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Polls are open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. for registered voters in Orange County. See box below for precinct locations.

Weather

A 40 percent chance of rain early today. Partial clearing later with highs near 60. Lows tonight, near 40.

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Average number expected to vote in Orange County

By TRACY ADAMS
Staff Writer

Voter turnout in today's elections may appear heavier than normal, but the Orange County Board of Elections chairman expects about the same turnout as in past municipal elections.

Elections board Chairman Margaret Parker said the percentage of voters may appear higher because some names of people who moved away or died have been taken off the registered voters list.

In the 1981 municipal elections, voter turnout ranged from 56 percent in Hillsborough to 30 percent in Chapel Hill. Forty-six percent of the registered voters in Carrboro participated in the election.

Parker said the low figures were somewhat misleading because many ineligible voters remain on the books despite efforts to update them.

"I know it's important for the media to quote figures like that," Parker said. "But I don't think that's an accurate reflection of the polling that happens on election day."

"I have no way of really knowing, but I suspect that if the books were cleaned up totally the number would be about 60 percent."

Thirty people are seeking 18 offices, across the county. In Chapel Hill, voters will elect a mayor and four Town Council members.

Mayor Joe Nassif, practicing architect, is seeking his second term and is running unopposed.

Six candidates are seeking four council seats in Chapel Hill. The race features three incumbents—Jonathan Howes, Joe Straley and R.D. Smith,—former Town Council member Bill Thorpe and newcomers Nancy Preston and Katherine Wright.

Howes, a two-term council member, is director of the UNC Center for Urban and Regional Studies. Straley is completing his first term and is a professor of physics and astronomy emeritus at UNC. Smith, an 18-year member of the council, is a retired school teacher.

Among the challengers, Bill Thorpe is an employee of the N.C. Department of Labor. Preston has served as president of the Chapel Hill Preservation Society and is a member of the Historic District commission. Wright is a practicing attorney in Chapel Hill.

The Carrboro mayor's race features two candidates, Alderman Jim White and independent Jim Porto. Mayor Robert Drakeford announced earlier that he would not seek a fourth term.

White, who is running in the middle of his term as alderman, has been endorsed by a conservative political faction, the Association for a Better Carrboro. He is director of the Christian Counseling and Care Ministries and is pastor of Merritt's and Ebenezer United Methodist Churches in Chatham County.

Porto, owner of Management Applications Inc., is chairman of the Carrboro Appearance Commission.

Carrboro voters will elect three aldermen from a field of six candidates. Incumbent John Boone and newcomers Doug Anderson, Doris Foushee, Bill Koole, Zona Norwood and B. Willis Wilson II are seeking seats on the board.

Boone, a 12-year alderman, is employed by the UNC purchasing department. Boone, along with Anderson and Norwood, has been endorsed by the ABC.

Anderson is an administrator at N.C. Memorial Hospital and Norwood is an administrative assistant to UNC President William C. Friday.

Foushee, Koole and Wilson are independent candidates. Koole, an accountant, is also part owner of Martini's Italian Restaurant in Carrboro. Wilson is pastor of St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church in Chapel Hill. Foushee was a CETA training counselor in Durham.

Chapel Hill and Carrboro voters will also elect members to the Chapel Hill-Carrboro School Board. One incumbent and four newcomers are seeking the four seats up for election. Those seeking election are incumbent Edith Elliott-Wiggins and newcomers Dorothy Baker, Fred Battle, Carolyn Horn and Phyllis Lotchin.

Voters in Hillsborough will also go to the polls today to elect a mayor and four members to the Hillsborough Town Board.

Hillsborough Mayor Lucius M. Cheshire Jr. is seeking re-election. He is being challenged by Frank M. Sheffield, chairman of the Hillsborough Planning Board.

Two incumbents, Rachel S. Stevens and Allen A. Lloyd, are seeking re-election to the Hillsborough Town Board. Others seeking election are Barbara Page, Horace Johnson, Frank Cates Jr., Sam M. Gattis, E. Vic Knight and Myron L. Martin.



Pulling up her roots

Sheila Ward, a junior from Poplar Grove, digging up dahlia tubers to make room for tulip bulbs that will bloom next spring. She works on the campus grounds as part of a work-study group.

Moslem snipers wound Marine

The Associated Press

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Shiite Moslem gunmen fought Lebanese soldiers near U.S. military positions Monday, wounding a Marine and forcing authorities to close the airport for the first time since a truce took effect six weeks ago.

The Syrian government ordered a full mobilization of the 220,000-man army, saying it feared an attack from the United States or Israel. But the Americans and Israelis said there were no attack plans.

In northern Lebanon, Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat's loyalist guerrillas, trapped in their last Middle East stronghold by advancing Syrian-supported mutineers, fired rockets and mortars at rebel positions to counter a barrage of hundreds of shells. Police said 1,000 people have been killed and 3,000 wounded since the PLO war began Thursday.

Arafat, who has accused Syria of backing the rebels because it wants to take over the PLO, told reporters in Tripoli that the Syrians were planning to overrun his Baddawi refugee camp and invade Lebanon's second-largest city.

In the Israeli-occupied West Bank of the Jordan River and the Gaza Strip, there were widespread demonstrations in support of Arafat. At least one demonstrator was wounded in clashes with Israeli authorities.

U.S. Marine spokesman Maj. Robert Jordan said the leathernecks in Beirut dived into bunkers and foxholes when fighting broke out near their airport compound and returned fire when snipers shot at them.

He said a Marine was wounded and "treated on the field."

State radio said the airport closed because of the fighting between Shiite gunmen and the Lebanese army, and that air controllers diverted planes to Cyprus. It was the first time the airport closed since a cease-fire aimed at halting the country's chronic civil war took effect Sept. 26.

The radio said later that artillery shells were slamming into Christian towns along the coastal highway north of Beirut for the first time since the truce was

declared. There were no immediate reports of casualties.

In Damascus, a spokesman for President Hafez Assad confirmed reports that Syria had put its 220,000-man army on alert and called up its 100,000-man reserve force, fearing an Israeli attack or U.S. retaliatory strike for the terrorist truck bombing of the Marine base Oct. 23 that killed 230 Americans.

"The Syrian people will prove to both the U.S. and Israel that Syria is not and will never be something they can swallow up," said the spokesman, who spoke on condition he not be identified.

U.S. officials have not accused Syria of engineering the attack but implied the Syrians knew about plans to bomb the base and a French post nearby that left 58 French soldiers dead. Officials in Washington said there are no plans to retaliate against Syria.

Israel has said Syria helped plan a similar bombing in Tyre last Friday that killed 28 Israelis and 32 Lebanese and Palestinians, but Israeli officials say they do not intend to attack Syria. An Iranian-backed Lebanese Shiite Moslem group has claimed responsibility for all three truck bombings.

U.S. jets flew thundersome reconnaissance sorties over Beirut and nearby mountains at midday, shortly before clashes broke out. Jordan refused to comment on the flights by U.S. F-14 Tomcat interceptors and A-7 bombers.

State radio said as many as 12 U.S. jets scrambled off the aircraft carrier Eisenhower on reconnaissance flights. It was the second time in three days that U.S. jets had flown low over Beirut.

The Israeli army, which occupies southern Lebanon, on Monday relaxed restrictions it decreed last Friday after the Tyre bombing. The Israelis permitted limited vehicle and pedestrian traffic to cross bridges spanning the Awali River, which marks Israel's front line in southern Lebanon.

Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens told a Parliament session in Jerusalem that Israel would keep its troops in southern Lebanon "until we are sure it won't be taken over by terrorist gangs and that the northern Israeli frontier will be secure."

Subcommittee undecided on fate of Upendo Lounge

By JIM ZOOK
Staff Writer

Questions about security, utilization policies and hours of operation concerning the fate of the Black Student Movement's future in the Upendo Lounge were debated for two hours Monday night by a Carolina Union subcommittee, but no final decisions or recommendations were reached.

Representatives from the Carolina Union, the BSM, black fraternities and the Campus Governing Council made up the subcommittee, which was created to give a recommendation to the Union Board of Directors on what should be done with the Upendo Lounge, located in Chase Hall, Lucia Halpern, president of the Carolina Union, said.

Security of the building during events was an issue focused on during the meeting. The scheduled 2 a.m. closing for Chase when it re-opens to function as a South Campus Union would pose security problems to people re-

maining in the building, Union Director Howard Henry said.

"The security problem is a real conundrum," he said. "There are doors that can't be locked."

Committee members studied blueprints of Chase, looking at building access and design of the structure.

It was added that security was not a problem associated only with the BSM, but with any function in Chase Hall.

Henry said he thought security and regulation of activities in Chase should be the Union's responsibility.

"I think we are hung up on one question," he said. "Is it going to be Chase Union, or is it going to be Upendo Lounge and Chase Union?"

"I, at this point, don't anticipate a change of position on my part. My job is to set up a Union-type building on South Campus. I don't see how it's possible for it to be a

dedicated space, and not a Union space," he said.

BSM President Sherrod Banks said he disagreed. It can, and should be, a dedicated space, he said.

"Like the International Student Center, Upendo and the BSM are needed," Banks said. "The International Student Center serves as a support system, I would gather, for international students. What's more important than the structure is the need (for the BSM). When you have the need, then you find the structure. That's the way I see it."

Banks pointed out that since 1972, when the BSM was first allocated the Upendo Lounge, its use had been supported in letters from members of Student Government and University officials. An Oct. 24 letter from Harold Wallace, vice chancellor for student affairs, stated that there was no need to debate the fate of Upendo because, as he understood it, the space had been promised to the BSM.

Robert Harrell, president of the United

Christian Fellowship, described how BSM members felt about the possibility of losing Upendo.

"The members of the BSM see the taking of Upendo as a breach of agreement. (You) gave us your word, not just a maybe," he said. Students representing the black students praised Henry's efforts although disagreements had been very open.

"He has come out very clearly and has not beaten around the bush," Harrell said.

Committee members agreed that a definite proposal needed to be made before any settlement could be reached.

"We need something to work with," Harrell said. "We have a very vague concept, and we really can't come up with a good decision without something concrete."

The committee will meet again Thursday afternoon with proposals ready and will try to come up with a single recommendation for the Board.

Political groups' clout unclear in Carrboro elections today

By DOUG TATE
Staff Writer

As the voters go to the polls today, there is disagreement as to what role political factions have played in candidates' campaigns in Carrboro.

The Association for a Better Carrboro and the Carrboro Community Coalition are political factions that select issues and then support the candidates that best represent the group's political philosophy.

The ABC, the conservative faction in Carrboro, has endorsed Alderman Jim White for mayor and incumbent John Boone and newcomers Zona Norwood and Doug Anderson for the three Board seats up for election.

Current board members Steve Rose and Ernie Patterson, both aligned with the CCC, have decided not to run for re-election. Mayor Robert Drakeford, also identified with the coalition, announced that he would not run for a fourth term.

Independent candidates seeking election are Doris Foushee, Bill Koole and B. Willis Wilson II. Appearance Commission Chairman Jim Porto is seeking the mayor's office as an independent.

The CCC has decided not to endorse candidates in today's election because of a drop in membership and a lack of consensus on issues and candidates, said

CCC President Anneliese Kennedy.

Some of the candidates said that it was better to be affiliated with a faction, yet felt that elections in Carrboro would be better without them.

Anderson said that he had mixed emotions about what role factions should play in local elections.

"They (factions) give a known volume of supporters," he said. "Without any groups, it would be a better election. The people would be much happier."

Foushee, a former CCC member, said she preferred running as an independent. "I'm not a joiner. I have my own ideas," she said. "I don't think Carrboro should go back to a conservative state."

If all the ABC candidates seeking election win today, the board will be composed entirely of ABC members.

Incumbent John Boone said that factions were an advantage because the people see that a candidate is organized and unified.

"Some people like groups, some people don't like groups," he said.

Koole feels that more independents should seek office because the independent candidate would better represent all the town residents.

"I think we need independents. The ABC appeals to a smaller portion of the people," Koole said.

Foushee said that she would rather see

VOTER INFORMATION

Anyone registered with the Orange County Board of Elections may vote in today's municipal elections. Polls open at 6:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m.

Chapel Hill Voting Precincts

BATTLE PARK — Chapel Hill Community Center, Plant Road
COKER HILLS — Fire Station, Elliott Road
COLONIAL HILLS — YMCA, 980 Airport Road
COUNTRY CLUB — Fetzer Gym, UNC campus on South Road
EAST FRANKLIN — Lutheran Church, 300 E. Rosemary St.
EASTSIDE — Ephesus Road School, Ephesus Church Road
ESTES HILLS — Guy B. Phillips School, Estes Drive
GLENWOOD — Glenwood School, Prestwick Road
GREENWOOD — General Administration Building, South Road
KING'S MILL — Aldersgate Methodist Church, 632 Laurel Hill Road
LINCOLN — Lincoln School, Merritt Mill Road
MASON FARM — Community Church Building, Purefoy Road
NORTHSIDE — Chapel Hill Municipal Building, 306 N. Columbia St.
RIDGEFIELD — Binkley Baptist Church, 1712 Willow Drive
WEAVER DAIRY — New Fire Station, Weaver Dairy Road and NC 86
WESTWOOD — Frank Porter Graham School, NC 54 Bypass

Carrboro Voting Precincts

DOGWOOD ACRES — Grey Culbreth School, Culbreth Drive
NORTH CARRBORO — Carrboro Elementary School, Shelton Street
PLANTATION ACRES — Loyd's Cabin, NC 54 and SR 1107
SOUTH CARRBORO — Carrboro Town Hall, W. Main Street
UNIVERSITY LAKE — OWASA Filter Plant, Jones Ferry Road

a cross section of the people on the board.

Members of both factions have said that the groups disband after each election. But controversy has arisen as to exactly what role each faction plays after each election.

Tom Gurganus, publicity chairman of the ABC, said that after elections there is no contact with the aldermen as a group and that factions only form around elections to select and organize candidates.

But Koole said the ABC does not completely dissolve after the elections: "The

ABC has reorganized. Really they have just become inactive, they have not disbanded," Koole said.

Gurganus said that the CCC was supporting the independent candidates in this election even though they had announced that they would not endorse candidates.

"The core members of the CCC are actively supporting the independents," he said. "The ABC is openly supporting candidates and the CCC has chosen not to openly endorse."

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Three Mile Island operator indicted for false safety reports

The Associated Press

HARRISBURG, Pa. — A federal grand jury indicted the former operator of the Three Mile Island plant Monday on criminal charges of falsifying safety test results before the worst nuclear power accident in the United States.

Federal officials have said that if such false reports were filed, they could have contributed to the severity of the March 1979 accident in Middletown.

U.S. Attorney David Dart Queen, who announced the 11-count indictment, refused to say if the alleged violations by Metropolitan Edison Co. led to the accident, in which Unit 2's main cooling system lost water and the radioactive core overheated. Another reactor, Unit 1, was undamaged.

"The indictment is going to have to speak for itself," Queen said.

"What the grand jury indictment alleges is that while it (the Unit 2 reactor) was operational and while it was licensed, the company, through its employees, engaged in a pattern of criminal conduct," Queen said.

The company was accused of attempting to conceal from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission data on the rate of leakage from Unit 2's primary cooling system, in which water passes over the reactor's radioactive core and heats up.

The leak rate tests were required to show that leakage from the primary system's plumbing was within one gallon per minute. The indictment says Metropolitan Edison falsified reports on the tests for at least five months before the accident.

An official of a sister company that has taken over Metropolitan Edison's responsibilities for the plant said Monday that Metropolitan Edison's policy has always been to comply with the regulations and the conditions of its license.

The maximum total fine for all violations is \$85,000 and the costs of prosecution, which Dart said would be "very substantial."

The indictment charges the company with five counts of violating provisions of its license to operate a nuclear power plant, five counts of violating NRC regulations and one count of violating a federal statute against false statements.

The grand jury's inquiry began after Harold Hartman Jr., a former reactor operator at TMI, charged that before the accident, Metropolitan Edison Co. falsified results of a test on a leaky valve to avoid a shutdown of Unit 2.

NRC officials have said that if false reports were filed, they could have masked plant conditions and contributed to the severity of the accident.

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