

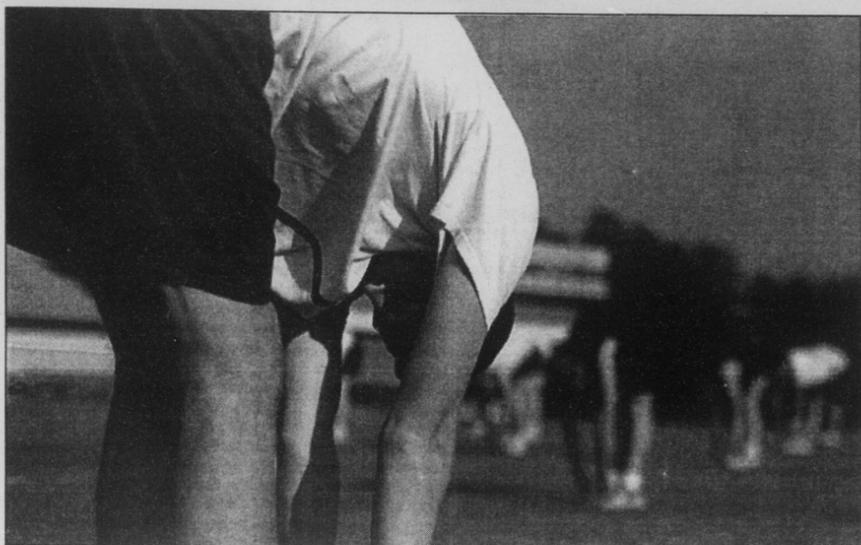
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GOING THE DISTANCE



Phil Daugherty helps lead stretches at the club Track and Field practice Monday afternoon. Club Track and Field has provided non-varsity athletes the opportunity to compete at the collegiate level for the past four years.

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Law school ends policy barring JAG recruiting

■ Threats of discontinued student aid forced the law school to reverse its policy.

BY TONY MECIA
SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS EDITOR

After years of barring military recruiters from using law school facilities, the School of Law announced "with great sorrow" Monday that it was reversing its policy and would allow the armed services to use its interview rooms.

In a two-page letter to law students, Dean Judith Wegner said recent changes in federal law required that the law school alter its policy.

"They've now indicated they would be cutting off student aid, which is something they hadn't done before," Wegner said Monday afternoon.

Previously, Wegner had said the law school's non-discrimination policy required that military recruiters interview students elsewhere on campus. This was because the armed forces' policies do not allow openly homosexual men and women to serve in the military.

In February, a group of law students approached state legislators and asked them to draft a bill to force the law school to open its doors to recruiters from the Judge Advocate General Corps.



UNC Law School Dean JUDITH WEGNER announced her sorrow at the policy changes to students via a letter.

Rep. Don Davis, R-Harnett, introduced such a bill in March. After several committee debates in Raleigh — at which law students, lawmakers and Wegner debated the proposed bill — the N.C. House passed it in April by a 94-19 vote.

The N.C. Senate did not consider the bill in the General Assembly's recent session, but the bill remains alive for the session that begins next May.

Reached by phone Monday, Davis said he was unaware of Wegner's decision to allow the JAG Corps full access.

"I certainly appreciate her giving it some additional consideration, and apparently she's had a change of heart," he said.

Davis said he would need to find out more about the change before withdrawing his bill.

"I don't want to put a law on the

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Women at UNC continue work toward equality

■ One hundred years after being admitted to the University, female students now comprise sixty percent of the population.

BY JESSICA GALAZKA
STAFF WRITER

One hundred years after the first woman cracked a book at the University, women can be found everywhere on campus, from student government to athletics.

Yet, female faculty members are still scrounging for support.

"I think things finally have reached a critical mass," said Marsha Collins, professor of romance languages.

"A lot of the blood, sweat and tears that went into the early women's movement are bearing fruit."

Women now comprise 60 percent of the University's student population.

Last year, women held such positions as: co-presidents of the Black Student Movement, Daily Tar Heel Editor, Honor Court Chair, student body vice president, treasurer, secretary and three of five executive branch committee chairs.

Only once, however, has a woman been elected student body president.

Yes, women have come into their own at the University, Collins said.

"I've noticed that a lot of women are president or vice president of organizations," Ronda Chavis, a sophomore from Henderson, said.

Collins said, "I've heard from a lot of female student leaders that women are reluctant to develop leadership qualities because it would detract from their femininity."

Some students say women stand on equal ground at the University.

Anne Marie Teague, a freshman from Lumberton, said, "I don't run into any problems with equality on campus."

The University's athletic program is facing the problem of complying with Title IX, an educational amendment that prioritizes equal opportunities for men and women in athletics.

"We have made a concerted effort to comply with Title IX," said Beth Miller, senior associate athletic director.

"We're proud of the broad program that we have for women here."

Despite efforts to give women equal opportunities, some

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The Inter-Faith Council Community House is helping people ...

Get back on their feet

BY STEVE MRAZ
STAFF WRITER

John and Debra Chambers spent their last dollar on a ride from Durham to Chapel Hill. Now they're hoping the warm weather holds out until they get off the waiting list at the 50-bed Inter-Faith Council's Community House.

"We came here to get away from Durham," Debra said. "We heard from other people that Chapel Hill is pretty good. I have liver problems and chronic asthma. We heard that the hospital here won't turn you down if you are in bad condition."

While the Chambers had not been admitted into the shelter, they had stored their belongings in one of the facility's lockers.

"We're just waiting to find out if we get in," John said.

Since its opening 12 years ago, the IFC shelter at the intersection of Rosemary and Columbia streets has been home to thousands of Chapel Hill's homeless.

Even while the Chambers are not able to sleep at the shelter because of space constraints, they can still benefit from the facility.

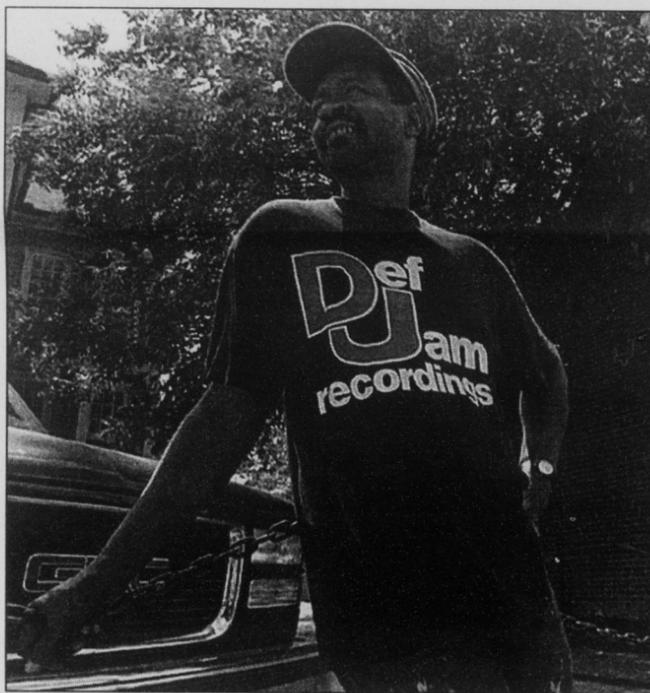
"None of the services here are strictly for the people who sleep here," said Donna Bryant, operations manager at the shelter. "Anyone can eat here."

In addition to meals served three times a day, the shelter also provides showers, clothes and personal items such as soap, deodorant and razors to the needy.

The annual operating budget for the shelter is \$387,609, which is provided by a combination of individual donations and state and federal grants, said Leila Dillon, finance director for Inter-Faith Council.

The Town of Chapel Hill provides the building and the utilities fee free of charge to IFC. "We take donations of everything," Bryant said. "We take clothes, blankets, food. Every time we seem to be getting low on supplies, we get a donation."

Once people are admitted to the shelter,



Jesse Joyner, age 44, of Morrisville, temporarily stayed at the 50-bed Inter-Faith Council's Community House. It has been home to many of Chapel Hill's homeless.

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they can stay for 14 days. In that time residents of the shelter must search for employment, Bryant said. Extensions can be granted under certain circumstances. Single mothers who have children usually receive extensions.

One man's stay was cut short. Jesse Joyner, age 44, of Morrisville had a bed at the shelter and missed the 8 p.m. curfew. He said he was told he could not come back until Oct. 14, and now he is sleeping in odd places around town.

"It's hard with the little money you make,"

he said. "You can't pay rent with that."

After the first 14 days, patrons are not usually allowed to sleep at the shelter for 30 days, Bryant said. Then they can return for another 14-day stay, but after that, they can not stay for 60 days. "If people find employment in their two-week stay, we ask them to open a bank account and expect them to save 85 percent of what they make," she said.

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Learning the ABC's of hepatitis

The three main forms of hepatitis have some similar as well as some different aspects. The following are a few facts about hepatitis A, B and C.

- is transmitted through unsanitary conditions, oral-fecal contact, eating contaminated food (e.g. oysters, strawberries)
- can lead to liver problems and/or death
- there is a vaccine for hepatitis A

- is transmitted through blood (e.g. sharing needles, body piercing, tattoos)
- is easily transmitted sexually
- is a chronic disease
- there is a vaccine for hepatitis B

- is transmitted through blood
- is rarely transmitted through sexual intercourse
- is a chronic disease
- no vaccine is currently available for hepatitis C

SOURCE: DR. ROBERT BROWN, UNC HOSPITALS

DTH/JAKE ZARNIGAR

UNC Hospitals to offer free hepatitis C tests

BY KAREN LEANZA
STAFF WRITER

UNC Hospitals is striking out against a deadly disease with a free hepatitis C virus (HCV) screening.

The screening will be held at the Ambulatory Care Center in Chapel Hill on Sept. 20 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Dr. Robert Brown, medical director of the Liver Transplant Program, said the clinic would include "the simple drawing of blood and providing information."

This free screening is one aspect of a multi-disciplinary program to study HCV, Brown said. The program is targeting patients with HCV or with both the HIV virus and HCV.

Hepatitis is a silent killer, Brown said, adding that it often comes with no noticeable symptoms, but infects the liver and can eventually lead to liver failure and death unless treated.

"It doesn't produce symptoms until it has progressed far," he said, adding that treatment with interferon may help patients rid their bodies of the virus and reduce liver damage. Hepatitis is not transmitted through casual contact.

"Hepatitis B and C are very contagious through blood," he said. "You need blood-to-blood contact."

Risk factors include unprotected sexual encounters and multiple body piercings or tattoos, Brown said.

Brown said to ask about sanitary practices when getting tattoos or piercing body parts. He said single-use equipment was the safest and that the next safest procedure was to soak equipment in alcohol.

The screening is not for everyone. "Unless you have a reasonable risk, don't come (to be tested)," Brown said.

Jane Lee, a sophomore from Cary, said she thought it was a good idea to go to the screening. "If it's free, why not? It's better to know ... but I'm no doctor."

Kristal Maddox, a freshman from Shelby, said it was important to get the word out to students. "It is a good assumption to target young people since college and high school students start doing things that put them at risk," she said.

The program is a joint effort between the divisions of Digestive and Infectious Diseases in the School of Medicine and the Liver Transplant Program.

INSIDE

Tuesday

Getting priorities in order

Student and faculty leaders met Monday to name their main priorities from the report on the intellectual climate. Page 3



Today's weather

Partly sunny;
high 80s

Wednesday: Partly sunny;
mid 80s



Happiness is the perpetual possession of being well deceived.

Lytton Strachey