

Town Leaders Help Students

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Despite popular belief, there is life outside of the University.

The towns of Chapel Hill and Carrboro are just beyond campus borders. Chapel Hill's Town Council and Carrboro's Board of Aldermen lead their respective towns and affect UNC students in direct ways.

For instance, both towns arrange University friendly public transportation, ensure student safety off-campus and monitor housing issues, said Chapel Hill Mayor Rosemary Waldorf and Carrboro Alderman Mark Dorosin.

The town of Chapel Hill also offers the University its fire department's services and provides police officers when the University needs extra help.

To accomplish these tasks, both towns have town managers supervising the day-to-day operations of their communities.

The governing bodies are structured similarly. Each member, including the mayor, has one vote. Each mayor serves a two-year term, while members of the council and board serve four-year terms.

Consisting of seven members, Mayor Pro Tem Lee Pavao and Mayor Waldorf, the Chapel Hill Town Council's members are sensitive to the concerns of the UNC student body and are interested in students' opinions of local issues, Waldorf said.

"In my six and one half years as mayor, I can't remember a time when requests by UNC were not seriously considered or discussed," she said. "We consider ourselves very friendly to the

students and very responsive."

The members of Carrboro's Board of Alderman are not your average politicians, said Dorosin. Alderman Jacquelyn Gist works at UNC Career Service, in addition to her duties in Carrboro, and Dorosin manages Hell, a Chapel Hill bar. Mayor Mike Nelson is North Carolina's first openly gay mayor.

Dorosin said the Board has a distinctive viewpoint that helps tap into the concerns of the student body.

"I think the Board is unique in that four Alderman are under 40," he said. "I'd like to think that gives particular experience in knowing what issues affect younger people - it gives the board a broadened perspective."

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UNC Full of Exciting Adventures

Right before I came to Carolina, a friend of mine handed me the "College Adventure Guide." This little book contains some of the most random bits of advice you can possibly imagine. From crazy to practical, I found myself wondering if any of the stuff in this book would really apply.

Three years later, I have realized that most of the advice was pretty good. The best, by far, was to make a college adventure list of your own. Ask most rising Carolina seniors and they will run off a list of the common sense things that you "just have to do" while you're here.

Live in Hinton James. Take pictures. Make random trips to the beach. Every list will be a little bit different. That's why this place is so great.

Carolina is about creating your own adventures. What you will discover about the world and yourself during your time here is up to you. Just be certain that you'll discover more than you can possibly imagine. Be excited.

Start creating your own adventure list as soon as possible. Take the initiative to seek out opportunities. You will find that many of the best events you will attend aren't known campuswide, but only by a handful of people. Some of the best places to eat aren't on Franklin Street (gasp!). Some of the most fascinating and brilliant people



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you meet here won't be professors or students. Carolina is best experienced when you stop considering limits and start considering possibilities.

Sit in the Pit for an afternoon and see how many different groups are out there. You can get involved in almost anything. Find a great job on campus and learn everything there is to know about that department.

From my seat behind the Union Information Desk, I've seen some very memorable things and made some of my very best friends. I've also discovered just how many things there are to do at Carolina because people ask us about them all. It's amazing how much you can learn about this campus from the questions you don't know the answers to.

Carolina will offer you a lot of opportunities to ask questions. Take advantage of them. Challenge ideas. Be prepared to have your ideas chal-

lenged. Enjoy every second of it. It's just a matter of embracing the opportunities that Carolina offers. You have to be active. Not just in classes or organizations, but in exploring the world.

As you explore, be enthusiastic. Being a Carolina student is one of the greatest privileges in the world.

Whether Carrboro was your first choice or your last, don't ever take this experience for granted. The amount of pride that we take in this university is evident everywhere you look.

Immerse yourself in this experience, this tradition and this university. If your blood isn't Carolina Blue yet, don't worry. It will be.

Our interests and backgrounds are extremely diverse, which means that no matter where you're headed, there is a place for you here.

Listen to the people around you. The advice that they will give you is almost always valuable. There are a tremendous number of paths you can take at this university, each with its own adventures and lessons. No matter which path you choose to explore or how many you follow, remember that Carolina is here for you and you're writing your own adventure guide.

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Kings of the Hill

Chapel Hill is governed by a Town Council that includes eight council members and Mayor Rosemary Waldorf. Here's a glance at Chapel Hill's government leaders.



Rosemary Waldorf
Mayor



Jim Ward
Council member



Pat Evans
Council member



Bill Strom
Council member



Edith Wiggins
Council member



Kevin Foy
Council member



Flicka Bateman
Council member



Joyce Brown
Council member



Lee Pavao
Council member

Carrboro's Chiefs

The town of Carrboro, Chapel Hill's neighbor to the west, is governed by a six member Board of Alderman and a mayor.



Mark Dorosin
Alderman



Jacquelyn Gist
Alderman



Alex Zaffron
Alderman



Diana McDuffee
Alderman



Allen Spalt
Alderman



Joal Broun
Alderman

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