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Weather: good



What happened to everyone who was supposed to be here for High Noon? A lone student sits on the usually crowded wall surrounding Greenlaw.

Staff photo by Alice Boyle

Representation the key issue

Three oppose Besse in recall

by Nancy Mattox
Staff Writer

Three Morehead Confederation residents have filed to oppose Campus Governing Council District VIII representative Dan Besse in Wednesday's recall election, and all agree the major issue in this election is the meaning of representation.

The four candidates are incumbent Besse, Bill Long of Stacy, Janet Morgan of Cobb and Steve Shugart of Graham.

The example most frequently cited in discussion of representation was Besse's support of Student Government funding for the Carolina Gay Association (CGA) last fall.

According to Guillermo Penasola, a Stacy resident who has emerged as one of Besse's major opponents, 95 per cent of the district opposed the CGA appropriation.

Besse has maintained throughout the campaign that he feels representatives must

act "in good conscience, which does not always mean taking the most popular positions." At a Cobb dorm meeting Wednesday night, he said he believes representatives have two options — to vote the opinions of the district or go strictly by one's own analysis. Neither, he said, is sufficient.

But Besse's opponents have contrasting views.

Shugart said Wednesday that, if elected, he would "vote the way the members of the district would want me to vote" on major issues, using his own judgment on minor issues.

Morgan said that prior to the election, she felt she was uninformed of issues, which was "partly my fault and partly my representative's fault." She added, "If I know that 60 per cent of you (the residents) want something, that's what I'll go on." Morgan said she would also follow the majority opinion of her district.

Long, who was the first to announce for the race, originally said that, if constituent opinion differed greatly from his own on an issue, he would consider abstention.

But at Cobb, he said he had reconsidered and now believes abstention to be inadequate.

All candidates said that in order to gauge district opinion on issues, they would appoint representatives in every dorm to serve as liaisons between the representative and the constituents.

Besse said that he had tried using dorm representatives earlier and that it had failed. But due to increased interest, he said he would try again.

Morgan and Long both said that, if elected, they would investigate possibilities for increasing Lower Quad security and improving the dorm enhancement fund policy.

New pre-registration in effect this semester

by Laura Scism
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A new system of preregistration based on the last four digits of each student's identification number will go into effect this semester, Ben Perry, assistant director of the records and registration office, said Monday.

The student whose student identification number ends with 5445 will have his preregistration form processed first, Perry said. Number 5446 will be the second form processed and so on through 9999; numbers 0000 through 5444 will be processed last. The number 5445 was selected in a random drawing in a Religion 45 class.

The preregistration forms will be arranged in numerical order within each class, Perry said. Graduating seniors will have priority, then other seniors, juniors, sophomores and freshmen, he said.

The last four digits of student ID numbers are also random numbers, Perry said. If two students in the same class have the same last four digits, the first preregistration form turned in to the Registration Office will be processed first, he said. Maybe a half dozen students will fall into this category, Rex Warner, records and registration associate director, said.

Use of the random number system will mean juniors and seniors will no longer have to wait in line for a number based on their position in line. Freshmen and sophomores have been using a computer-assigned random number system for several years.

Raymond Strong, records and registration director, discussed the

policy. "Knowing that we would run into criticism either way, we decided to go with a random number system," he said.

"We want to encourage students to take full advantage of their priority numbers by turning in their green (preregistration) forms during the first week of preregistration," Perry said.

Late preregistration forms will be processed in accordance to the identification numbers when possible, Perry said.

Preregistration for juniors, seniors and graduate students begins Nov. 3. General College adviser appointments will be held from Nov. 17 through Dec. 2 for freshmen and from Nov. 3-14 for sophomores.

possibility of a random number preregistration system with several students, including Student Body President Bill Bates, last spring, Perry said.

Reaction to the proposal was favorable at that time. Deans of the various schools also favored the random number system.

Perry said most students who object to the system doubt that the beginning was selected at random, and they feel they should be allowed to compete for low numbers by camping out on the steps of Hanes Hall.

But "students come earlier and earlier every year (to wait in line) and it just gets worse and worse," Perry said of the old

Will 1976 cars sell or not?

Chapel Hill dealers offer differing opinions

by Vernon Mays
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With the recent introduction of most 1976 model cars, Chapel Hill car dealers have differing opinions on projected car sales for the coming year.

Of four local dealers contacted, two expect great increases in next year's car sales, and two anticipate only a slight increase.

Don McLawhon, general sales manager at Harris-Connors Chevrolet, Inc., was the most optimistic. "We're selling them as fast as we can get them," McLawhon said.

Predicting his sales to be 20 to 25 per cent

better than last year, he said, "We've done a super job with our new cars."

McLewhon attributed this anticipated increase in sales to the Chevette, a new economy model released this fall. "The new Chevette should flood the American market," he said.

Although Chevrolet prices have risen an average of 4 per cent, McLawhon said the easing of the energy crisis will induce people to buy more cars.

Gene Johnson of Triangle Volkswagen said he also looks forward to a good year. Although the '76 Volkswagens will not be sold for a couple of weeks yet, Johnson said

he foresees an increase in sales partly due to innovations introduced in 1975.

The newest innovation Johnson mentioned is the transverse engine that is now standard in all Volkswagen models. The transverse engine rests parallel to the axle, providing better stability and allowing more room inside the car, he said.

"We really expect a strong year because the domestic cars don't have anything to compete with us," Johnson said.

He added that most automobile manufacturers are planning to convert to the transverse engine by 1979 but that for now, "Volkswagen has what all the others want

and are going to get in time."

Johnson also said he expects better sales because Volkswagen factories have been able to increase the supply, having finished their conversion to produce the transverse engine. Last year's production was slowed while the factories were being converted.

The price of Volkswagens has increased by approximately 7 per cent. But Johnson said the large increase is due to many extras being made standard equipment on 1976 models.

At Yates Motor Company (Chrysler-Plymouth), sales manager Buck Copeland was less hopeful for the 1976 sales. "We're headed in the right direction but we don't expect any rush."

Copeland said he anticipates no great increase in car sales because "new cars are not quite as important as they were." Used cars are just as acceptable now, he said.

Stagnated sales are a result not only of a 4 per cent increase in Chrysler-Plymouth prices but also to the recessed economy. "People just do not have the money" to buy new cars, he said.

Pat Pope, dealer at Colonial Motors (Buick-Opel), said recent sales have been slow, and he does not expect any increase soon.

Pope also said he does not anticipate cash rebates this year, even though prices on the whole have risen another 4 to 5 per cent on new cars.

O'Neal ruling ready Wednesday

The Student Supreme Court was reportedly prepared to make its decision Monday night on whether Student Body President Bill Bates had the authority to fire former Student Body Treasurer Mike O'Neal.

But Associate Justice Don Hughston said the decision would not be released until 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Hughston said the four justices hearing the case last Thursday had discussed it over the weekend, and have made their individual

decisions on the case.

He said they were to meet Monday night to begin writing the formal decision. Although the court often issues a brief statement immediately after deciding a case following it with longer opinions later, Hughston said that would not be done in this case.

"We felt that it was better just to avoid making a short statement," Hughston said. "This is such a complex case. We're not only dealing with law, we're dealing with

personalities."

Hughston also said the lengthy deliberations on the case did not necessarily mean the court would issue a dissenting opinion.

In a related development, Bates said he would hold a press conference Wednesday concerning the decision regardless of its outcome. The conference was originally scheduled for 1:30 p.m., but Bates later said the time would be reset after learning that the court's decision was not scheduled to be issued until 2 p.m.

Referenda, CGC seats on campus ballot

by Vernon Loeb
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The student body will vote on four referenda, and dormitory residents will vote on a fifth in the Student Government fall election Wednesday. Three vacant Campus Governing Council seats will also be filled.

An advisory referendum on a classroom smoking ban will probably bring large numbers of students to the polls if last spring's School of Public Health smoking ban referendum is any indication of popular sentiment concerning the issue.

Because of the overwhelming approval of the public health smoking ban last spring, CGC felt a campus-wide ban was in order.

The smoking ban referendum is only an advisory act. "If approved, the returns will be brought to the attention of the Faculty Council, chancellor and Board of Trustees," CGC Rules and Judiciary Committee Chairperson Ben Steelman said Tuesday. "The Chancellor, through his advisory committee, will make the final decision on the ban."

Steelman also said that if the referendum is approved by a large majority, CGC would probably pass a resolution urging Chancellor N. Ferebee Taylor to ban smoking in classrooms.

The possibility of electing co-CGC representatives

from the same district may also be banned Wednesday.

A referendum prohibiting co-officers in both the legislative and executive branches of Student Government was authorized by CGC because the council was concerned about the feasibility of co-officers, Steelman said.

"Hinton James dormitory has been left essentially without a voice in CGC because that dormitory's co-representatives, George Bacso and Brad Lamb, have abstained on a large number of major issues," he said.

Last spring, after the Student Supreme Court refused to rule on the constitutionality of co-office holders, Bacso and Lamb agreed to abstain from voting on issues when their opinions on any bill differed.

CGC was also concerned about the possibility of co-student body presidents paralyzing the executive branch, Steelman said.

Independent organizations, such as the *Daily Tar Heel*, which had co-editors last year, and the Residence Hall Association, which has co-presidents now, would not be affected by the referendum.

A referendum to add the words "constitutions" and "charters" to a Student Government Constitution provision allowing CGC to review student funded organizations' bylaws will also be voted on

Wednesday.

If the change is approved, Article I, Section 14 of the constitution will read: "The institutions, charters, and bylaws of all organizations receiving funds from the Campus Governing Council shall be subject to review and approval by the Campus Governing Council each year."

The proposed constitutional amendment was drawn up, Steelman said, because many organizations have constitutions and charters instead of bylaws. "Essentially this is a technical change," he added.

CGC's power to approve the student body president's executive branch appointees may also be changed Wednesday by a referendum to make the student body secretary subject to CGC majority approval and the student body treasurer subject to approval of two-thirds of the CGC members present at a regular CGC meeting.

Steelman said CGC believes majority approval, rather than two-thirds is sufficient for the secretary. Once a powerful political figure, the secretary is now predominantly concerned with clerical matters.

The proposal to change CGC's approval of the student body treasurer from two-thirds of the CGC members to two-thirds of the CGC members present at a regular meeting actually strengthens CGC's approval power, Steelman said.

Previously, the treasurer needed two-thirds approval of all CGC members not including abstentions. "Under the old system," Steelman pointed out, "a two to one vote could have approved the treasurer if all other CGC members abstained."

If the referendum is approved, the treasurer will need two-thirds of the CGC members present at a meeting to actually approve his appointment.

All dormitory residents will also vote on an advisory referendum to increase dorm social fees \$1 per person per semester.

The social fees increase was proposed because of inflation, Steelman said. While costs have increased, the dorm social fees have remained at \$5 per semester since 1956.

If the referendum is approved, the UNC Board of Trustees would then have to approve a \$1 increase in dormitory room rents since social fees are deducted from rent.

A similar referendum was defeated last spring because students did not understand the reason for the social fee increase, Steelman said. He added that a large negative vote from Granville Towers also helped defeat the referendum.

Granville Towers was opposed to a social fee increase, he said, because the residence college already had an extensive social program.

UNC enters competition for humanities grant

by Laura Scism
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A four-member faculty committee is developing plans for a national humanities institute here to establish new undergraduate humanities courses, committee member Dr. Jerry L. Mills said Sunday.

The UNC Institute's establishment hinges on the National Endowment for the Humanities' (NEH) approval of the planning committee's proposal. Mills, a

UNC English professor, said UNC is in competition with other Southern universities for the four-year, \$3 million grant being offered by the NEH.

"I think ours will be a good proposal, and I am optimistic about it, but I could give no firm indication of whether it will be approved or not," Mills said.

The NEH has already given the faculty committee a planning grant to prepare the proposal, which is due in January 1976. Mills said. The endowment's decision will be announced by the end of the 1975-76 academic year, and if UNC is chosen, the institute would be established by the fall of 1977.

The proposed theme of the UNC institute is humanities and cultural change with emphasis on the Renaissance, Mills said. The main purpose of the institute is to plan an undergraduate course to be offered in the spring semester.

Senior fellows from across the United States will be invited to give public lectures and lead seminars at the institute. Junior fellows will attend the seminars and work with the senior fellows in planning undergraduate courses. These courses will be taught in universities throughout the country as well as at UNC, Mills said.

"The emphasis of the program is on curriculum and teaching, as opposed to being solely a scholarly endeavor," Mills said. The institute could become permanent, but that is not part of the committee proposal, he said.

Other NEH institutes are already established at the University of Chicago, at Yale University, and two more are planned, one in the South, which UNC is competing for, and one in the West. Themes of the already-established institutes are American studies, humanities and technology. Classics professor George Kennedy, chairperson of UNC's planning committee, is at Yale this week observing the Yale institute.



Staff photo by Charles Hardy

It may be a city game, but basketball flourishes in Tar Heel country. With junior varsity tryouts starting Wednesday, two roundball aficionados sharpen their skills in a pick-up game at Craige dorm.