

# Pizzeria owner buys partner's slice of pie

■ The manager at Pepper's Pizza might bring back weekend late-night hours.

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After 10 years owning and overseeing the day-to-day operations of Pepper's Pizza on Franklin Street, Erwin Shatzen is saying goodbye to the restaurant.

Shatzen sold his half of the business to partner David Harvey on Valentine's Day.

Since the restaurant is staying in the control of one of its creators, it is not expected to change, Shatzen said.

"In keeping it within the two of us, it shouldn't change anything," he said. "The food quality, consistency and the funk should stay the same."

Shatzen moved to Chapel Hill from Atlanta and opened the "funky" pizzeria with Harvey in 1987.

"When we came up here, there were probably 12 pizzerias in town," Shatzen said.

"There was no place at the time (Pepper's opened) you could get (just) a slice of pizza."

Shatzen said that although he was not sure what he would do next, he wanted to stay in the restaurant business and in the Chapel Hill area.

Andy McMillian, manager of Pepper's, worked there from 1987 until 1994, when he said he left to open Lizard and Snake Cafe.

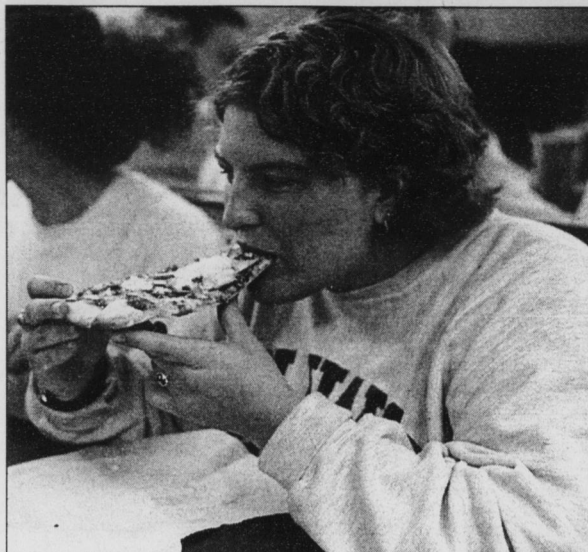
McMillian said he would still run Lizard and Snake, but Harvey had recently asked him to come back and manage Pepper's when he took sole ownership of the restaurant.

"I was there when Pepper's grew from a hole in the wall to the place it is now — a busy one," McMillian said.

He said he only wanted to make a few minor changes at Pepper's.

"I want to bring back late night, which is when we stay open until 2:30 a.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights," he said.

"I always thought late night was



Junior Carrie Duckworth eats a slice of pizza from Pepper's Pizza on Monday. Pepper's now has only one owner, but nothing is expected to change.

when Pepper's was the most fun."

McMillian said he wanted the food and atmosphere at Pepper's to speak for itself. "I'm going to do all I can to keep the employees happy and hope they will do all they can to keep the customers happy," he said.

Adam Gerds, a freshman from Goldsboro, said he felt like Pepper's contributed a defining quality to Franklin Street.

"Pepper's is as much a part of Chapel Hill as the Old Well is a part of the University."

# Singers, alumni donate to King memorial fund

■ The Clef Hangers and the GAA gave \$5,500 in memory of Bradley King.

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The a capella group Clef Hangers and the UNC General Alumni Association donated \$5,500 to honor Bradley Ross King, a 1996 UNC graduate who was killed in a car accident in May.

The gift will be contributed to the Bradley Ross King Endowment fund, bringing the total endowment to \$10,000.

"We felt the money we donated to the fund was definitely a worthwhile cause," said Chad Hilton, president of the Clef Hangers. "His legacy will carry on to the future."

King was a member and business manager for the Clef Hangers.

Money for the donation came from the proceeds of the Clef Hangers recording "Sounds of Carolina."

Hilton said the group dedicated

Vince Gill's song "Go Rest High on that Mountain" to King during its fall concerts.

"We lost not only a friend, but a great University member," Hilton said.

"(King was) somebody who contributed a lot to the University and was a leader in all of the groups he participated in."

King won the Ernest L. Mackie Award for Most Outstanding Junior Male. He was the chief marshal for the 1996 senior class, majored in political science and planned to attend law school. King's achievements include the William S. Bryant Memorial Intern Award and membership in the Golden Key National Honor Society.

"He worked hard," Hilton said.

Current business manager Jason Albert said, "Brad meant a tremendous amount to the group. He always had a smile on his face. He was a caring, generous, dedicated person who had a joyful approach to life."

The Clef Hangers are dedicating their next album, "Five O'clock Shadow," to King. King sings in the first half of the album, which will be released in April, and has a solo.

# Ky. flooding forces thousands to evacuate

FALMOUTH, Ky. — Rising water inundated entire towns in Kentucky and turned others into islands Monday as flooding and other storm damage kept thousands of people out of their homes in six states.

The bloated Licking River receded slowly, its muddy water still lapping 6 to 8 feet high against the walls and windows of businesses and homes in Falmouth, one of the hardest-hit towns.

"We lost everything we had," said 57-year-old Jimmy Williams, who sat on a

chair outside a shelter at a hilltop high school gymnasium, waiting with his dog, Sandy, and his bird, A.J. They were the only things he and his wife could get out of their house when Falmouth was inundated Saturday.

"It came up in '64, but nothing like this," Williams said.

The flooding forced thousands of people from their homes in Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio and West Virginia. Forty-eight deaths were blamed on flooding and tornadoes in

the region, including 25 tornado deaths in Arkansas. Many of the flooding victims drowned in cars stuck in high water.

The Ohio River, which forms Kentucky's 665-mile-long northern border, was headed for its highest levels in more than 30 years as the weekend runoff flowed downstream.

In Louisville, crews were closing all 45 gates in the city's flood wall along the Ohio and were preparing to reinforce them with 120,000 sandbags. Across the river in Indiana, riverfront communities started evacuating.

But the worst damage was in smaller towns like Falmouth, a community of 2,700 about 30 miles southeast of Cincinnati.

On Monday, the main bridge into town was again visible above the water, which had fallen 2 feet since Sunday's crest, but its approaches were still submerged. Only business signs and the tops of the mostly one-story buildings showed above the water, and almost 200 people had gathered at the high school,

one of two primary shelters in town.

Susan Field was at home after picking up her new car on Saturday when the Licking River started coming up in her backyard. She scrambled to gather her four children and some belongings before starting out.

"We tried to drive out and my car started swimming away with us," she said.

Volunteer firefighters pulled the family from the car and took them to safety.

Twenty-two miles farther south, Cynthia was accessible only by a narrow highway running south to Paris, which was beginning to clean up after the high water.

"They're pumping, they're sweeping, getting mud out of their homes," Bourbon County Judge-Executive Charles Hinkle said during a tour of Paris with Gov. Paul Patton.

Patton asked President Bill Clinton to declare nine counties major disaster areas, estimating damage at \$232 million.

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