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UNC police urge caution after assault

■ A female employee was assaulted in the Park Place parking lot early Friday.

STAFF REPORT

University Police continue to investigate an assault Friday on a female UNC employee from Carrboro and urge students, faculty and staff to take extra safety measures.

The assault, reported at 2:15 a.m., occurred in the Park Place parking lot off Boundary Street across from UNC Press. The victim managed to fight her attacker off after a struggle. Police believe the assailant's motive was to commit a sexual assault.

According to a police report, the woman was opening her car door when the assailant grabbed her around the neck from behind. The woman offered him her purse and car, but she ran when she realized he did not want either of them. He reportedly grabbed her again and tried to put a bag on her head.

Police reports state that the woman started to scream and that the man told her "to shut up." He punched her in the mouth, tried to strangle her and pulled her into the woods.

Reports state that the woman escaped once, but the man caught her again — this time shoving her face into the ground to keep her from screaming. But he gave up and ran toward Boundary Street after she continued.

She then ran to use a nearby emergency call box and police responded within four minutes, reports state.

Reports describe the assailant as a 6-foot-tall black man weighing about 180 pounds. The man wore a navy or dark sweatshirt emblazoned with the word "Carolina" in block print and dark pants. He is reportedly clean shaven with short hair, has a medium complexion, and looks young but older than a college student.

Student Affairs Vice Chancellor Susan Kitchen said the case was unusual because it seemed the victim took correct action when confronted.

Kitchen said employees, such as housekeepers, who work late nights and early mornings faced special safety concerns. She said extra security guards assisted those employees.

"The person being attacked was not immobilized by fear," Kitchen said.

Meanwhile, police are urging students, faculty and staff not to walk alone at night.

Anyone with information about the case is asked to call Carrboro-Chapel Hill-UNC Crime Stoppers at 942-7515. The call would be confidential.

Revoked liquor license stirs owners' feud

■ The N.C. Sports Bar closed Feb. 5 due to conflict between former partners.

BY CAROL ADAMSON
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A Franklin Street bar's revoked liquor license has sparked possible legal action between two former business partners.

The N.C. Sports Bar, located at 504 W. Franklin St., closed Thursday after Alcohol Law Enforcement officials revoked its liquor license.

Before the trouble with the ALE, both the bar and Anthony's Grill shared

the same building. But when relations between bar owner Don Eason and grill owner Anthony Caporale soured, the liquor license became the main target of bad blood.

Caporale's attorney John McCormick said the dispute began over an alleged breach of contract. He said both owners felt the profits from the venture were not being split evenly as the contract stipulated.

McCormick said the disagreement led to the eviction of Anthony's Grill from the sports bar.

"In the course of these discussions, Mr. Eason's lawyer informed Mr. Caporale that the agreement had been terminated. Shortly thereafter Mr. Eason

changed the locks on the premises," he said.

McCormick said the bar's liquor licenses were in Caporale's name — information that Caporale himself reported to the ALE.

"Because (the liquor licenses) are in Caporale's name, he is personally responsible for any alcohol violations," McCormick said.

"Without access to the premises and without access to supervise the employees, he informed ALE officials of the status of things, and the permits have been taken (from the bar)."

According to a sign that Eason placed in the window of the bar, the licenses were taken prior to what was expected

to be a major profit-making night for the business.

"Three and one-half hours before the UNC-Duke basketball game, Agent Simpson of the N.C. ALE removed the beer, wine and liquor from (the) property," the sign stated. "She informed me that Anthony Caporale of Anthony's Grill instructed her to temporarily remove the license."

Caporale said it was his legal duty to inform the ALE of the situation. "I no longer had the access needed to comply with the Alcohol Beverage Control regulations," he said.

"It was my legal duty to remove the licenses from the premises and prevent the sale of alcohol."

Eason's attorney David Silver said Caporale was not barred from the premises.

"The locks were changed, but at no time was he ever denied access," Silver said. "The locks were changed because he had been asked to leave."

McCormick said legal action had been threatened by both sides, but Silver said it was his client's main hope for the bar to be reopened.

"The North Carolina Sports Bar has been open since 1989, and Don (Eason) wants to apologize to his customers who know that they can always see their game at the sports bar," Silver said.

"We hope to get this resolved as soon as possible and reopen."

NO PARKING

New student leaders must implement decisions made by a task force this year.

BY MARY-KATHRYN CRAFT
FEATURES EDITOR

For every off-campus student who has overslept and missed the bus and every on-campus student who wants his or her car to drive home on weekends, parking becomes a necessity.

Add in the students and faculty who commute, and what you have is more than a necessity — you have a problem.

Student government can't go out and create spaces for everyone on campus, but it has worked to look for solutions to parking and transportation problems.

And some solutions could be on the way thanks to the Transportation and Parking Task Force, which is made up of students and faculty.

Although this special group will disband after compiling a list of suggestions to the University's Board of Trustees, the next student body president and all future student representatives inherit a legacy of parking issues and must work to ensure that administrators hear student voices.

University Police Chief Don Gold proposed the task force before taking a leave of absence from the department in October so that students and faculty could iron out some of the parking issues.

Seven student government representatives voiced concerns within the task force and worked with faculty to put together recommendations to improve parking and transportation woes.

Within a week the task force will like-

ly vote on increasing parking-permit fees. If approved, the increase would show up on the final list presented to the Board of Trustees, which will then decide what suggestions to implement.

Permit costs range from \$27 a semester for the Park-and-Ride Lot to more than \$200 for most North and South Campus lots. Fees increased 3 percent last year, and task force members said another increase was inevitable.

"We've ignored the fact that we've subsidized the cost of parking to the point that now we're about to face a really critical decision," said Katherine Kraft, Graduate and Professional Student Federation president and a task force member.

Student body president candidate Anne Neville said she understood fees would have to increase a bit but she did not want them to become too expensive.

"Even though fees are going to have to increase, we need to make sure that they don't price out students," she said.

Candidate Lacey Hawthorne said she thought the task force had done good work for students but that the committee was acting too fast when increasing fees.

"I think they are pushing the cart before the horse (by calling for an



increase)," she said. "Look at a tract of alternatives before pricing out parking."

On-campus parking prices are not a factor for sophomore Ankur Desai from Atlanta. He already pays what he called a "pretty large amount" to park his car off campus. There is no room for his car anywhere on or near campus, he said.

"I guess there's always going to be problems," he said with a shrug.

With such concerns about parking, student body president candidates said they worried about students losing parking spaces.

Candidate Reyna Walters said she saw the threat of taking away student parking spaces as the biggest parking problem.

"I believe it would be realistic to want to maintain spaces."

Charlie Roederer, also a student body president candidate, echoed Walters's desire.

"I don't want Carolina to turn into a commuter school," he said.

Although a proposal in December threatened to reduce some student parking spaces, the idea is no longer an option, Kraft said.

Of the 16,200 spaces on campus, 12,464 require permits, and the rest are for visitors and University-owned vehicles. Of the spaces that require permits, faculty have 81 percent while 14 percent go to students.

The proposal would have cut spaces for non-married undergraduates who lived in residence halls by as much as 50 percent, Kraft said.

These students' cars would have been relocated to off-campus park-and-ride lots. The idea was to free up on-campus spaces for faculty and staff, Kraft said.

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The Daily Tar Heel surveyed 305 students to find out which issues they considered the most important in the upcoming student elections. This week the DTH presents the following issues:

Tuesday: Food Service
Wednesday: Cable & Internet
Thursday: Tuition
Friday: Ticket Distribution
MONDAY: PARKING

Meeting on advising draws student concerns, solutions

BY LESA NAGY
STAFF WRITER

Twenty-five students asked for more resources and less red tape in UNC's advising and registration system at a forum Friday in Union 205.

Student government invited students to express their concerns and solutions to Wendy Whittemore, assistant director of Letters and Science at the University of Maryland at College Park.

"I was glad to get a frank discussion about what is going on at the University," Student Government Academic Affairs Committee Chairwoman Barbee Crowley said.

Students said UNC needed to hire advisers who really wanted to be advisers and to provide access to information regarding graduation requirements.

"Here you have neither counseling nor knowledge of academic departments," said Mark Shelburne, a graduate student in the School of Law. "We need to revamp the whole system."

The Advising Steering Team hired Whittemore and two experts from Colorado and Wisconsin to listen to students and report on their suggestions. Whittemore said the students were open and expressed good ideas for change.

Students suggested ideas ranging from using students as advising mentors to creating online services to inform stu-

dents to training advisers to be more efficient counselors.

"I see a lack in the whole University of people who know what the rules are and making sure (these people) are available to students in different capacities," said Jennifer Trasti, a senior journalism major from Buies Creek.

Jaime Luton, a sophomore from Smyrna, Del., suggested that advising departments use e-mail and listservs to announce important information.

Crowley added that the University was working on an advising worksheet students could access through the Internet. The worksheet, which is already available to students in the business school, would help students check their progress toward graduation and find classes that fulfill perspectives.

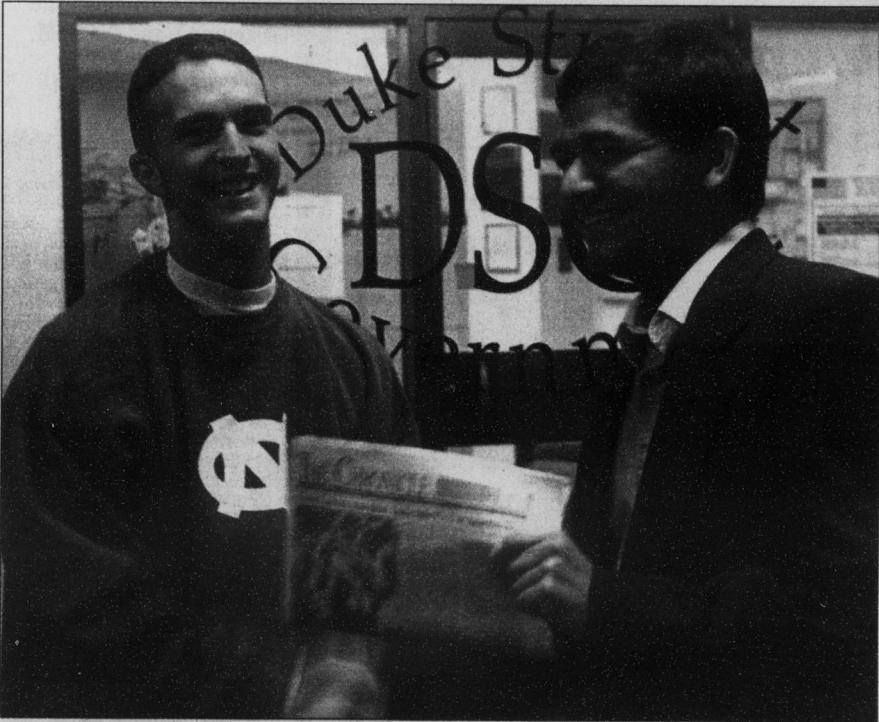
Several students said they supported a mentoring program in which freshmen and sophomores could learn from students who have made it through the General College.

Attendees called for an adviser training program to ensure stability and consistency in the advising system.

"A major problem is that people see advisers as someone to get their PIN number from," said junior Angela Merritt, a student in both the history and political science departments.

"There needs to be more of a relationship."

HUMILIATION GALORE



Student Body President Mo Nathan (right) shares a laugh with Duke University Student Body President Lino Marrero on Friday morning. Marrero donned UNC garb for the day after Duke's loss Thursday because of a bet.

INSIDE Monday

Being taught by the Diva

Kathleen Widdoes shines as the operatic legend, Maria Callas, in PlayMakers Repertory Company's "Master Class."

Widdoes and company bring such emotion to the Tony Award-winning play that seeing it is amazing. *Page 6*

Letters of praise

This week's Op-Ed page contains letters of endorsement for individuals running for student body offices in Tuesday's election. *Page 11*

Today's weather

Sunny;
high 40s
Tuesday: Increasing clouds;
low 50s

Not a shred of evidence exists in favor of the idea that life is serious.

Brendan Gill