



The University and Towns
IN BRIEF

Classics Poetry Reading To Feature Greek Food

The Department of Classics will hold a poetry reading at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in the Forest Theatre. Students and faculty members will read Greek and Roman literature and poetry, and Greek and Roman food will be served. All students and interested parties are welcome to attend.

Art Museum to Display New Exhibition Sunday

The Ackland Art Museum will hold a storytelling performance that coincides with the exhibition "Visions of Faith" at 3 p.m. Sunday. The performers will share religious stories from five different religions: Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Judaism and Islam. The exhibition is free and open to the public. For more information, call 962-0837.

Black Cultural Center To Host Spiritual Talk

The Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center will sponsor a panel discussion called "Walking the Spiritual Walk in African-America: An Ecumenical Dialogue" from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday in Union 213. The Rev. Donald Donaldson and Father Thomas W.S. Logan will discuss Christianity, Sherlock Graham-Haynes will discuss Baha'i and Dr. Fred. D. Muhammad will discuss the Nation of Islam. For more information, call 962-9001.

Basketball Shoot Off Could End in \$1 Million

Carolina Dining Services will hold a basketball Shoot Off at 1 p.m. Friday in front of Lenoir Dining Hall. Cereal maker Kellogg's will sponsor the event, called "Tony Takes a Shot." Six students will compete and win prizes, but only one will receive the \$1,000 meal plan. The winner will also be entered into the national Kellogg's contest and might get a chance at the \$1,000,000 shot at a Detroit Pistons game.

Women's Center, Nike To Sponsor Night Run

The Carolina Women's Center and Nike Corp. will host a Women's Safe Night Run today. Participants will meet at 7:30 p.m. at Woolen Gym. The run will begin at 8 p.m., rain or shine. For more information, call Taylor Laumann at 932-6748, or e-mail Laumann at laumann@unc.edu.

Nutrition, Education Could Aid Cancer Fight

The Cornucopia House Cancer Support Center is holding a Nutritional and Cancer Educational Series on Tuesday. Nutrition is a popular alternative means of fighting cancer. Dr. Joseph Scradie will outline practical guidelines for understanding how nutrition can be used to help cancer patients. The interactive discussion will focus on myths vs. facts and where to find credible resources. There is no charge for the session that will be held at Advent Lutheran Church on Erwin Road. For more information, call 967-8842.

Clothing Sale Benefit Scheduled for May

The Ephesus Road Elementary School is sponsoring an outdoor bag sale at the Carrboro PTA Thrift Store on Saturday, May 1. The sale will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Bags of clothing can be purchased for \$2. In the case of rain, the sale will be canceled. Profits benefit the PTAs of Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools.

— From Staff Reports

Advisers OK System; Say Cooperation Needed

By **CARRIE CALLAGHAN**
Staff Writer

As next semester's changes to the advising system inch closer, many advisers say that while the new system might better serve students, the changes will not work without lots of effort from students and the new advisers.

The Carolina Advising Initiative, which is in its final stages of approval, includes a plan to hire eight full-time advisers and restructure much of the system starting July 1.

Administrators are putting plans together this week, which call for each

of the professional advisers to head a team structured around different disciplines. The teams will include a departmental adviser and multiple part-time faculty advisers.

The advising reform came after numerous complaints about the current advising system. If the plan meets final approval, students will be required to meet with a designated adviser once a semester to receive their Personal Identification Number for registration. When the students leave General College, they must meet with a different adviser in their major.

With the new plan, students can have

more choice about who advises them. Access to advisers is expected to increase by 30 to 40 percent.

General College adviser Jean Desaix said she was pleased with the new system. "I think it's just terrific that a new model of advising will be enforced," she said. "I think students will be better accommodated."

She said because many advisers would serve full-time, students would have more access to advising at times convenient to their schedules.

But Desaix said some problems might arise. "I suspect there will be some glitches, and I trust that the administra-

tion will be ready to address those glitches," she said. The large number of major requirements the professional advisers will have to learn might prove difficult, Desaix said.

Some students' questions regarding specific degree requirements might be better answered by faculty advisers, said Journalism Professor Michael Williams, who is a general college adviser. "I am still concerned that faculty who maybe know best the intricacies of their departments are not going to be as involved (in the advising process)."

Adviser Sherry Salyer, who is a lecturer in the physical education depart-

ment, said the new system would rely on student initiative just as much as the old one to be successful.

"Certainly, if students don't come by to utilize it, then (a new system) doesn't matter," she said.

Students have long been dissatisfied with the current advising system, said Thomas Warburton, honors program adviser. "The thing that's not going to change is that students are going to have to be responsible (for seeing their advisers)."

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BCC Debates Merits Of 'DWB' Proposal

By **HOLLY NEAL**
Staff Writer

The police play an important role in society, but Carol Ben-Davies says when officers pulled over and harassed her friends simply because they were black, she began to question the scope of their power.

"The police are supposed to protect us from crime and violence," she said. "But who's protecting us from the police?"

Ben-Davies led a round-table discussion at the Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center on Wednesday to debate whether police officers use race as a factor when pulling over drivers.

The discussion was sparked by a bill that would require police officers to collect statistical data on drivers they stop over the next two years to determine the

validity of claims that blacks are stopped because of their race. The data would then be presented to the N.C. General Assembly every two years.

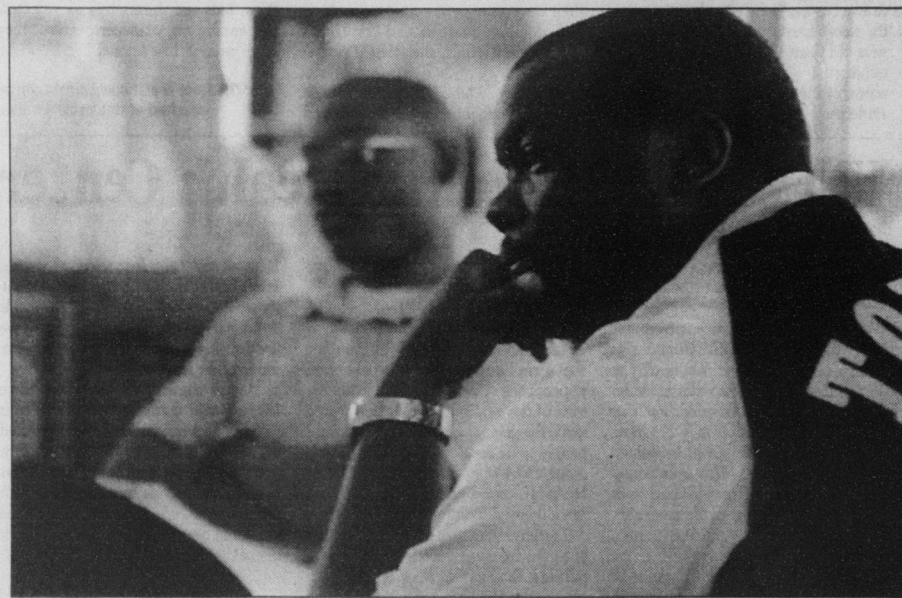
Approved by both chambers of the legislature April 15, the "driving while black" bill now awaits the approval of Gov. Jim Hunt.

Carol Ben-Davies, program coordinator at the BCC, led the small group Around the Circle discussion.

When black drivers are stopped and harassed by police, they can become "hardened" to society, Ben-Davies said. "Then that plays into the myth of the angry black man, the myth of the militant black man," she said.

But Delvin Davis, a senior from Plymouth, said black men were not the only ones affected by unwarranted

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Senior Shawn Temoney (front) and graduate student Michael Farmer listen as students discuss the Driving While Black bill that would require the police to obtain data on all drivers they stop for the next two years.

Hard Hats Set Their Sights on Union

Officials say renovations and a new addition will allow the Union to meet the different needs of students.

By **CARRIE CALLAGHAN**
Staff Writer

Within months, a fence will go up and heavy machines will roll in, heralding the rise of a new building and the complete internal make-over of an old one — the Student Union.

During the next two years, the Union will receive an addition between the existing building and South Road, as well as extensive renovations. This comes partly as the result of a student vote in February 1998 to increase student fees to fund the project.

Construction will occur in phases, said Steve Schuster with Clearspaces, the firm managing the design of the new facility and the renovations. The firm plans to start work on the addition in July, he said. Renovations on the second floor and lower level of the existing Union are planned to begin in fall 2000, and the main level renovations — the final step — should begin in spring 2001.

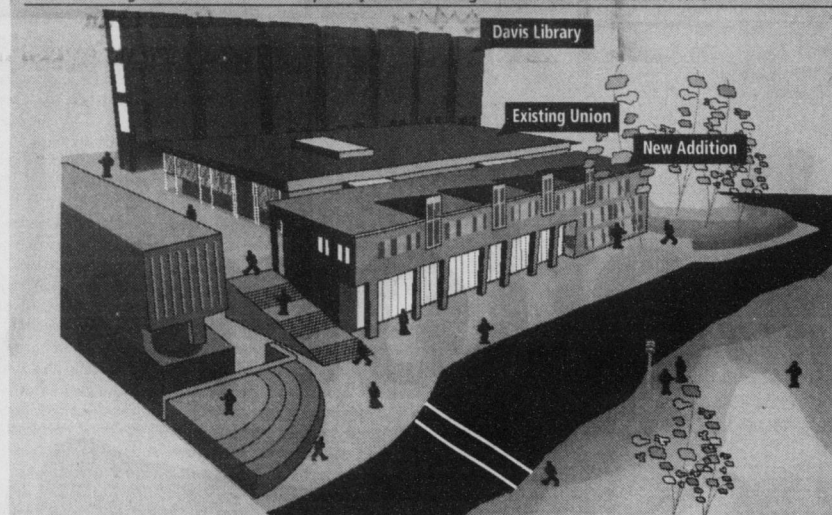
The first year of construction will block the stairwell between the Union and Student Stores, impeding normal pedestrian traffic, said Andrew Holton, Carolina Union Activities Board president. Holton said student groups would not be closed down by the construction. Organization offices normally located in the Student Union would simply transfer to the new building once it is complete, he said.

Holton said the final package would include a more cozy and attractive Union package and more space available for the different needs of students.

The architects considered the TV show "Friends" when designing the main level, Holton said. "They have in mind the 'Central Perk' idea," he said, referring to the coffee shop on the show. "There will be some sort of space for performers, poetry readings."

The New State of the Union

Following two years of construction and renovations, the Student Union will boast an additional 40,000 square feet through a new addition along South Road. The addition will primarily house student organization offices and conference rooms.



Next Stages of Student Union Development

- Phase 1 — Expansion (August 16, 1999 — July 2000)**
 - Aug. 16 — Construction fences will go up along the corner of Raleigh and South roads, enclosing the parking lot.
 - September 1999 — The stairwell connecting South Road to the Pit will close for construction.
- Phase 2 — Renovation (September 2000 — December 2000)**
 - Improvements will be made to the second and lower levels of the Student Union.
- Phase 3 — Renovation (January 2001 — July 2001)**
 - Improvements will be made to the main level of the Student Union.

SOURCE: CAROLINA UNION

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He said this would be located where the TV lounge and Union Station eatery currently are. A bagel shop will also open in that area, he said.

The renovations will also significantly update the Great Hall, Schuster said. "It kind of has a dated, 1960s look."

The Great Hall will receive new lighting and sound systems, and the stage will become handicapped accessible, Schuster said. "It will be basically a brand new space inside the old shell."

The second floor of the existing Union will also receive a complete

make-over, Schuster said. "(The second level) will be pretty much totally gutted out and put back." Meeting rooms and lounges will fill the second level, he said.

Student usage will be very important in the Union's addition, as it will house a large number of offices for student groups, Holton said.

In particular, the southeast corner of the building will serve as a multipurpose room seating 100 to 120 people. Holton said Student Congress would use the room for its biweekly sessions, but other student groups would have access to it.

The building will be fully equipped with cutting-edge technology to aid students, Holton said. This will include workstations to plug in laptop computers, scanners and computers with graphic-oriented capabilities, he said.

Outside the addition along South Road, the 16 existing parking spots previously located in Union Circle will no longer be available, Holton said. The addition includes plans for seven new spaces by the building on Raleigh Road.

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Card Abuse Kindles Legislation

Opponents of the bill aimed to curb student access to credit say it could violate a federal credit statute.

By **MARY CAMERON**
Staff Writer

Campus credit card vendors could soon lose student business if a recent act passes the state legislature.

A bill soon to appear before the N.C. House will require students under age 21 to have immediate parental consent before applying for a credit card through campus credit card vendors. For students who live far from home, this act could essentially ban them from applying for and receiving a credit card on campus.

Rep. Charlotte Gardner, R-Rowan, a sponsor of the bill, said most college students under age 21 were incapable of managing their own finances, and the debts they incur often fall onto parents.

"Once students get away from home, it is easy to get drawn into applying for and using credit cards," Gardner said. "But most young people do not have a job that is sustaining enough to pay their bills."

But others say the bill crosses legal lines. "This bill is a two-edged sword," said Dorothy Bernholz, director of UNC Student Legal Services.

"Under this law, students could build their own credit, but what students would be prohibited to do is build their own credit history if their parents do not give them permission to do so."

Bernholz also expressed her concern regarding the bill's age inclusion because it conflicted with the Equal

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ACC MEN'S LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIP
Friday, April 23, 1999 — Fetzer Field
6 pm - Semifinal #1 Virginia vs. Maryland 8 pm - Semifinal #2 Duke vs. UNC
Sunday, April 25, 1999 — Fetzer Field
3:30 pm — Championship

Tickets: Adults - \$5, ACC college students with IDs, senior citizens & children 18 & under - \$2
Tickets will be on sale at Fetzer Field beginning one and one-half hours prior to competition or in advance at the UNC Ticket Office by calling 1-800-722-4335.
Parking: Parking will be available in the Hwy. 54 Visitor's lot and Bell Tower lot. On April 25th, a fee of \$3 will be charged for parking in all lots.
Beginning at 11 am, visit the BRINE Funfest on April 25th between Fetzer Field & Henry Stadium.

ACC WOMEN'S LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIP
Saturday, April 24, 1999 — Henry Stadium
1 pm - Semifinal #1 Maryland vs. UNC 3 pm - Semifinal #2 Duke vs. Virginia
Sunday, April 25, 1999 — Henry Stadium
1 pm — Championship

Tickets: Adults - \$3, ACC college students with IDs, senior citizens & children 18 & under - \$2
Tickets will be on sale at Henry Stadium beginning one and one-half hours prior to competition or in advance at the UNC Ticket Office by calling 1-800-722-4335.
Parking: Parking will be available in the Boshamer lot and Ramshoed lot. On April 25th, a fee of \$3 will be charged for parking in all lots.
Francis E. Henry Stadium was formerly known as Navy Field.