

# Carrboro bids for project grant

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Staff Writer

Carrboro will be facing stiff competition in its bid for \$374,375 in the first round of community development grants scheduled to be awarded in late April.

According to Penny Craver, special assistant in the state's Division of Community Assistance, 17 communities have requested funding for 23 economic development projects totaling \$9.6 million.

However, the bulk of the state's \$42.9 million allocation for community development will be awarded in a second round of grants for revitalization and planning, Craver said.

"Our regulations state that no more than 20 percent of our total funds can be awarded for economic development projects," Craver added.

That means some communities will miss out in the first round, but Carrboro Town Planner Don Meserve said the town's pro-

ject applications have a good chance for approval. Last year Carrboro was awarded \$125,000.

This year, Carrboro has requested funds for four economic development projects, involving three private businesses and one service organization, Meserve said.

The service organization, Orange Industries, applied for the largest grant, Meserve said. Orange Industries, a division of the Orange-Person-Chatham Mental Health Center, which provides services to the handicapped, is requesting \$136,550 to be used in moving and expanding its Hillsborough-based operation to Chapel Hill, Meserve said.

Craver said that to be eligible for grants, communities are judged on a number of criteria. These include community need, project design, benefit to workers with lower and moderate incomes, availability of other funds and consistency with state policies and programs.

"Communities are scored in each of these areas and receive a computer ranking

from which we determine their eligibility," Craver said.

Meserve said 75 percent or more of the jobs that would be created by the grants would go to people with low to moderate incomes.

Carrboro also has a Community of Excellence program and conforms with the state's Balanced Growth Act, Meserve added.

No applications for revitalization projects, due May 2, have been proposed, but a public hearing on any plans will be held April 12, Meserve said.

Last year the state awarded \$45 million in community assistance, but due to differences in federal grant allocations, that amount has been cut by more than \$2 million, Craver said.

Craver said Chapel Hill did not apply for any economic development grants in the first round. No requests for second-round funds have been received at all, she added.

## Gans calls TV no threat to democracy

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Contrary to popular belief, television news is not a threat to American democracy, said Herbert Gans, professor of sociology at Columbia University.

Instead, said Gans, who spoke to an audience of about 100 people Wednesday night in Manning Hall, an increasing centralization of the national and world economies along with an increase in unemployment are the biggest threats to this country's democratic stability.

Gans said that although nationwide television news has different effects on different people, it is not a danger to American democracy.

The lecture was sponsored by the sociology and RTVMP departments in memory of Doris Selo. Selo, an Iowa native, received a master's in sociology at UNC and was working on a doctorate at the University when she died in 1975.

Gans discussed the distinction of television news from other news, what television has and has not done for American politics, how television news is changing American politics and what television news is doing to American democracy.

Outside of television news being the only national mass medium in the United States and offering immediacy, television news also serves as a watchdog for the political arena, said Gans, who has written several books on city planning and the mass media. There has been a partial decline in some areas of politics so that "political hanky-panky" is more difficult to hide from the camera, he said.

Among its other functions, television news also has contributed to a wider diffusion of political "know-how" among the American people, Gans said. In addition, it has increased political costs, making it difficult for those who do not already have money and power to enter the arena through television, he said.

Television news is not a major agenda-setter, however, Gans said. It does not tell the public what to think about.

Gans said he disagreed with agenda-setters who assume that television news is powerful. At its best, the news could possibly set the agenda on unimportant issues that have no political significance, he said.

In politics, television news normally is not an actor. "It remains mostly a messenger . . . it does not make speeches," Gans said. "Television news normally cannot tell people what to think," he said. There are only a small number of people whose opinions are actually shaped by television. News stories have "homogeneous effects" on people, he said.

Some have said that television news has increased the public's interest in politics, Gans said. But despite the emphasis television has placed on elections, there has been no increase in voter turnout and no increase in the public's interest in politics, he said.

It is even arguable that television has decreased the public's interest in political participation, he added. "I don't think the media are very good in getting people politically involved."

Generally, television news is just "one more player in the political game," said Gans, whose latest book, *Deciding What's News*, received two awards from the National Association of the Education of Broadcasters. "To argue that television news can change politics seems to me to trivialize politics itself," he added.

Gans admitted that television news is mostly condensed, superficial and dramatic.

"But most news is," he said, adding that print media are not very different from television. All media can act as a watchdog in politics. And providing information is essential to democracy, he admitted.

"There would be less democracy if television news were not there," he said.

Gans proposed near the end of the 50-minute talk that news programs should be more specialized to try to cater to the different people in society.

"American democracy would be enhanced a little," he said, emphasizing "little," if television news offered more variety.

## The Daily Tar Heel Board of Directors is announced

The *Daily Tar Heel* Board of Directors serves as the publisher of the *DTH*. All meetings, announced regularly in the *DTH*, are open to all students.

The following is a list of the 1982-83 board:

Janet Hart, chairman  
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dent's appointee

Tom Bowers, assoc. dean of the School of Journalism

Ellen Peirce, assist. professor, school of business administration

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The following have been appointed to

the 1983-84 board:

Charlie Madison, Student Body President's appointee

Jonathan Reckford, editor's appointee

Karen Van De Castle, student at large

Bowers, Peirce and Page will also serve on the 1983-84 board.

## BRIEFLY

The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** — The federal excise tax on gasoline rises by a nickel a gallon today, but many motorists are facing even higher prices at the gas pump this year as several states prepare to impose new gas taxes of their own.

Industry experts predict the higher prices will meet with muted protests from drivers because they have been enjoying recent, sharp declines that have seen the price of regular leaded gasoline drop to below \$1 a gallon in some areas.

"The timing couldn't have been better," said Francis Francois, executive director of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials. State road interests long have pressed for higher gasoline taxes at national and state levels.

Many industry analysts believe most service stations will pass the full gasoline tax along to their customers. But one petroleum industry economist predicted that competition among retail dealers will drive prices back down this summer for several months.

**LOS ANGELES** — President Reagan charged Thursday that proposals to freeze nuclear arsenals in the United States and Europe are a dangerous concept that "would do more harm than good" and "pull the rug out from under our negotiators" at the U.S.-Soviet arms talks in Geneva.

In a determined defense of his administration's arms control efforts, Reagan said in a speech that "impatience can be a real handicap" at the negotiating table and that pressure on the United States and its European allies to freeze nuclear arsenals at present levels "may destroy all hope for an agreement."

"Patience strengthens your bargaining position," Reagan said in remarks prepared for the Los Angeles World Affairs Council. The speech was a broad justification of U.S. initiatives to gain Soviet agreement to reducing their intermediate- and long-range nuclear arsenals while in the interim pursuing a major modernization and buildup of American military strength.

**North Carolina banking officials say they probably won't charge the full \$20 approved by the Legislature for annual bank credit card fees.**

"I would imagine that some banks are going to start charging a fee fairly soon, but some are not going to charge it at all," said Edmund D. Aycock, general counsel for the North Carolina Bankers Association.

Banks must give customers a 30-day notice under the measure approved Wednesday for VISA, MasterCard and other bank credit cards.

North Carolina National Bank, the state's largest, probably will introduce the fee in the next month or two, said spokesman Winton R. Poole. He said NCNB had not decided how much to charge but said it probably would be around \$18 a year.

**POPAYAN, Colombia** — A major earthquake struck southern Colombia on Thursday, devastating the city of Popayan where hundreds of tourists had gathered for Holy Week. Estimates of the casualties ranged up to 200 dead and 500 injured.

A witness said the shuddering earth "sent the roofs of many houses flying into the air as a cloud of dust covered the city." Another said "whole walls were collapsing" and the noise was deafening.

The quake hit at 8:15 a.m., knocked down buildings around the city as some residents slept, and brought the Roman Catholic cathedral down on as many as 100 early-morning worshippers.

Police said 25 bodies had been recovered from the rubble of the Spanish colonial-style cathedral, one of several historic buildings destroyed.

Police said 35 bodies were recovered from houses and some hotels. Other officials reported fires in some parts of the city damaged by the temblor.

## Group helps sexually assaulted

Support groups for women who have been raped or sexually assaulted are being organized by the Orange County Rape Crisis Center.

Ginny Long of Carrboro and Celisa McKnight of Chapel Hill will lead the groups. The two women are trained volunteers and are experienced in counseling rape victims.

Mary Ann Chap, a center worker, said that the groups are definitely not therapy. The women who participate will get a chance to share their feelings and satisfy

any need they might have to talk about their experience.

"The women who come to these groups have all been through the same experience and can help each other learn how to deal with their emotions," Chap said. "It's a kindred spirit sort of thing."

Chap said that the center offers the support groups two or three times every year. The program is a routine part of the center's activities and had nothing to do with the number of rapes that are reported. The groups consist mostly of women who were

assaulted in the past, she said.

During the informational session, the women will separate into groups which will then meet for one evening a week for six to eight weeks.

Informational sessions will be held from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. on April 19 and April 20 at the Women's Center, 406 W. Rosemary St.

There is no fee for participation. For more information call the center at 968-4646.

— SUZANNE EVANS

## Women and money management is topic

A spring symposium, "Women and Personal Finances," sponsored by the Orange County Women's Center, will be presented on April 9.

The symposium will open with a speech by District Court Judge Patricia Hunt, followed by five workshops on personal money management.

Toni Zirkler, executive director of the Women's Center, said, "The workshops will focus on areas that women need help in, such as taxes, investing and other areas in which women have been traditionally ignorant."

Zirkler said she is optimistic about the symposium, saying that 60 people have already registered. She said that one of the workshops, "Planning for Retirement," may attract older women, but she is expecting women of all ages to attend.

Zirkler said the symposium will help married, divorced, and single women with a workshop, "Yours, Mine and Ours: Proper-

ty in Marriage." This workshop will discuss North Carolina property and tax regulations concerning marriage, divorce and child care.

For women interested in investing money, Zirkler said, there will be a workshop, "What To Do With Your Money."

Other workshops include "Starting a Business of Your Own" and "Getting It Together: The Basics of Managing Your Personal Finances."

"We hope the symposium will be the first of many," Zirkler said. "Our eventual aim is to have one in the spring and one in the fall. Currently, we are waiting for the funding."

The symposium will be held April 9 at Phillips Junior High School. Registration forms can be obtained at the Chapel Hill Public Library and the Orange County Women's Center.

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THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE Employees' Association College Scholarship Fund is now accepting applications for Fall 1983 awards. Association members may contact Ellen Diggs at 966-4360 for application forms. April 1 is the deadline.

A.B.S. ANNUAL PICNIC will be held April 8 from 4:00-8:00 p.m. on Ehringhaus Field. Food served at 5:30 p.m. Faculty/student volleyball. Check in front of Carroll 106 or at A.B.S. office for tickets.

ATTENTION RUNNERS! CAMPUS CHEST and Carolina Concert Publicity will sponsor a 10K run on April 10. Information and registration forms available at area athletic stores. APO.

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## wars

Burger King has used an innovative "media coupon" idea as part of its burger battle. The first media coupon was used in the last weekend of October. Anyone who went into Burger King during this weekend and said, "The

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