



The University and Towns

IN BRIEF

Three UNC Professors Honored with Awards

Dr. Gary Marchionini, professor at UNC's School of Information and Library Science, has been awarded the Frederick G. Kilgour Award for Research in Library and Information Technology. The award was established to honor the achievements of UNC Distinguished Research Professor Frederick G. Kilgour, the founder of the Online Computer Library Center and a major figure in library automation. The award, first presented in 1998, aims to bring attention to "real-world" research related to the development of information technologies. The award consists of a \$2,000 cash prize, an expense-paid trip to the conference and a citation of merit. Marchionini will be recognized at the American Library Association's annual conference in Chicago later this summer.

Dr. Harold R. Roberts, professor of medicine and pathology at the School of Medicine, received an honorary doctor of medicine degree May 26 from Lund University in Sweden. Roberts was cited for his contributions to coagulation research and, following the tradition of Lund, received a gold ring from the vice chancellor and a two-cannon salute during the ceremony.

Dr. Barbara M. Wildemuth, associate professor, has been named Outstanding Teacher of the Year by UNC's School of Information and Library Science. The award was announced May 21 at the school's commencement ceremony.

Videoconference On Health Relating to Race

UNC's school of Public Health's Minority Health Project will advance its ongoing efforts to address health disparities among racial and ethnic populations through its sixth annual Public Health Research Videoconference being held June 12-16.

Compelling evidence that race and ethnicity correlate with persistent, and often increasing, health disparities among U.S. populations demands the attention of national and statewide leaders and researchers.

Despite notable progress in the overall health of the nation, there continue to be higher rates of illness and death experienced by blacks, Hispanics, American Indians, Hawaiian natives, Alaskan natives, Pacific Islanders and some groups of Asian Americans.

The Minority Health Project works to improve the availability of health data on racial/ethnic populations. This is an essential resource enabling the state and nation's health care professionals and policy-makers to understand and eliminate the causes of health disparities.

EPA Contract Renewal Allows For Internships

UNC's School of Information and Library Science will continue a unique, 25-year partnership with the Environmental Protection Agency under a contract renewal that involves providing services to the federal agency as well as the National Institute of Environmental Health Science.

Under the terms of the five-year contract renewal, valued at up to \$1 million, UNC will administer an internship program for master's students that supplements class work.

Since the program began, more than 250 interns have supplied library services to EPA and NIEHS researchers in the Research Triangle Park, gaining professional-level experience in reference, inter-library loan, cataloging, online searching, serials and branch library management.

The partnership gives students the opportunity to apply what they learn in class, rotate through different departments and obtain valuable experience that program organizers hope will give them a better understanding of what they want to do in the future.

Safety Seat Inspection for Concerned Parents

Parents who are concerned about their child's safety while traveling in the car are encouraged to visit a safety seat inspection and clinic to be offered Thursday, June 22. The free clinic will be held from 9 a.m. until noon at Chapel Hill Fire Station No. 4. The station is located at the corner of Airport and Weaver Dairy roads.

Experts supervising the clinic will inspect car seats for proper installation and offer parents tips to help improve safety while traveling with a child. The clinic is sponsored by UNC Health Care and the Chapel Hill Fire Department. For more information, call 966-7189.

From Staff Reports

Frankenberg, Marine Sciences Professor, Dies

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The University community mourns the loss of Dirk Frankenberg, a well-known marine scientist and professor, who died of a heart attack at his home in Hillsborough, June 10. He was 62.

Highly involved in marine science research, Frankenberg continually studied North Carolina's natural areas and sought to educate the public on how to preserve them.

Frankenberg spent the past 10 years writing books about the habitats of N.C. His last project, a book he edited for the

University Press, was titled, "Exploring North Carolina's Natural Areas." It looked into the parks and natural areas of North Carolina and spoke about the importance of their preservation.

Watts Hill Jr., a close friend of Frankenberg and resident of Chapel Hill said he learned much about the N.C. coast through his talks.

"I can't emphasize enough that he wasn't just a fine teacher and scientist but also that so much of his work was dedicated to improving the lives of people in North Carolina," he said.

Frankenberg joined the University in 1974. He worked at the University's

Institute of Marine Sciences in Morehead City and in the marine sciences department in Chapel Hill during his time at UNC.

Conrad Neumann, a professor of marine sciences, said Frankenberg worked hard to transform the Morehead lab into a major research facility.

"The man was full of energy and popular with students. He worked hard at his teaching and his passing is a great loss for the University and the state," Neumann said.

Besides teaching on the undergraduate and graduate levels, Frankenberg co-administered the Science Opportunity

Fellows Program. The program, a joint effort between UNC, UNC-Pembroke, N.C. A&T and Elizabeth City State University, provides financial support and experience to minorities interested in earth, ocean and environmental sciences.

Frankenberg also served as the chair of the Governor's Advisory Committee to the N. C. Museum of Natural Science.

A native of Concord, Mass., Frankenberg received his bachelor's degree from Dartmouth University in 1959. He entered Emory University and received his master's and doctoral degrees in 1962.

He was head of the marine sciences curriculum at the University from 1974-90 and led the Institute of Marine Sciences in Morehead City from 1980-93.

Frankenberg's most notable books include "The Nature of the Outer Banks," published in 1995, and its companion book, "The Nature of the Southern Coast," published in 1997.

In lieu of flowers, his family asks that contributions be made to the N.C. Museum of Natural Sciences in Raleigh.

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Project Uplift Gives Minorities a Taste of UNC

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Many academically talented minority high school juniors from across the state will get a little taste of college life this summer through a project designed to acquaint prospective students with the University.

Project Uplift, which runs through June, began its 31st year last week. The first week drew more than 225 black, hispanic and Native American students to campus for the three-day pre-orientation program that includes a stay in Connor Residence Hall.

During their stay, prospective students learn about academic programs, student services and student life. They also attend classes in progress and social and recreational functions to experience the life of freshman students.

Program Director, Terri Houston said the project's goal is to inform minority students about the University's academic opportunities and admissions policies.

"(The purpose of the program is) to apprise students of the advantages of a college education, especially a Carolina education."

Student counselors guide participants to and from informational and recreational programs and help introduce them to life at the University.

Counselor Nidhi Okeke, a junior psychology major from Greensboro, called the program highly effective and said it is a major tool in drawing some students to the University.

"It's a good informational program," she said. "A lot of people I've



DTH/ALEXIS RICHARDSON

Delta Sigma Theta sorority members dance their way off the dance floor at the step show for Project Uplift in the Great Hall Friday. The step show was followed by a "Night at the Apollo" performance.

worked with have said it was the final push that got them to come to Carolina. I love it."

Participant Maria Barnes, a prospective student from Dudley, said she learned a lot from her participation.

"They give you a lot of information

on the whole process of getting into college," she said.

Houston praised the program's ability to attract students to UNC.

"It's a phenomenal program," she said. "It's a wonderful recruitment tool."

Participants also have the opportunity to compete in their own version of MTV's "Singled Out" and a talent show that some likened to "Showtime at the Apollo."

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Popular Bar Owner Mourned After Death

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Friends and family gathered Sunday at the University's Forest Theatre to remember Kevin Clyde, owner of Henderson Street Bar and Grill, a popular student bar.

Clyde died on Wednesday, June 7, from a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

Those who knew Clyde described the 34-year-old as a man who gave selflessly of himself to his friends, his employees and the community.

"He was so giving and so generous," Stewart Simpson, co-owner of the Dead Mule Club, of which Clyde was also a co-owner, told The Daily Tar Heel.

Simpson described several examples of Clyde's concern for his employees.

Clyde bought a plane ticket so one of his employees could go home and see his sister's new baby, Simpson said.

Clyde paid all the taxes of another employee who couldn't, he said.

Many of his employees said they considered him a close friend and a part of their families. In 1998, Clyde treated his employees and their families - 38 people in all - to a Christmas vacation in the Bahamas.

Clyde was a respected business owner within the town. He donated bikes to the Chapel Hill Police Department and served as a sponsor for the Department's golf tournament that raised money for North Carolina Special Olympics.

One story that may best speak of

Clyde's life involves a tiger named "Tigger."

Clyde spent a lot of time in Beaufort, where he liked to go off-shore fishing. While in Beaufort one weekend, Clyde read about a tiger in Texas that had once been someone's pet and had been rescued by the Carnivore Preservation Trust in Pittsboro.

On his way back from Beaufort, Clyde called the CPT and asked to adopt the tiger.

From that point on, Clyde often visited the CPT, a 55-acre preserve that breeds endangered rainforest species, to visit Tigger and help with fundraising.

"He used to bring ribs for Tigger," said Lori Widener, Development Director for the CPT. "He enjoyed bringing his friends out here."

Friends and family may never find answers to explain Clyde's suicide.

"Anybody that was down, he would bring them up," Simpson said.

"Which is why it's hard to understand why he didn't think he could ask us all for help."

Henderson Street Bar and Grill has been closed and no plans have been made yet for its future.

At Sunday's service, friends and family played music and told stories.

Orrin Robbins, Clyde's attorney and friend, said at the service, "Kevin truly had more best friends than anybody I've ever met."

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DTH/EMILY SCHURLE

Flowers, messages and photographs sit in remembrance of Henderson Street Bar and Grill owner Kevin Clyde, who died last Wednesday.

Morehead Planetarium Unveils 'Extreme Weather' Show

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With a capacity crowd on hand, officials at Morehead Planetarium unveiled its newest presentation to the public Monday evening.

The planetarium's "Extreme Weather" presentation takes viewers on an interplanetary voyage showcasing the different weather phenomena on Earth and some of its neighboring planets.

The crowd was treated to refreshments and a live weather broadcast given by local meteorologist, Mike Fishel of WRAL, before receiving a free viewing of the planetarium's newest attraction.

Before the presentation, Fishel took a few moments to educate the crowd about weather and the tools used to predict it with a talk entitled "Extreme Fun-Reporting on the Weather." Fishel was also a narrator for "Extreme Weather."

Seated in inclined chairs, which provide those in attendance with a comfortable view of the planetarium's 68 foot diameter dome, the audience was the first to view "Extreme Weather."

But the planetarium's 300 seats were not enough to accommodate the large crowd, said Austin Guiles, the show's producer.

"We brought in 20 extra chairs and there were still about 30 people standing," Guiles said.

From the super-storms on Jupiter to Hurricanes off the Carolina coast, "Extreme Weather" gives the audience an other-worldly perspective of weather, taking viewers from Earth to Uranus and back in the space of about half an hour. In that time a barrage of visuals are accompanied by weather facts.

Guiles said the show took about six months to develop though the idea behind it had been circulating longer.

"I presented the idea to our produc-

tion staff last summer," Guiles said. "Work began in early January."

Times are 1:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. daily, and the show runs until August 13.

Tickets for the show are \$4 for adults and \$3 for children, students and senior citizens.

For more information, contact the planetarium at 962-1236.

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