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## Gay association faces problems getting funds

by C B Gaines  
Staff Writer

The Carolina Gay Association (CGA), now an officially recognized campus organization, may have problems obtaining Student Government (SG) funding.

"Every person involved has to decide on his own if he is going to reveal his name to the group," CGA chairman Mike Grissom said Thursday.

But, according to Student Body President Marcus Williams, an organization composed of anonymous members requesting SG funds "might be sorely disappointed."

"How can they substantiate a budget request without proof of who these people are," Williams said. "The Student Government is going to demand to know. Numbers just won't do."

"It's not a veil of secrecy," Grissom said, "but it has to be realized by others that it's a difficult thing. Obviously there are some nuts running around," Grissom said. He added that some gays perceive threats of physical violence.

"It is our belief," the CGA statement of purpose says, "that those gays who participate in a recognized group activity will feel more accepted by society as a whole and will become more accepting of themselves, thus developing a more positive gay self-concept."

In the first executive meeting of the CGA Wednesday night, one CGA member suggested that posters should be placed around Kenan Stadium for the benefit of UNC alumni.

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RUSH  
to the  
Carolina Gay Association  
OPEN HOUSE  
come out to  
Craig Green Room  
Monday Sept. 16 7:30 P.M.  
speakers -- refreshments

CGA proposed putting this poster all over campus for alumni to see

"They always said there were queers and harlots behind every tree," he said. "Well, now we're coming out from behind the trees."

CGA will hold an open house Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Craig Green Room. The public is cordially invited.

## Sirica: no dismissal for three defendants

by Jane Denison  
United Press International

WASHINGTON—U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica Thursday denied demands by three major Watergate conspiracy defendants to dismiss charges against them on grounds that Richard Nixon's tacit admission of guilt by accepting a pardon had made a fair trial for them impossible.

Sirica also rejected their request that the cover-up trial be postponed indefinitely because the mass of publicity over the Nixon pardon. But he did order a one-day delay, until Oct. 1, to permit calling a fresh batch of nearly 1,000 prospective jurors.

The rulings were issued after a closed 90-minute meeting with lawyers for the six defendants in the cover-up case.

The motions by former Attorney General John M. Mitchell and one-time top Nixon aide H. R. Haldeman and John Ehrlichman for dismissal of their indictments or a lengthy delay of their trial had been filed only hours before.

But Sirica did grant a Haldeman motion to dismiss the 400 prospective jurors who have already survived a preliminary screening process, and to call a fresh pool from which 12 jurors and six alternates will be chosen.

The court in early July had sent questionnaires to more than 700 District of

Columbia residents asking if they would be able to serve on a sequestered jury for a highly publicized criminal case expected to last three to four months.

Haldeman contended that this tipped off prospective jurors that they might be serving on the Watergate cover-up jury and thus might have been influenced by Nixon's subsequent resignation and pardon.

In a draft of his formal order which will be filed Friday morning, Sirica said the grounds for Haldeman's request for a new jury pool were insubstantial but they he would grant

the plea "out of an abundance of caution."

He said Special Prosecutor Leon Jaworski, who had representatives at the meeting, had no objection. He also said he would decide at the opening of the trial whether the jury would be sequestered.

Mitchell was the first to file for dismissal of all charges Thursday. Motions from Haldeman and Ehrlichman followed within a few hours. The three pinned their motions to the pardon for Nixon and claimed they should not be prosecuted while Nixon goes free.

## RHA board okays grad representation

by Frank Griffin  
Staff Writer

The Residence Hall Association (RHA) Board of Governors voted Wednesday night to propose an amendment to the RHA constitution which will give Craig Graduate Center residents representation on RHA and allow Mike O'Neal to retain his RHA presidency.

The proposed amendment, which calls for striking the word undergraduate from the RHA constitution, passed unanimously. It must now be approved by Men's Residence Council and the Women's Residence Council.

If the amendment is approved, O'Neal, who is a resident of Craig, will be allowed to continue as RHA president.

The constitution now requires executive officers to live in a University-owned or approved undergraduate residence hall.

O'Neal said Thursday, however, that his appeal process is not over. He said he would deliver a letter of appeal to Henry A. Foscoe, chairman of the Board of Trustees for UNC—Chapel Hill, at the board's meeting Friday night. The appeal will not be taken up by the board until Oct. 11.

Student Body President Marcus Williams said Thursday O'Neal was "superceding" rules other students have to live by by continuing his appeals.

## Clear, warm

Today's forecast is clear to partly cloudy and warm with a chance of afternoon and evening thunder showers.

Highs will be in the mid to upper 80s, and lows in the mid to upper 60s. Chance of rain is 30 per cent today and 20 per cent tonight. Winds will be light and variable.

## Campus elections to be held

by Art Eisenstadt  
Staff Writer

The Campus Governing Council (CGC) passed a bill Tuesday night authorizing a campus-wide election to be held Wednesday, Oct. 2.

All undergraduate students can vote to elect members of the new Undergraduate Court, and at least four vacant CGC seats will be filled.

Rick Bryant, a member of the Elections Board whom Student Body President

Marcus Williams has asked to coordinate the Oct. 2 election, said details concerning polling locations and polltenders will be worked out within the next week.

Williams must nominate as many as eight members for the 11-man board and appoint a chairman. Besides Bryant, only Ed Rodman and Alston Gradner will definitely be serving this year.

CGC members must be elected from the following districts:

- Undergraduate Off-Campus District IV,

to replace Rick Turner who graduated. The district includes the western edge of Carboro and most of western Orange County.

• Undergraduate Off-Campus District V, to replace Lee Harris who graduated. The district includes all students who live outside of Orange and Durham Counties and parts of northeastern Orange County.

Precise information about boundaries can be obtained from the Elections Board by calling 933-5201.

Two graduate representatives have resigned, creating vacancies in their districts. They are:

- Graduate District IV, formerly represented by Richard Bowerman. The district is composed of students in the Schools of Medicine and Education.

- Graduate District II, formerly represented by Ian Cooper. The district is composed of students from the following departments: business, computer science, operations research, statistics, botany, chemistry, geology, ecology, marine science, mathematics, physics, zoology and graduate medicine.

Undergraduates will elect a man and a woman from 14 districts to be determined next week, to serve on the new Undergraduate Court, which will replace the old Honor Court.

Candidates for CGC seats must reside in the district from which they are elected, but candidates for Undergraduate Court need not.

All candidates must submit a petition of 25 names in order to run. Petitions are available in Suite C in the Union and must be turned in to the Elections Board by Sept. 18.

Candidates for Undergraduate Court must also be certified by the court supervisory board. The board, which met for the first time Tuesday, has not yet decided what guidelines to follow.

## Mall parking battle continues

by Helen Ross  
Staff Writer

The battle for parking spaces continues daily between student and adult commuters and area shoppers at University Mall.

Steven Techet, leasing representative of North Hills, Inc., which owns the mall, said as many as 250 commuter cars park there each day.

In an interview before a meeting of University Mall merchants Thursday morning at K & W Cafeteria, Techet said all types of commuters, not just students as reported earlier, were parking in the wrong areas at the mall.

The meeting was held to determine how to

rectify the park-and-ride system.

Convenience parking for customers is guaranteed to merchants in the rental fee they pay for space in the mall, Techet said.

Commuters now tend to block areas close to Roses, Billy Arthur's and Belk's, he said. The merchants would like commuters to park as close to the Binkley Church, 15-501 highway area as possible.

Techet said, since the "mall is not striped, part of the problem is ours."

Student Body President Marcus Williams, who attended the meeting, said, "The major purpose of the mall arrangement is convenience in parking and, for that reason and also for security reasons, it is asked that

students park as close to the fringes as possible."

The merchants are "sincere in wanting us to go through the right channels in communicating our needs and seem very receptive to the students point of view."

Although plans for moving a bus stop were discussed, Williams said no definite action was taken.

The park-and-ride facility at the mall is temporary until the town can locate a more permanent place, but the mall merchants continue to worry about providing enough convenient parking spaces for their customers, especially as the Christmas shopping season nears.

## University Airport—ushering in the jet age

by Gary Dorsey  
Staff Writer

The biggest road in Chapel Hill is named after the airport. Airport Road, it's a spacious four-lane road that evolves from South Columbia Street as you leave town. The four lanes and extra center turn lane are posted with 35 mile per hour speed limit signs, presumably to control congestion of skyway travelers bustling to and from the airport.

You may assume this. Reality, of course is a different experience.

The Horace Williams Airport is not big and bustling and modern. The airport terminal and lobby is a small five-room wooden building (including restrooms) and looks like the clubhouse at a public golf course. It's hard to see from the road.

On the flat acreage in front of the lobby-terminal are the runway, hangers and a large field area where 15 or 20 planes are tied down.

Jimmy Gibbs, one of the three part-time employees at the airport said the airport facilities are "adequate, just about adequate." Airport manager Kenneth Hawkins said, "That's about the best word for it—adequate."

Other people have called it a dump.

"The airport lobby is a shambles," one person said. "The furniture in a surplus store looks better. These are the first things some people see of Chapel Hill, and, for some people, it's the only thing they see."

One pilot, who keeps his plane at the airport, complained that the University won't lift a finger to update facilities, improve runway lights, install a good beacon

light or generally make the airport safer. "They say they don't have the money," he said.

Hawkins said, "I wouldn't say they (the University) don't want to give us these things. The University Airport is supposed to be supported by the money it makes on gas, oil and tie-down rentals. But the money also has to pay wages and those things. We're gradually building up as best we can."

Gradually seems to be too slow for some people. Colonel Earl Provanča operates the Medical Air Operations trailer by the airport. A confidential source close to his office says the colonel had to fight with the University to get the runway paved. It wasn't paved until 1971. Before it had been just a grass runway.

The pilots who used the runway were so elated after it was paved that, according to one, "they threw a party to celebrate."

At the party they decided to pitch in and buy some runway lights and a beacon since the University wouldn't do it. The airport finally got its lights and beacon.

Gibbs says the lights on the runway are sometimes hard to see at night. The rotating beacon is now broken and even when it did work, according to Hawkins, it could have been better. "But it's better than no beacon." The University Physical Plant mechanics, he said, are supposed "to come out sometime to fix it."

The University administration oversees the airport operation.

The administrator in direct charge of the airport is James A. Branch, the executive director of auxiliary enterprises at UNC.

Because of the gasoline shortage last spring and because the airport was handling more planes and having to hold more gas for

the Medical Air Operations planes, which had increased their air traveling, according to Hawkins, an order was issued from the administration to reduce their gasoline sales to transients, including alumni.

"Transients come in here and want gas," Gibbs said. "They read in their maps that we're an open airport with gas to sell. But when they ask for gas I've got to tell them that I can't sell it to them because of the University order. Some of them get mad as shit."

"It (the order) was made because of the gas shortage. Well, the shortage is over and we're the only station around that can't sell gas to transients."

Actually, the airport can sell gas to transients but only if it is an emergency. They will give a pilot enough gas to get to the nearest airport so he can fill up.

But what happens this weekend when some transient alumni come in their planes to see the football game? Will they be told they can't get gas?

"I don't know," said Gibbs. "There'll be a lot of aircraft coming in. I guess we'll find out this weekend."

Branch doesn't speak hesitantly. People will be able to get gas, he said, alumni included. "We'll be able to take care of anyone that comes in."

The Horace Williams Airport, Chapel Hill's guide to the skies, marked on a wall-size U.S. map inside the airport's terminal-lobby by a silver thumb tack.

It's Chapel Hill's airport—it's even got a road named after it—and it's a big deal to some people. An integral part of continental travel. Welcoming the jet age.



This is the terminal-lobby-administrative office of the University's Airport. It's a small-scale operation

Staff photo by Toni Hutto