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Nearly 38,000 fans are expected to watch UNC's Tar Heels face the University of Pittsburgh Panthers Saturday — Band Day — at 1:30 in Kenan Stadium

## Crucial medicines in short supply

*Problem growing acute at area hospitals*

Several medicines important to patient care are reportedly in short supply in Chapel Hill and Durham hospitals.

Hospital pharmacy department heads say one or two treatment items are totally unavailable, and several items are in such short supply that extra work and money are required to obtain them.

At North Carolina Memorial

Hospital, Duke University Medical Center and Watts Hospital, medical staff personnel have been alerted of existing and developing shortages.

One antibiotic in short supply at all hospitals is injectable ampicillin, used against penicillin-resistant infections. Oral ampicillin is still available.

The cause of the ampicillin shortage appears to be the closing of the plant

that manufactured most of the drug.

Following a change in federal Food and Drug Administration regulations, the supplier of three-fourths of the drug in the country shut down.

Another ampicillin manufacturing plant is reportedly being built, but Durham hospital officials did not know when to expect supplies to return to normal.

Heparin, an anticoagulant used in treating some heart attack victims, is also running short.

The heparin shortage is related to rising costs in beef and hog slaughterhouses. The two main sources of heparin are beef and sheep lung membranes and hog intestines.

Due to a decrease in the slaughter of beef, heparin prices have gone up 51 per cent in the past month for a Durham buyer, an increased annual cost of \$65,000 to \$70,000.

The price of quinine products has risen so fast that Duke paid twice as much for the last order as for recent orders.

Shortages have also been reported for certain human blood derivatives used in drug treatment, and costs for them have risen more than 50 per cent in some cases. Milton Skolaut, Duke pharmacy head said.

This means additional annual costs for these items could reach \$100,000 a year, he said.

## Jones explains slim victory

by Art Eisenstadt  
Staff Writer

Betsy Jones said she realizes her ideas for the Residence Hall Association (RHA) are not the only reason she is now president of that organization.

The handful of students who bothered to vote in Wednesday's campus-wide election gave Jones a slim victory in the race for RHA president over co-candidates Mike O'Neal and Lars Nance.

Jones received 519 votes (52.6 per cent of those cast in the race) to 467 for O'Neal and Nance.

"I know that people voted for me because they didn't want to vote for Mike," Jones said Thursday. "But I'm not going to take office with that attitude."

Since Jones was elected in a special election to fill the incomplete term of O'Neal, she assumed office immediately upon ratification of the election results. She will serve until mid-March, when O'Neal's term was scheduled to end.

Normally, the RHA constitution specifies that the new president takes office at the second regular RHA meeting following his election.

O'Neal defeated Jones and one other candidate in last February's regular election for RHA president.

He resigned Sept. 13 under pressure from Student Body President Marcus Williams and Chancellor N. Ferebee Taylor, following a long controversy over his eligibility to serve.

Speaking about her victory, Jones said, "I was very pleased. But it surprised me that the vote total was so low in some areas."

Jones said she ran on the same general platform she used last spring when she lost to O'Neal, although with different specific proposals.

She said she thought her plans and the controversy surrounding O'Neal played equal roles in the election.

Defeated co-candidate Nance said, "Mike's publicity hurt us, I guess. But Betsy worked very hard."

He also cited the low turnout as one reason affecting the outcome of the election.

"I think a larger turnout would have helped," he said, "because Mike and I didn't get enough people to the polls." He added Jones had a better organized campaign.

"But a lot of people just got fed up and said Mike was politicking," Nance said.

O'Neal, looking disappointed, said Thursday, "The election was determined by organization." He would not say whether he thought the previous controversy affected the election.

O'Neal said he offered to help Jones with transitional matters, but she turned the offer down.

"We made what was a good faith offer, and she refused," O'Neal said. "Her actions are going to determine what's going to help the organization."

However, Jones said O'Neal asked to become a permanent staff member, handling most of the internal affairs of RHA.

"I appreciate his offer, and I respect him, and I think it took a lot of integrity for him to ask me," Jones said.

She added, "Mike put in a lot of hard work here," although the controversy "did take a lot of his time."

"If he wants to work to finish the

programs he started, which I give him full credit for, that's what I want," Jones said.

Student Body President Marcus Williams, who endorsed Jones Tuesday, said he believes his office will work more closely with RHA now. Williams said previously that the controversy was taking too much of O'Neal's time.

"On O'Neal, the book is now closed," he said.

*Killed by its own name*

## Consumer bill defeated

The U.S. Senate did not kill this year's Consumer Advocacy Act because of its lack of merits, Harrison Wellford, chief legislative assistant to Sen. Phillip Hart, said Wednesday.

The bill was talked to death because its name was changed at the wrong time and because its opponents, including Sen. Sam Ervin, were successful in mislabeling the organization it would establish as a "Super Agency," Wellford said.

Wellford's appearance in UNC's Great Hall was sponsored by the Student Consumer Action Union as part of Consumer Education Week.

"We didn't want to call the bill the Consumer Protection Act because it sounds like it creates a big regulatory agency," Wellford said. "Senator Cotton proposed that we call it the Consumer Advocacy Act." Cotton became an opponent of the bill when the name he suggested was rejected, Wellford said, and could not be persuaded to support the bill even when the bill's name was later changed.

The last Senate vote to cut off debate on the bill failed by one vote, Wellford said.

One of the larger obstacles blocking passage of the act was the opposition of North Carolina's Sen. Sam Ervin, Wellford said. Ervin claimed the new agency would be a bureaucratic monster and suggested calling the bill the Small Business Harassment Act.

"Ervin is certainly not immune to the strong business lobby," Wellford said. He stressed that the Consumer Advocacy Act would neither create a regulatory agency nor a monstrous one.

"The idea is to create a balance of influence brought to bear upon agencies that are regulatory," he said.

Today, as part of Consumer Education Week, Thomas Orsagh, an associate professor in the UNC School of Business, will speak at 4 p.m. in 217 Union on strategies available to reduce the cost of crime.

## Small margins decide winners in CGC races

by Jim Roberts  
Staff Writer

Results are now final for most races in Wednesday's election, but a few CGC seats are still disputed. Races for undergraduate and residence courts are settled.

The constitutional amendment, which will allow organizations funded by Student Government to keep budget surpluses from one academic year to the next, was approved 966-202.

Seven Campus Governing Council (CGC) positions were also voted on in the election. Posts in graduate districts I and IV and off-campus district V still have not been decided.

In graduate district I no candidates ran, but Soul City founder Floyd McKissick received two write-in votes. McKissick is not a student here. No candidates ran in off-campus district V but Alice Martin and Charlie Secrette each received one write-in vote. Martin was also elected to an undergraduate court position in off-campus district I.

Richard Pope ran alone in CGC graduate district II and swept the election with one vote. In graduate district IV the sole candidate on the ballot, Marty Elks, apparently lost to write-in candidate Tom Dillord, by a vote of 10 to 8. Other write-in candidates however, took a clear majority away from Dillord. According to election board member Lisa Bradly this may necessitate a run-off.

The same situation arose in undergraduate off-campus district IV. John Whittington received eight votes, Bob Heymann got four votes, and Don Hunley also received four votes. Because there was no majority a run-off may be necessary.

In graduate district V John Snow ran unopposed and received 21 votes. Write-in candidates for that seat accumulated 19 votes. In graduate district VI Rad Kivette also ran unopposed and received 10 votes.

Results for the on-campus undergraduate court seats were final as reported in Thursday's *Daily Tar Heel*.

In off-campus district I for undergraduate

**Clear, cool**

Clear and cool today with high temperatures in the low to middle 50s. Lows tonight will be in the middle thirties.

The chance of rain is 15 per cent today through tonight and the winds are from the southwest at 10-15 miles per hour.

court Alice Martin ran unopposed and received 18 votes. No one ran for the male seat in that district. In off-campus district II there were no candidates for either seat.

Bill Saunders received the most votes in off-campus district III. His three votes, however, equal the total amassed by candidates Alec Allen and Percy Hodge, leaving no clear-cut majority.

No candidates ran in off-campus district IV and off-campus V for either seat. In off-campus district VI Casey Stamper ran unopposed for the female seat and received 25 votes. For the male seat, John Stivarius defeated Charles Agee Atkins 19 to 15.

Three seats were available in each of the three North Campus residence courts. In district I Durwood Franklin Wiggins and Robin Pipkin were elected with 100 and 110 votes respectively.

In district II only Eleanor McCorkle ran. She received 143 votes. In district III Mike McGinniss was affirmed with 80 votes. Chuck Cloninger with 69 and Mark Isaacson with 68. All ran unopposed.

Write-in candidates were placed on many ballots. Some non-student candidates receiving votes were Gerald Ford, Genghis Khan, Queen Elizabeth and Bebe Rebozo.

## Antifreeze scarce locally

by Tim Pittman  
Staff Writer

As October nights register lower temperatures, antifreeze slips steadily from the consumer's reach.

Most Chapel Hill gas stations have antifreeze, but the supply is limited, and prospects for shipments later this winter are dim.

Last year's antifreeze prices, between \$1.80 and \$3, have been replaced by price tags ranging up to \$8 locally.

Ethylene glycol, which makes up 95 per cent of modern antifreeze, is a derivative of petroleum chemicals.

The New York Times reported, "after price controls ended, antifreeze manufacturers raised the wholesale price from an average of \$1.60 last year to the present \$2.60 and some distributors are exploiting the supply squeeze with a 100 per cent mark-up."

The polyester clothing industry is using ethylene glycol in huge quantities and the demand for polyester clothing has cut deeply into its supply for antifreeze production.

Chapel Hill's two Roses stores are without antifreeze and do not expect a shipment. "We're in a bind," James Beal, uptown Roses manager said. "We haven't had any antifreeze in six months and when we did the price was up from last year's \$1.99 per gallon to over \$7."

Roses in University Mall is in the same predicament, having sold its last antifreeze three months ago for \$7.97 per gallon.

"Antifreeze is just not available at a reasonable price," Roses supplier Marvin Kay said Thursday.

Key has been buying antifreeze from Union Carbide and the Dow Company but his supply has been cut by the demand for polyester.

"There is a shortage, and it should be taken seriously," Key said.

Wood's Five and Ten Cent Store and Chapel Hill 76 service station are among the few local retailers who have antifreeze. Wood's sells it for \$5.99 and the 76 station for \$7.50. Both prices represent substantial mark-ups from last year.

C.H. McFarling, owner of three Exxon stations in Chapel Hill, said, "We have a supply now but by dead winter we'll be out. We are working to arrange purchases in the future now, but I can't say if we'll have any then."

One of McFarling's stations, Town and Country Exxon on Airport Road, is charging \$7.50 per gallon of antifreeze. Last year the price was less than \$3.

The manager of automotive accessories and sales at Sears in Durham, Bobby Tyson, said, "We got our allocation so I can't complain."

But Sears sold 2,300 gallons at \$3.99 in two weeks. They have no antifreeze left.

"Our problem is supply within the Sears chain. And the public is greedy. Panic buying could blow this situation out of proportion," Tyson said. Most of Sears' antifreeze is being shipped to northern states, he said.

## N.C.'s largest cities show crime increase

United Press International

WASHINGTON—North Carolina's four largest cities reported a 27 per cent increase in serious crime during the first six months of this year, the Federal Bureau of Investigation reported Thursday.

The largest increase in crimes was reported in Charlotte, where 10,214 serious crimes were reported during the first half of 1974 compared to 7,307 during the period January through June of last year.

The other North Carolina cities included in the periodic crime report included Greensboro, Raleigh, Winston-Salem and Durham, although no figures for comparison were available for Durham.

Winston-Salem reported a decrease from 18 to nine in the number of murders and non-

negligent manslaughters this year while murders decreased from six to four in Raleigh.

Cases of larceny increased in Charlotte from 3,546 in 1973 to 4,815 this year while burglary cases jumped from 2,417 to 3,858.

Cases of forcible rape also increased from 22 to 35 in Charlotte and from 17 to 20 in Greensboro, while the number of rapes reported remained unchanged in Raleigh and dropped from 17 to 15 in Winston-Salem.

The number of auto thefts increased in Charlotte, Greensboro and Raleigh and declined in Winston-Salem.

The crimes included in the FBI index include murder, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary breaking or entering, larceny theft and motor vehicle theft.



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Harrison Wellford, with SCAU Chairman Janie Clark, speaks in Union Wednesday