

POLICE ROUNDUP

University

Sunday, Jan. 27

■ UNC freshman Justin Rory Strickland of 605 Morrison Residence Hall was arrested at 2:31 a.m. for speeding, driving left of center, driving while intoxicated and possession of marijua-na. An Intoxilyzer 5000 test showed Strickland's blood alcohol level to be above the legal limit, according to police reports. He was released on a written promise to appear before the Orange County District Court in Chapel Hill on Feb. 12.

Chapel Hill man was stolen from the

The bag and its contents, which were reported missing at 3:59 p.m., were worth \$110, reports state.

Saturday, Jan. 26

■ At 7:28 a.m., the driver's side window of a University-owned van was reported smashed in the parking lot behind Fetzer Gym, reports state. The damage to the blue Dodge passenger

van is estimated at \$900, reports state.

• A fire pull station was damaged and an alarm went off at 10:24 a.m. on the ninth floor of Morrison Residence Hall. The damage is estimated at \$75, reports state.

■ A bookbag was reported stolen from Coker Arboretum at 6:36 p.m. Two students from Spencer Residence Hall left the bag while playing a game and realized it was missing when they came to retrieve it, according to police

The value of the bookbag and its contents was about \$30, reports state.

■ Frank Neal White, 22, of 906 E. 7th St. in Roanoke Rapids was arrested at 12:34 a.m. on South Columbia Street for public urination.

Police reports state that White, a UNC student, had consumed alcohol prior to the incident. He was released on a written promise to appear in Orange County District Court in Hillsborough on Feb. 11.

■ A compact disc player valued at \$215 was reported missing from a car at 11:45 p.m. Police reports state that the passenger side door of the car was unlocked at the time.

City

Sunday, Jan. 27

■ Chapel Hill police responded to a robbery with simple assault call on West Rosemary Street at 8:45 a.m.

Reports state that an unknown sub ject assaulted and took \$150 from the victim. The case is under further inves-

■ Chapel Hill police arrested Deandre Marcel Smith, 30, of 202 Hargett St. in Raleigh for breaking and entering and larceny, reports state.

Reports state that Smith was arrested

by an Orange County deputy and turned over to the Chapel Hill Police Department on a warrant for arrest.

Smith is being charged with one felony count of breaking and entering and one felony count of larceny, reports

Smith was held on a \$500 unsecured bond and is scheduled to appear in the Orange County District Court in Hillsborough on Monday, reports state.

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■ Carrboro police responded to a breaking and entering with larceny call at 8:10 a.m. at 101 N.C. 54.

Reports state that an unknown subject cut the convertible top of the vic tim's vehicle and removed the victim's

The damage to the 1997 Mitsubishi was valued at \$800, and the total value of the stolen goods was \$100, reports state. The case is under further investi-

■ Chapel Hill police arrested Tommy Lamont Hackney, 25, of 300 Knolls St. for driving with a revoked license and possession of cocaine.

Reports state that police performed a traffic stop on Hackney at 1:50 a.m. at 100 N. Graham St.

Hackney was arrested for driving with a revoked license. Upon search of Hackney, police found 18 dosage units

of crack cocaine, reports state.

Hackney is being charged with one felony count of possession with the intent to sell and deliver cocaine and one misdemeanor count of driving with a revoked license, reports state.

Hackney was confined to the Orange County Jail on a \$5,000 secured bond, reports state. He was scheduled to appear in Orange County District Court in Hillsborough on Monday.

Endowments Suffer Slight Drop

By CLEVE R. WOOTSON JR.

Funds in college endowments fell by 3.6 percent on average during the 2000-01 fiscal year, a recent survey reported.

According to the survey, conducted by the National Association of College and University Business Officers, the size of UNC's endowment went from about \$1.1 billion to about \$1.05 billion about a 5.4 percent decrease.

UNC ranks 39th out of 610 schools surveyed in the amount of its total vment, and it is one of 41 schools that dealt with more than \$1 billion dollars in the 2000-01 fiscal year.

An endowment fund is money that a nonprofit organization, like a university, invests. Usually the interest is used to

fund improvements and other projects.

The 3.6 percent average decrease in endowments could indicate that college investment funds are vulnerable to the effects of a slumping economy.

But Damon Manetta, the association's ant manager for public relations, said higher-education investors tend to be more conservative when investing and

therefore losses often are not devastating. He said the impact on some schools would not be large. "UNC-Chapel Hill, at this point in time, is not going to register that much of an impact," he said. "If you take a 30-year snapshot, the return investment in stocks is very high."

But some schools' endowments grew

despite the faltering economy.
Yale University, which is ranked second behind Harvard University in total amount of endowment funds, is the highest-ranked school to post a gain,

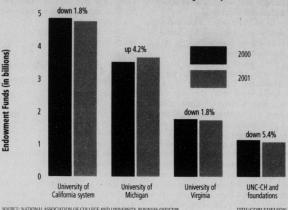
according to the survey.

Yale's investment office reported that the university's endowment totaled about \$10.7 billion on June 30, 2001, an increase from the previous fiscal year-end total of about \$10.1 billion.

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Shrinking Funds

College endowments decreased an average of 3.6 percent during the 2000-01 fiscal year, primarily because of a dive in the stock market and and the nation's slowing economy.



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Festival Brings Capra's Life, Film To Art Museum

Frank Capra Jr. is scheduled to introduce his documentary on his father to start off a festival showcasing the older Capra's films.

By Allison Rost

Frank Capra, one of America's best-loved film directors, is being honored with a retrospective film festival at the N.C.

Capra's works, from "It Happened One Night" to "It's a Wonderful Life," are deeply ingrained in the American psyche. The next two weeks will be filled with multiple showings of his many films, but a documentary on Capra's life and career will kick off the festivities this Friday.

Introducing the documentary is none other than Capra's son. Frank Capra Jr. took a cue from his father and followed him into show business, though he chose a producer's role. He owns and operates Screen Gems Studios in Wilmington – the home base for shows such as "Dawson's Creek" and "28 Days" – which now enjoys great success as the largest American film studio outside of Los Angeles.

As an expert, the younger Capra is complimentary of the museum for its selection of films to be shown during the retrospective. "They've done a really nice job with their schedule." They've done a really nice job with their schedule."

ule," he said. "It's going to be a pretty complete piece."

When museum officials developed the idea of a Capra retrospective, they decided to see if his son would be interested in participating. "They contacted me early about coming at least and introducing the documentary I did about my dad, called 'American Dream,' and I said, 'That's a great idea.'"

He plans on discussing areas that the documentary does not cover – namely his experiences growing up in a show business family and the film industry's history.

Capra Ir. said his father's experiences continue to guide his own methods in dealing with the varied and eccentric people in his difficult profession. "I learned a lot about coming to these problems with good humor or else you get ulcers," he said.

Capra Jr. recognizes that while his father went through

tough times, especially with the death of his young son and various illnesses, his eternal optimism shone through in all of

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The N.C. Museum of Art features the films of Frank Capra in its Winter Film Series. Frank Capra Jr. will present a documentary Friday about his father's career

Student Fees Escalation Imminent

The proposed increase being considered is 8.2 percent for graduate students and 8 percent for undergraduates.

By Jessica Sleep

UNC-system President Molly Broad is reviewing a proposed increase in UNC-Chapel Hill student fees, one that campus officials say will benefit students in the long. in the long run.

Last semester, the UNC-CH Chancellor's Committee on Student Fees recommended a fee increase of 8 percent for undergraduate students and 8.2 percent for graduate students. This translates into a \$62.10 increase for students in each group, which would be implemented for the fall 2002 semester. Roger Patterson, UNC-CH associate

vice chancellor for finance and chairman of the committee, said the UNC-CH Board of Trustees passed the proposed increase at its Sept. 27 meeting and that the proposal is now in the hands of Broad. He said if Broad approves the proposal, she will then send it to the UNC-system Board of Courage, which will be the proposal of the

tem Board of Governors, which will vote on the increase at its March 6 meeting.

Patterson said the fee increase was needed for reasons such as inflation and the employee salaries. Early in the fall, every campus service or organization requesting student fees must give a pre-sentation before the Student Fee Audit Committee, which then will review the requests and forward them to the chancellor's committee. Based on these requests, the committee drafts what it con-

requests, the committee draits what it considers to be an appropriate fee increase.

Patterson said many of the services and organizations that requested fees this year, such as Student Health Service, are selfoperating, which means the N.C. General Assembly does not provide these groups with funding. Patterson said many groups depend upon student fees for funding.
Student Body Vice President Rudy

Kleysteuber said another reason a fee increase is needed is because organizations such as Academic Technology & Networks want to provide students with more services that required extra funding.

The amount of the \$62.10 recom-

mended increase resulted from the size of past fee increases and a request from the BOT, Kleysteuber said.

Patterson said increasing fees each

year has become typical.

Past fee increases did not adequately cover inflationary costs, Kleysteuber said, and this year the BOT wanted to ensure the increase would be adequate. "In fact, this year was one of the first years that the BOT requested a minimum increase of 3.5 percent to cover inflation."

Kleysteuber said the increase is in the

best interest of UNC-CH students. "An increase in student fees is not something any student needs to worry about because all the money goes directly toward services that we use and need."

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Council Meeting Prioritizes Goals

By James Russ

The Chapel Hill Town Council took steps to streamline the town's policy goals for the next year during a Monday

night work session. The goals, which council members brainstormed during their retreat last weekend, are geared toward prioritizing which issues the council will address in the coming year.

Council members narrowed down a list of about 100 goals to 11 main categories, which were created to encompass similar interests.

The main categories created included increasing the presence of police officials in the Northside neighborhood, determining how to handle the potential Weaver Dairy Road expansion and managing the town's transit

Within the categories, council members voted on which specific issues they considered to be the most important.

The issues chosen included a wide variety of topics from how the town plans to manage parking to how next year's Halloween festivities should run.

Moderator Andy Sachs of the Dispute Settlement Center told the council members that - in the interest of time - the issues should be voted on but not discussed in great detail.

Members voted by a show of hands. The list of goals the council generated determines its priorities for the upcoming year and how it will spend meeting time that remains unsched-

But council member Edith Wiggins said she is skeptical about the amount of time town officials could spend working on the new goals.
"I always have that in the back of my

mind," Wiggins said. "I need to keep in

Mayor Kevin Foy agreed that time is a concern but said he didn't think it would be a problem. We can't load up the staff with too

much to do, but I don't think we're going to do that," Foy said. said he would take on the

responsibility of adding more topics to the list should they arise. Foy also said he will consider the pre vious council's goals as a way to judge

which ones this year's council should Once the council's list of goals is finalized, Town Manager Cal Horton will incorporate them into the council's

agenda as time permits. But Foy said the votes taken at the work session are not final.

Foy also said discussion on the matters will be held once Horton creates an

The time frame on the goals has not "What we're trying to do is give the manager direction, and he'll turn it into

an action plan."

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Government School Project Delayed

By Brook Corwin

The expansion and renovation of the School of Government, a project originally slated to be finished this spring, is now expected to reach completion during the summer of 2003.

School officials said the project – which broke ground in the spring of 1998 – has been delayed because of a staggered funding schedule from the N.C. General Assembly and the discovery of unexpected amounts of lead paint and asbestos.

Pat Langelier, the school's associate dean for planning and operations, said many delays took place during the construction's first phase, when the site was prepared for installation of underground utilities. "We found a lot of lead paint in the existing structures and also a lot more asbestos then we had expected."

But Langelier said that since the first phase was completed

in January 2000, construction has been moving along in a more timely fashion. She said she expects the second phase of the project - the construction of two new wings - to be complet ed this summer. After this phase is complete, renovations to the sting building will begin and are expected to take one year. Ann Simpson, the school's associate director for develop-

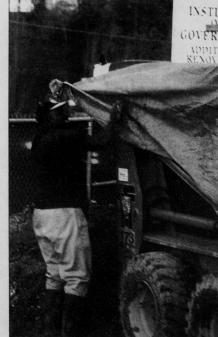
nent, said most of the funding for the project has been met by \$16 million in state appropriations and about \$4 million in funds given by the University.

But Simpson said that because the state staggered funds dur-ing several years instead of allocating them in one lump sum, the school was unable to hire a contractor to do the entire project. Simpson said the school still needs to raise \$4 million to fund the project's remaining costs, but said she is optimistic the school will meet that goal because of a \$1 million chal-

nge gift - a grant the school had two years to match - issued by the Knapp Foundation in May. Simpson said the school's fund-raising campaign is trying to reach beyond its normal list of donors - local public offi-- by offering opportunities to name the new building's

features. The renovated building will include additions such as a dining hall, new library and 10 new seminar rooms. Langelier said these features will enable the school to cor solidate all its course offerings to a central location on UNC's

campus, something it has been unable to do in the past.
"Right now we're teaching our classes all over the state, and it's very difficult to get our instructors all across the area," she



on the renovation of the School of Government.

Langelier said because the project has secured most of its funding and has identified all the lead paint and asbestos at the onstruction site, she does not expect any future delays.

She said, "We know the full scope of the project now."

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