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Weather: cloudy

## Water shortage possible: Chapel Hill may buy from Durham next month

by Johnny Oliver  
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Chapel Hill may be faced with a water shortage if adequate rain doesn't fall before Oct. 10, University Utilities Director Grey Culbreth said Monday. Culbreth said the University has already made arrangements to buy water from Durham, if the level in University Lake, the town's water source, falls too much.

"The level in the lake is at about 75 per cent of its capacity or about 30 inches below the spillway," Culbreth said. "We think we have 150 million gallons to work with during the next 25 days before supplementing our supply with water from Durham."

"Over the last seven days, Chapel Hill has had an average usage of about 5.85 million gallons per day. At the moment we have roughly 550 million gallons of water in the lake."

The lake's water level would have to drop to approximately 57 per cent or 400 million gallons before water would be bought from Durham, Culbreth said. He estimated the lake's watershed would have to receive about four inches

of rain in the next 25 days in order to prevent a water shortage.

But Chapel Hill's usual rainfall does not significantly raise the lake level, he said.

"What we need is a good, fast rain," Culbreth said. "A slow rain is soaked up by the ground and by plant life surrounding the watershed. A hard rain of about four inches could raise the lake level about 11 inches."

With the cooler weather coming, Culbreth said he hopes Chapel Hill's water needs will decrease slightly, because fewer people will water their grass and shabby or wash their cars.

Although an 11-inch rainfall during the next 25 days could delay the necessity of buying water, Chapel Hill does not have adequate water resources, Culbreth stressed.

"We have a source of water that will reliably deliver 4 million gallons a day," he said. "But we're calling on it to provide almost 6 million gallons a day."

Culbreth said the town is in no danger of having a water shortage like the one in 1968, when the lake level dropped to 28 per cent. During the last water shortage in 1973, Culbreth said the University spent roughly \$40,000

buying water from Durham.

"Water is very expensive," Culbreth said. "We have to pay double the customer rate of Durham or \$438 per million gallons. In a contingency category of our budget, we have \$40 to \$50 thousand dollars set aside specifically for the purchase of water should the need arise."

Culbreth noted that Chapel Hill does not pay the University anything for the water it uses. "They (the town) are getting a real deal," he said. "For instance, we rent them fire hydrants at a rate of \$1 per hydrant per month. Most towns would pay between \$3 and \$5 per hydrant per month."

He added, "Very little has been done to correct the town's water needs since the big shortage back in 1968. Not much will probably be done until the University sells the water utility next March."

The most promising way to increase the lake's water supply, Culbreth said, is by building a dam on Cane Creek, approximately six miles west of the lake. He said the creek is clean and has a potential yield of about 10 million gallons per day. According to Culbreth, the University has already researched the possibility of a Cane Creek reservoir covering about 1,200 acres.

The University began researching the possibility of another water source in 1970. In that year the University doubled its customer water rates from 50 cents to \$1.20 per 1,000 gallons to provide a financial base for the reservoir at Cane Creek.

Since that rate increase, the University has not lost money on its water system and has collected roughly \$3 million to go toward building the new reservoir.

He estimated that the University has probably spent \$1 million of the \$3 million in maintaining its present water system.

In 1970, Culbreth said the University expected the proposed Cane Creek reservoir to cost approximately \$7.5 million, with \$5 million to \$6 million of that to be paid for with water bonds. But, Culbreth added that the delay of the project has increased the cost of the reservoir because of increased construction and land costs.

## 'DTH' holds open house

There will be an open meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, in room 217 of the Union for all students and campus organizations interested in the procedures and policies of the *Daily Tar Heel*. Everyone is cordially invited to attend and participate.



Staff photo by Howard Shepherd

An unusual perspective on the construction currently underway behind Louis Round Wilson Library

## Singers may lose \$820

### CGC to decide BSM choir status

by Vernon Loeb  
Staff Writer

The Black Student Movement (BSM) Gospel Choir may be separated from the BSM and thus Student Government, if a Campus Governing Council Finance Committee bill is approved by the council at its meeting tonight.

If the bill passes, the choir will also lose its \$600 Student Government appropriation and its \$220 checking account.

The Finance Committee bill was proposed after the Gospel Choir was charged with violating student treasury laws.

Treasury laws prohibit any organization from receiving student funds to maintain a checking account with a commercial bank. The Gospel Choir allegedly maintained such

an account with the North Carolina National Bank.

Article I of the Finance Committee bill states, "The BSM Gospel Choir is immediately considered an autonomous group and shall receive no financial compensation or gratuitous goods and services from the BSM, nor be considered a part of the BSM organization."

At last week's Finance Committee meeting, debate arose over the Gospel Choir's financial status. BSM representatives present at the meeting contended that the choir never actually received student funds, because their budget requests were not met by the Campus Governing Council (CGC). They also said a category for the choir is not included in BSM's actual budget.

BSM members said the choir is an independent organization, not controlled by Student Government laws.

But Student Body Treasurer Mike O'Neal said Monday the Gospel Choir, being part of the BSM, is subject to the treasury laws. He said BSM Chairperson Lester Diggs' column in Monday's *DTH* verifies the choir's affiliation with the BSM.

Diggs' column read in part, "Years ago, the organization (BSM) formulated the Gospel Choir..."

Diggs declined to comment on the issue Monday, saying only that the BSM would be represented at the CGC meeting.

CGC member Ben Steelman said Monday he believes the bill will have enough votes for passage. He said he would support the bill.

## Tenth sorority possible at UNC

by Laura Scism  
Staff Writer

UNC women's interest in the nine Chapel Hill sororities is apparently up, and Panhellenic Council President Robin Levine said a tenth sorority may be founded here.

National officers from Alpha Gamma Delta and Alpha Chi Omega sororities are on campus this week petitioning for Panhellenic membership.

Representatives of sororities visited the campus last spring and expressed an interest in starting chapters here, Levine said.

Each sorority will outline its history and housing plans in a session with the Faculty Committee on Sororities. The committee will then evaluate each sorority's presentation and approve one of the applications.

The committee's decision to accept a new sorority depends on whether it feels there is enough interest to support a tenth sorority at UNC.

Levine said she feels record turnout for last week's formal sorority rush proved UNC women are interested enough to warrant another Greek house on campus. Formal rush, which ended last week, had 650 participants, an increase of 132 over last year, and 294 women pledged.

"Women are abolishing some of the stereotypes they have about sororities and are going through rush just to give it a try," Levine said.

She also cited spring sign-up and a greater number of freshmen women as reasons for this year's increased turnout.

Approximately 70 women are participating in informal rush, which began

Sept. 10. Registration for rush continues through Oct. 9. Interested women may sign up at the Panhellenic Office in Suite A of the Union, or at 01 Steele Building.

The Faculty Committee on Sororities is composed of three faculty members and four Panhellenic Council members. The Panhellenic Council president and the adviser are ex-officio members of the committee.

## Student Graphics— SG-founded printer

by Vernon Mays  
Staff Writer

Located in the basement of the Union, Student Graphics is a student-owned and operated organization, created to serve the printing needs of students, faculty and staff.

Graphics has the facilities to print posters, handbills, quick-copy materials (such as papers) and large items requiring typesetting.

These facilities include three presses and equipment for paper cutting, stitching and folding, giving them a start-to-finish capacity.

Graphics has a staff of 15 persons, including nine who work only on composition of advertisements for the *Daily Tar Heel*. The combination of student and professional employees provides a learning situation for those who show interest, a Graphics pamphlet says.

Joe Stokely, business manager for Student Graphics, said Monday, "The system we've got is as good as anybody's and has the output equal to any small shop in Chapel Hill."

A major part of Graphics' work is done for campus organizations, but few individuals take advantage of the services offered, Stokely said. "We wish we had more students come in," he said.

A comparison with the prices of commercial copying centers in Chapel Hill shows that, in many cases, Student Graphics already lists prices for printing that are equal to or lower than prices quoted to the *Daily Tar Heel* on Monday by two local copying firms.

For 50 copies of a single sheet, Student Graphics charges \$1.85. The price for the same job costs \$1.81 at Copy-Quick and

\$2.06 at Carolina Copy Center. Insta-Copy could not be reached for estimates.

A hundred copies of a single sheet costs \$2.85 at Student Graphics, whereas the lowest commercial price is \$3.27 at Carolina Copy Center. Copy-Quick charges \$3.31.

Copy-Quick undercuts the prices of Student Graphics for single copies of multiple-page papers, the only category in which Graphics is undercut significantly. For this service, Copy-Quick charges 5 cents per page. All other copiers, including Student Graphics, charge 10 cents for each page and require that at least five copies be made of each sheet.

Because of new equipment in use at Student Graphics, prices will have to be reduced soon, making Graphics' prices the lowest prices available for UNC students, Stokely said.

Student Graphics was founded in 1969 by Student Government to insure campus groups a means of having quality low-cost printing done on campus.

The organization, under the direction of the Media Board, operates on a non-profit basis.

## DU permit

The Delta Upsilon fraternity's request for a special use permit modification was unanimously approved by the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen Monday night.

The board approved the permit after the fraternity revised building plans for its new house.

Details in Wednesday's *DTH*.



Staff photo by Howard Shepherd

A student peruses the collection of prints on sale in front of Student Stores

## Citizens form Carrboro coalition

by Richard Whittle  
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An informal political pressure group has surfaced in Carrboro and will be attempting to make its presence felt in this fall's Nov. 4 elections.

The Carrboro Community Coalition, though founded last winter, has until now remained a quiet group of liberals who want to change the trend of Carrboro politics.

Last week the coalition stepped into public view, announcing its three main goals:

- To formulate and pass a public transportation referendum which would allow the organization of a Carrboro bus system;

- To push for long-range planning in Carrboro, based on considerations other than economic conditions;

- To build a slate of liberal candidates for three aldermanic seats and the mayor's post, to be used in the municipal elections.

"We have organized mainly around an interest in looking at the public transportation issue," member Douglas Sharer said in explaining the organization's evolution.

Sharer, a research assistant at the Institute for Environmental Studies, said the group's list of interested persons contains nearly 50 names, but approximately 25 people attend the meetings. The coalition has held no publicly announced meetings.

Another concern of the coalition is the Carrboro Board of Aldermen. Members have become dissatisfied with the board because they feel it has been dominated by conservatives who have considered only economic factors in planning for the town, Sharer said.

"They're very much interested in just letting private developers have their way," Sharer said. "That's not to say that we're against private enterprise; that would be silly."

But Sharer said coalition members feel that proposals for economic development in the town have not been thoroughly evaluated in the past for their total impact.

The Carrboro coalition wants to change these and other aspects of Carrboro government which they see as too conservative, by finding and supporting "like-minded people" who are willing to run in the aldermanic race, Sharer said.

He said the group has been talking with several people who are interested in running for the aldermanic and mayoral seats but he refused to release any names for fear of scaring away potential candidates.