



The University and Towns
IN BRIEF

UNC's Broad Selected for Syracuse Award

UNC-system President Molly Corbett Broad has been selected to receive the 1999 George Arents Pioneer Medal, the highest alumni award given by Syracuse University. Broad received her bachelor's degree in economics at Syracuse University. The George Arents Pioneer medal will be presented to Broad during the Arents Awards Dinner by Syracuse Chancellor Kenneth A. Shaw. The dinner will be held at 6:30 p.m. June 5 in Manley Field House as part of Syracuse's Reunion Weekend '99.

Dean Smith to Receive Dick Enberg Award

Former UNC basketball coach Dean Smith has been named the winner of the Dick Enberg Award. The award is given annually to a person whose actions and commitments serve to further the meaning and reach of the Academic All-America programs and the student-athlete, and promotes the values of education and academics. Smith will be honored at the GTE Academic All-America Hall of Fame's induction ceremonies June 10 at the Meyerson Symphony Center in Dallas.

Norton Named 1999's Volunteer of the Year

Joseph Norton, a long-time UNC Hospitals volunteer was honored April 22 with the Elaine M. Hill Award for Distinguished Volunteer Service. The award is named for Elaine Hill, who served as the director of volunteer services from 1967 to 1990. Each year, the award is presented at a special luncheon during National Volunteer Week. Norton received the award in part for his 7,500 hours of service at the UNC Hospitals medical center.

Drug Found to Impede Treatment of Cancer

Researchers at UNC found that the compound known as cisplatin, usually combined with the drug paclitaxel, or Taxol, for treating women with ovarian cancer, prevents the paclitaxel from killing the cancer cells in some situations. Researchers suggest that second-line therapy for patients with advanced ovarian cancer might need to be changed. Results indicate paclitaxel alone would work better to increase survival among patients.

Kirtley to Speak During Accounting Graduation

Olivia Kirtley will present the keynote address at the May 27 graduation ceremony for the Kenan-Flagler Business School Master of Accounting Program. Kirtley is the first woman and first person from industry and not from public accounting, to become chairwoman of the board of directors at the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Kirtley is also the first woman to head the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The commencement will be held at 10 a.m. May 27 in the Maurice J. Koury Auditorium of McColl Building.

Orange County Needs Immediate Volunteers

Volunteer Orange, the Volunteer Center of Orange County has an immediate need for volunteers to work at local non-profit and human service organizations. The openings include tour guides for historic sites, supervisors for children's play areas and adult mentors for the Governor's One-on-One Program. Interested individuals should call Volunteer Orange at 929-9837 between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. from Monday through Thursday, or between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Friday.

Governor to Speak at Olympic Symposium

Hunt will speak at a Duke University and the 1999 Special Olympics World Summer Games sponsored symposium titled "Creating Healthy Communities for People With Mental Retardation" from May 24 to 26. The symposium is designed to give those volunteering at the Olympic games insight into the lives of people with mental retardation. It will also hold educational sessions which will detail current themes of people with mental retardation.

Women Set to Enter Old East in Fall 2000

Specific details for the integration of Old East and Old West has yet to be discussed with residents.

By RALPH BELK
Staff Writer

The final obstacle to the integration of Old East and Old West residence halls has been cleared, and starting in the fall of 2000 women will live in the traditionally all-male dorms during the school year. Dean Bresciani, the associate vice chancellor of student affairs, supported the recommendation that the residence halls be changed to coeducational at

start of the fall 2000 semester. He notified both the Department of University Housing and the residents of Old East and Old West residence halls May 5 of his final decision. The decision was the final step in a process initiated by a joint proposal from Emily Williamson, former student body vice president, and David Jernigan, former Residence Hall Association president, to allow women to live in the residence halls. Bresciani said he made his decision after receiving input from student leaders and forums with Old East and Old West residents. He also consulted academic studies which compared the benefits of single sex and coed environments. Bresciani said he was convinced that

he had the support of the student body and said coeducational living environments were more conducive to a student's preparation for life after college. Wayne Kuncel, director of University housing, said the goal of his department was to complete the changeover as smoothly as possible. He said he wanted to continue honoring both the housing contracts which



Director of Housing Wayne Kuncel said he hoped no males would be forced to move from their rooms.

were currently valid, and the priority or "squatters' rights" of all the residents. Bresciani said he and University housing would work closely with residents during the next school year to resolve some of the other issues that will arise. Some of these issues which are still being worked on include how the halls will be split, the substance-free status of Old West, visitation, and what will happen if some males are displaced or unhappy living in a coed dorm. Both Kuncel and Bresciani said they were hopeful that no one would be forced to move because of the historically low return rates of the residents of these two residence halls. However, the students who wish to move will probably be given priority in

a dorm of their choice, Bresciani said. Student Body President Nic Heinke said he thought the plan to allow women residents in Old East and Old West was a good idea. When asked if this decision, along with the decision to reopen Spencer as coed instead of all-female, marked a trend against single-sex dorms, Heinke said he fully supported the integration of all of the dorms. "Old East and Old West being integrated has less to do with an anti-single-sex sentiment and more to do with both the realization of their historical significance and respect for the right of all students to have a chance to live there." The University Editors can be reached at udesk@unc.edu.

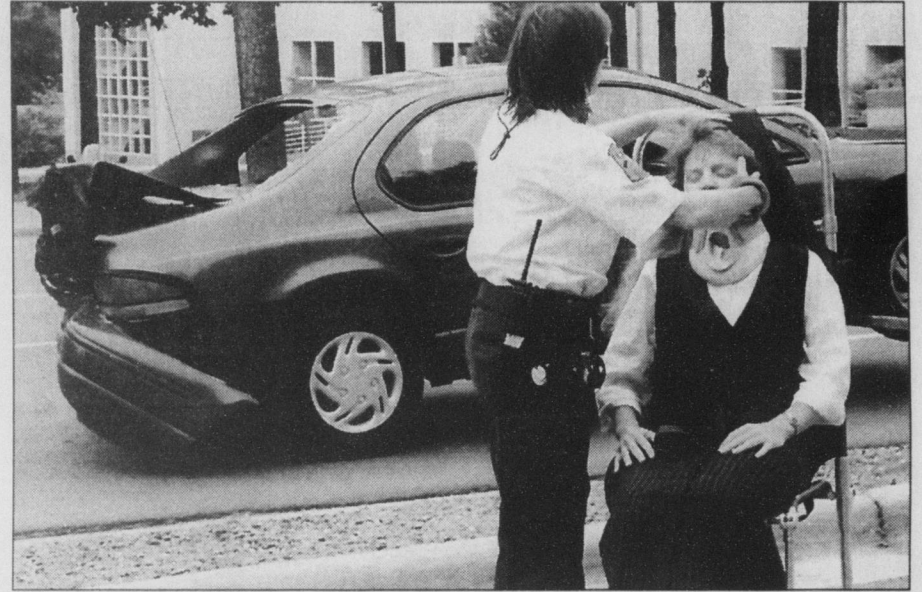
4 Women Injured In 3-Car Accident

A UNC Hospitals employee rear-ended a Dodge Stratus on Manning Drive after falling asleep at the wheel.

By ASHLEY STEPHENSON
Editor

A three-car pile up on Manning Drive resulted in four people being taken to UNC Hospitals for treatment Tuesday morning, according to police reports. All three cars were traveling west on Manning Drive, and the collision occurred in front of Morrison Residence Hall. University Police Maj. Walter Dunn said the department received the call at 10:48 a.m. According to police reports, the first car, an Oldsmobile, had stopped in the travel lane waiting for a truck to back out of a driveway. The second car, a Dodge Stratus, stopped behind the first car.

The third car, a UNC Hospitals Chevrolet van, collided with the second car, causing it to hit the first car which was stopped. According to police reports, UNC Hospitals employee David Solomon had fallen asleep at the wheel of the van when he hit the second car. Solomon said, "It's kind of hard to pay attention when you're asleep." The crash broke the back windshield and crumpled the back end of the car, dislodging the bumper and crushing the trunk. All four passengers in the Dodge Stratus were taken to UNC Hospitals. They were released Tuesday after receiving treatment. None were admitted to the hospital following the accident. The driver and passenger in the first car sustained no injuries, but the accident damaged the bumper of the Oldsmobile. Crime Prevention Officer Lt. Angela Carmon said although she dealt with an accident last week involving someone



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An Emergency Medical Technician assists a woman who wishes to remain unidentified after a car crash on Tuesday morning on Manning Drive. A University employee hit her car while asleep at the wheel.

who nodded off behind the wheel, sleepy drivers were not responsible for many accidents on University streets, she said.

"I would say its a relatively random occurrence," Carmon said. "It's not something we get very often here."

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Six Advisers to Begin Training in July

The new advisers will begin training with three days of workshops and by assisting students at C-TOPS.

By DAN SIMMONS
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Incoming students will deal with a revamped advising system this summer at C-TOPS, while returning students might find a new PIN-distribution system in place. The eight new full-time professional advisers that the University hired are being trained for the new team system to begin July 1. Seven of the eight advisers will be working by then, while the eighth will start August 1. The training for the new advisers will include three days of workshops and activities in July and working with incoming freshman and transfer stu-

dents at C-TOPS. "A lot of the new advisers plan to learn by working with current advisers at C-TOPS," said Betsy Taylor, the Student Services Manager for the College of Arts & Sciences and a member of the Implementation Committee for the Carolina Advising Initiative. "They'll observe to begin with and do hands-on work when they feel comfortable." The workshops in July will include introducing the new advisers to various campus services like counseling, career services and the Learning Center, said Barbara Stenross, an assistant dean in the General College. The new advisers will also do role-playing exercises to practice interacting with students. While the new advisers will have three full days of workshops, Stenross said that their training would not end there. "The training will be ongoing," she said.

The Implementation Committee for CAI also explored options that would change the way PINs are distributed, such as allowing students to keep the same PINs all four years. Currently, students get PINs when meeting with their advisers. Bernadette Gray-Little, chairwoman of the Implementation Committee, said no decision had been made about PINs for next year. "The final form that (the PIN system) will take has not been determined," Gray-Little said. When restructuring of the advising system begins July 1, the General College and College of Arts & Sciences advising systems will merge to form the new team system. Gray-Little said they wanted the team system to be up and running when fall semester began. "The goal is that the teams will be functioning by fall semester," she said. Advisers will be organized in teams according to their disciplines such as

social sciences and fine arts. Under the new system, students will be matched with advisers according to their fields of study. For example, a psychology major would be paired with an adviser with a social science background. The seniors will not take part in the new advising system, however. Next fall there will be a transition team that will handle the seniors, Taylor said. They would focus on addressing the needs of seniors, such as making sure seniors are fulfilling all the requirements necessary to graduate. Taylor emphasized that while the University was trying to better meet the needs of students, the students needed to view the new advisers as additional resources. "We're hoping that students will take advantage of the people who will be there on a full-time basis." The University Editor can be reached at udesk@unc.edu

Officials Say Funds Needed

Chapel Hill-Carrboro City School officials say more money is needed to support local homeless students.

By MIKE ISKANDAR
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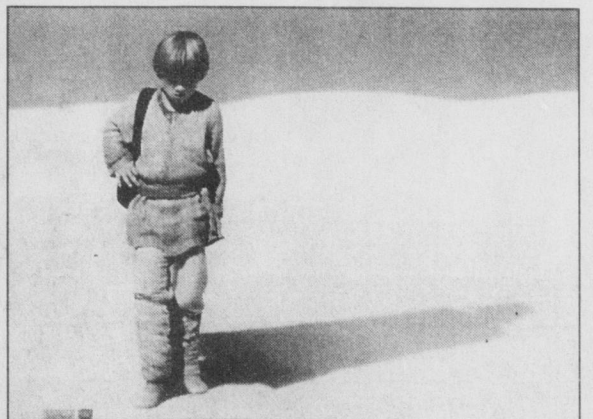
The Chapel Hill-Carrboro City School Board has submitted a grant to the Public Schools of North Carolina in an effort to provide funding for homeless students in the area. The grant, titled "Education for Children and Youth" is a request for \$12,370. Mary Roberts, coordinator of community schools programs for Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools, said the purpose of the grant was to ensure that families in the homeless shelters received access to care and financial assistance. The funding would support homeless elementary school students and their families for their transportation, after-school programs and summer camps, she said. Sherron Leplin, coordinator of exceptional education and student services for the school system, said much of the grant focused on funding for emergency transportation. Leplin said many of the homeless students did not have access to transportation. The funding would provide a safe means of transportation with adult supervision. Roberts said the after-school programs were offered at all seven elementary school programs in the school system. "The programs offer children an opportunity to interact and grow with other kids their age," she said. When the school year finishes, the school system will offer four summer camps. Roberts said the camps provided fun summer days, recreational activities and regular field trips to places such as the roller skating rink and the Museum of Life and Science. The required fee to join the programs create a barrier for homeless students. The proposed funding would help the students' families overcome these barriers and provide quality child

Fans Enjoy Opening Night Revelry

Devoted Star Wars fans dressed up and came early to celebrate the long-awaited prequel in style.

By SCOTT WRIGHT
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Minutes before his return to the big screen, Yoda stepped in the long line of crazed Star Wars fans for popcorn and a drink. The venerable Jedi Master predicted, "I'm gonna be great! The Force is with me!" But Yoda's fame and influence did not buy him refreshments before his film, as the movie was set to begin and the popcorn line at the Movies at Timberlyne was just too long. Retreating to the theater, Yoda strode down the right aisle to his seat, lifting his arms in triumph as he was cheered by the mob of fans who had been seated for two-and-a-half hours before the midnight start time. "Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace," for which fans had been awaiting 16 years, began. One fan in the front stood, turned to the audience and yelled, "You get hyped! This is Star Wars!" Advance tickets for the movie that was projected to rival "Titanic" for



Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace opened Wednesday. People camped out for tickets in order to see the first showing.

the title of biggest blockbuster ever went on sale at 4 p.m. last Friday. The 564 movie patrons, completely filling two theatres early Wednesday morning, had waited for hours in line the week before to be the first to see the new Star Wars adventure. Prior to the film, moviegoers who had seats saved for them inside the theatre prowled around the lobby or stood outside with friends or family.

Obi-Wan Kenobi, dressed in his light brown robe, waited in the lobby. His real name is Andy Campbell, a 21-year-old film major at UNC-Greensboro. Campbell said he dressed up like Kenobi because he felt like he had to. "You have to do whatever you have to do to be a part of it," he said. See STAR WARS, Page 6

Episode I Falls Short Of Hype

By VERNA KALE
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Star Wars has its own standards. There is hardly a way to compare the Star Wars movies to other films because George Lucas' vision changed the face of filmmaking. That said, in comparison to Lucas' former efforts in parts IV through VI, "Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace" hardly stacks up. I went into the theater angry that critics had been giving the movie lukewarm reviews. I accused the critics of being arrogant jerks having a grand old time picking on the big guy. Now I see they were absolutely right. See STAR WARS REVIEW, Page 6



MOVIE REVIEW
"Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace"