

Carrburritos Serves Up Colorful Mexican Cuisine

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In a town that seems to serve up more chips and salsa than any other this side of Mexico, Carrburritos Taqueria is holding its own in the restaurant race.

FOOD REVIEW

Carrburritos Taqueria
711 W. Rosemary St.

As the cleverly crafted name suggests, Carrburritos lies in a discreet corner near the edge of Chapel Hill, at 711 W. Rosemary St. in Carrboro.

In the flurry of merging with Franklin Street, dodging cyclists and resisting the smells of Kentucky Fried Chicken, it may be easy to miss the modest sign pointing you to dinner at

this charming eatery.

Through the doors in this nondescript building, you enter the colorful dining area. The warm surroundings, painted in bold primary shades, are as colorful as the food itself.

The restaurant is small and cozy, filled with tables topped in bright floral designs. If the weather continues to cooperate, the outside patio will undoubtedly fill up before the indoor dining room.

Choosing from the handwritten menu hanging from the ceiling, diners order in a line, while the staff prepares burritos and quesadillas in plain view.

The food is brought to your table, and the limited number of hungry patrons that can fit in the place gives staff the admirable ability to remember who ordered what.

Mexican food can best be judged by

a few things – the salsa, the tortilla and the margarita. At Carrburritos, they size up this way – the good, the big and the ugly.

The Salsa Fresca (your basic red) is extremely flavorful, not too hot and only one of the many that Carrburritos has to offer. Although only fresca and verde (the green one) were available to diners, several others are packaged to go for only \$3.95.

For the lover of Mexican food, an oversized flour tortilla is like a security blanket – warm, soft and comforting. Filling one, although adulterating the purity of your good blanket, is a necessity at Carrburritos.

The burrito menu goes from the Plain to Regular to Mejor, each one getting fatter with more fixings folded in. You select which filling to use. The choices range from chorizo, a spicy

shredded pork, to vegetarian fillings like Pure de Papas, a lump of mashed potatoes mixed with onions.

The marinated grilled chicken breast had great flavor, almost shadowing the beans and salsa with its taste. And watching the staff slice up a fresh chicken breast to throw in your burrito is a welcome change from precooked cubes that plague other buffets.

Choosing black beans or pinto beans is a tough decision. Both are excellent as the meaty, glue-like texture that holds the burrito together. Tomatoes and rice made a nice filling, and the leafy lettuce was representative of the freshness of the ingredients.

Poured from a plastic pitcher, obviously premixed according to Carrburritos' recipe, the margarita tasted watered down – a disappointing addition to the meal.

Carrburritos offers tacos, quesadillas and tostadas in addition to their namesake, the hefty burrito, and they cater to an eclectic crowd.

The staff seemed a bit put off by customers who weren't regulars and didn't know the rules of the game (i.e. you pick up your drink on the way in – they are all different prices, so you should know what you want). And although each meal comes with chips, the salsa was not free flowing, which necessitates a trip back inside to request it.

Once it's all on the plate, however, the meal is very satisfying. And with prices that range from \$3.25 to \$6.95, it doesn't take many pesos to go home happy.

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something to fix the situation. That intersection is very crazy."

But Tom Gould, division traffic engineer for the N.C. Department of Transportation, said he was not so sure that the intersection was – or would be – problematic for pedestrians, mainly because there was not any evidence that pedestrians walked across that intersection in high volume.

"Is two adults that try to cross a busy highway a problem?" Gould said. "That was a bad judgement on their part."

"We certainly had no prior knowledge that pedestrians were trying to walk across that intersection, and there is nothing to indicate that there is a lot of pedestrian activity."

Gould said Durham and Chapel Hill transportation officials would follow up the accident to find out if pedestrian activity was increasing enough for the NCDOT to get solid daily numbers of the amount of pedestrians who walk across the intersection.

If research shows that more people are travelling the highway on foot, Gould said officials would implement warning signs for drivers, making them aware of increased pedestrian activity. Other possible improvements would be the implementation of crosswalks, sidewalks and a modified street sign, Gould said.

"There's always a balancing act dealing with pedestrians and vehicles," Ahrens said. "You have to provide a smooth flow of cars, and at the same time ensure the safety of pedestrians. It's very difficult to do that."

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fields. She emphasized that the ability to efficiently handle information earned graduates jobs at large corporations.

Shayera Tangri, a first-year graduate student, said companies such as IBM and Glaxo Wellcome looked for information specialists to help manage their

corporate libraries. The school plans to introduce more Web-based education programs and an undergraduate major program by the year 2001.

"I think it's a very exciting time at the moment," Marshall said. "I really see us maintaining that excellence, but I also see a broadening of the curriculum."

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pushes and put them into the state perspective. They simply thought 3,200 was a more appropriate number for UNC. It's hard to be exact in estimating who will enroll; we are having to predict human behavior."

Judith Pulley, vice president for the

planning committee of the BOG, said the committee had unanimously supported the 3,200 new students, but the full board would not have a chance to approve the numbers until next month.

"Since it met no opposition in the committee, I don't foresee any problems with the board," she said. "We are trying to encourage growth on campuses that have excess capacity. UNC does not fall into that category."

Pulley said UNC wanted growth in graduate student enrollment, but the estimates made by the BOG committee members showed the majority of growth to be in undergraduate enrollment. "We tried to keep the ratio of graduate to undergraduate students consistent at UNC since they want it that way," she said. "If the graduate student enrollment is higher in 10 years, then we will revisit the issue."

Pulley said enrollment quotes were never exact. "Every year we have to revisit it and modify what planning is being done."

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Intramural Sports

UPCOMING EVENTS & DEADLINES

- Wallyball.....Tues. Mar. 23
- Innertube Water Polo.....Tues. Mar. 23
- Swim Meet '99.....Tues. Mar. 23
- Quickball.....Tues. Mar. 23
- Cross Country.....Thur. Mar. 25

SPLASH & DASH '99, PLUS TRIATHLON is just around the corner, Sunday, April 25. So don't procrastinate...start training for this great "short" distance challenge... 500 yard swim, 5K run, and 13.5 mile bike.

SWIM MEET '99 TOMORROW!

It's not too late to enter this year's annual individual and team meet. Warm-ups and late entries will begin at 7:00pm, Koury Natatorium, with the first event scheduled to begin at 7:30pm. Traditional events include the 200 yd. Medley and Free Relays, 50 yd. Back, Breast, and Free, 100 Free and IM, and the 200 Yd. Free.

OFFICIALS' CLINIC INNERTUBE WATER POLO
Wed, March 24,
6:00pm,
304WG

SPORT CLUB OF THE WEEK

For the first time ever, UNC had a Women's Club Basketball program. These sixteen ladies began their season in November and just finished playing in the Pepsi 5-on-5 Tournament last weekend. They finished their season 3-5, playing the club teams at the University of Virginia, Meredith, and Wilkes Community College. They hosted home games in both Fetzer Gym and Carmichael Auditorium. They have already started scheduling games for their 1999-2000 season and plan to add Methodist College, James Madison, and the University of Maryland to their schedule.

To cover expenses for traveling, they raised over \$1,000 by refereeing basketball games for the Durham Parks and Rec Dept. They are led by co-captains Jamie Roberson and Becca Matteo, and co-presidents Jamie Roberson and Erin Rinn. Coached by graduate student, Bob Fankhauser, only one player, Taiwona Elliot, will be lost to graduation.

Sport Club Council

UPCOMING SPORT CLUB EVENTS:

- Women's Lax Tournament, Sat. Mar. 27, 10am-4pm, Finley Fds. [Jen Allen 942-6585]
- Baseball vs App State, Sat. Mar. 27, noon, East CH High School. [Ryan Byers 933-5490]
- Softball vs JMU, Sat. Mar. 27, 1pm, Chapel Hill. [Erin Rohan 960-0367]
- Women's Lax Tournament, Sun. Mar. 28, 10am-1pm, Finley Fds. [Jen Allen 942-6585]
- Men's Soccer Rams vs ASU, Sun. Mar. 28, 2pm. [Casey Arrowood 942-2814]

Student Rec Center

SWING DANCE • Just 2 more SWING DANCE lessons this month at the SRC. The UNC Dance Club is offering **FREE Swing Dance lessons TONIGHT** and March 30. **Time:** 7-8pm. **Place:** SRC studio B.

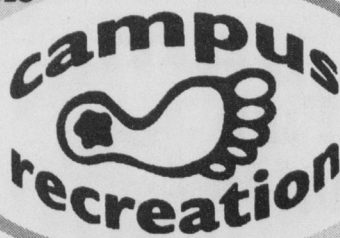
Applications Available Applications for employment at the Student Recreation Center (Summer/Fall) are available at the SRC Reception Desk. They are due Mar. 29th.



NIKE FITNESS COMPETITION • Saturday, March 27

This event is a 1-day cross training competition open to ALL students. Teams of 2 men and 2 women compete. Individual scores are combined for a total team score. Each team member competes in the following events: team relay, obstacle course, the ROCK, Basic Fitness Assessments, and more!

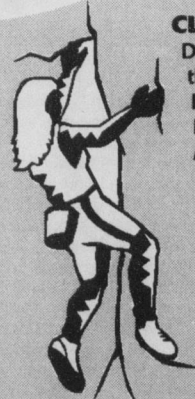
Want to compete but don't have a team? Check the FREE AGENT BOARD at the SRC or contact Lauren or David at 962-3301. **Great prizes, great competition, great fun!!!**



Carolina Adventures

CLIMBING WALL GETS A FACE LIFT

Director of Carolina Adventures, Mike Lyons, would like to thank the following volunteer climbing wall route setters: Dr. Dave, Jeremy, Alex, Brian, Michael, Claire, Sue, Bjorn, Luke and Joelle. **New hand holds and routes are on their way.**



New in '99
CAROLINA ADVENTURES is already busy planning its new **Freshman Wilderness Experience** program. Designed to help incoming freshmen socialize, bond, and learn valuable wilderness skills during the 4-5 day excursion, the program will be limited to 10 new Tar Heels in this inaugural year.



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