be, particularly when there's an economic crunch as there seems always to be these days," he said.

The University has received 127 appli-

cations for the position, which the search committee is continuing to review.

"I would say we're at the semifinial stage," Ludington said of the search process. He said the committee would invite a selected number of candidates to campus for interviews and discussions with administrators, faculty and students.

Ludington said the search committee would narrow it down to three candidates after the campus visits, and then Provost Richard Richardson and Chancellor Michael Hooker would make the final decision. Ludington said he hoped to fill the position by early spring.

Because the position is a new one created in a reorganization of the senior administration, Ludington said the vice provost's duties were not yet defined.

The Coalition for University Excellence met with members of the search

committee last month to address faculty concerns with the powers of the new position and the search procedure.

"Our main concern is that the new vice provost be committed to faculty consultation and to the principle of administrators explaining and justifying their decisions," said Stephen Leonard, a political science professor and member of the coalition.

History professor Leon Fink, another coalition member, said the search process should be as open as possible because of the position's importance.

"It's important that candidates for the position meet with groups of faculty because this position has major implications for the future of the campus, particularly in the area of curricula revisions and re-examining the logic of the undergraduate program."

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college.

"For many it's the first time they've ever left their town; some are faced with uncertainty about their future," she said.

One female student, who wished to remain anonymous, fought first against

anorexia and then bulimia when she came to college.

She said her eating disorders resulted from a lack of control over her life and her body.

"I had made a commitment of recovering from anorexia," she said. "Then there came a point when the fear came back and I felt like I didn't have any

control."

The woman, who took a different type of anti-depressant medicine, said the most important thing for her was not her prescription but the desire to overcome this serious disease.

"It didn't matter if I took anti-depressants. I didn't get better until I wanted to get better."

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Texas) to see their undergraduate libraries and try and learn from what they had done," she said.

The building committee has already approved preliminary designs. Construction drawings should be completed in time to request funding from the state legislature in the spring.

Hewitt said he believed the Undergrad would have to be closed during the renovations, expected to take 12 to 18 months. Library officials have discussed the possibility of renovating in phases so that parts of the library could remain open, but such a plan would be more expensive

and less likely to meet approval. More likely, the library will close and move services to Davis Library.

"We will be able to provide all essential library services out of Davis while the Undergraduate Library is being renovated," Hewitt said. "We will try to expand the computer labs, but it's going to be crowded in Davis."

Hewitt said if the library closed for renovations, Davis would be open on a 24-hour basis during the period. "I've been surprised how much students have really liked that service," he said.

If the General Assembly approves funding, construction would probably begin after the 1998 spring semester or approximately on the same timetable for

the planned renovation of the Student Union. Lenoir Dining Hall is scheduled for renovation during the summer of 1997.

Hewitt said the University will also try to raise about \$2 million from private sources and set up an endowment fund to buy more advanced equipment.

Some students worry about the library closing. "I think it's a good idea," said Trent Legare, a freshman physical education major from South Carolina. "But I think through the process we'll suffer because we'll lose a place to study."

Davis said the benefits would outweigh this cost. "It will be a hassle to lose the Undergrad for a year and a half, but in the long run it will be beneficial to students and faculty."

## TOBACCO

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In contrast, Duke Medical Center received \$1.18 million from tobacco-related funding sources in the same year, according to a press release. These included the Council for Tobacco Research, the Smokeless Tobacco Research Council and R.J. Reynolds Industries.

Edward Levin, associate professor of psychiatry at Duke University, along with other researchers, receives research funding from a variety of sources, including the tobacco industry.

"We study nicotine addiction and possible therapeutic values," Levin said.

He said research has shown tobacco might have medicinal value. Levin's work indicated laboratory rats with continuous contact to nicotine had improved cognitive performance. "Nicotine is a chemical, not inherently good or bad. It matters on how it is used," Levin said.

Levin said if the N.C. Medical Society had approved the resolution against funding, his studies would have been slowed

down greatly. Wake Forest's medical school also received funding during the last fiscal year. "New research money from R.J. Reynolds was about \$100,000," said a spokeswoman for the school.

Currently, tobacco is monitored by the Bureau of Tobacco and Firearms. "Tobacco is not regulated under the Food and Drug Administration, but twinkies and orange juice are," Meyer said.

Meyer said it was a big step for the N.C. Medical Society to commend 11 of the 14 points set forth by the AMA. "I congratulate North Carolina for the difficult steps they have taken; it shows great courage," Meyer said.

Delegates at the N.C. Medical Society convention last week also passed policies to strengthen tobacco laws. N.C. Medical Society Associate Communication Director Chris Duffy-Waldman said they passed changes in the law such as a ban against cigarette vending machines and proper ventilation in workplaces. "Members strongly agreed with these policies."

Representatives from Leggett Group and R.J. Reynolds refused to comment.

## Campus Calendar

### Wednesday

8 p.m. — The PlayMakers Repertory Company will present a preview of their production of "The Nutcracker: A Play" in Graham Memorial Hall. Tickets for this preview will cost \$15.50. The production will run through Dec. 22.

### Items of Interest

The International Center will have an International Festival Committee meeting at 4 p.m. Monday in Union 220. Any student interested in helping with the 1997 International Festival are invited to attend.

The UNC Young Republicans will present guest speaker Tom Joyner of the "Tom Joyner Show" at 7 p.m. Tuesday in 209 Manning Hall. All students are welcome to attend.

The HIV/AIDS Council of Chatham County will conduct a candlelight walk and interfaith prayer service Saturday in Siler City. The parade will begin at 6 p.m. at the court house and will be followed by the service at the Presbyterian church at 6:30 p.m.

The council will also sponsor the "Walk For Hope," a 1-mile walk beginning at 2 p.m. Sunday in Pittsboro, in front of the County Sheriff's Office on Route 64 East.

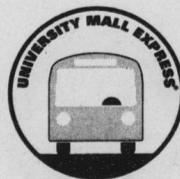
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Registration slips available on the bus, Dillard's, Belk's and the Customer Service Center in the Mall. The Drawing will be held Thursday, Dec. 5, 1996 at 6pm. The winner must show valid UNC student ID to redeem trip. The winner need not be present to win but you can only register on Thursday Dec. 5, from 12pm-6pm.

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