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Students to rally against hikes

CAMPUS LEADERS MOTIVATE PEERS TO ATTEND FRIDAY BOG MEETING

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Citing concerns that the UNC-system Board of Governors not only could approve a tuition increase, but also could shift funds away from financial aid, members of student government are rallying students to attend the board's meeting Friday.

The BOG's Budget and Finance

Committee will meet today to discuss campus-based tuition increases at UNC-system schools. The full board will vote on the proposals Friday.

UNC-Chapel Hill Student Body President Matt Tepper said he hopes that the BOG will not approve the UNC-CH Board of Trustees' proposal to increase out-of-state tuition by \$1,500 and in-state tuition by \$300 for the 2004-05

school year.

"You never know what will happen," Tepper said. "Students will be there on Friday to have last minute conversations and to show interest, to show their displeasure, and for out-of-state students, their disgust about the proposal. Carolina students are concerned about the out-of-state increase."

UNC-CH Provost Robert Shelton said he has heard that need-based financial aid might be at stake during Friday's vote. The current proposal sets aside 40 percent of all revenues generated by the increase for need-based aid.

"I've heard they might not allow money for the need-based aid," Shelton said. "That would be a blow, but nothing is definite."

Tepper sent an e-mail Wednesday to his Cabinet members urging them to rally students to attend the meeting and pointing to the risk of financial aid being eliminated from the proposal.

"There is real potential for the BOG to do something to really harm the student body when they are trying to help," Tepper said. "We want need-based aid for

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Latino studies minor created

Will focus on Latino culture within U.S.

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UNC will be one of the first universities in the Southeast to offer a minor in Latino-Latino Studies beginning next fall.

"(The minor is) quite an accomplishment for UNC, considering that North Carolina has the highest percentage rise in Latinos in all the U.S.," said English Professor María DeGuzmán, the program's director.

She said the interdisciplinary minor will be housed in the Department of English and will consist of five courses: one core course from the humanities curriculum, one core course from the social sciences and three electives from the two categories.

"There is quite a lot of flexibility between that balance," DeGuzmán said. "Right now there are 19 courses that satisfy the minor."

She said that classes in anthropology, drama, English, geography, history, music, public policy, Spanish and African and Afro-American Studies will be included in the minor.

Students who are interested in pursuing the minor should contact Jason Clemmons, an administrative assistant in the English department.

DeGuzmán emphasized the importance of learning about Latino culture.

"There is a tremendous cultural develop-

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Moeser's raise to aid employees

BY AMY KINGSLEY
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A \$25,000 bonus Chancellor James Moeser originally declined now will fund programs intended to improve workplace conditions for University employees.

The money will go to a one-time start-up fund for programs recommended by the Chancellor's Task Force for a Better Workplace.

UNC-system President Molly Broad rewarded chancellors of system schools in January with bonuses ranging from \$12,101 to \$25,599.

Moeser decided to accept the \$25,000 bonus that he originally declined because staff members have received minimal or no pay increases.

Moeser was not available for comment Wednesday.

In February, an employee suggested that Moeser use the money to fund campus needs, leading to the creation of the start-up fund.

"This is a positive beginning," said Katherine Graves, vice chairwoman of the Employee Forum and a member of the task force. "There are a lot of good projects that need funding."

Since the money from Moeser is a one-time contribution, it likely will be used to fund some of the smaller programs that do not require sustained funding.

Among the short-term recommendations

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James McCleary walks along Franklin Street on Wednesday afternoon dressed as a leprechaun. McCleary, whose great-grandparents are from Ireland, has dressed up every St. Patrick's Day since 1998. Below: Sophomore Charles Gillespie (left to right) and juniors Daniel Cohen and Josh Gold toast with green beer at Top of the Hill.

COLORFUL REVELS MARK ST. PATRICK'S DAY

BY ASHLEY DUNCAN
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Chapel Hill resembled Ireland on Wednesday with drizzly weather and cold temperatures, and there was no lack of Irish spirit on Saint Patrick's Day.

Local residents and students celebrated throughout the day, dressing in green clothing, eating traditional Irish fare offered by restaurants and, of course, drinking green beer.

Top of the Hill Restaurant & Brewery dyed its Summer Lager with green coloring to celebrate the holiday. One dollar from each green beer was donated to the Cornucopia House Cancer Support Center.

The largest party, however, was at W.B. Yeats Irish Pub, where the beer was not green.

"I find it personally offensive to dye beer. I will not do it," owner Dan Markscheid said. He did concede that guests who wanted green beer could receive a few drops of color in light beers.

"I will (dye the beer green) if guests request it in their Bud Light. Or Harp. I guess we could do Harp, too. But only by request."

Markscheid estimated that the restaurant served between 500 and 600 people for lunch and dinner and expected more than 2,000 between 8 p.m. and 3 a.m. "Saint Patrick's Day is by far the biggest day for us," Markscheid said.



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W.B. Yeats and Avalon, a dance club, worked together to set up a large heated tent to accommodate the crowds.

Jak Reeves, a UNC alumnus, sipped Guinness beer at W.B. Yeats. "It is such a fun holiday," he said. "We're not really Irish, we just came to hang out."

Dave Brown came to W.B. Yeats after traveling to Ireland and developing a taste for Guinness.

"We are going to eat a lot and drink a lot of Guinness," he said.

W.B. Yeats also used the holiday to host a fund-rais-

er for St. Baldrick's, an organization that raises money for the National Childhood Cancer Foundation.

St. Baldrick's recruits people to shave their heads in support of children who lose their hair from cancer treatment. Twenty-one volunteers, including UNC Undergraduate Admissions Director Jerry Lucido, shaved their heads at W.B. Yeats to raise more than \$20,000.

"We certainly hope to make this an annual event," said Jane Hoppen, an employee of the Redwoods Group, the insurance firm that sponsored the fundraiser.

Bub O'Malley's offered a smaller celebration with green domestic beers and Guinness beer specials for party-goers.

Manager Lloyd Rippe didn't know how many people would spend the holiday at his bar. "We'll take however many we can get. Other places go over the top, and that's where the crowds will be, but we have a good time here," he said.

Chapel Hill Police spokeswoman Jane Cousins said the police department was not expecting any trouble. "St. Patrick's Day doesn't tend to be that wild in Chapel Hill."

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Contest winner heads to tourney

Rathskeller supplies tickets to Denver

BY AYOFEMI KIRBY
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While most UNC students will watch the Tar Heels play the Air Force Academy in the first round of the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament on CBS tonight, students Jason Waller and Nikki Binz will be watching from the stands.

After winning a ball toss competition during Late Night With

Roy in October, Waller received tickets from the Ram's Head Rathskeller to the first round UNC game of the NCAA tournament. He decided to take Binz, his girlfriend.

"I've been a huge Carolina basketball fan all my life," Waller said. "I grew up coming to all the football and basketball games when I could."

Waller and Binz will depart for

the Pepsi Center in Denver at 9 a.m. today and arrive around 1 p.m.

The UNC men's basketball team will play at 9:40 p.m.

"I went to the ACC Tournament last weekend, and that was a little disappointing," he said. "But I think this will be better."

At Late Night With Roy, miniature basketballs, autographed by UNC basketball players, were tossed into the air.

Participants were required to pick up as many of the balls as they

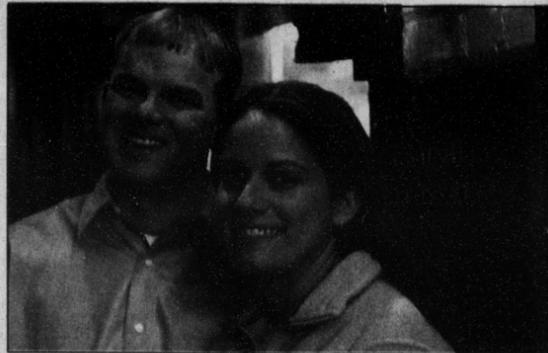
could in one minute and place them into a bag.

Francis Henry, owner of the Rathskeller, said Waller beat his opponents by one ball.

The Rathskeller has served members of the Chapel Hill community since 1948 and supports the University by sponsoring activities such as this one.

"It's a package deal we're giving them," Henry said. "(ESPN sports anchor) Stuart Scott told me that it

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Jason Walker won tickets to the UNC first-round NCAA tournament game from the Ram's Head Rathskeller and is taking his girlfriend, Nikki Binz.

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