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The show will feature ten different acts from individual member organizations and will include singing and dancing from the individuals cultures represented.

Admission to the show will be \$5, and the proceeds will go to the Live8 benefit concert.

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Masala Week

Wednesday, 5-7 p.m. in the Pit

Masala will sponsor a date auction featuring members from all 15 of their cultural organizations.

Thursday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the Pit

Masala will offer dance lessons from several different cultural dance groups.

Friday, 7:30 p.m. in the Great Hall

Masala will kick off Parents' Weekend with a show to include culture-based singing and dancing.

decreasing any deficit incurred.

The Chancellor's Committee on Student Fees will review the proposals at its next meeting Friday.

Next week, these groups will examine proposed hikes to the athletic and technology fees, which typically garner the largest increases.

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UVa. reacts to race conflicts

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A recent rash of racist episodes at the University of Virginia has shocked the university community, whose members have since stepped up efforts to eliminate discrimination on campus.

The six reported incidents began during UVa's move-in weekend, said Carol Wood, the university's assistant vice president for university relations. In the late afternoon of Aug. 20, a car filled with white males yelled out racial slurs to a group of black students trying to settle in.

Three days later, similar drive-by incidents occurred around campus. A birthday card containing racial slurs, a message on

the dry-erase board outside one student's room and the denial of entrance to a fraternity party also highlighted racial tensions on campus.

Very quickly, clubs, organizations, faculty and staff at the university came together to put a stop to the developments, Wood said.

A rally was organized by the students on the steps of the rotunda at the heart of the campus to talk about racial issues and help the victims cope with the incidents.

John Casteen, president of the university, sent out an e-mail to the campus Aug. 29, stating that racial insults "have no place in a community built on mutual trust and respect."

In spite of the campus's efforts, some students feel the reaction has been inadequate.

"The university's response has been sluggish," said Brian Balogh, co-chairman of Student Life and Climate. "But the university has been dealing with this issue for quite some time now, and struc-

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tural changes take time."

The university has been working for the past two years to change a history dotted by segregation, racism and inequality.

The President's Commission on Diversity Equity, created in 2003, has provided recommendations for the school to implement for the betterment of racial and ethnic minorities.

Wood said the university already has made many improvements, such as the creation of a system for reporting race-based incidents.

"We are trying to confront it head-on," Wood said. "We want to make sure that the students know that we are in this together."

According to the Dean of Students office at UNC, there have been no reported racial incidences

this year.

But campus officials are prepared to handle problems if they arise.

"We do have in place a public commitment and readily available resources to deal with incidences like these," said Archie Ervin, associate provost of the UNC Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs.

"The fact that we also have a racially and ethnically diverse community and faculty is a step in the right direction."

Though UNC has not had any problems, Balogh said the issue of race is not a problem specific to UVa.

"It is a national problem."

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STUDENT FEES

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The \$31 test fee, which was charged to students who took the test and given directly to the teaching assistant who proctored the exam, did not include money the graduate school had to pay the proctors for services such as insurance.

The fee now will go toward administering the test and

With his new job, he has been able to take an active role in the system, Newton said.

Danner is a member of the Seawell Elementary School governance committee.

He also has several commitments in the community as a YMCA youth soccer coach and a summer swim league volunteer.

Although his degrees — a doctorate and a master's degree from the University of Pennsylvania and a bachelor of science degree from the University of Virginia — are in chemical engineering, his father, a university professor, taught him the importance of education.

Danner's campaign is now off and running — though he said it's

still a learning experience.

His Web site (jeffdanner.org) has information about him in addition to election issues.

Danner said he also will be putting out signs and has several friends who will host meet-the-candidate parties.

Newton said that before Danner filed to run, he was a "relative unknown," but everyone who meets him seems to be impressed with him as a candidate.

And his children also are getting interested in his campaign.

"I think we're kind of enjoying it as a family experience so far," Danner said.

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"And the second feature is I'd like the school board to be able to take its strategic plans and be able to distill them down to their essence."

Newton noted that Danner is trying to take on a variety of issues as a candidate.

"I would just say in terms of campaigns, Jeff's just trying to reach out," Newton said.

"He's not a single-issue candidate."

Newton also noted that Danner had a previous job far away from town that did not allow him much time to be always be involved with the schools.

the north and the restoration of a historic inn downtown.

But Dancy said she will work to protect the environment as development continues to grow.

"I don't want any businesses that will pollute the air," she said.

Erosion, water cleanliness and cost are also points of concern for the town, through which the Eno River flows.

Residents will see the sewer rate in Hillsborough rise by more than nine percent in October.

Dancy added that several of the town's recurrent issues, including crime and a high rate for water, are present in her own northern Hillsborough neighborhood.

These are concerns that Dancy

and her board colleagues work to improve regularly, she said.

Dancy also said that during her tenure on the board, she has been a key player in helping to introduce information technology to the town staff and in creating an emergency fund for issues such as hurricanes or other disasters.

And despite what she called the difficult nature of the work, she is committed to the board.

"Because the people come first and they depend on the board to make decisions," she said.

"It's a lot of work, but I feel I make a difference."

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developers to) come in and see what Hillsborough wants," Dancy said.

The board and town residents can then filter incoming businesses to find economically conscious and environmentally sound opportunities for the community, Dancy said.

"We're really interested in getting some business in Hillsborough to build up our tax base and take the tax burden off the individual household," she said. "Development should pay for itself."

In her current term, the board has looked at the Waterstone community in southern Hillsborough, another potential community to

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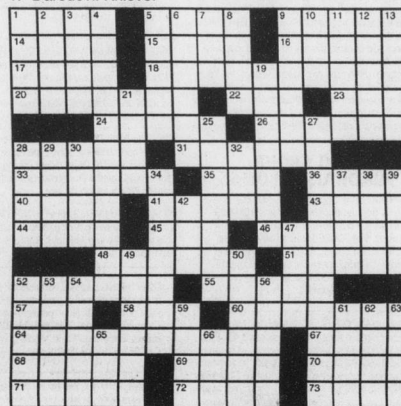
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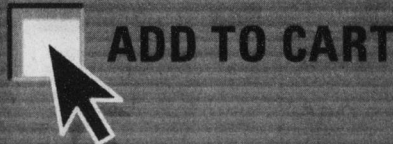
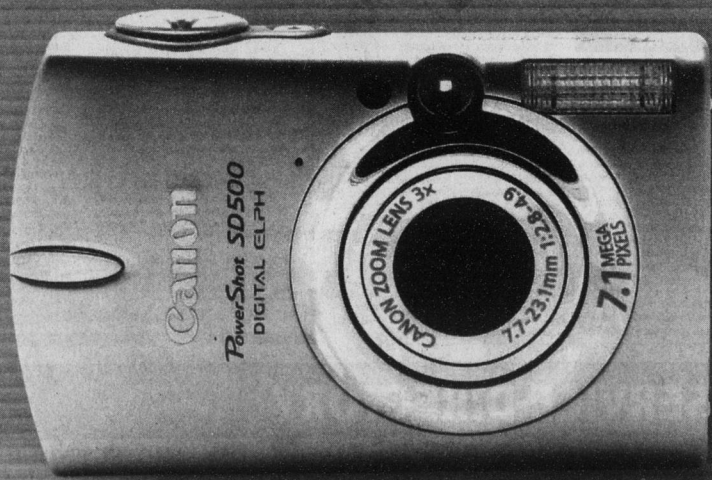
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