

Campus Calendar

Today

noon - All members of the UNC community are invited and encouraged to attend the third public discussion forum on "What's Broke and What Isn't?: Assessing UNC's General Education Curriculum."

It will be held in Room 39 of Graham Memorial.

noon - The UNC Gospel Choir will perform in the Morehead Lounge of Graham Memorial.

4 p.m. - Jon Bentley and Avaya Labs will speak about "Cache-Conscious Algorithms and Data Structures" as part of the Triangle Computer Science Distinguished Lecturer Series in 011 Sitterson Hall.

For more information, check out <http://www.cs.unc.edu/Events/DistLectures>.

5:15 p.m. - The student level of the Campus Ministers Association is sponsoring a progressive dinner to gather together students of every faith on the UNC campus.

Participants will eat various courses of the meal at different ministry locations throughout campus.

The dinner begins with appetizers at the Wesley Foundation on Pittsboro

Street and will conclude with dessert at The Chapel of the Cross on Franklin Street.

Donations are welcome, but not required. We encourage the attendance of all.

7 p.m. - Theta Nu Xi multicultural sorority Inc. will hold an informal interesting meeting in 104 Peabody Hall.

7 pm. - Women and men: Want to learn how to live longer? The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and Student Health Services are sponsoring a forum on Breast Cancer Awareness in 106 Gardner Hall.

Come out and learn about the importance of breast and testicular cancer self-examinations.

7:30 p.m. - Dean Inserra will speak to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes about "How to walk more like Jesus."

All are welcome to the Ram's Room of the old Kenan Field House.

7:30 p.m. - Re-evaluating Evolutionary Theory in Light of Recent Scientific Evidence: Take a critical look at evolutionary theory by participating in a talk and discussion with Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Duke University graduate Dr. Brian J. Miller.

The event will be held in Gerrard Hall.

7:30 p.m. - The Dialectic and Philanthropic Societies will debate "Morality is Objective" on the third floor of New West.

Guests are encouraged to attend.

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Author Educates UNC on Suicide

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Author Kay Redfield Jamison came to Chapel Hill on Friday as part of her continuing quest to educate college students and faculty on the daily, albeit seldomly discussed, realities of suicide.

"(Suicide is) a major public health epidemic that not many people want to talk about," she said.

Jamison, author or co-author of five books and many scientific articles regarding psychological topics, spoke to students in the University's Department of Psychiatry about the biological aspects of suicide.

"College students don't have the forum to learn about depression," she said.



The University and Towns IN BRIEF

UNC Faculty, Students To Discuss Curriculum

The third forum in a series of panel discussions about revising UNC's curriculum will be held from noon to 1:30

"Universities are just now trying to become proactive in dealing with depression and suicide."

But Jamison is also comfortable communicating her subject matter through literature. Jamison recently published "Night Falls Fast," a nonfiction examination of suicide that draws from sources ranging from scientific journals to writers such as Edgar Allan Poe.

Jamison said the tour of college campuses is important to her because it allows her to connect to one of the biggest demographics of suicide victims.

"I had asked my publisher if, instead of just going to bookstores, I could go to universities," she said. "I'm a great believer in the idea that students should be the ones to know (the facts about suicide)."

Jamison said she wanted the book to be scientifically sound but read by people who weren't in the psychiatric or medical communities, which she said was a difficult balance to strike.

To establish a middle ground between readability and scientific thoroughness, Jamison used more than 100 pages of endnotes, referencing scientific journals, newspaper articles and even the works of literary figures who attempted suicide.

Removing scientific details from the main text allowed the book to be accessible to readers without scientific backgrounds.

"If anyone wants to find out about the science, it's in the back of the book," she said.

Throughout the 2 1/2 years Jamison

spent writing and researching "Night Falls Fast," she became fascinated by questions usually overlooked in popular discussion of the topic.

While the book concentrates on comprehending the modern reasons and consequences of suicide, Jamison said her mind often wandered to the origins of the phenomenon.

"I kept asking myself, 'Who was the first person who committed suicide? How far back? Was it a Homo sapiens, was it an ape?' I became rather haunted by that question," she said.

Despite her fascination with suicide's beginnings, Jamison's work is grounded in the here and now.

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p.m. today.

The forum, to be held in the Johnson Center for Undergraduate Excellence, will center around the topic, "What's Broke and What Isn't: Assessing UNC's General Education Curriculum."

The forum is part of an effort to revise curriculum, which is getting into gear this semester.

Students and faculty are encouraged to attend.

Associate Dean for Undergraduate Curricula Tom Tweed can be contacted for more information at 843-7773.

Red Cross to Offer Volunteer Possibilities

The Central N.C. Chapter of the

American Red Cross will be holding an open house and volunteer recruitment fair from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Chapter House on University Drive in Durham.

Everyone is invited to attend and learn about how to become more involved with all the services provided by the Red Cross, including disaster relief and the blood drive.

There are also opportunities for youth. For more information, contact Kristi Mroch at 489-6541, ext. 377.

Senior Flu Vaccinations Available This Month

The Orange County Board of Commissioners have declared the

months of October and November as "Senior Vaccination Season."

The Orange County Health Department, the Department on Aging and their community partners have several low-cost vaccination clinics throughout the county for the flu and pneumonia.

The cost of the vaccinations is covered by the Medicare Part B.

For those without the coverage, the cost is \$12 for flu shots and \$15 for pneumonia shots.

There will be a clinic at Carolina Springs from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday and several others around the area later this and next month.

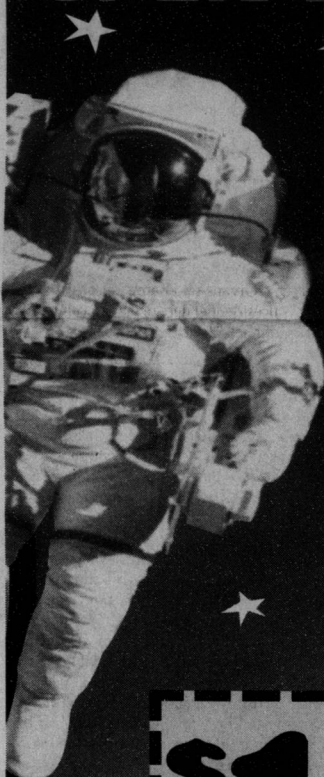
For more information, contact Rosemary Summers at 245-2412.

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durham: on 9th street and perry street [across from brueggers]. 286-1875.

Doug Marlette

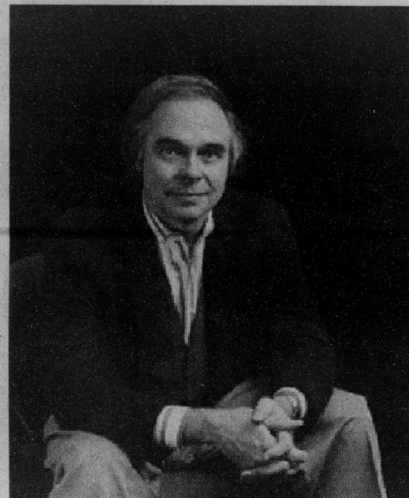
The Pulitzer Prize-winning editorial cartoonist and creator of the comic strip *Kudzu* will speak on "Political Cartooning and the 2000 Election" as part of the Roy Park Lecture Series presented by the School of Journalism and Mass Communication at UNC-CH.

7 p.m.

Thursday, October 26

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