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Matthews, the only student representative on the BOT, will be among those discussing the approval of the Master Plan.

Moeser said he anticipates that the BOT will pass the plan and generate a positive response from the campus community.

He acknowledged some valid concerns of the town residents and council members, such as traffic impact, the aesthetic quality of campus near construction sites and noise control. But he said there has been continuous conversation with town officials to negotiate these issues. "We've adjusted the plans several times to try to accommodate the concerns of the neighbors to the south of the campus," Moeser said.

If the plan is adopted, Howes said the next step would be for the University and the town to work out issues such as the town's 14.2 million square foot limit on University development.

But Moeser said he is confident that University officials would be able to successfully work with the town to make implementation of the Master Plan possible. "[The Master Plan] means a rational, sound planning horizon for us."

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But he said the state also runs the risk of hurting its most prized possessions — its inhabitants.

The EPA cites several health hazards and precautionary methods for dealing with high smog levels.

According to EPA reports, active children are the highest risk group to suffer from health problems because they spend the largest amount of time outdoors during the summer. The EPA also stated that younger children are more apt to suffer from asthma.

The N.C. Public Interest Research Group has reported that in 1998, ozone triggered about 240,000 asthma attacks in North Carolina.

Active adults of any age, people with asthma or other respiratory diseases, and those with sensitivity to ozone — a phenomenon that scientists have yet to figure out — are other high-risk groups.

But the EPA warns all people to be wary of the effects of high levels of exposure to smog.

The EPA reports that smog causes

irritation of the respiratory system, which results in coughing or throat irritation. Smog can also cause a reduction in lung function, making normal breathing difficult.

Aggravation of asthma, inflammation and damage to cells in the respiratory system, and aggravation of chronic lung disease are also reported health problems caused by smog.

The aftereffects of long-term exposure to high-smog conditions might even cause permanent lung damage, hindering the development of lungs in children. It can also accelerate the natural decline in lung function that is a normal part of the human aging process.

Gibson said he has traveled to the state's urban emergency rooms on purple-coded days, when the smog levels are the highest, and seen the pollutant's effects firsthand. "It only takes one (child) to see how serious it is," he said.

Gibson and other members of the General Assembly are taking steps to protect North Carolina's people and natural resources from smog.

"We're on top of it," said Gibson, chairman of the N.C. House of Representatives Environment and

Natural Resources Committee. "North Carolina has the most aggressive and progressive air rules in the nation."

Last year, Gov. Jim Hunt passed a bill calling for a 68 percent reduction in the emissions from power plants, 20 percent less than the EPA standards set last year during their crackdown campaign.

But several groups, including N.C. Public Interest Research Group, want to increase the regulations with an 81 percent reduction in the next seven years.

"(A 68 percent reduction) sounds good, but only goes into effect if the EPA standards are upheld," said Elizabeth Outz, an advocate for the research group.

Outz said the 68 percent reduction would not make an overall improvement in North Carolina's smog levels.

But Gibson said the state's smog problem is largely caused by geographic location — not just local emissions.

Several variables, such as the jet stream and the Earth's rotation, cause North Carolina to receive pollutants from the Ohio and Tennessee valleys — the nation's two highest coal-producing areas.

But Gibson said North Carolina must do its own part to clean up the air.

During this legislative session, Rep. Joe Hackney, D-Orange, and Gibson will propose the Inspection and Maintenance Bill, which will address tailpipe emissions, Gibson said.

He said this bill will place tighter regulations on automobiles, as well as require that all gasoline sold in the state is sulfur-free.

Hackney said steps were already taken in 1999 to reduce tailpipe emissions by regulating gasoline and its sulfur additives, which are harmful to the air. Premium gasoline now is the only type that is sulfur-free.

Hackney also said phasing out older models of cars will help to decrease the amount of tailpipe emissions.

Representatives from the state's two major power companies, Duke Power and Carolina Power & Light Co., said they work hard to follow "strict" EPA and state regulations.

"We comply with those stiff regulations," said Becky McSwain, spokeswoman for Duke Power. "Duke Power reduced the amount of NOx 75 percent since 1995."

Keith Poston, spokesman for Progress Energy, CP&L's parent company, said

the two energy providers' past track records prove they acknowledge their responsibility for clean air.

"We've spent \$80 million since 1995 reducing our NOx emissions by 45 percent," Poston said. "We plan to spend \$118 million by 2004."

McSwain said reducing smog in North Carolina would require the help of average citizens and not just power companies. "We all, as North Carolinians, want to minimize the consequences of smog," McSwain said. "It's going to take some major lifestyle changes."

Increased use of mass transportation in urban areas, as well as energy efficient cars were two changes McSwain suggested.

Poston echoed McSwain's sentiments about trade-offs in controlling the smog problem. "We want to be good stewards of the environment and reasonable about power prices," Poston said. "We still want you to be able to turn the switch and a light come on."

"We just have to invest to do it better and cleaner."

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the census results. Lilley said accommodations will

have to be made for Hispanics and their needs will have to be represented.

But he said such a task will not be easy because of the diversity within the Hispanic population. Though Hispanics are often stereotyped as agricultural workers, they represent a broad range of professions, including doctors, lawyers and engineers.

And Watson added that language

issues should be at the top of the state's list.

In particular, Watson said state officials should take steps toward ensuring equal-educational opportunities for Hispanic students and providing bilingual education facilities.

Watson, who specializes in North Carolina history, added that the census results reveal a changing side of the

state's demographics.

He said that in the past, immigrants stayed away from North Carolina in favor of northern states, where there was greater economic opportunity.

But he added that he expects more migration to the South, claiming that states' borders are now more open.

"North Carolina is much more diverse than people assumed," Watson said. "The South in general was a place where immigrants have not come since the 18th century."

"No longer is that the case."

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Campus Calendar

Today

4 p.m. — The initial meeting of the LSAT Preparation Group will take place in 104 Phillips Annex.

Call 962-3782 for further information and registration. The course fee is \$100.

5 p.m. — The Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship for students will meet for snacks, discussion and worship in Union 208.

7 p.m. — Come to a special concert by singer/songwriter Fran McKendree.

This concert is sponsored by ECM and will take place at the Chapel of the Cross, which is located between Spencer Residence Hall and Morehead Planetarium.

The admission cost is \$3 per person or 3 items of canned foods or nonperishables, which will be donated to the new Food Shelter for Orange County AIDS victims.

Friday

10 a.m. — A daylong symposium, "N.C. Crime Against Nature Statute: Prospects for Change," will look at the status of CAN in the state and how other states have repealed or overturned their sodomy statutes.

Speakers will include representatives from Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, Human Rights Campaign and various state legal and legislative experts.

The symposium at the UNC School of Law is free.

Lunch will also be provided free of charge for those who preregister. Agenda, logistics and online registration is available.

12:40 p.m. — As part of Children's Rights Week, Students for Educational Equality and Advocates for Children and Teens will sponsor a visit to a local public school to take a tour and discuss educational issues with teachers.

We will leave at 12:40 p.m. from the Campus Y.

7 p.m. — Obsidian III and N.C. State University would like to invite students, faculty and staff from all area schools to "An Evening of Poetry" in the sixth-floor reception hall of North Hall Dorm.

Admission is free and door prizes will be given away. Opal Palmer Adisa, Kwame Dawes and Dance Visions will be presenting.

8 p.m. — "Are We Not Men?" a one-man show sponsored by the Carolina Union Activities Board, Office of the Dean of Students and the Department of Communication Studies shows March 23-25.

This performance explores race, religion, sexuality and AIDS. It is written, adapted and performed by Marcus D. Harvey at 8 p.m. nightly in the Union Cabaret.

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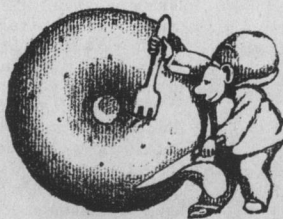
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Mon. 3/26 Opening Reception
12-2pm At McCorkle Place (Old Well) - (rain site Gerard Hall) speakers, music, food and beverages will be waiting for you there!
1-2pm "Ask Amy" in the Pit
4:30-6:30pm Rally for choice in the Pit
7pm "Young Women, Feminism and the Future" at Carroll Hall 111, reception and book signing afterwards at Internationalist Books on Franklin St.

Tues. 3/27 "Empowering All Women"
7pm Talk from Elaine Brown, a former chair person of the Black Panther Party at Carroll Hall 111

Wed. 3/28 Take Back the Night
7:30pm At Polk Place (South Building)

Sun. 4/01 Sherehe
12-4pm At the Great Hall of the Student Union - music, food and beverages will be provided. All proceeds will benefit the Orange County Rape Crisis Center.

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