



The University and Towns IN BRIEF

Dean Smith Named N.C. Man of the Year

Retired Tar Heel basketball coach and legend Dean Smith was the recipient of the 2000 North Carolinian of the Year award by the North Carolina Press Association.

Smith will be honored at the 127th Annual NCPA Convention, July 20-23, at the Wilmington Hilton Hotel. He will give the keynote address during the general membership breakfast on Friday, July 21.

Two UNC Professors Get National Attention

The Sierra Club Board of Directors elected Robert Cox of Chapel Hill on Saturday to lead the nation's premier grassroots environmental organization. Cox is a professor of ecology curriculum and communications studies at UNC. Cox previously served two terms as President of the Sierra Club from 1994 to 1996, and led its efforts to halt the environmental assault committed by the Newt Gingrich Congress.

Steven Rosefield, professor of economics at UNC, is among the first class of 12 Carnegie Scholars awarded a total of \$1.1 million to support innovative scholarship and policy-focused research in education, international development, democracy and international peace and security. Carnegie Corporation of New York was created by Andrew Carnegie in 1911 to promote "the advancement and diffusion of knowledge and understanding." Rosefield has been a member of the UNC's faculty since 1970.

Grant Allows Ackland to Show Himalayan Art

Art from Tibet and Nepal, a sand mandala created on-site by Tibetan lamas and lectures by experts in the art and spirituality of the Himalayan region are coming to the Ackland Art Museum.

The plans were made possible by a recent \$45,000 grant from the Museum Loan Network, a national collection-sharing program funded by the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation and the Pew Charitable Trusts. Ackland was one of 19 network grant recipients nationally. Hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays, 1 to 5 p.m.

Summer Hours for Facilities Announced

The Recreation Services Department has announced summer hours for recreational facilities. Fetzer and Woolen Gyms will be operating from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m., and the Student Recreation Center will be open from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. The pool will be open from 6:15 to 7:30 a.m. and noon to 8 p.m.

Friday is Deadline for Summer Intramurals

The summer deadline is Friday, May 26 for the following intramural sports: 3-on-3 Basketball, Disc (Frisbee) Golf, Tennis and Beach Volleyball. These programs are open to all enrolled summer and fall students and faculty and staff who have purchased summer Gym and Pool Privilege Cards.).

WXYC Hiring DJ's

WXYC, 89.3 FM, will have an interest meeting for anyone interested in being a disc jockey. The meeting will be Wednesday, May 31, at 6 p.m. in Union Room 224. For more information, call 962-8989 or send e-mail to wxyz@unc.edu.

From Staff Reports

The Carrboro Board of Aldermen wait to hear an alternate proposal that would cost taxpayers less.

By RUSS LANE
Staff Writer

Students hoping to catch a free ride on local buses will have to wait as an alternate proposal benefitting nonstudents seems more feasible.

The free-fare proposal was originally intended to provide students and residents in Carrboro and Chapel Hill with free bus fare.

However, the plan was put on hold at Tuesday night's Carrboro Board of Aldermen meeting due to its high cost and subsequent tax and student fee increases.

A one-year trial for free bus fare would cost the town of Carrboro \$62,109, raising residents' tax rates by more than 77 cents.

Some members of the Board, such as Mark Dorosin, also were concerned the fare-free system would sacrifice bus quality for thriftiness.

Dorosin said, "If we're going to spend any more money, we should work on service and extended hours rather than getting rid of the fares and keeping (the service) as it is now."

Town Manager Robert Morgan, saying fare-free busing would not occur this year, introduced such a proposal as Dorosin suggested.

Morgan said his plan would extend bus operating hours to 8:30 p.m. and possibly lengthen the F bus route.

Additionally, Morgan's proposal also made the buses run year round, removing the 17 weeks in which the bus does not run.

"It is directed toward nonstudent professionals who need the bus after 6:30 p.m.," Morgan said.

The new extended-hours proposal will cost Carrboro taxpayers \$3,586 less than the free-fare proposal, although the frequency of bus visits will remain the

same.

Although the revision provides a consistent level of year-round service, Alderman Diana McDuffee said she considered the new proposal to be only an update to the transit system's status quo.

"It's improving (mass transit) to the current level - not enough to increase usership," she said.

Despite the alternate proposal benefitting nonstudents, several Aldermen said they still wanted University students to receive free-fare bus rides in the future.

"The (extended-hours) proposal focuses on increasing ridership when students aren't here," McDuffee said.

"The proposal that came up does nothing for the students."

Morgan said he wanted to encourage more student representation in revising the Carrboro and Chapel Hill transit system, but that the summer was not the best time.

"I think the students ought to be at the table since that's who's most affected (by the free-fare proposal)," he said.

McDuffee said she met the new proposal with reluctance, although conceding that little else could be done.

She said, "I'll accept that this is the best we can do this year."

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Summer Offers Variety of Recreation for Youth

Summer camps and recreational sports allow area residents to enjoy a fun-filled and active summer.

By JENNY ROSSER
Staff Writer

With the arrival of summer, town recreation staff are gearing up for activities ranging from camps to cooking classes aimed to keep youth and adult residents busy during the hot months.

Both the Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation Department and the YMCA are preparing for a season filled with swimming, biking, fishing and countless other activities.

Kim Grooms, youth and family director for the YMCA, said three main camps were offered by the department during the summer.

Grooms said camps included Clearwater and All-Star Sports, both of which were catered towards six to 12 year-olds, while Camp Navigator was a leadership training program designed for teens between the ages of 13 and 15-years-old.

"Clearwater, which meets off of Mount Carmel Church Road, is an outdoor camp that has activities like canoeing, archery, swimming and fishing," she said. "The sports camps teach the fundamentals of sports like basketball, soccer, volleyball and lacrosse."

Fourth-grader Abbey Waller said she attended several sessions at Camp Clearwater every year.

"I've done it for three years and I'm already signed up for this summer," she said. "I especially like the last session because there's a big party."

Fourth-grader Ben Isacs said he was enrolled in his favorite camp, All-Star sports.

"I think sports camp rules because I've done it for three years, and I've gotten to play, be active in sports and have fun with the counselors."

Chelsea Slegal, a fourth-grader at Estes Elementary School, said she had participated in Camp Clearwater in the past, but enjoyed some aspects of it more than others.

"I liked to do the bow and arrow shooting," she said. "I didn't like swimming in the lake during camp Clearwater because I only like to swim in clear water."

Grooms said Navigator was a service learning camp whose participants traveled to the other programs to learn youth leadership skills by working with younger campers as well as older counselors.

All the programs meet in two-week sessions, but a one-week session at the end of the summer is offered for each camp, Grooms said.

In addition to the main programs, for the third consecutive year the Hubert Davis Basketball Camp has been offered to 60 boys, ages 10 to 17.

Davis, a former UNC basketball star who plays in the NBA for the Dallas Mavericks, coordinates the 3-day camp.

Davis said the Christ-focused program was his way of giving back to the community.

"The two most important things in my life are Christ and basketball," he said. "I'm trying to give kids both on and off the court instruction. I'm in the NBA for a reason, and it's not just to play basketball."

Davis also said that although the program was designed for boys, he hoped to have a girl's camp by next year.

Parker Wiebe, a fifth-grader at Seawell Elementary School, said he attended the basketball camp last year and planned to participate again.

"It's fun because we get to play basketball, and then he makes us pray," he said.

Ricky Wilson, a medical student at UNC who has been a camp counselor

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PARKER WHITE

A fifth-grader describing the Hubert Davis Basketball Camp

Sonya Holley, programming and marketing supervisor for Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation, said the department was also offering a variety of activities for area youth.

"We have 56 pages full of summer programs," she said.

Like the YMCA, Holley said the most popular activities were directed toward children ranging in age from 6 to 12 and included two general camps.

In addition to the programs the department coordinates every year, Holley said that for the first time this summer, week-long sports camps would be offered.

Holley said the camps would begin in June and included volleyball, basketball, tennis, squash and flag football. A cooking camp for kids between 10 and 13 (years old) and a more high-tech community cuisine class for 13 to 18-year-olds would also be available.

Holley said the department also had plenty of activities to ensure that adults remained as occupied as the area's youth.

"We have a new photo preservation class, beginning jewelry making, pottery programs, outdoor nature tree and shrub identification and swing dance classes," she said.

Co-ed softball and volleyball adult sports leagues are offered for residents interested in an active summer.

Holley said Chapel Hill also had six biking and walking trails, the most popular of which include Battle Branch, Bolin Creek and Cedar Falls.

Nate Davis, director of Hargrave Recreation Center, said UNC students often participated in the programs as counselors, and that he was hiring for summer positions.

Davis said the center had an outdoor public pool which was used primarily by young campers. The pool holds open hours for anyone who wants to swim at a small cost.

Davis said parents interested in enrolling their children in camps should do so as soon as possible because spaces would probably fill up in the next two weeks.

"In the summer camps kids play games, make crafts, take swimming lessons, play sports, participate in dance and drama activities and go on field trips to museums and parks," he said.

A Youth in Action Teen Club which plans recreation activities, educational programs, dances and workshops with different speakers also meets at the community center.

For those interested in boating and swimming, Jordan Lake State Recreation area is only a 25 minute drive from Chapel Hill.

Ranger Mark Smith said in addition to boating and swimming, the recreation area also organized programs for children. "We offer Catch a Sure Thing, which is a free instructional fishing clinic that takes place every Saturday," he said.

"We also have an Aquatic Adventure program, hiking and classes about the



DTH/MARTHA HOELZER

Hubert Davis, a former UNC basketball player, signs autographs last month while promoting his basketball camp of June 28-30.

animals of Jordan Lake."

Smith said between Monday, May 1 and the weekend after Labor Day, anyone could launch a boat at the lake for a \$4 fee, which included parking.

Anyone interested in more information should contact Ranger Susan McBean at 362-0586.

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