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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 bor-ders. 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 ser-vices and provides police officers when vices and provides police officer the University needs extra help.

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

The governing bodies are structured similarly. Each member, including the mayor, has one vote. Each mayor s 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 Boar Alderman are not your average p cians, said Dorosin. Alder Jacquelyn Gist works at UNC Ca Service, in addition to her dutie Carrboro, and Dorosin manages He Chapel Hill bar. Mayor Mike Nelsc North Carolina's first openly gay ma Dorosin said the Board has a dist

tive viewpoint that helps tap into concerns of the student body. "I think the Board is unique in four Alderman are under 40," he s "I'd like to think that gives partic experience in knowing what issues younger people - it gives the boa broadened perspective.

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lenged. Enjoy every second of it. It just a matter of embracing the oppo

nities that Carolina offers. You have be active. Not just in classes or orga

zations, but in exploring the world.

Being a Carolina student is one of greatest privileges in the world. Whether UNC was your first cho

or your last, don't ever take this exp ence for granted. The amount of pr

that we take in this university is evi

dent everywhere you look. Immerse yourself in this experie

this tradition and this university. If your blood isn't Carolina Blue yet,

Our interests and backgrounds a

extremely diverse, which means th no matter where you're headed, the

Listen to the people around you. The advice that they will give you i almost always valuable. There are a tremendous number of paths you c

take at this university, each with its

own adventures and lessons. No ma

which path you choose to explore how many you follow, remember

Carolina is here for you and you're writing your own adventure guide

don't worry. It will be.

is a place for you here.

As you explore, be enthusiastic

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UNC Full of Exciting Adventure

ight before I came to Carolina, Rafriend 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

dventures. 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. you can possibly imagine, be excited. | Start creating your own adventure list as soon as possible. Take the initia-tive to seek out opportunities. You will find that many of the best events you will attend aren't known campusvide, 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

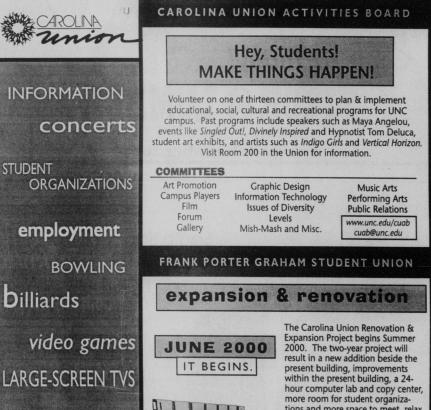
about that department. From my seat behind the Union Information Desk, I've seen some very memorable things and made some of my very best friends. I've also discov ered just how many things there are to do at Carolina because people ask us about them all. It's amazing how much you can learn about this 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 chalBrad Matthews is a senior Poli Science major and current Stud Body President. He can be reached bwad@email.unc.edu

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