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PICK-UP LINES

- 1) I lost my number.
Can I have yours?
- 2) If I could rearrange
the alphabet, I'd put
U and I together.
- 3) Do you believe in love
at first sight or should
I walk by again?
- 4) Excuse me, do you have
any raisins? Then how
about a date?
- 5) Can I take your picture?
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UNC Benefactor 'Left No Clues'

Details about the man who gave \$28.6 million to UNC are scarce, but his sister says he had many interests.

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Among other passions, UNC alumnus David Clayton loved dancing.

Now, thanks to him and the life he led, University officials and students can dance to the tune of his will's \$28.6 million bequest to the University.

The money Clayton gave to the University was not his first philanthropic effort. He donated to the Lutheran denomination and established the Mamie C. Clayton Eye Fund.

Born to Morris and Mamie Clayton in Asheville on February 19, 1922, David Benjamin Clayton grew up as the youngest of three children.

Rosellen Clayton Gyland, his sister and also a UNC graduate, remembers his interests in Spanish, Doberman pin-

schers and golf. "He played a beautiful piano," she said.

Gyland called him a brilliant man and a hardworker. "He got up at 5 a.m. every morning and made lists of tasks for the day," she said.

Clayton owned H&R Block franchises, agencies that help customers prepare their taxes, in several states. He also owned a printing business and Coosa Island in Alabama, Gyland said.

According to alumni records, Clayton attended Lee H. Edwards High School in Asheville, Biltmore College and did post-graduate work at Michigan State University.

He studied Spanish in Mexico and graduated from the University in 1949 with a degree in commerce.

Clayton also served at Fort Bragg during World War II as a sergeant, Gyland said. Confusion surrounded the fire that caused his death on April 2, 1978, at Coosa Island. While the Asheville Citizen-Times reported that he died in a fire, Gyland said Clayton's house was firebombed by a disgruntled employee.

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David Benjamin Clayton bequeathed UNC \$28.6 million.

of development, said, "He left us no clues."

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Man Given Death for Grisly Racial Murder

Associated Press

BRYAN, Texas — A jury decided Thursday that racist ex-convict Lawrence Russell Brewer should pay with his life for the dragging death of a black man, sending him to death row to join a buddy who also took part in the crime.

After 14 hours of deliberations over two days, the jury rejected arguments that a life sentence would be adequate punishment for Brewer, 32.

"I'm not a death penalty fan, but this is a situation where if you don't give the death penalty to this man, he'll hurt and

kill again," said Jasper County District Attorney Guy James Gray.

Brewer's former prison buddy, John William King, 24, is already on death row, convicted in February in the murder of James Byrd Jr.

Byrd, 49, was chained at the ankles to a pickup truck and dragged to pieces in the East Texas town of Jasper last year in one of the nation's grisliest crimes since the civil rights era.

A third man, Shawn Allen Berry, 24, goes on trial next month. Prosecutors will seek the death penalty in that case, too. Prosecutors said Brewer and King were organizing a white supremacist

organization and wanted to do something dramatic to give their group publicity. Brewer later bragged about the crime in jailhouse letters.

Brewer showed little reaction to the verdict, pursing his lips slightly. His mother, Helen, who along with her husband had pleaded with the jury to spare his life, dabbed her face with a handkerchief.

Brewer testified that he only tried to kick Byrd as Byrd and King fought. He said Berry slit the man's throat with a knife and he didn't realize Berry had chained Byrd to the bumper until they began driving away.

BEQUEST

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Bill McCoy said. "I think of it as an important focal point for all students."

Twelve million dollars, the largest allocation from the Clayton gift, will be used to create 400 National Merit Scholarships. Jerome Lucido, director of admissions, said \$600,000 would be used yearly to create scholarship allotments of \$1,000 to \$2,000 each. "This will enable us to attract extraordinary students from North Carolina and from

around the country," Lucido said.

The undergraduate advising program will receive \$5 million from the donation, which will be divided into \$250,000 annual installments.

Risa Palm, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said the money would aid the newly restructured program. This system, implemented this semester, has added seven full-time advisers and has placed students on advising teams.

"I think it's going to have a major impact on advising in the future," Palm said. "Students will have access to advis-

ers for longer periods of time and the new teams mean that the student doesn't have to go to one particular individual."

Lee Conner, Graduate and Professional Student Federation president, said the gift and its initiatives would improve the intellectual life for everyone involved with the University.

"In terms of a one-time bombshell type of thing, this is it," Conner said. "This is an amazing amount of money."

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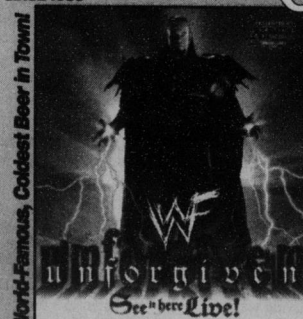
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In addition to continuing such programs, completion of the 40,000-square-foot building will allow the BCC to offer a library and media center, an art gallery and space for classrooms, meeting rooms and performances.

The University's Upward Bound Program and the Institute of African-American Research will also be located in the new building.

The project's anticipated cost is about \$9 million, \$3.5 million of which has already been raised by the BCC. The rest of the money will come from a new Chancellor's Discretionary Fund, established by the Clayton bequest.

BCC Director Gerald Horne was in Hong Kong, where he is spending the year, when the funding was announced. "Obviously I feel gratified by the action," he stated in an e-mail Thursday. "I, along with many others, have worked hard to make this happen."

Interim Director Harry Amana said the funding showed the University's recognition of the BCC's importance.

"It's happened on my watch," Amana said. "But obviously the people who worked on this preceded me — Gerald (Horne), Michael Hooker. ... This is attributable to their efforts."

Amana said BCC supporters had sought complete funding for the free-standing building for a number of years. "We've had this dream for a long time," he said. "Since (Sonja Haynes Stone) passed in 1991, it's been intensified."

Associate Vice Chancellor Marjorie Crowell, who has been active in the development of the BCC, also said the funding was overdue.

"In general, bricks and mortar are more difficult to raise money for than scholarships or professorships," Crowell said. "People had to be educated about the center to understand the significance of what the center is and does."

The BCC, established in 1988, was a priority for late Chancellor Michael Hooker. It was named for the late Sonja Haynes Stone, a University professor who originally advocated the center.

"The BCC is a great place for all students to participate in educational programs," said African-American studies Professor Tim McMillan. "It's very important that the black community on campus be visible."

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