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UNC Bond Package Dies As Legislators Go Home

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Extensive renovation and construction projects on UNC-system campuses were put on hold Tuesday after the N.C. General Assembly could not reach a compromise on the proposed bond.

The House and Senate, pitted against each other in a largely partisan fight, will adjourn without resolving intense disagreements that had arisen during recent weeks. Although a last minute proposal emerged from legislative chambers Monday that would have given UNC-system campuses \$750 million, the House still would not approve the package without a public vote.

During the last week, a negotiating committee consisting of 66 House and Senate members struggled to reach an agreement, but conceded Tuesday that one was virtually impossible.

UNC student leaders, who spent much of the summer lobbying for the bond package, said the problems would worsen without any action this session by the General Assembly.

"The paint in Murphy Hall is going to continue to peel and the desks are going to continue to crack," said Lee Conner, graduate and professional student association president. "I think this is a very irresponsible action for them to take and the problems are not going to go away."

The main points of disagreement on



Student Body President Nic Heinke says legislators need to better understand campus problems.

the issue have been about the amount of funds legislators think the universities should be able to borrow and whether the public should vote on the issue.

The Senate three weeks ago approved a plan that would have given \$2.7 billion in bonds to state universities and 300 million to community colleges and avoid a referendum.

But last week the House came back with a proposal that required voter approval for \$1 billion in bonds and \$200 million for community colleges.

The Senate immediately rejected the House proposal and the negotiation committee was then set up.

Conner said partisan issues overshadowed the true purpose of the bond legislation, which was first introduced as a result of an 18-month study pinpointing the construction needs of UNC-system campuses during the next 10 years. Rob Lamme, spokesman for Senate

General Assembly Kills Bond Money

After weeks of bickering, the N.C. General Assembly was unable to reach a settlement on a bond package that would allow construction for state universities and community colleges.

■ Eva Klein, a consultant hired by UNC, said during the next ten years, UNC-system campuses would need \$6.9 billion for construction.

■ The N.C. Senate proposes a \$3 billion bond deal for state universities and community colleges.

■ The House of Representatives rejects the Senate bill and passes its own. The House bill gives the UNC system campuses \$1.2 billion, provided the bond passed on a referendum scheduled for May.

■ The Senate votes 33-14 against the House proposal. A negotiation committee comprised of 66 legislators is set up to come to a bond settlement.

■ On Monday, the House of Representatives rejected a proposal to borrow \$750 million for construction for state universities and community colleges. The House insisted on public vote for any money given to UNC-system campuses for construction.

■ On Tuesday, the General Assembly fails to reach a compromise, effectively killing the bond issue until the next session begins.

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President Pro Tem Marc Basnight, said Senate leaders had done everything in their power to work out a compromise with the House.

"Basically we bent over backwards to accommodate those folks," he said.

Lamme said the House members who would not support a package that did not include a referendum were really against aiding the state's universities

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Students Mull ONE Card Perks

Some students say despite the new functions on UNC ONE cards, they do not plan to switch to Wachovia.

By WILL FOUSHEE
Staff Writer

UNC ONE Cards will be beefed up in the fall with an ATM function and later a check card option, but some students say they have mixed feelings on whether the features are enough to make them change banks.

Students will have to obtain a Wachovia account to reap the benefits of the new OneCard since it has been chosen as the vendor for UNC.

Associate Vice Chancellor for Auxiliary Services Carolyn Elfland said in order to take the ONE card off campus and make the ATM and check cards an option, UNC needed to partner with a financial institution.

Senior Alge Crumpler, who banks with CCB, said said despite the advantages a Wachovia account presented, he would not bite.

"I've been with CCB for years, and I've never been dissatisfied," Crumpler said.

But senior communication studies major Terry Steckowich said the new features were enough to make him switch. Steckowich banks with NationsBank.

"It would be a benefit to be able to take the OneCard to anywhere," Steckowich said.

"It would also be nice if students were able to use the OneCard at the ATM," he said.

Some incoming freshmen who got word of the Wachovia deal said they were already making plans to make their ONE cards ATM-ready. Incoming freshman Chris Collins, who banked with Family Trust, said he was switching to Wachovia as soon as he arrived at UNC in the fall.

"I'm planning on banking with Wachovia because of the new added features on the OneCard," Collins said.

But some students said the hassle of changing banks was not worth the new ONE card options.

Sophomore Jeremy Roark said he would continue to bank with First Union. "I use my expense account, but it wouldn't be worth the trouble to change banks."

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Journalism School Makes Move to Carroll

The School of Journalism and Mass Communication moved from Howell Hall, its home since the 1960s.

By WILL FOUSHEE
Staff Writer

The lights are on, the halls are filled with boxes and the freshly painted walls of Carroll Hall are littered with empty display cases as professors in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication move into the school's new home this week.

With its expanded entrance and a video wall with capabilities of showing up to four different news stations at the same time, Carroll Hall has taken on a world class status, Thomas Bowers, James L. Knight Professor and associate dean of the journalism school, said.

The new Carroll Hall has a production studio, electronic newsroom and control room, Bowers said.

"We hope to be able to air newscasts in the studio as a class to air on-campus cable television," Bowers said.

Bowers said he was excited, but sad to leave Howell Hall, his home for over 28 years. "We finally have a first-class home for a first-class school," Bowers said.

Carroll Hall will also feature five computer lab classrooms, a computer

classroom in the library for teaching about resources and searching and an open lab for students, Bowers said.

The newest advancement in Carroll Hall will benefit the photojournalism sequence, Bowers said.

"In Howell, we used traditional chemical processing, but in Carroll we're using digital photography," Bowers said.

Carroll will also contain the Freedom Forum Conference Center, built with donations from the Freedom Forum in Arlington, Va., the conference room features a 3x3 video wall, used for general conferences and special instruction, Bowers said.

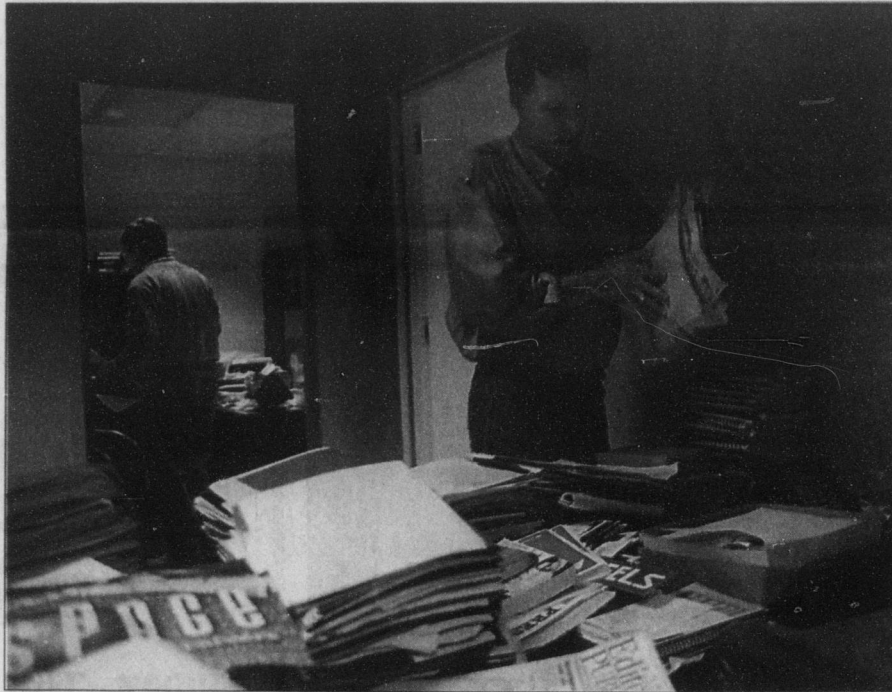
"Our future is looking better and better, we have a better facility, more technology and can back it with our traditional strong teaching," Bowers said.

The expanded Park Library, increasing from 1100 square feet at Howell to 5000 square feet at Carroll, the library boasts stations for PC hookups for the Carolina Computing Initiative to a Geographic Imaging System, which tracks trends and demographics, Library Director Barbara Semonche said.

Bowers said he was excited about the addition of the Charles Kurlat Learning Center, which would contain an exact reproduction of the contents from his Manhattan office.

Richard Cole, dean of the school,

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Jay Eubank, director of career services for the School of Journalism and Mass Communication, moves into his new office in Carroll Hall while Terry Ashley, project representative, checks the building for last minute quirks.

Waldorf to Seek Re-election

Rosemary Waldorf, two-term mayor of Chapel Hill, has filed to run for a third term in the upcoming elections.

By JACOB MCCONNICO
City/State & National Editor

Mayor Rosemary Waldorf announced Tuesday that she would seek re-election to Chapel Hill's top elected office.

Waldorf, 46, Chapel Hill's first female mayor, has served since 1995 and was the only resident to file for the mayoral race as of Wednesday.

In a local press release Waldorf outlined a 9 item agenda that she would pursue if elected to a third term as mayor. These priorities include:

■ Maintain a productive and stable relationship between the town staff and the Chapel Hill Town Council.

■ Maintain an open relationship

between the town and the University.

■ Begin work on a series of capital improvement projects approved by voters in 1996, including the Northern Community Park, renovations and additions to the town's police and public works facilities and the new southern fire station.

■ Address the town's transportation needs by lobbying the governor and the legislature for more state funding of public transportation.

"We cannot look at Chapel Hill as a microcosm, as a biological cell whose walls cannot be penetrated," she said. "In transportation terms, we in Chapel Hill are connected with Carrboro, Hillsborough, Orange County, Durham, Durham County, Chatham County, RTP, Cary, Raleigh and Wake County.



Incumbent Rosemary Waldorf has announced that she will seek a third term as Chapel Hill's mayor.

"Our need is to be better connected, more multi-modally and more quickly."

■ Address affordable housing issues in order to maintain diversity in the town.

"We need strong public policy actions to maintain the diversity of Chapel Hill — after all, it's that diversity that attracts so many newcomers to our area," she said.

Waldorf was elected to the Town Council in 1993 and has served two terms as mayor since 1995. She ran unopposed in 1997.

Don Hartman, who worked on Waldorf's campaign, said he doubted anyone would run against her in 1999. "She is such an effective mayor," he said. "I think it would be suicidal to run against her."

To date, Ruby Sinreich, Bill Strom and Jim Ward have announced they would seek Town Council seats. Incumbents Flicka Bateman, Pat Evans and Julie McClintock have not filed for re-election and Joe Capowski said he would not run again.

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Officials Try to Tie Up Bond, Budget by Fall

Provost Dick Richardson said UNC officials had whittled the budget shortfall to \$7.8 million.

By RACHEL CARTER
Senior Writer

After spending most of the summer trying to get a billion-dollar bond package through the N.C. General Assembly for the UNC-system campuses, University officials expressed disappointment after legislators abandoned the bill.

"The bond issue has been totally consuming," Provost Dick Richardson said. "It was terribly hard for us. We think we made a compelling case."

The University could see a 44,000 rise in enrollment over the next 10 years, which would make construction necessary, Richardson said.

The bond proposal went through several different versions before House and Senate leaders decided that they would

be unable to compromise.

"It's a question of finding the political solution," Richardson said.

UNC leaders would begin rethinking lobbying efforts in a few weeks, Richardson said, after having a chance to lick their wounds.

Finances have dominated the administration's summer. Richardson has been also working on the million dollar budget shortfall and expects to wrap discussions about the deficit up at the end of the week.

"We were looking at an \$11 million shortfall but then got it down to \$7.8 million," Richardson said. He said that after getting the deficit down to \$7.8 million,

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Provost Dick Richardson called the legislature's rejection of the bond package "terrible."

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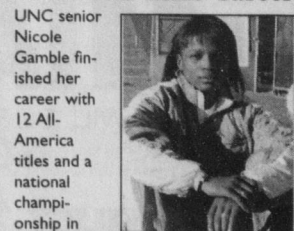
Kubrick's Final Film



Under his masterful direction, Stanley Kubrick's last film raises

unanswerable questions about honesty, trust and revenge among a backdrop of sexual depravity. The result is breathtaking cinema at its best. See Page 5.

Track Star Ends Career



UNC senior Nicole Gamble finished her career with 12 All-America titles and a national championship in indoor triple jump. Gamble also earned spots of three national teams for her efforts in the long and triple jump. See Page 2.

Practical politics consists ignoring facts.

Henry Adams