



# FRIDAYS

on the FRONT PORCH

Warm weather is here and the livin' is easy. Unwind and ease into the weekend with live bluegrass music, cool drinks, good food and plenty of shade.

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- Black Swamp Bootleggers •
- The Cadillac Stepbacks •
- Tony Williams •
- Gray Boys •

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Fridays  
5:00pm

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Beer & Wine Specials  
Southern Picnic Menu

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Students have plenty of time to lay out on the quad during summer school. They can take a maximum of eight credit hours during each session.

## Summer school is more than classes

### Students enjoy time with friends

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When some think of the term "summer vacation," they might picture the elementary school nostalgic fantasy.

The ringing of the final bell, a set of double doors slamming open and hundreds of kids running out throwing papers into the air, forgetting their studies for an entire summer.

While this may be the case for a great many of us, there are some who must resist the urge to let loose and party and instead stay for the oft-dreaded summer school.

While summer school normally gets a bad rep, it is simply a stereotype.

Most of the students at Chapel Hill had positive things to say about the atmosphere on campus during the summer.

"I liked summer school because all my classes were in the morning and I was done by one," said sophomore Tre Flintroy.

"Then I had the whole afternoon to study. I even had time to get a job on the YMCA's sport staff working with kids at sports camps."

He also said the traditional transportation hassles of campus are also alleviated.

"Parking was also really convenient. I was able to park in the Cobb deck, and that isn't an option during the school year."

Classes that are typically larger tend to be smaller during summer sessions as well.

"Since classes were so much smaller, they were much more personalized, and it's easier to interact with the professor and other students," said senior Kavi Gnanasekaran.

"The classes are fast-paced, but Chapel Hill as a town seems to have a slower, more relaxed vibe."

Although summer school reeks of being the cause behind a "bummer summer," students still were able to find time for leisure activities as well.

"Since I wasn't as busy with my classes, like I am during the year, I was able to do some things around Chapel Hill during the summer that I wouldn't normally get a chance to do," said junior Reid Medlin.

"Me and a bunch of friends went to Jordan Lake when we all had summer school, and it was awesome."

For sophomore Jason Gonzalez, the summer campus environment was a positive one on several fronts.

"It was much easier to get a place because we didn't have to fund a sub-letter because most places start leases in the summer," he said.

"I am going to summer school because I have to finish up my pre-med requirements. Organic chemistry is known as a make-you or break-you class for med school and this way I will have more time to concentrate on studying for that one class."