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## Kuralt's Legacy Lives on at UNC

Charles Kuralt's office has been moved to a new center in Carroll Hall showing the famous alumnus' work.

By CHRIS STEGALL  
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As you descend the staircase into Charles Kuralt's office, you see photographs of him with Norman Schwarzkopf, composer Vladimir Horowitz and other celebrities.

Your eye follows the row of 12 Emmys that line the top of Kuralt's mahogany bookcase. It leads you down to the bust of Kuralt that was commissioned by his brother Wallace.

Kuralt thought the bust looked too stern, so it sports a Carolina blue UNC baseball hat.

Behind Kuralt's desk is a get-well card from President Bill Clinton.

And while Kuralt died three years ago, his legacy lives on in Carroll Hall.

Kuralt's Manhattan office has been moved to the University to be part of the Charles Kuralt Learning Center in the School of Journalism and Mass

Communication.

"I think Charles Kuralt fans will be excited to find that he is here," said Lois Cranford, chairwoman of the center's docents' committee and a 1945 graduate of the school.

The other section of the office is a recreation of Kuralt's personal work area. Again, books fill one side and Kuralt's desk rests in the center.

A desk lamp arches over the center of the desk beside an ash tray containing a pack of Pall Mall cigarettes.

A stack of honorary degrees sits beside some cigars on top of the cabinets behind his desk.

Several robes Kuralt wore in academic processions hang on a coat rack a few feet away. His three Peabody and numerous other awards fill the office and dot the walls.

"I think it's a wonderful collection," Cranford said. "It's a wonderful collection in memory of somebody very special."

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LOIS CRANFORD  
Chairwoman of the Kuralt Center Docents' Committee

The journalism school carefully studied the original office before moving the contents. Pictures were taken of the bookcases in order to place the books exactly as they were left.

"We've recreated the office as much



Volunteer docent Lois Cranford looks through a Charles Kuralt photo album in the Charles Kuralt Learning Center in Carroll Hall. Kuralt's Emmy awards, office furnishings, books and personal mementos are available for visitors to view.

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as possible," Dean Richard Cole said.

All efforts aside, though, the room is not an exact re-creation of Kuralt's West 57th Street office.

Many of the awards were absent from the old office, Cranford said.

Some items will be added, as well. In the future, the center will have computer, audio, and visual equipment so visitors can study Kuralt's life and work. Digitized copies of Kuralt's televised works will also be available.

Cole said the center will serve many functions for the school, citing its roles as those of a museum, a learning center, and a place to hold special events.

"It'll be used for all sorts of things," Cole said. "Everybody's welcome."

Cole described Kuralt as a splendid journalist, calling him "the most beloved television journalist ever."

"There were bigger names but people

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## Carrboro Man Dies From Suicide By Hanging

By KATE HARTIG  
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Groundskeepers at a local apartment complex found the body of a 21-year-old Hispanic male early Tuesday morning in Carrboro.

Rene Correa Guevera, of Guanaajuato, Mexico, was discovered dead near an embankment behind Royal Park Apartments, located at 500

Highway 54 By-Pass. He committed suicide by hanging.

Guevera was last seen socializing with friends around 2:30 a.m. Tuesday. He was discovered just before 8:30 a.m., and police arrived shortly after, according to reports.

"There were no indications of foul play, or evidence of a struggle," Carrboro Police Capt. J.G. Booker said. "There was only damage to one area of

his body and one area only, his neck."

Guevera tied a cloth-like material around his neck and attached it to a long vine over an embankment. He went up to a high part of the embankment and leaned over, hanging himself from the vine, said Booker.

"He did the hanging in such a way that in 6-10 seconds you could lose consciousness," Booker said. "He lost oxygen, and then combined with his own

weight, it caused his death."

Guevera has been in the area for about four years. He had three brothers in the area, according to Booker. His mother was in the area, but has since moved back to Mexico. Family has been contacted.

Booker said that there may have been some alcohol involved, but toxic reports have not come in yet. "He may have been drinking with his friends that

night," he said. "As far as we know, we don't think he used drugs."

Police have contacted a local church Guevera attended, and another service organization that will aid the family in getting Guevera's body to Mexico.

Father Chris Flanagan of St. Thomas More Catholic Church located at 940 Carmichael St., said they are working to help make burial arrangements in Mexico. The church will also hold a ser-

vice for Guevera's family, he said.

"We will most likely take up a collection during mass on Sunday to help with the expenses to transport his body," he said. "I am also going to continue working with Guevera's brothers to resolve the issues surrounding their brother's death."

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### STORMY SKIES



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This Piper Cherokee Warrior airplane crashed in the P parking lot near Horace Williams Airport on Thursday morning due to strong winds, injuring its two passengers. See story, page 3

## Budget Shortchanges UNC

By WORTH CIVILS  
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Financial aid and increased faculty salaries proposed by the UNC Board of Governors to offset the tuition hike are not fully supported in Gov. Jim Hunt's state budget for the next fiscal year.

The BOG proposal to the governor's office asked for close to \$30 million for a state-supported financial aid program and a six percent increase in UNC faculty salaries. But Hunt's budget only included \$11.4 million for the first-time financial aid program and a three percent increase for all state employees, including UNC faculty.

The governor's \$13.9 billion budget is now in joint committee in the N.C. General Assembly and will go to the House of Representatives next week.

The Senate will make final amendments to the budget before it goes to a joint conference. The House and Senate will then vote on the budget as a conference report and send it back to the governor for final approval. The legislature's goal is to have the budget ready by July 1, the beginning of the next fiscal year.

Some legislators and student lobbyists are not satisfied with the governor's budget because it does not compensate enough for the tuition increase for UNC schools. The tuition hike, approved in February by the BOG, includes a 2.1 percent system-wide increase and a \$600 raise for UNC-Chapel Hill and N.C. State University, which will go directly towards faculty pay. Three other schools also approved smaller hikes.

Marvin Dorman, state budget officer for the governor, said Hunt actually did

not include the system-wide tuition increase in his budget because he did not want to limit the universities.

"(Gov. Hunt) is not speaking on how to spend (the revenue from tuition)," Dorman said. "It should stay in the university system." But he said legislators could always add the 2.1 percent increase to the state budget. "That's their privilege if that's what they want to do."

Opponents of the tuition increase are lobbying for the General Assembly to keep the \$11.4 million for financial aid, if not increase it.

Rep. William McMahan, R-Mecklenburg, said, "Financial aid should accompany the tuition increase."

Rep. Verla Insko, D-Chatham and Orange, said, "It would be nice if (the

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## Budget Cuts in Financial Aid Rally Student Groups to Action

By MARK THOMAS  
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Though last fall's battle over tuition hikes may be behind University students, many could still face yet another financial issue concerning their education.

A budget proposal made by the Board of Governors, the policy making body for the UNC system, requested during the spring semester that nearly \$30 million be earmarked for the state's

newly established financial aid funding. Governor Jim Hunt's altering of the aid proposal suggested this amount be cut by nearly two-thirds to \$11.4 million.

The proposal is meant to benefit students in all 16 universities and 59 community colleges in the UNC system.

Hunt's financial aid proposal is currently in legislative committee where it could once again undergo significant changes.

Some students have begun to take a proactive role in seeing that the changes

made in the financial aid proposal are more in line with the BOG's request than with Hunt's.

Sandi Chapman of the Coalition for Educational Access, a student organization representing the interests of the students in all 16 schools in the UNC system said that her organization will fight the governor's proposal.

"We are going to push for the legislature to put the proposal back to the initial \$31 million," said Chapman.

Student Congress Speaker Alex Bell

noted that the fight for financial aid has some adversity to overcome.

"It's summer so gathering strong student presence will be tough," she said.

Chapman said she believed that a strong lobby by the Coalition for Educational Access on the financial aid issue would be highly beneficial in achieving their goal.

"In the tuition fight, student presence was great," she said.

Chapman noted that, although the tuition increase eventually went

through, the massive student awareness that was sparked was a victory.

"When students begin to mobilize, that is a victory right there," she said. "It's only when students express their dissatisfaction with things that the legislature takes notice."

During the tuition fight students gathered outside BOG meetings and voiced their objections, on one occasion with the aid of a microphone.

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### INSIDE Thursday

#### Hot Tunes to Chill By

Stereolab and Big Tymers both have new CDs gracing store shelves this week. But do they live up to the hype? Should you rush out and buy it? Read our comprehensive reviews of *First of the Microbe Hunters* and *I Got That Work* to find out. See Page 5.

#### Choosing A Winner

As the 2000 amateur baseball draft approaches, several Tar Heels await their professional fate. At stake, a chance to strike it big in the Majors. We have the rundown of what to expect Monday. See Page 7.

#### Dinner and a Movie

Whether it's blockbuster action or indie drama you want, there's a multitude of offerings at the theaters this weekend. Check out our reviews of "Mission Impossible 2" and "The Virgin Suicides" before you stand in line at the box office. See Page 6.

#### The DTH Wants You!

Bored already this summer? Come work at The (Weekly) DTH. We need people to utilize their skills in reporting, design, graphics, photo and copy editing. Questions? Email Editor Brian Frederick at dtheditor@yahoo.com.

Pay no attention to what the critics say. No attention has ever been put up to a critic.

Jean Finnius