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BOT Plans for Enrollment Changes

The Enrollment Task Force presented three projected enrollment scenarios to the BOT in Thursday's meeting.

By MARK SLAGLE
Staff Writer

UNC officials are trying to juggle campus space, housing space and faculty to prepare for an expected surge in enrollment over the next 10 years.

The Board of Trustees on Thursday received a report issued by the Enrollment Task Force. The task force was commissioned by the Board of Governors to study the effects of increased enrollment in the 16 universities in the UNC system.

The report states UNC-Chapel Hill anticipates an increase of 2,161 undergraduate students and 1,031 graduate students over 10 years, an 18 percent overall increase in the student body.

Last year, UNC-CH had a total enrollment of 24,189 undergraduate and graduate students. "We're asking ourselves what UNC's 'fair share' of students would be," Provost Dick Richardson told the trustees. "We have always had to think that by 2008 the campus enrollment would be 30,000."

Richardson said UNC-CH would maintain the in-state/out-of-state enrollment ratio of 82-to-18 and a ratio of 15 students for each faculty member.

"If we make fuller utilization of our campus, we can take more students," he said. "What we don't have is faculty."

Richardson said the University could use more of its available classroom space, particularly for late classes.

"The General Administration wants students on-campus rather than doing distance learning," Richardson said.

Chancellor Michael Hooker agreed with the General Administration, noting that distance learning, through World Wide Web, teleconferencing and other means,



Chancellor Michael Hooker said UNC would limit its use of distance learning if enrollment increased.

was better suited to part-time or graduate students.

The report also stressed the need to continue drawing students from the top of the applicant pool. Keeping the current ratios is expected to lessen the drop in SAT scores after an increase.

"We would prefer to glean from the top of the undergraduate pool," Richardson said.

The Enrollment Task Force is expected to present a final report containing its revised figures to the General Administration Nov. 9, although Richardson said the task force was requesting an extension of the deadline.

One of the principles for growth outlined in the report was encouraging undergraduate students to live on-campus. Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Sue Kitchen also discussed how UNC could accommodate the increased number of students on campus.

"We can take 400 more students on campus just by managing our space differently," Kitchen said. "We are looking at changing our on-campus housing."

Also at the meeting, Risa Palm, associate dean for the College of Arts and Sciences, presented an update on the Carolina Advising Initiative. The advising initiative will pay for 10 full-time advisers to work with students from their freshman years to senior years.

"These measures will definitely improve the undergraduate experience."

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Attorney Challenges Street Ban

Police arrested three more suspects after Tuesday's undercover drug bust, bringing total arrests to 17.

By ELEANOR CAMERON
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A bond hearing today in Hillsborough will determine whether suspects arrested after Tuesday's undercover drug bust will continue to be barred from 42 local streets.

Assistant Public Defender Thomas Fulghum requested the hearing in court Wednesday to allow suspects a bond review based on their charges. A condition on the suspects' bonds forbids them to return to parts of town where police had observed drug activity.

Orange-Chatham District Attorney Carl Fox said Thursday it wasn't necessary to ban suspects from all 42 streets. "We're trying to be fundamentally fair. Each individual should have their ban modified specifically according to the demographics of their charges."

Police issued 27 warrants Tuesday but only had 17 suspects in custody by Thursday afternoon.

Assistant District Attorney Jim Woodall is assigned to the case. "We are trying hard to reduce incidents of open-air drug trade in these neighborhoods."

Chapel Hill Police Capt. Gregg Jarvis said. "We are asking the court to help us help the residents to keep illegal activities off the street."

Three suspects were arrested and confined in Orange County Jail late Wednesday and early Thursday.

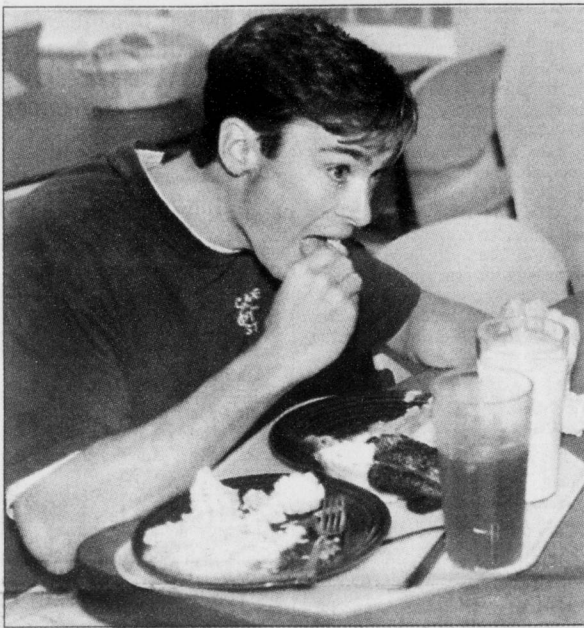
Ashley Wayne Alston, 40, of 204 Walden St., Durham, was arrested Wednesday night. He was charged with felony possession of crack cocaine with intent to sell and deliver and felony selling and delivering. He was held under \$1,000 secured bond, reports state.

Randy Earl Roberson, 46, of 316 A. McMasters St. was arrested Wednesday and charged with maintaining a vehicle for sale and delivery of crack and conspiracy to commit controlled substance violations, both felonies, and held under \$2,000 secured bond, reports state.

Roy Lee Jones, Jr., 33, of 5509 McCormick St., Durham, was arrested early Thursday morning and charged with two counts of conspiracy to sell and deliver crack and three counts of possession with the intent to sell and deliver, all felonies. He was held under \$10,300 secured bond, according to reports. Durham police also had an order for arrest on Jones.

The suspects are scheduled to appear in Orange County District Court in Hillsborough today.

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DTH/LUCY PEARCE

Senior John Gouch samples food from Lenoir Dining Hall. UNC Officials say high renovation costs have driven up the price of campus meals.

CDS Officials Say Renovations, Quality Warrant Higher Costs

By CAROL ADAMSON
Staff Writer

The high cost of renovations and quality cuisine may cause students to put their money where their mouths are.

Many students have expressed concern over the cost of food at the newly renovated Lenoir Dining Hall. However, officials said providing students with high quality food and repaying the costs of renovating the dining hall justified the prices.

Director of Auxiliary Services Rut Tufts said the loan for Lenoir renovations was paid, in part, by profits from students. "The University borrowed money (to pay for the renovation) and has yet to repay the loan," he said. "We are paying it back, mainly from two different sources - the student fee and from food service revenues."

How quickly the loan is paid off depends on the revenues the dining service generates. Tufts said. "We can't use any state appropriated dollars on a project like this, so we have to raise those funds internally," he said. "What some campuses do is they have a mandatory meal plan. In that situation there's a guaranteed revenue flow that can be used to pay the debt. But on this campus, because we don't have a mandatory plan, it depends on the success of the program."

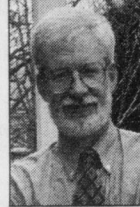
According to the 1998-1999 meal plan Owner's Manual, without a meal plan, breakfast at the Top of Lenoir costs \$4.50, lunch \$6.50 and dinner \$7.25.

Meals in similar dining facilities at other universities cost less than at Lenoir. Richard Kovatch, assistant vice president of business operations for the University of Virginia, said the university had an unlimited buffet like the Top of Lenoir.

With a debit plan, a buffet-style breakfast at UVa. costs \$3.60, lunch \$5.30 and dinner \$5.85, Kovatch said.

"Dining is unlimited; you can take as much as you want in the dining halls," Kovatch said. "Typically, there are four or five different entrees, a full salad bar, pizza. We have several different concepts, we have Italian cuisine and what we call a granary - it's more vegetarian. We also have wrap sandwiches in all-you-can-eat dining."

One factor contributing to high cost is quality, said Scott Meyers, food service director for Carolina Dining Services.



Director of Auxiliary Services Rut Tufts said CDS would use food profits to repay renovation loans.

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Gun-Toter: Incident Overblown

Timothy Locklear says the fake gun he carried in Carmichael Residence Hall on Wednesday looked real.

By LAURA STOEHR
Assistant University Editor

A student who carried a fake gun in Carmichael Residence Hall on Wednesday, ending in the building's evacuation, said the incident was a misunderstanding.

"I didn't expect everything to be blown out of proportion like it was," sophomore Timothy Locklear said.

Locklear, the treasurer of Carmichael Residence Hall Government, said he carried the gun in his back pocket when he rode down the building's elevator.

The gun, which Locklear said belonged to a friend, had been passed among several hallmates. "We were just playing around with stuff," he said.

Soon after taking the gun, Locklear said he remembered that he needed to find out the time of the next hall government meeting. He said he forgot he had the gun and got on the elevator with a friend. The two rode the elevator alone until a female got on.

Locklear said he was in his room 10 minutes when University Police pulled the fire alarm to evacuate the building.

A female who reported the incident gave officers a description of him, Locklear said. He said police identified him by his shirt. "That's when they isolated me and kind of circled me."

Locklear said officers asked him to

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By MEREDITH SINCLAIR
Staff Writer

The temperature is 95 degrees, the humidity is high and a stiff wind is blowing. A 2.4-mile swim in the Pacific Ocean sounds like paradise.

When Jay Crooker and Andrew Jackson see this sight, they will have only 138.2 more miles between them and rest and relaxation.

This is not a typical Hawaiian vacation.

The two UNC graduate students will be among those racing to make their mark on the Hawaii Ironman.

Crooker, 27, a chemistry graduate student, and Jackson, 31, a graduate student in the School of Information and Library Science, will travel to Hawaii next week for the annual competition.

On Oct. 3, about 1,500 athletes from around the world will gather on the big island of Hawaii for one of the world's greatest tests of physical and mental endurance, the Ironman Triathlon World Championship.

Jackson and Crooker, who are roommates and training partners, said they were eager for the experience.

The event will be Jackson's first Ironman-distance triathlon. Crooker competed in last year's Hawaii Ironman and has competed in three other Ironman-length triathlons.

"I think the experience helps," Crooker said.

Crooker said he had tried to relate the physical and mental difficulties of the race to his training partner.

"I told Andy, when you start the run you think that there's no way anyone has ever finished this distance before," Crooker said.

While both men admitted to feeling nervous about the race, they said they

Men Made of Iron



DTH/DAVID SANDLER

Andrew Jackson, left, and Jay Crooker rest while practicing for the Ironman Triathlon on Thursday. The pair will compete in the event next week, which includes a 112-mile bicycle ride, a 2.5-mile swim and a 26-mile run.

were ready to face the challenge.

"You have to dig deep inside to find strength to persevere," Jackson said.

Jackson is no stranger to perseverance. Six years ago he was diagnosed

with testicular cancer. Now cancer-free, he said the experience put his life in perspective.

"I'm very lucky," Jackson said.

The ability to compete is not something he takes for granted, he said.

Crooker said he looked forward to his second Hawaii Ironman.

The Ironman last year was perhaps the hardest race he had ever participated in, Crooker said. He said his goal this year is to finish in the top 200 and beat his old time.

Jackson said his goal was simply to finish the race.

"Don't let Andy fool you," Crooker said. "He's competitive."

The Ironman-length triathlon consists of a 2.4-mile ocean swim, a 112-mile bicycle race and a 26.2-mile run (marathon distance).

The Hawaii Ironman, begun in 1978, has become the most prestigious

of the Ironman-length triathlons. Each year, more than 25,000 athletes attempt to qualify for the Ironman. Only 1,500 succeed.

Crooker and Jackson earned their Ironman spots by performing well at Ironman qualifying events.

In order to officially finish, the 140.6 miles must be completed in 17 hours.

The stamina and endurance to finish can only be developed through intense training, the pair said.

Jackson, who trains for 20 to 30

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MAKING A MARK

Egotism: the art of seeing in yourself what others cannot see.

George Higgins

INSIDE Friday

A Dancing Good Time

A dance benefit for Resources for Establishing a Base in Arts, Technology, and Education (REBATE) will be held at the Cat's Cradle tonight.

The event will feature a laser light show and live electronic music from DJ Uzoma, Noel Sanger and DJ Jaka. See Page 6.

Arsonist at Large

The Orange County Sheriff's Department issued an arrest warrant for Earl Donald Umbehant after a resident of Joppa Oaks motor home park in Hillsborough reported a stranger setting fire to a trailer there Monday night. See Page 2.

Today's Weather

Mostly sunny;
Low 80s
Weekend: Mostly sunny,
Upper 80s.