



## POLICE ROUNDUP

### Carrboro Police Search For Suspect in Robbery

The Carrboro Police Department responded to an armed robbery between 102 and 104 W. Carr St. about 2:50 a.m. Sunday.

A suspect placed a handgun to the victim's head and forcibly stole items, reports state. Among the items taken were a U.S. passport worth \$50, a \$15 black JanSport book bag, 10 BB&T personal checks, a BB&T ATM card and Visa card, a Citibank MasterCard and a Chase Visa.

The suspect also stole four books valued at \$50, the victim's wallet and the victim's South Carolina driver's license, reports state.

There are no suspects, and the investigation is ongoing.

### City

Sunday, Sept. 10

■ Carrboro police arrested and charged Vincent Gunter of Moncure for driving without a license and possession of cocaine.

Officials pulled Gunter over at the N.C. 54 Bypass ramp near Jones Ferry Road because of outstanding warrants from Durham County. When stopped, Gunter was unable to produce identification and was transported by police to the Orange County Jail.

Police searched Gunter's belongings and his vehicle and found a box of ammunition and a small bag of cocaine weighing 1 gram, reports state.

Gunter was charged with two counts of driving with a license revoked, a misdemeanor, and one count of possession, a felony.

He was also charged with communicating threats and making harassing phone calls, reports state.

Bond was set at \$2,850, and the case is closed.

■ Carrboro police were notified that a suspect used a stolen key to access newspaper vending machines and stole \$548 in quarters from different machines located throughout Chapel Hill and Carrboro.

Police are investigating the matter. ■ Chapel Hill police stopped Arlita Prettyman of Durham early in the morning for speeding at Smith Level and Culbreth roads, reports state.

Officers reported seeing the vehicle swerve left of center, speeding 50 mph in a 35 mph zone on Culbreth Road. Prettyman then allegedly ran a red light.

Reports state that Prettyman refused a field sobriety test and later registered a 20 on the breathalyzer test.

Prettyman was charged with one count of driving while intoxicated, one count of possession of marijuana and one count of possession of drug paraphernalia.

She was released on a written promise with a trial date scheduled for Oct. 7.

Saturday, Sept. 9

■ A Chapel Hill Police Department alcohol compliance check resulted in charges of selling a malt beverage to a minor at four out of 14 locations, reports state.

The four noncompliant locations were Wilco, 1213 Airport Road; Cedar Village Store, 618 Weaver Dairy Road; Circle K, 1806 Ephesus Church Road; and Pantry, 1501 E. Franklin St.

The operation tested each store by sending a 17-year-old female to the locations.

The clerks, each cited with a misdemeanor, were arrested and are awaiting court dates.

The cases have been closed.

### University

Sunday, Sept. 10

■ A male Henderson resident reported that his Dodge Dakota was hit by an unknown person while it was parked on campus.

Police reports state that he left his car at 11:45 a.m. and returned at 2:45 p.m. to find the left rear area damaged.

■ At 1:15 a.m., police were called to Morrison Residence Hall, where a male freshman student was possibly suffering from alcohol poisoning.

The subject was unable to stand or talk, and EMS technicians were unable to determine if the subject had consumed any other substances.

Witnesses were unable to determine how long the student had been in that condition.

The student was transported to the UNC Hospitals emergency room.

■ A female victim said her car was parked on Cobb Drive when an unknown person put out a cigarette on the trunk of her car, possibly damaging the paint.

Police have no further information.

# GPSF Holds First Meeting of Year

President Thad Woody wrote three resolutions for the meeting Monday, all of which passed unanimously.

By ROBERT ALBRIGHT  
Staff Writer

In a room scattered with future lawyers, doctors, professors and psychologists, members of the Graduate and Professional Student Federation Senate put their heads together for the first time Monday night.

The GPSF Senate, which includes a representative from each graduate school department, discussed such issues

as subsidized child care, teaching assistant pay and campus safety at their first monthly meeting.

Although only 25 of the 50 representatives attended the meeting, GPSF President Thad Woody said he is confident the issues will be addressed effectively. "It's difficult to get (graduate and professional students) together because we are all so busy," Woody said.

"But I'm looking forward to tackling issues and getting to know everyone."

Woody and Tara Hogan, the GPSF vice president for internal affairs, led the meeting, which featured elections for the GPSF's Appropriations and Finance committees.

Hogan said the Finance Committee will oversee any changes Woody makes

while in office. She added that spending the GPSF's allotted funds will be the responsibility of the Appropriations Committee.

"We have \$7,000 that (the Appropriations Committee) needs to spend by the Christmas break," she said. "I'm making it your responsibility to get the word out."

While Hogan and Woody encouraged Senate members to volunteer for the five available positions on each committee, only four people agreed to help with the Appropriations Committee, and three people signed up for the Finance Committee.

Despite minimal volunteerism during committee assignments, the rest of the Senate meeting was marked by unani-

mous approval of three resolutions that Woody drafted.

The resolutions encompassed three separate issues: welcoming Chancellor James Moeser, raising awareness of the need for library improvements and lending support to the upcoming \$3.1 billion bond package.

Doctoral business student Scott Turner said he looks forward to helping the GPSF improve the campus atmosphere for graduate and professional students. "Professional schools are separate from the campus," Turner said. "Hopefully, the Senate can help bridge that gap."

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# ASG Leader Sets Plans For Term

UNC Association of Student Governments President Andrew Payne has several goals for the group this year.

By KATHLEEN HUNTER  
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Newly elected UNC Association of Student Governments President Andrew Payne says turning the ASG into a proactive organization will be the main goal of his administration.

The ASG selected Payne as its leader in a special election held Thursday night at N.C. State University. "It seems, in the past, that all we've done is react to situations," he said. "If we can be more proactive, maybe we have a better chance of getting what we want. I would like (ASG) to set the agenda, not have someone else set it for us."

The N.C. State University senior said his primary objective in the coming months will be to build support for a \$3.1 billion bond referendum that will fund building repairs and renovations on the system's campuses if it passes Nov. 7.

But it is equally important that the ASG form an alternative capital funding plan in case the bond proposal fails, Payne said. "My main priority is to help with the bond package," he said. "With that, though, I think it is important for us to look at other plans if the bond does not pass."

If the bond doesn't pass, Payne said university officials will likely turn to tuition increases to fund capital projects — an option that he contends ASG must be prepared to counter with its own funding proposal. Payne has yet to set such a contingency plan but says he will consult with fellow ASG members to draft a proposal.

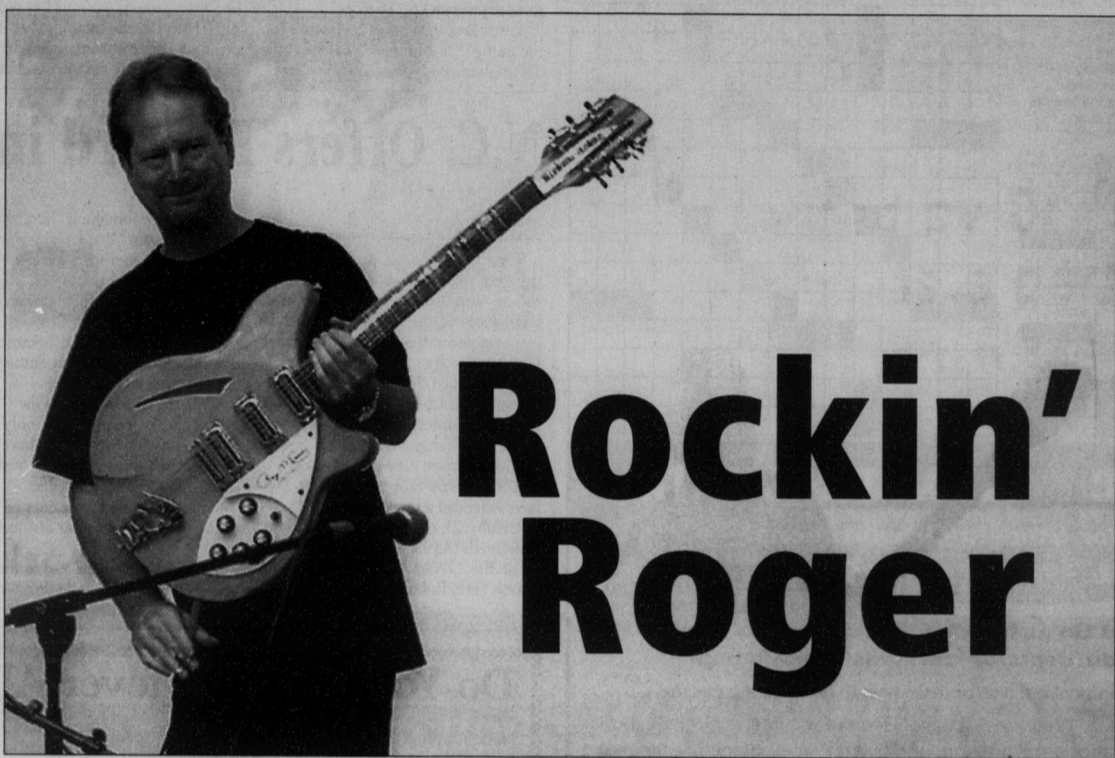
Payne succeeded Cliff Webster, who stepped down after reports surfaced that he was arrested this summer and charged with stealing two benches from the East Carolina University campus.

Other items on Payne's agenda include a proposal to initiate a private fund-raising campaign to expand ASG's annual \$4,000 budget.

He said he will incorporate video conferences and message boards into ASG's daily operations, expanding dialogue beyond just monthly meetings.

ASG Vice President Liz Gardner, a UNC-Chapel Hill junior, lost to Payne in a runoff but attended Friday's Board of Governors meeting in Fayetteville where Payne assumed the ASG president's seat on the BOG. Gardner said she still hopes to incorporate a plank of her presidential platform that would have ASG address a specific topic at each meeting — publishing a statement on the topic at the end of each session.

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# Rockin' Roger

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Roger McGuinn, guitarist for the '60s folk-rock group The Byrds, makes a special appearance in associate music Professor John Covach's "History of Rock" class Monday. McGuinn sang several songs with his 12-string acoustic and electric guitars and discussed his career.

## Byrds Guitarist Brings Rock History to Life

By ASHLEY ATKINSON  
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Ask the average college student who Roger McGuinn is, and he won't be able to tell you. Ask the average student's mother, and she might.

But the students in associate music Professor John Covach's "History of Rock" class won't forget, after the class hosted one of the ultimate guest speakers Monday.

McGuinn, leader of the seminal folk-rock group The Byrds, performed and spoke about his career while in Chapel Hill to help launch MetaLab's new Web site, [www.ibiblio.org](http://www.ibiblio.org). MetaLab hosts McGuinn's "Folk Den" music site.

"We have in the classroom someone who is at the very center of rock 'n' roll and what is arguably one of the most creative moments in the genre," Covach told his students.

The Byrds, which formed in 1964, fused the folk of Bob Dylan with the pop aesthetics of the British

Invasion, earning them the tag of "America's answer to the Beatles," Covach said.

Pioneering both folk-rock and country-rock, the group — and the distinctive jangling sound of McGuinn's 12-string guitar — left a lasting influence on the rock genre before disbanding in 1973.

"He's one of the people who started what we're studying about. It's like having Einstein come to your physics class," said freshman Ross Pringle.

McGuinn played some of his own songs, as well as some from his influences (Elvis Presley, Leadbelly), his contemporaries (Bob Dylan, Pete Seeger) and those he influenced, like Tom Petty.

"There is a whole generation of professors for whom the Byrds and their music were the definitive mark of creativity in rock music," Covach said.

While McGuinn is now 58 — old enough to recall the first time he heard "Heartbreak Hotel" on his transistor radio — he took steps toward crossing the generation gap with tales of his youth.

He told the class how he used a fake ID to sneak

into bars to listen to folk music, and he talked frankly about the band's drug use. "It was almost a religious quest," McGuinn said. "We thought we could expand our consciousness; we could learn more, write better, play better music."

But the era wasn't all about drugs, McGuinn said. Peace and love figured strongly in The Byrds' music as well. "Love was something serious. It wasn't as much about physical love as much as loving your brother, loving your fellow man," he said.

"We really did believe we could change the world through our music, that we could stop war." As for the state of rock today, McGuinn hasn't been paying attention. "I've gone back to my folk roots. I really listen to more folk music now," he said.

McGuinn has been bringing folk music into the information age since 1995, when he began posting a new song every month on his "Folk Den" site.

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# Towns Seek Housing Options

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The need for affordable housing has long been a sticky issue in Chapel Hill and Carrboro. While it won't be easy, officials hope to make progress where they can.

The problem of acquiring affordable housing in this area is well-known. As the costs of owning a home here increase, more and more people are being forced to live elsewhere.

To curb that trend, the Chapel Hill Town Council and the Carrboro Board of Aldermen are working on plans ranging from rezoning to land trusts to make buying a home less expensive for residents who make less than 80 percent of the area's \$59,000 median income.

Town Council member Pat Evans said that while the council is doing all it can to create more affordable housing, there is little that can be done to alleviate the situation. "(Chapel Hill is) 90 percent built out," Evans said. "So we only have 10 percent of land yet to be developed, and much of that has environmental constrictions."

Fellow Town Council member Edith Wiggins also said the problem could not be completely solved and that trying to do so would be unrealistic.

"The price of housing is going up,"

she said. "Completely eradicating the problem has never been my goal."

But officials can implement some measures to increase the amount of affordable housing. Not doing so would decrease the amount of financial diversity in the area, Wiggins said.

She offered one possible way to deal with the need for growth with a limited amount of land. "(The council) is considering rezoning some property that will allow for more density," she said.

Wiggins also said the town is working with UNC and UNC Hospitals to obtain more in-town housing for employees, which would foster diversity by having people of all incomes living side by side.

Town Council member Flicka Bateman touted an existing measure that attempts to bring more affordable housing to the area. Chapel Hill has a program that waives the developer's fee for builders whose projects include 15 percent affordable housing.

Alderman Allen Spalt said Carrboro also recognizes the lack of affordable housing as a major concern. "The board has ... identified it as one of the most important problems in town," he said.

Spalt said raising taxes would create some revenue for more housing, but that this action isn't feasible. "Raising the tax rate more than a few cents a year is particularly difficult for people already struggling in this area," he said.

Instead, other measures must be taken, Spalt said. The ideal one would be

inclusionary zoning, which mandates that development zones include a certain percentage of homes available for less than a specified amount. But the N.C. General Assembly will not grant Carrboro the power to implement that measure.

However, Carrboro has found a way around the obstacle. "We were the first in the state to develop an ordinance that comes as close as we can get to (inclusionary zoning)," Spalt said. "It says that if you build a large development, a certain number (of houses) must be small in size."

The hope is that the smaller the houses, the lower the prices. But the town has no way to ensure that will happen.

Spalt said other initiatives also are under way, including mixed-use developments, which are buildings that house both commercial and residential tenants.

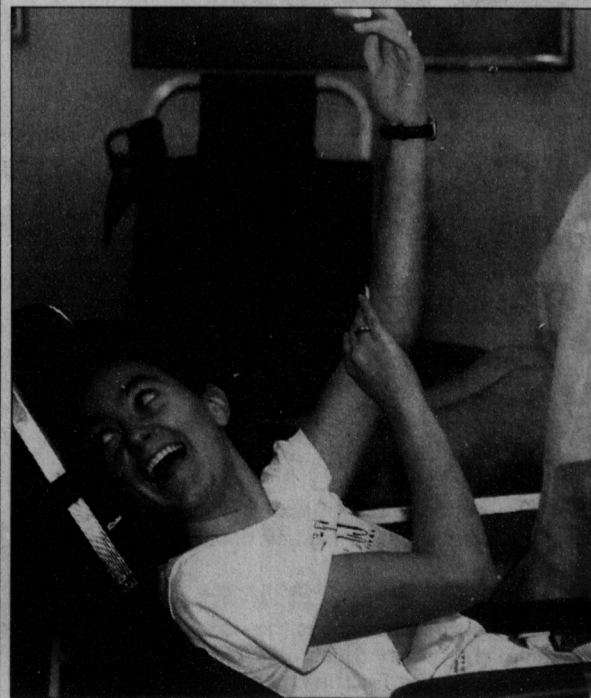
Spalt said a land trust is another excellent idea for the area. Ordinarily when buying a home, the buyer pays for both the house and the land. But trusts acquire land, which allows buyers to purchase the house without paying for the land, saving them money. "(The land trust) is really a win-win situation, and it's not the only solution," Spalt said.

Regardless of the method, something must be done to provide more affordable housing in the area, he said.

"Just left to the market itself, we will become more and more exclusive."

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## ACCIDENTAL INSURANCE



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Senior Sara Martin reacts after giving blood at the University's ROTC blood drive Monday. The drive was geared toward alleviating the moderate shortage of blood in the Triangle area.