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UNC Wrestler Charged in Brawl

A fight broke out Tuesday night between Phi Delta Theta fraternity members and some UNC wrestlers.

By DeVona A. Brown
University Editor

At least one member of the wrestling team faces Honor Court charges and suspension from the team after a fight that occurred at the Phi Delta Theta fraternity house early Wednesday morning. Police arrested Chad David Priest, 21, of Spruce Pine, at the house in connection with the incident. He was charged with misdemeanor simple assault and resisting arrest.

According to police reports, Priest will appear in criminal court in Orange County District Court in Hillsborough on Nov. 23.

In an issued statement, Athletic Director Dick Baddour said the Department of Athletics was still gathering information about the incident. "However, in light of the fact that Chad Priest was charged with simple assault and with resisting and delaying an officer, he has been suspended from the team indefinitely pending further investigation," he said.

"We will continue to search for the facts of the case before making any further judgements."

Wrestling coach Bill Lam said he and Baddour would meet today to discuss the issue.

Priest said the fight started when someone hit him and he fought back in defense.

"I got hit from behind and tried to get people off me," he said. "It was more than a couple (of people). It was quite a few actually."

Fraternity members on the scene Wednesday said about 15 students were involved in the fight, which, they said, began because of members of the

wrestling team.

Director of Greek Affairs Ron Binder, who remained at the scene after police left, said about four fraternity members were injured in the fight.

He said most of them were OK, except for one person who had a hemorrhaged retina.

Binder said the fraternity was not responsible for the incident. "It appears that they're the victims at this point," he said.

"(And) the chapter's certainly looking at their options."

He said Wednesday morning that the Office of Greek Affairs urged fraternity members to use all avenues to handle

the incident.

"We've encouraged victims to pursue both legal means and also (to go) through student court," he said.

"We're fortunate that we've got witnesses and police reports. That makes the investigation that much quicker."

Binder said that after the police report was completed, the Office of the Dean of Students would investigate.

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Susan Kitchen said Sunday the incident would now go to the Student Attorney General's Office.

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UNC to Ax 'Unfair' Registering

Nineteen students took part in an early class registration last week to test the University's online system.

By Carrie Callaghan
Staff Writer

The University Registrar said he would implement a resolution passed Wednesday by Student Congress requesting the cancellation of the early registration of 19 students, including 15 members of the executive branch of student government.

University Registrar David Lanier, who said he was not aware of the resolution until notified by a Daily Tar Heel reporter, said schedules would be deleted if that was what Congress wanted.

Members of the executive branch of student government and four at-large students were invited by the Office of the University Registrar on Oct. 12 to register early for spring semester classes to test a new system of online registration.

Eric Morris, a junior from Concord, said he was bothered by the early registrations and took his concerns to the executive branch and Lanier.

"I felt it was unfair that the executive branch, whether knowingly or unknowingly, was getting an advantage the rest of the student body wasn't," he said.

After voicing his concerns, Morris was invited by the executive branch to participate in the test registration, along with three other students.

Morris registered, but said he was still not satisfied with student government's efforts to make the process more inclusive.

He said Lanier told him the registrations did not have to be maintained in order to gauge the success of the trial run. This prompted Morris to take the issue to Student Congress and Rep. Patrick Frye, Dist. 16.

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As Ranks Swell, Hispanics Enjoy Stronger Voice

The U.S. Census Bureau estimated that 149,500 Hispanics called North Carolina home in 1997 — nearly double the number it reported seven years earlier.

By Jessica Luginbuhl
Staff Writer

They might not be born-and-bred North Carolinians, but they are a distinct portion of the state's population and economy. And they say they will not be neglected.

In North Carolina, Hispanic voices have become more prominent over the past few years, and their concerns have come to the forefront of government's attention. "(North Carolinians) can't ignore the presence of the Hispanic community," said Rick Herrera, director of marketing for El Progreso Hispano, an Hispanic newspaper based in Charlotte. "Companies are looking at the tremendous amount of money Hispanics spend."

"It is easier to avoid a community of 10,000. One-fourth of a million is hard to ignore," he said. "I predict by the year 2000 there will be half a million Hispanics here."

The state's Hispanic population has increased significantly since 1990. "The 1990 census counted 76,700 Hispanics and then some," said Katie Pomerans, the Hispanic ombudsman for the N.C. Department of Human Resources.

In 1996, two surveys were conducted to measure the state's Hispanic population. The Safe Christian Action Committee estimated 261,000, while the state Health Department reported 230,000. In 1997, the Census Bureau estimated that there were 149,500 Hispanics in North Carolina. "It is reasonable to say that the population now is between 150,000 and

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Miguel Dominguez fills out a form at El Mercado Central in Carrboro to wire money to his family in Mexico. The store, which stocks only authentic Latino goods, also provides other much needed services to the local Hispanic community.

Alderman Loses Cancer Battle

Two-term Carrboro Alderman Henry "Hank" Anderson III, who died Saturday at age 63, is remembered as an advocate for at-risk youths and a friend of the community.

By Jon Ostendorff
City Editor

Carrboro officials said lost a true friend Saturday when Henry "Hank" Anderson III, an alderman and a community activist, died after a long battle with cancer.

Anderson was diagnosed with colon cancer for the second time in January. The 63-year-old grandfather of four went into remission after his first bout with the illness, diagnosed in 1993. He died in Triangle Hospice at the Meadowlands in Durham.

A two-term alderman elected in 1993, Anderson recently retired from the N.C. Department of Environment Health and Natural Resources where he had been a training specialist.

Carrboro Mayor Mike Nelson said he would always remember Anderson's directness and honesty. He said Anderson was a driving force on the Board of Aldermen. "He had a greater effect on the board than a lot of people realize. We came to respect his voice and opinion."

That voice brought the concerns of Carrboro residents before the board, Nelson said. "He was very grounded and down to earth," he said. "Sometimes we get so wrapped up in our issues and ideas. He always reminded us that we were talking about people."

Aldermen Jacquelyn Gist said most of Anderson's professional life was spent working with at-risk youths. "He really believed that providing constructive things for kids to do was the number one way to keep them out of trouble."

Anderson served as Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation Department director from 1969 to 1977 and helped to establish recreation administration programs at historically black colleges along the East Coast. He also served as a consultant



Carrboro Alderman Henry "Hank" Anderson III, 63, pictured in February, died Saturday of cancer.

for recreation curriculum at Winston-Salem State University and as a consultant with the Triangle Association of Colleges.

In June, the Board of Aldermen honored Anderson by renaming the Carrboro Community Park on N.C. 54 the Henry "Hank" Anderson III Community Park.

Recently, Anderson had been involved with the School in the Community, a charter school that specializes in teaching

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BSM Freezes Own Funds During Group Turmoil

By Carol Adamson
Staff Writer

Problems surrounding the administrative aspects of funding have caused the Black Student Movement to freeze some of its own monies.

Members of the BSM's executive board have temporarily suspended the funds of some of its five subgroups, which are Opeyo!, Black Ink, Gospel Choir, Ebony Readers and Harmonyx, in order to better control the problems, BSM Treasurer Brian Elliott said.

BSM President Tamara Bailey refused to comment about which groups' funds were frozen or provide any details about the problems, except that they were administrative in nature.

"Each subgroup was sent a letter by the treasurer asking them to meet with myself and the organizational treasurer immediately to discuss the situation and the necessary steps for correction," Bailey said.

Elliott said fund suspension would not affect any of the projects or activities planned by the subgroups, and discussion over the administrative problems would be held sometime in the near future. "No, it's not going to stop anything," Elliott said. "They are in the process of setting up appointments (with BSM's executive board members) now."

Bailey said such meetings would help correct any future difficulties.

"It is not a permanent status; however, it is up to the subgroups involved to change the status," she said. "It is my responsibility as BSM president to ensure that anything associated with our organization is functioning at a standard of excellence."

Despite the plans for discussion, some members said they remained confused as to why the funding for their subgroups was being withheld.

Antionette Kerr, co-editor of the BSM magazine, Black Ink, said she was unsure of the reasons behind the suspension. "We were notified that our funds would be frozen, but we were not given any information and will not be given any information until we have an official meeting with the treasurer," Kerr said.

"... I have done a majority of the (funding) requests and have no idea what we could have done to have our

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BSM Treasurer Brian Elliott said the frozen funds would not affect any of the groups' activities.

INSIDE Monday

A Swing Sensation



Swing dancing began in 1927, just as aviator Charles Lindbergh was crossing the Atlantic Ocean. Now the dance has experienced a swinging comeback and is the hottest new dance trend both on campus and in clubs throughout the Triangle area. See Page 4.

Today's Weather

Mostly sunny;
Low 80s.
Tuesday: Partly cloudy;
Mid 70s.

Get Published

Applications for the fall 1998 Joanna Howell Fund, which honors the memory of a DTH editorial writer killed in the 1996 Phi Gamma Delta fire, will be available today at the DTH office, Suite 104 of the Student Union. The Fund provides \$250 for a student to write about an issue affecting the University community in-depth. The article will be published in the DTH this semester. Call Editor Sharif Durhams at 962-4086 with questions.

We carry with us the wonders we seek without us.

Sir Thomas Browne