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Health concerns force-feed change at sandwich carts

Health inspectors found Jersey Mike's premade sandwiches, which are stored in coolers, were three degrees too warm.

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ASSISTANT UNIVERSITY EDITOR

The operators of the Jersey Mike's dining carts on campus are changing their refrigeration method since their Friday inspection by the N.C. Department of Environment, Health and Natural Resources.

The inspectors found that the premade sandwiches stored in a cooler were too warm.

The inspectors found no spoiled food that could have endangered students, said Scott Hammack, co-chairman of the Student Services Committee.

"On Friday, the county health inspector found the holding temperature was three degrees too high," Hammack said.

The health inspector stuck a thermometer into the sandwiches at one of the carts. Each of the four Jersey Mike's carts used ice to keep the meats cool, he said.

Jersey Mike's, which serves about 1,000 sandwiches daily, reacted quickly to the department's findings and began looking for alternative cooling options, said Mike Bynum, manager of the Jersey Mike's dining carts.

"I didn't want liability in the case that someone did get sick, even though it's unlikely," Bynum said.

We are going to open (Monday), and to further ensure our food is top quality, we are going to have electrical hookups so we can have refrigerators," he said.

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FOOTBALL FRENZY



Mark Babaoff (left), Kendall Jones, John Stonestreet, Will Sailor and Ricky Babaoff cheer on the Tar Heels at Saturday's home football game against Indiana University. They were among the 57,800 people in attendance at Kenan Stadium for the first home game of the year.

Campus pays attention to climate plan

Some students have come down hard on UNC's report on the intellectual climate.

BY SHARIF DURHAMS
UNIVERSITY EDITOR

Between conversations about football and construction on campus, the intellectual climate at UNC has become the campus' latest catch phrase.

A group of 100 students, faculty and staff members released a report two weeks ago, suggesting changes in how students live and attend classes that would improve intellectual discussion on campus.

Since then, professors have talked about the report in class, students have written letters, and administrators have studied it.

But some students have come down hard on the report, saying they don't want to live on a campus that pushes attending a classical music concert harder than cheering at soccer games.

Jeff Horner, a junior from Raleigh who wrote a letter to the editor to The Daily Tar Heel about the intellectual climate, said he had several friends who came to UNC to experience things other than academics.

"I have friends, and that's one of the reasons they came here," he said. "If you want academic exposure, it's there for the taking."

Barbee Crowley, co-chairwoman of student government's Academic Affairs Committee, said even the co-chairman of her committee did not support the changes mentioned in the report.

"The general consensus on campus is (students) think it's unnecessary," Crowley said.

Crowley said the University does not want to force students to attend intellectual events. Instead, it wants to make these events a part of life for students.

"I want students to see intellectual activities just like they see athletic events," she said.

Task force member Lloyd Kramer has responded to negative reactions to the report. He said task force members would have to work to sell its ideas.

"There is a lot of pressure from other

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4th annual festival puts spotlight on Hispanic culture

Crafts, music and food were the highlights of the two-day cultural gathering.

BY REYNOLDS RICHTER
STAFF WRITER

Thousands of people gathered at

Chapel Hill High School over the weekend for La Fiesta del Pueblo.

While the sun reflected off the black tar of the school's parking lot, people of various ethnicities mingled in appreciation of Latino culture.

This year's Fiesta featured Latin-American music and dance, a regional soccer tournament and a slew of vendors and organizations.

The Fiesta's directors also added a job fair to the festival this year. More than 35 companies sent recruiters to the tent at the far end of the school's parking lot.

"It's a response to our needs," said John Herrera, founder of the Fiesta. "We come here to work and raise our families."

Katushka Olave, co-director of La

Fiesta del Pueblo, said she estimated an attendance of 20,000 people over two days.

On Sunday, a band of onlookers gathered around the Carrboro dance company Ballet Mexicano. The dancers performed six times during the festival, wearing traditional embroidered suits and swinging swords in a folkloric dance.

"The people like it too much," said Damian Cortes, one of the dancers. "The Mexican folklore is many, many happy music."

Salsa Carolina, a band on the main stage, ignited sparse dancing in the otherwise still crowd.

Salriva Simon, a Spanish teacher at the Carolina Friends School, danced to salsa music alongside six other couples at the festival.

"(The Fiesta) is a great opportunity for the Triangle community to get to know the Latino community," she said.

The vendors in and around the main lot sold an assortment of Latin-American goods from tacos and handmade jewelry and pottery to Mexican pop CDs and airbrush t-shirts with Spanish slogans.

Maria Elena Rodriguez, co-owner of the booth Las Nustas, said customers sought cultural information about their purchases, asking the names and uses of traditional Mexican items.

Area high school students participated in a new indoor event, the Tour of Latin America.

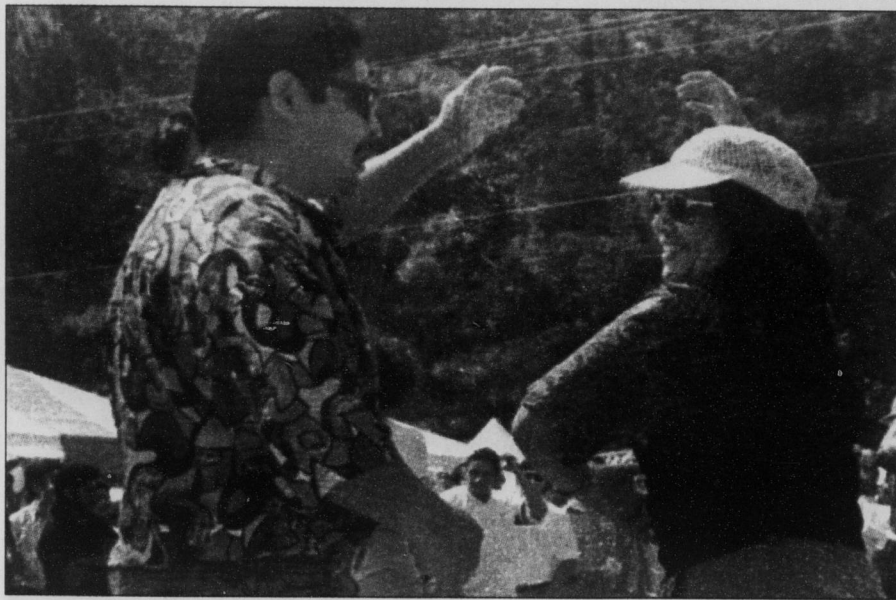
"Tourists" traveled to various countries' booths, collecting stamps on their "passports."

Kasey Gore, a junior at East Chapel Hill High School, said she learned about

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SALRIVA SIMON

Carolina Friends School Spanish teacher



Lourdes and Florencio Llanes celebrate Latino culture at La Fiesta del Pueblo on Sunday at Chapel Hill High School. The pair danced to salsa music for the crowd.

La Fiesta del Pueblo adds to community spirit

La Fiesta lets Triangle Hispanics celebrate their unique culture with others.

BY SHELLEY LEVINE
STAFF WRITER

Chapel Hill High School's parking lot became a cultural oasis this weekend as people danced in the streets and feasted on cultural snacks at the fourth annual La Fiesta del Pueblo.

For the many people who gathered at the Fiesta, it was a chance to come together to celebrate and learn about Hispanic culture through displays of art, food, music and dance.

"The Fiesta unites different people with different backgrounds," said Judy

Garcia, a vendor at the festival. "The dancing and art show off the culture of the Hispanic people."

Armando Quispe, another booth attendant, said he believed the Fiesta helped improve the standing of Hispanics in the community by letting others see and share in the culture.

The Fiesta brings people together within the Hispanic community, said Maria Palmer, a representative of Iglesia de Unida de Cristo, which is affiliated with the United Church of Chapel Hill.

Palmer said she thought the Fiesta was important because it gave Hispanics the opportunity to learn about groups and organizations they can join.

"We need to bring people together and build relationships in the community," she said.

The Fiesta is also an opportunity to

distinguish different nationalities among the Latino population.

Marc Rodriguez, a student from N.C. State University, said he liked how the Fiesta showed the differences of lifestyles in each country and the difference among Hispanics. "The Fiesta gives a full picture of the Latino community as a whole but with variations among the different countries," he said.

He said the event helped break down stereotypes about Hispanic cultures by showing their individuality.

Maria Elena Rodriguez, a Mexican-American arts-and-crafts vendor at the Fiesta, said she had enjoyed the festival for three years. She said it was an important family-oriented activity.

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MARIA ELENA RODRIGUEZ
Mexican-American vendor

Rodriguez said.

Vendors and attendants at the celebration said they felt it was a good opportunity to learn about and share the rewards of the Latino community.

Palmer said, "La Fiesta shows us that we have differences, but there are things that we are trying to accomplish together."

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Mourning Mother Teresa



The symbol of charity who helped those in need died Friday night. Mile-long lines gathered Sunday in Calcutta to view the nun's body as leaders prepared for her state funeral. Page 4

Today's weather



Partly cloudy;
low 90s
Tuesday: Partly cloudy;
high 80s

Genuine goodness is threatening to those at the opposite end of the moral spectrum.

Earl Charles Spencer, brother of Princess Diana