

POLICE ROUNDUP

Carrboro Police Seek 3 Armed Robbers

A 35-year-old Carrboro man was robbed at gunpoint by three unidentified men at 10:15 p.m. Sunday, police reports state.

The victim was walking home with a friend from a grocery store on N.C. 54 to Arbor Meadows Apartments. The victim and his friend took a path behind the T and U buildings of the complex when they were approached by three men.

One of the robbers asked the victim for a cigarette, and while the victim was reaching for them, he pulled out a black semiautomatic handgun, reports state.

The victim and his friend were ordered to lay on the ground, and the robbers took the victim's wallet, which contained his driver's license and \$130 in cash.

When police officers arrived on the scene, they tried to follow the robbers' tracks in the ice, but were unable to do so because of multiple tire tracks in the parking lot, reports state.

The three men are still at large, and Carrboro police are continuing to investigate.

Police Arrest 4 Teens On Drug Charges

Chapel Hill police arrested four men, Nathaniel Maurice Bennett, 19, of 107 Brighton Place Apt. B; Thomas Dean Graham, 18, of 738 Log Barn Road in Pittsboro; Adam Capen Holloway, 18, of 101 Quail Roost Road in Carrboro; and Sergio Darrell Calhoun, 18, of 901 N.C. 54 West on drug possession and paraphernalia charges, reports state.

A Chapel Hill officer pulled over a black 2001 Nissan Pathfinder at on the 100 block of West Franklin Street for speeding at 12:17 a.m. Saturday.

When the officer approached the car, he smelled a strong odor of marijuana, reports state. Graham was the driver of the car, and the three others were passengers.

A search of the car found that Bennett was in possession of 5.5 grams of marijuana. He also had a 40-ounce bottle of King Cobra between his feet. He was charged with possession of marijuana and underage possession of a malt beverage.

Graham, a student at N.C. Central University, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia because there was a rolling machine and rolling papers on the console. He also was charged with speeding.

Holloway and Calhoun, both Chapel Hill High School students, were charged with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Holloway had a box of cigars, and Calhoun had a small plastic jar that had traces of marijuana in it.

The four men were released to appear March 24 in Orange County District Court in Hillsborough.

Manning Parking Lot Suffers Rash of Thefts

Four cars parked in the upper Manning lot have been broken into in the past week, and there have been five break-ins in the past two months, police reports state.

Capt. Mark McIntyre said the break-ins probably are related because all of the vehicles were Hondas and they were all in the same general area.

"It's the same locations that keep getting hit several times," McIntyre said. "We're working on it and trying to follow up on leads."

McIntyre said three officers are on the case, and he suggests that students park in well-populated areas where there are great deals of pedestrian traffic. He also said students should store their valuables out of sight to prevent them from tempting thieves.

The robbers have targeted stereos and other technological equipment, including PalmPilots, McIntyre said. He said there are no suspects at this time.

Student Drug Case Continued to March 13

Sophomore Charles Bryan Corey, who was arrested Oct. 12 on drug-related charges, has had his hearing postponed for a third time.

Corey now is scheduled to appear at Orange County District Court in Hillsborough on March 13.

Corey was charged with possession with intent to sell and deliver marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, manufacturing a controlled substance and maintaining a dwelling for controlled substance sales. Corey also was charged with possession of Darvocet, Vicodin and Adderall. He is a pre-medicine chemistry major and a UNC Laboratories employee.

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Accusations Against Walters Supported, Refuted

APS director accused of mismanagement

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Recent findings on Animal Protection Society Executive Director Laura Walters' past animal shelter experience show a history of mismanagement, but some say the problems do not stop with her position.

One of the APS's most vocal critics said the board of directors also is at fault for conducting business in a secretive manner.

Inquiry into the board initially was started by Elliot Cramer, a retired UNC

professor and APS member.

Cramer said he became concerned with the board after a family friend, Robert Schopler, essentially was fired from his position as wildlife rehabilitation director of the APS.

Cramer and a group of concerned members later submitted petitions to the APS board of directors, nominating a few members for the board elections last fall.

But in an open meeting in November, the board changed the bylaws concerning the method through which its members are elected, along with a few other issues.

The board modified Article IV, paragraph C of the APS bylaws to read, "Election to the Board shall be by a sim-

ple majority of Directors present at said meeting, a quorum being present."

This addition effectively changed the bylaws so that the board, rather than APS members, elects future board members.

Board attorney Ronald Merritt said that the change was not unusual and that many other organizations have similar practices. When questioned as to whether board members had discussed allegations against APS, Merritt said they had spoken about them.

He said he could not comment on whether the board has discussed allegations against Walters that stem from mismanagement of an animal shelter in Greenwood, Ark., because it was a personnel matter. He would not disclose

APS hiring practices.

Merritt said he had not read the entire article in Monday's Daily Tar Heel about Walters. But after someone read him portions of the article, he said he thought the allegations being made against Walters were "unfair and untrue."

Former board lawyer Rick Snider hired Walters and also was one of her most vocal critics, Merritt said. Snider could not be reached for comment Monday.

The reports of mismanagement, including lax disease management, at the Arkansas shelter are similar to complaints that have been leveled at Walters by concerned Chapel Hill residents and APS members such as Cramer.

Accusations against Walters in both

Greenwood and Chapel Hill have included borderline cruelty to animals, poor business practices and mismanagement of the shelter.

A report by Ann Clark — Arkansas' deputy sheriff and animal warden in South Sebastian County, where Walters managed a shelter from 1999-2001 — expressed similar concern about diseased animals.

"Upon recognizing this problem I spoke with Walters about housing sick animals with those that appeared healthy," Clark stated in the report. "Walters advised this Deputy she would run the shelter as she thought proper."

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N.C. Central University is one of five historically black colleges and universities in the UNC system. All five HBCUs have a student body that is at least 77 percent black.

Historically Black Colleges Rich in History, Opportunity

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Long an underrepresented group in U.S. universities and colleges, many black students continue to seek their educations from historically black colleges and universities, which have served black students' needs since the mid-1800s.

Funded by various abolitionist institutions, including the Quakers, the first HBCUs were founded in the 1850s in Northern states.

Lincoln University in Pennsylvania was the first in 1854, and Wilberforce and Fisk universities followed in 1856 and 1866, respectively. The first HBCU in North Carolina, Fayetteville State University, opened its doors in 1867.

In the 19th-century United States, a time and place fraught with racism and

1833 Abolitionist Movement Begins The American Anti-Slavery Society forms in December	1854 Lincoln University The first HBCU opens its doors in Pennsylvania	1861-1865 Civil War April '61: war starts in S.C. June '65: Confederacy surrenders	1862 Emancipation Proclamation On Sept. 22, Lincoln says slaves will be freed as of January 1863	1867 Fayetteville State University The first HBCU in North Carolina is founded	1896 Plessy v. Ferguson U.S. Supreme Court rules "separate but equal" constitutional	1954 Brown v. Board of Education The court reverses Plessy v. Ferguson	1955 UNC-CH Admits First Black Freshmen Three black students enroll for the fall semester
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discrimination, these institutions were created to give black students an outlet to pursue their educations.

"Blacks had to have their own institutions to get adequate education," said Murray Percy, professor of history at N.C. Central University.

HBCUs became most significant during Reconstruction and the period of segregation that followed the Supreme Court's landmark Plessy v. Ferguson decision in 1896, said Thomas Battle, the director of Moorland-Spangarn Research Center at Howard University in Washington, D.C. — one of the world's leading research centers of black history and culture.

The court's ruling in Plessy v.

Ferguson made segregation a legal practice with the now-infamous "separate but equal" doctrine in its ruling.

William Cobb, professor of history at Spelman College in Atlanta, said that the court case did not have much practical consequence because segregation was common practice before "separate but equal" but that it was received by some as "an additional outrage on top of the social custom."

And while it is impossible to quantify Plessy v. Ferguson's effect, the case did add to the already ubiquitous strength of segregation, which forced black students to attend HBCUs if they wanted to get

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Town to Look at Police Agreement

Council member has concerns about FBI

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Chapel Hill Town Council member Mark Kleinschmidt introduced a petition at last week's council meeting that would re-evaluate University police officers' jurisdictional agreement with the Chapel Hill Police Department.

Under the arrangement, University officers can pursue incidents that occurred on campus into the town. They also can go unaccompanied into Chapel Hill to investigate their cases.

Kleinschmidt's petition stems from his concerns about a Jan. 9 article in The Boston Globe that reported, "The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has an FBI liaison who devotes two days a month to anti-terrorism work, a spokeswoman said."

But University Police Chief Derek Poarch said there is no FBI agent who works on campus or who specifically is assigned to campus. "We have a detective that works for us, the Department of Public Safety, who attends a biweekly meeting in Raleigh at the FBI office

where they distribute nationally relevant information," Poarch said.

Kleinschmidt said he wants to clarify how University police and the FBI are involved. "I don't think (University police) has been commandeered by the FBI," he said.

He said his petition has two parts. It asks Chapel Hill police to assess the relationship between the FBI and University police. It also asks town staff to examine Chapel Hill withdrawing from its jurisdictional agreement with University police.

"(The petition) is not an accusation that anyone is doing anything wrong," he said. "This is the appropriate way to protect the rights of the townspeople."

The jurisdictional arrangement, which Kleinschmidt did not favor, was passed by the Town Council in May.

"I don't like the idea of having a police officer not responsible to the Town Council going out and knocking on doors," he said.

Kleinschmidt said he thought a Chapel Hill police officer should accompany a University police officer for any investigation in town.

Poarch said University police officers only have had to go into town to investigate about one case a month. "We keep a record of all instances that we give to the town each month," Poarch said.

"There have only been seven occurrences where DPS has had to exercise extrajurisdictional powers," said Chapel Hill Police Chief Gregg Jarvis. "In each instance, the agreement was followed."

Jarvis said University police and Chapel Hill police have an excellent working relationship. "Officers know each other, we share boundaries, and we often work together."

He said the purpose of the petition was to see what role, if any, campus police and the FBI play in monitoring foreign students in Chapel Hill.

Kleinschmidt said the petition would help to make sure foreign students' rights are protected. "I have seen through reporting in (The Daily Tar Heel) that the student body wants the rights of their foreign students protected, and... this is one way I think we can help," Kleinschmidt said.

Jarvis said he will report to the council March 3 in response to the petition.

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Operations Stay Normal at UNC Despite Alert

Feb. 11 high terror alert warned that universities could be targets

By AMANDA JEPSEN
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Though universities were mentioned specifically in a Feb. 11 FBI terror warning as possible terrorist targets, UNC-Chapel Hill is not moving to take any additional precautions.

The nation has been on a code orange, or high, terror alert since Feb. 7, when several intelligence reports indicated a heightened possibility for terrorist attacks toward the end of a religious period in the Muslim year.

FBI Director Robert Mueller indicated in the warning that soft targets, such as universities, were at a greater risk because small-scale attacks would be easy to execute.

Last week, police chiefs from all 16 UNC-system universities met in Asheville, said FBI special agent Eric Blowers. There, the chiefs received all of the information the FBI had to offer regarding terrorist activity on college campuses.

Jeff McCracken, deputy director of UNC-CH's Department of Public Safety, said the department also has received information that has been sent to local police centers.

"There has been no information yet that UNC or North

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UNC Selects Newsom To Fill New Position Of Diversity Director

By ESHANTHI RANASINGHE
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After a full year of shuffling résumés and hosting interviews, the 50-person applicant pool for the position of UNC's director of diversity has been narrowed to one.

Melva "Cookie" Newsom officially was invited to take the post in late December, accepting the offer about a week later, officials said. She will begin working at the Office for Minority Affairs on April 1.

Newsom said she is excited to have a chance to incorporate diversity issues into her career.

"I've been interested in the diversity issue for a very long time," she said. "That's something that's been my passion, actually, more than my livelihood. I'm very excited to be able to blend them. ... That's a very good opportunity to be able to get paid for something you love doing."

Newsom is a faculty member at Clark State Community College in Springfield, Ohio, where she teaches American history, Western civilization and African-American history.

Newsom received a doctorate from the School of Education and Allied Professions at the University of Dayton in 2000. She earned a master's at Wright State University and graduated with a bachelor's degree from Central State University.

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WHOA, NELLIE



Sophomores Tom Helmer (left) and Zach Hayes slide out of control down a hill at Kenan-Flager Business School on Monday afternoon. Students braved the cold to go sledding all over campus.

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