

POLICE ROUNDUP

Police Arrest Student For Embezzlement

A student employee at UNC Student Stores was arrested last week for embezzling \$2,985 from the register of the textbook section of the store.

William Patrick Bone III, a senior biology major from Elm City, was arrested Thursday and charged with embezzlement, police reports state.

He was released on a written promise to appear in court.

"Student Stores called us and reported that they were having money embezzled," said Lt. Archie Daniel, the UNC police officer who handled the case.

Daniel said that books were being scanned at the book buy-back section and that money was being reported as paid to people with bogus identification numbers. He said an employee was pocketing the money.

John Jones, director of Student Stores, said management discovered traces of embezzlement through an audit. "In general, we routinely audit the paperwork associated with employees," Jones said. "We determined through auditing that there was something we should investigate."

Bone refused to comment about the case Monday.

Daniel said Bone was the only person involved in the case. "It was an isolated incident."

University

Friday, Oct. 27

A Pittsboro resident reported that someone stole a watch from his bookbag at about 5:15 p.m. at Woolen Gym.

The man said he placed his watch in his bookbag near the court where he played basketball for a few minutes.

According to police reports, no suspects were seen near his bag. The watch is valued at \$70.

City

Sunday, Oct. 29

Chapel Hill police arrested James S. Goolsby, 29, of 124 Fidelity St. in Carrboro for possessing heroin and drug paraphernalia.

Reports state that Chapel Hill Police Department's narcotics officers observed Goolsby attempting to inject heroin into his arm. Goolsby was released on a written promise and was scheduled to appear in court on Oct. 30.

Sarah Ann Trogdon, 19, of 1202 N. Greensboro St., was arrested by Chapel Hill police for possession with intent to sell heroin and cocaine, as well as possessing drug paraphernalia.

She was arrested on West Franklin Street, reports state.

Reports also state that narcotics investigators found three gram bags of powder cocaine and seven dosage units of heroin, as well as numerous items of drug paraphernalia on Trogdon.

Trogdon was released on a written promise and was scheduled to appear in court on Oct. 30.

Shawn Edward Barber, 23, was arrested by Chapel Hill police for assaulting a female.

Barber, of 507-B Craig St., was arrested at his residence, reports state. Barber is being held at Orange County Jail and awaits a Nov. 5 court date.

Carrboro police arrested Rodney Chris Perry, 42, of 3433 Mount View Road for driving under the influence of alcohol and assault on a female.

Perry, was arrested at the corner of Barnes and Queen streets, reports state.

Perry was released on a written promise and was scheduled to appear in court on Oct. 30.

A suspect reportedly scratched obscenities onto the trunk of a 1999 Crown Victoria Chapel Hill police car at Carver Street and McMasters Street in Chapel Hill. Reports state that the car was last known secure at 12:15 a.m. and was reported damaged at 1:05 a.m.

There are no suspects in the case.

Carrboro police arrested Jerry Lewis Grady, 42, of 1107 Dawson Road in Chapel Hill, for armed robbery and two counts of first-degree burglary.

Reports state that Grady stole a \$300 leather coat and six dollar bills from the victim. Grady was being held at Orange County Jail in lieu of a \$5,000 secured bond and was scheduled to appear in court on Oct. 30.

Saturday, Oct. 28

At 5:02 a.m., Chapel Hill police responded to an armed robbery at the McDonald's on 409 W. Franklin St.

Reports state that the suspect entered the store and demanded money, threatening employees that he had a weapon.

The suspect reportedly stole nothing and ran out of the store on foot toward Rosemary Street. The case is under further investigation.

Students Don Candidate Costumes

By LOREN CLEMENS
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Presidential candidates were on campus Monday night, if only in spirit.

The Dialectic and Philanthropic Societies sponsored a debate in New West Hall between three candidates, portrayed by members of the Young Democrats, the College Republicans and the Tar Heel Libertarians.

Each of the students representing a candidate was introduced and then remained in his role throughout the debates. Justin Johnson played Republican candidate George W. Bush, Matt Jones played Democratic candidate Al Gore, and Russ Helms played Libertarian candidate Harry Brown.

The three mock candidates began the debate with a three-minute speech outlining their platforms to the audience of DiPhi senators and visitors. In addition to displaying their knowledge of their candidates' policies and records, the students also attempted to mimic the personal speaking characteristics of the three candidates.

Johnson emphasized Bush's idea that the tone of the nation needed changing and hit on the candidate's major platforms of Medicare and Social Security reform.

"The role of the president is not to craft the details of legislation, but to have clear policy, vision, a goal and people under you to carry it out," Johnson said.

Jones, frequently moving out from behind the podium to be closer to his audience, emphasized the Democratic Party's platform of social issues and outlined the ways in which his administration would work with the nation's economic success.

"Because we've become so prosperous, we do have a responsibility to the future," Jones said.

Helms used his opening speech to reiterate the Libertarian Party's goal of minimizing federal control over individual citizen's lives.

"I want to give you, the American people, the chance to live your life the way you see fit," Helms said.

After questions from the audience, the rest of the students were given the

chance to present their own views on the proceedings.

Some students felt some of the speeches were too emotionally based.

"I would hope that people could make it more philosophical," Johnson said.

But students did not necessarily arrive at the debate with their selection of candidates already made.

"I arrived undecided, and I'm leaving undecided," said John Paul Igoe, a sophomore who regularly attends DiPhi debates.

"But if there is any time to voice your opinion, it is during the election."

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Case Looks At Finance Reform

A coalition of groups and citizens presented its case for campaign finance reform to a superior court judge.

By PENELOPE DEESE
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RALEIGH - A superior court judge heard arguments Monday from a coalition striving to reform the state's campaign finance system, claiming it creates a disadvantage for less-wealthy candidates.

About 60 people, including public office seekers previously defeated in elections by opponents with larger campaign chests, crowded into the small courtroom to hear the case, Royal v. State of North Carolina.

The coalition, represented by former N.C. Supreme Court Chief Justice James Exum Jr., said creating a fund for candidates with inadequate financial resources would enable them to be more prepared for competition with wealthier opponents.

District Attorney Norma Harold, who was representing the state, said individual wealth is not something under government control and does not create a specific barrier to anyone running for office.

"We're talking about whether there is a constitutional obligation in the state of North Carolina to provide funding for these campaigns," Harold said, claiming such an obligation does not exist.

But Greg Luke, assistant to Exum and a representative of the National Voting Rights Institute, said the reform would allow more citizens to run for office. "It makes the system more fair by raising the floor of opportunity," Luke said.

A study conducted by Democracy South, a Chapel Hill-based organization that examines campaign financing, revealed that the candidate in contested races who spent the most money won 93 percent of the time.

Luke said the state needed to take action to close the financial gap in state elections. "If there's an essential part of the election process, and funding is, then the state is responsible for that," he said.

Luke also said the N.C. General Assembly's refusal to pass an earlier bill for campaign finance reform reflected its own interests instead of the need to help candidates with fewer financial resources.

"I, myself, am reluctant to bite the hand that feeds me," he said.

One plaintiff, Aileen Ford of Shelby, had lost two elections for a General Assembly seat to opponents with much larger monetary resources.

When Ford ran for the first time in 1996, she spent \$5,000 on her campaign.

Her opponent, by contrast, spent nearly \$40,000.

In her second attempt in 1998, she raised more than \$20,000 but was defeated by a candidate who raised about \$60,000.

"To be visible, you need money," Ford said. "And it's about money no matter what level you're on."

The reform, which could cost tax payers an estimated \$12 million a year, also would require that recipients raise a certain amount of money beforehand to prove they have initial support.

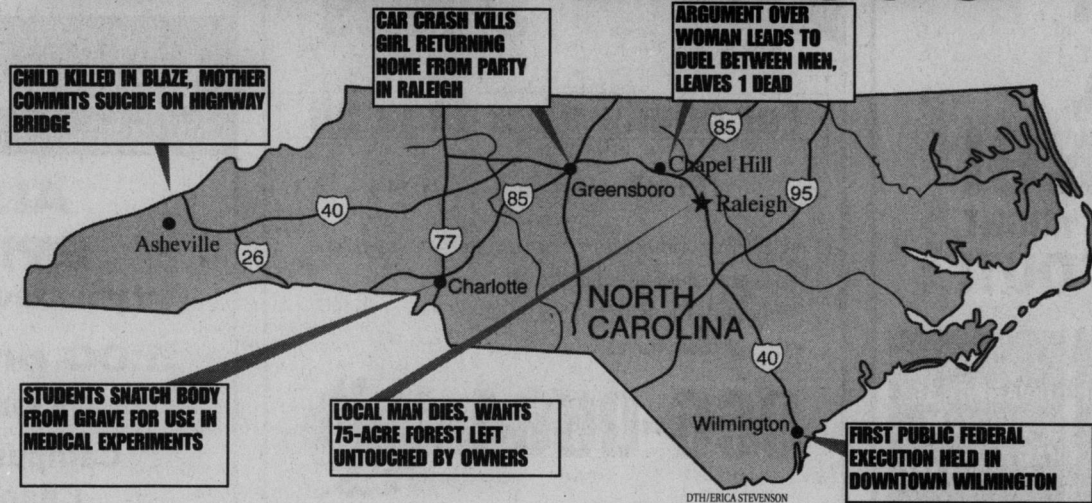
The candidates also would be subject to spending and contribution limits.

N.C. Superior Court Judge Howard E. Manning continued the case until next week but ended the hearing by describing the possible future of campaign financing.

"Every (candidate's) gonna have a chicken in each pot, but some people are going to have a fine white wine and caviar in their pot as well."

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Tales of the Tar Heel Undead



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There is fright beyond Franklin Street on Halloween, and scares more chilling than midterm exams surround college campuses throughout the state.

Spanning from a mansion on the coast to a bridge in the mountains, North Carolina has a rich tradition of ghost stories, legends and supernatural tales.

Chapel Hill - Shot By Cupid's Arrow

Many people are haunted by the memory of their college sweetheart, but few lovers take the form of a ghost inhabiting the place of their past romantic rendezvous.

Legend has it that Peter Dromgoole attended UNC-Chapel Hill in 1831 and fell hard for a girl named Fanny.

She was drop-dead gorgeous, literally — her devoted lover Peter died defending her honor when he took a bullet in a duel with a jealous man attempting to court Fanny.

The shoot-out took place just outside Chapel Hill at Piney Prospect near Gimghoul Castle, the spot of Fanny and Peter's frequent secret meetings.

In a state of panic, Peter's murderer dug a shallow grave, threw him in, pulled a bloodstained rock over the mound and never spoke of the deadly battle.

Oblivious to Peter's death, Fanny waited in vain for his return to Piney Prospect and eventually died of a broken heart.

But death didn't part this inseparable couple, who is said to still lurk on the rocks of Piney Prospect in hopes of

one last romantic encounter.

Charlotte - Creepy Cadaver

The ghost of Louise — which is said to haunt Chambers Hall at Founders College in Charlotte — wasn't exactly dying to get into medical school. But legend says that's where she ended up.

Grave-robbing medical students stole Louise's body to use as a cadaver. Louise is rumored to eternally walk the halls of Chambers Hall, trapped in a state of unrest after being removed from her resting place.

Greensboro - Eternally Late

Since 1923, the spirit of Lydia has been trying to hitch a ride home from the U.S. 70 underpass in Greensboro.

Seen waving frantically on the side of the highway in a white gown, it is said

that Lydia's ghost has enticed several drivers into offering her a ride.

According to legend, the young hitchhiker asks to be taken to an address in High Point, saying she is anxious to get home from a dance in Raleigh.

But when the driver approaches the driveway, the girl vanishes.

Inquiries surrounding the ghostly appearance often lead drivers to the door of the Lydia's supposed home, and the occupants give visitors an explanation that sounds chillingly familiar.

Lydia died in a car crash at the U.S. 70 underpass many years ago, returning from a dance in Raleigh.

Asheville - Bridge Over Car Trouble

Tragedy often sparks a domino effect
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Police Haunt Franklin For a Happy Halloween

By PHIL PERRY
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Law enforcement officials will be out in full force tonight as Franklin Street endures its yearly Halloween barrage of costumed revelers.

Chapel Hill interim Police Chief Greg Jarvis said Franklin Street would be closed from Mallette Street to Raleigh Street and there would be about 260 officers on hand keeping things safe.

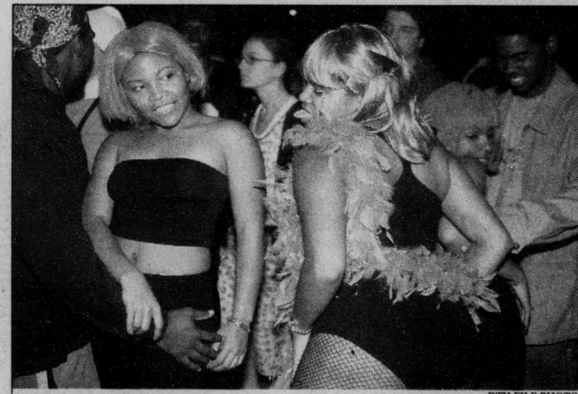
"The key for us is to keep the area

that's closed off on Franklin Street free from alcohol, flammable materials and weapons," Jarvis said.

Jarvis said that the last couple of years there were between 40,000 and 60,000 people out enjoying the Halloween scene, but this year he expects fewer people.

"We anticipate (the crowd) will be a little smaller than the last couple of years because it's on a Tuesday," Jarvis said.

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Revelers dance on Franklin Street last year during Halloween. Chapel Hill police are gearing up to prepare for this year's festivities.

Marchers Protest Domestic Violence

By THERESA CHEN
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The Franklin Street post office provided a stage for Judy Woodall as she sang, spotlighted by street lamps, for participants in the third annual March for Justice on Monday night.

"Start a new orbit around a new sun, start a new way around an old one," she sang.

Woodall's performance of the song "Burning of the Flame," which she wrote for the event, marked the end of the night's effort to raise awareness about domestic violence and the plight of those who must bear abuse in silence.

"We need to create some new pathways in our lives," said Woodall, the for-

mer chairwoman of the Orange County Commission for Women. "We need to develop alternatives to violence."

Usually held by the Commission for Women, this year's March for Justice was a combined effort including the Women's Center, the Orange County Family Violence Prevention Center and the Orange County Rape Crisis Center. The collaboration helped increase this year's turnout, said Hudson Fuller, board chairwoman of the Family Violence Center.

"All the agencies (got) involved because we all see (domestic violence) on a day-to-day basis," she said. "The turnout is at least twice as many people as we've had in Hillsborough."

Nearly 60 men, women and children

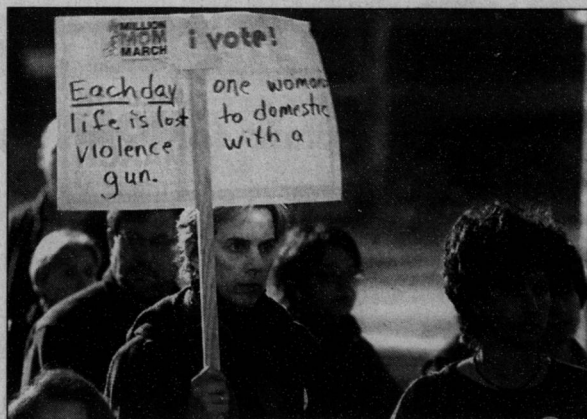
huddled together on the cold fall evening in front of the Women's Center, located at 210 Henderson St., as they waited to march single file up the two blocks to the post office, their miniature flashlights piercing the growing dusk.

"(We have the flashlights) because there is something to commemorate," said Milan Pham, county staff liaison to the commission, as she trekked behind the line. "We want people to know that the commission for women exists."

Raising awareness and giving a voice to those who are silent out of fear made the march invaluable, said computer consultant Dan Coleman of Chapel Hill.

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Melissa McCullough (left) of Durham and Emily West of Carrboro show their support at the March for Justice on Monday night.