

# Course review answers queries

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Just about the time UNC students are finishing midterm exams, it is time to start preregistration for spring semester courses.

For those who cannot decide between a course in "The History of Green Chinese Pottery" or "The Impact of Vegetables on Western Civilization," there is some help. Several campus organizations offer course reviews which can help students evaluate course offerings.

The Carolina Course Review will be distributed on campus Monday. This review is based on questionnaires distributed to students in classes held last spring. The survey results are compiled by the Carolina Course Review staff and provide a percentile rating of courses. The review covers courses in approximately 25 departments.

Another course description has been compiled by Phi Eta Sigma, the freshman honorary society. This survey is based

on information from professors. The survey covers six departments—African and Afro-American Studies, Anthropology, Philosophy, Psychology, Religion and Sociology.

The survey includes professors' descriptions of their courses and a list of the textbooks for their courses.

The Phi Eta Sigma course description was started last spring and has been expanded this year. Copies will be distributed to locations around campus within the next week.

Douglas Johnson, president of Phi Eta Sigma, said, "We try to select departments on the basis of their popularity to students across majors and the popularity of the departments."

In addition to these course reviews, most departments and schools provide course descriptions of their own. These are intended primarily for majors, but are available to anyone through the department offices.

And, of course, there is always the Student Bulletin to provide brief descriptions of courses.

## Ruffin girls get the hots after water pipe breaks

When residents of Ruffin dormitory read the signs posted in their bathrooms Thursday morning, they decided against taking showers.

"There is not cold water—be careful," the signs admonished residents. The cold water was cut off at approximately 2 a.m. until a bursted two-inch water line could be repaired.

The main cold water line to Ruffin was repaired by 10 a.m., and cold water was again flowing from the faucets, Hughes Lloyd, water distribution foreman, said. He said the

weight of Wednesday's rain-soaked earth on the old and weak pipeline, caused the coupling to burst.

Grimes resident Lindo Webster said he first noticed the bursted pipe at 9 p.m. Wednesday. "It looked like it was just seeping up through a round hole, like an Artesian well," he said.

The water created a streambed and flowed through Upper Quad to Raleigh Street. Webster reported the bursted pipe to Campus Police around midnight, and Lloyd checked it at 2 a.m.

## Public Knowledge

by MARY ANNE RHYNE and CHRIS FULLER



Rode



Reserve Rock



Gates

**Reserve rock...** The library is a place to borrow books, magazines and rocks. At least one rock was checked out last week.

Bill Rode was working in the Undergraduate Library last Wednesday night when two guys brought in a large rock and dropped it in the middle of the floor. They left without an explanation.

Minutes later, another student entered the library, picked up the rock, took it to the reserve reading desk and requested to check it out. But the clerk at the reserve desk said that rocks weren't in his department and sent the student to the circulation desk.

"They said they wanted to prove they checked it out," Rode said. "They wanted to check it out for a geology class."

After Rode stamped the date on the rock, the guy took it out and brought it back about twenty minutes later. "Then several girls

came in and asked to see the reserve rock."

The rock is now sitting outside the Undergraduate Library. An engraving on the rock says it is 200 years old.

"At first I thought the library was not the place for a prank," Rode said. But it became a conversation piece, he said. "The comic relief of the situation provided a release-valve from the pressures of studying."

Rode said people didn't seem to mind the interruptions. In fact, one person taped an invitation to his party on the rock along with a map to his house, he said.

**Bare Facts...** The combination of *Playboy* foldouts and Jimmy Carter interviews must be a winning one if magazine sales are any indication.

The North Carolina News Service, the local magazine wholesaler, delivered about 2,100 copies of the November *Playboy* to 35

book and magazine dealers in Chapel Hill last week. The magazines sold so quickly that few copies were left on stands 24 hours later.

Every copy in Chapel Hill and Carrboro has been sold. Campus Confections seems to have sold out quickest. Owner James Mousmoules said his 500 copies were gone in four hours.

Little Professor book store sold 40 copies in the first few hours; the store ordered extra copies in expectation of a sell-out but didn't receive the full order.

At Ken's Quickie Mart, 80 or 90 issues were sold within 24 hours. "We could have sold about 500 of them, probably more, if we'd have had them," owner Larry Tollinger said.

The *Chapel Hill Newspaper* reported Thursday that two Carrboro stores sold out of the magazines as late as Wednesday. One female customer bought 10 copies, the paper reported.

Mousmoules at Campus Confections said he heard that two Raleigh stores sold \$750 worth of magazines to one customer.

"The dealer was crazy. He's got regular customers," Mousmoules said.

Bill Woodsides of the North Carolina News Service said 140 copies were sold to one customer at the Raleigh-Durham airport.

The article, "Now the Real Jimmy Carter," was heralded by a full page ad in the *Raleigh News and Observer* Wednesday. The ad, paid for by the Ford for President Committee, said "One good way to decide this election. Read last week's Newsweek. Read this month's *Playboy*."

**Room in Bloom...** What do you say to a delivery man with 300 flowers?

"What can you say?"

That was the expression of UNC coed Verna Gates when her boyfriend sent her 300 flowers—100 white carnations, 100 daisies and 100 assorted colors of roses.

Word traveled fast through Cobb dorm when Gates received the flowers. The curious followed their noses to Gates' room to see the miracle for themselves.

"I was just really surprised," Gates said.

Gates said she knew something fishy was going on when she walked in her room and saw several roses. Her roommate asked her to leave. When Gates came back, there were the 300 flowers.

Will he do it again? "He'd better not" is all Gates had to say.

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