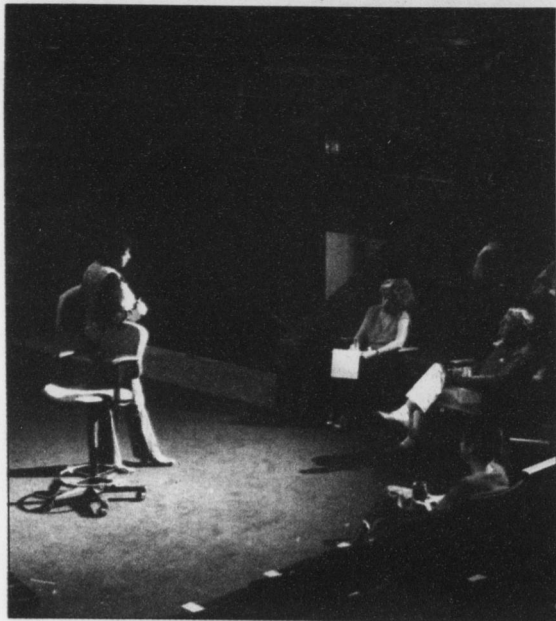


ADORNING THE STAGE



DTH/STEVE ANDRAWES

Tony award-winner Trezana Beverly discusses her upcoming play "String of Pearls" on Wednesday at Playmakers Theatre. The event offered a sneak peek of the set and a preview of the show, which will run from Nov. 16 to Dec. 11 and is described as a "contemporary stunner."

Students pump biodiesel use

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Who knew that vegetable oil could do more than fry chicken? Six students from Chapel Hill High School do — they're using the product to create biodiesel fuel.

Senior Rhys Baker and members of Students United for a Responsible Global Environment (SURGE) — a club with chapters both at the high school and the University — are working to secure grant money for a project to build a biodiesel reactor. The device transforms renewable sources such as vegetable and soybean oil and animal fat into petroleum-based fuel. "It's a brilliant product to invest in because in the next 100 years I cannot see another outcome instead of switching to biofuels," Baker said. He said the project is designed to spread the word about biodiesel and involve the community in learning about a feasible petroleum alternative.

To promote the importance of biodiesel, Baker and SURGE leader Julian Bach plan to use a donated diesel vehicle — aptly named "Fuelmeister" — to travel to area schools and educate their peers. Working on the biodiesel project not only has influenced Baker,

but also his father. "My dad's Volkswagen Jetta runs on biodiesel now," he said. "I think he did it partially to give me support in this project. He wants to build a biodiesel processor on our property."

Baker and SURGE are not working alone in their efforts to spread the word about sustainable fuels — Pittsboro co-op Piedmont Biofuels also is involved in the student project, providing technical support and guidance.

Lyle Estill, the co-op's vice president, said the group largely focuses on educating people. "Education and outreach is a big thing of what we do," he said.

Community colleges also are getting involved. "The project ties into 52 community colleges that are interested in alternative fuel programs ... with a push from Wake (Technical Community College) and Durham (Technical Community College)," said Nate Smith, an automotive systems instructor at Chapel Hill High.

The students have been working on their biodiesel project since August and expect to have it completed by Christmas, Baker said.



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(From right) Chapel Hill High senior Rhys Baker, together with Rio Tazewell, Nathan Smith, Julian Bach and Rob Greenberg, works on a biodiesel project.

Other area vehicles already have made the switch: The University's P2P bus system incorporates biodiesel. But Chapel Hill Transit interim director Kurt Neufang said running biodiesel fuel in transit buses is not something the town is pursuing. The transit system uses kerosene.

"Biodiesel is not as clean-burning as kerosene," Neufang said.

"Kerosene is more efficient, and proven to be better."

Smith said the matter rests on a simple ethical debate.

"You have to qualify the definition of better burning. Is it better for the engine or the environment?"

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ Sign up this week in the Vday folder in the information hub of the Student Union to audition for The Vagina Monologues. Auditions will be held from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Nov. 14 and Nov. 15 in Manning 209. Contact jboos@email.unc.edu with questions.

■ Sign-ups to dance in the 8th Annual UNC Dance Marathon end at 5 p.m. today. No dance experience is necessary — just stand for 24 hours Feb. 24 and Feb. 25 in support of the N.C. Children's Hospital. Go to www.uncmarathon.org to sign up.

■ The Loreleis Fall Jam will feature the Bubs and the Achordants at 7:30 p.m. today in Hamilton 100 and the Hullabahoos and Clefs on Saturday. Tickets are \$6 in the Pit and \$8 at the door.

■ The Durham Art Walk, the largest studio tour in North Carolina, will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. More than 90

artists' works will be on display in various locations throughout downtown Durham. For more information, go to www.durhamartwalk.com or call 682-2800.

■ "Dance! Dance! Dance! and Forget your Sorrows: African Dance Extravaganza" will take place from noon to 1 p.m. Saturday in the Hanes Art Center Auditorium.

■ The Asian Students Association will present Journey into Asia 2005 at 5 p.m. Saturday in the Great Hall of the Student Union. Tickets for the dinner and the 7 p.m. show in Memorial Hall are each \$5.

■ O.A.S.I.S. will present the African Royale Elite Ball from 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday at the Durham Armory. Tickets are \$12 for students and \$20 for non-students.

■ The Community Church of Chapel Hill will host a screening of "Wal-Mart: The High Cost of

Low Price" at 1 p.m. Sunday at 106 Purefoy Road. Call Joan Garnett at 942-0621 for more information.

■ A Duke-UNC Student Documentary Festival will be held from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday in Graham Memorial 039. Admission is free and a light lunch will be served. Guest panels are at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. on Global Responsibility through Documentary and Global Health: Perspectives on China, respectively.

To make a calendar submission, visit www.dailytarheel.com for a list of submission policies and contacts. Events must be sent in by noon the preceding publication date.

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POLICE LOG

■ An unidentified suspect broke into two cars belonging to a Chapel Hill man at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday at his residence, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The suspect reportedly broke out the window of a Honda Civic, gained access to the interior of the vehicle and stole a portable CD player, valued at \$25, reports state.

The damage done to the car is estimated to be \$275, according to reports.

The suspect also gained access to the man's 1996 Isuzu Rodeo by breaking the driver's window and took \$250 worth of audio electronics as well as several power and hand tools, valued at \$300, reports state.

The damage done to the car was estimated to be \$275, according to reports.

■ The RBC Centura Bank was the site of a burglary at 6:36 a.m.

Wednesday, Chapel Hill police reports state.

An unidentified suspect entered the bank at 841 Willow Drive, doing \$400 worth of damage to the building, according to reports.

The suspect then made off with an undisclosed amount of money, reports state.

■ A Brevard man reported damage to his car at 8:50 p.m. Wednesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

An unknown suspect reportedly threw a large rock onto the hood of the 1999 Mitsubishi Diamante, which was parked at 412 Caldwell St., reports state.

The damage was estimated to be \$350, according to reports.

■ Whole Foods Market, located at 81 S. Elliott Road, was the victim of two separate larcenies Wednesday, Chapel Hill police

reports state.

The first occurred at 12:05 p.m., when an unidentified suspect stole foodstuffs of an unknown value from the store, according to reports.

The second happened at 3:21 p.m., reports state. The second suspect made off with \$12 in foodstuffs and \$35 in health and beauty aids, according to reports.

■ A Carrboro man reported that an unknown suspect entered his car and stole \$500 in valuables at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The suspect entered the 2002 Saturn SC2, parked on McCauley Street, without doing any noticeable damage, according to reports.

The victim reported his Apple iPod Mini, valued at \$500, missing, reports state.

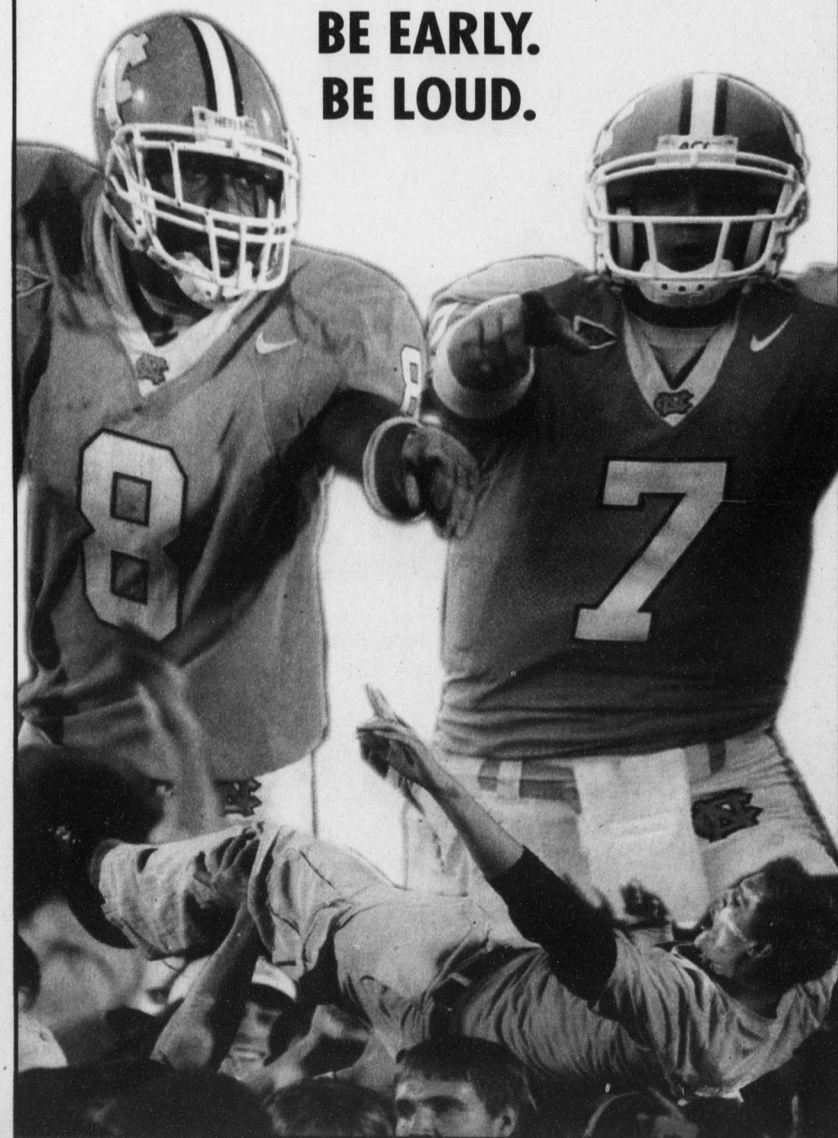
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