

Weather

Today: Variable cloudiness. High in the upper 30s. Low in the mid 20s.
Weekend: Partly cloudy. Highs in the 30s, warming to the 40s Sunday. Lows in the teens.

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Seniors to get promised Rams Club privileges

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Seniors can expect to receive information from the Rams Club (Educational Foundation) about their free memberships over the next two weeks, said Moyer Smith, associate athletic director and vice president for membership services of the Rams Club.

Smith and Senior Class President John Kennedy arranged last semester for seniors to receive free "Little Ram" status (which is equivalent to paying \$150 per year) for one year. Seniors were allowed to sign up for the privilege during the month of November.

Seniors who signed up received calendars and bumper stickers. But Kennedy said he and Carolina Athletic Association President Mark Pavao discovered earlier this semester that several seniors hadn't heard anything about membership cards or received any other notification from the Rams Club.

"A lot of seniors wondered where the membership cards were and what the Rams Club was doing about them," Kennedy said in an interview Wednesday.

"We called up the Rams Club and tried to find out why the membership cards were not given out," Kennedy said. There were some delays but everything is worked out now, he said.

Smith said in an interview Thursday that letters to seniors would be sent Monday explaining what they would receive as "Little Rams."

"My plans were to get the letters out earlier," Smith said. But he said he was delayed by his involvement in the opening of the Dean E. Smith Student Activities Center and ticket distribution, he said.

A Ram decal will be enclosed in the letter, and Ram membership cards will be distributed in May.

The membership card gives seniors the option of purchasing four 1986 season football tickets and entitles them and their guests access to the Rams Room at Kenan Stadium before and after the games. Applications for 1986 football tickets will sent out in April.

Smith said one of the purposes of offering the free memberships was to let students really know what the Rams Club was all about. He said he thought the memberships had been successful in increasing student understanding of the

Rams Club.

Another purpose of the free membership offer was to encourage more people to become permanent paying members.

"We find those alumni who return to the University... (for games) maintain an interest in the University — in the area of academics as well as athletics," Smith said. "Those who do not tend to lose interest."

The Rams Club plans to continue the free membership offer as long as seniors appear to be interested, Smith said. "We also want to begin (offering free memberships to) graduate students."

"Any graduate student interested can call... (the Educational Foundation) or come by and sign up," Smith said.

The Rams Club also plans to start a special membership program for graduate students in the law, dentistry and medical schools. But Smith said that program probably wouldn't go into effect for a couple of years.

He said membership fees and privileges for permanent Rams Club members had been revised, too.

Complimentary football tickets will no longer be issued to permanent members, he said, because the cost of the tickets has increased significantly. Four to five years ago, four complimentary tickets cost \$260. Now those four tickets cost \$480.

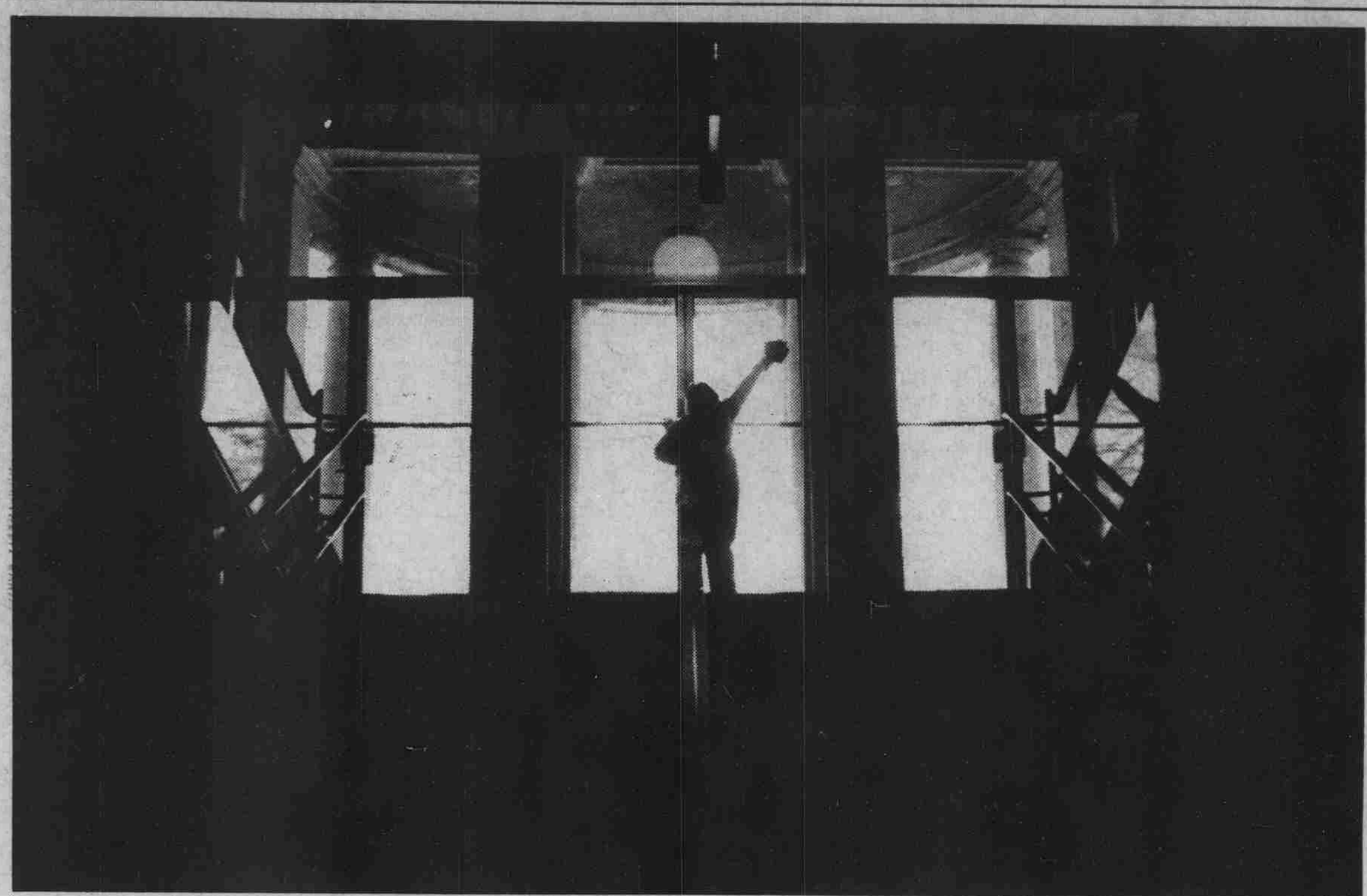
"So rather than adjusting membership levels every year, we decided to eliminate complimentary tickets," Smith said. Now all Rams Club members will have to purchase their tickets. But membership fees have been lowered.

Membership levels have basically been brought down to where they were four or five years ago, he said.

For example, people who want to be Super Rams (the premium annual category) now have to pay at least \$1,200 instead of at least \$1,500 — the old level. Super Rams are eligible to purchase eight football tickets. Previously they were entitled to only four. And they will receive priority seating and parking spaces for the games.

Scholarship costs have also increased, Smith said. "But I don't believe we will have to raise membership levels any time soon."

A brochure containing the new membership levels will be distributed to Rams Club members in the fall.



DTH/Larry Childress

Shine on in

After a morning of rain, the sun finally appeared Thursday afternoon to dry out dampened spirits, clothes and shoes. Temperatures

remained cool; however, this university employee helped let the sun shine in by washing the glass doors at the entrance of Peabody Hall.

UNC vs. Duke with ACC title at stake

By TIM CROTHERS
Assistant Sports Editor

Two weeks ago, North Carolina basketball was sitting on top of the world, on top of the polls and on top of the ACC. Now, thanks basically to Len Bias, Chris Washburn and poor health, the Tar Heels find themselves fighting for their ACC lives. Sunday's showdown with Duke in the snakepit better known as Cameron Indoor Stadium (1:00 p.m. WPFF-TV Ch. 28) may mean the difference between first and third place in the conference for UNC.

What Dean Smith would rather not think about:

- The last game the Blue Devils lost in their beloved Cameron was to UNC. That was one year ago in the final game of the ACC conference season. The Tar

Heels finished tied for first and knocked Duke into fourth place. No doubt Duke remembers it well.

- Steve Hale's status for the game is still up in the air. UNC's senior guard is recovering slowly from the partially collapsed lung he suffered against Maryland. Even if he is able to put on a uniform, Hale will probably be used sparingly. Backcourt mate Kenny Smith is preparing for life without his partner. "Hopefully he (Hale) can be back by Sunday," Smith said, "but it might be better for us if we aren't looking for him to play so we can enter the game better prepared."

- The cold, hard facts. The Blue Devils have replaced UNC as the No. 1 team in the nation. They are 28-2 and haven't lost in a month. Johnny Dawkins is running like a thoroughbred in the homestretch, leading Duke with 19.2 points a game after pouring in 27

points against Clemson Wednesday night. Mark Alarie is only a furlong behind Dawkins, knocking in 18 points per game and worrying UNC coach Dean Smith. "If I could pick one Duke player to miss Sunday's game I think I might pick Alarie," Smith said. That's high praise.

Saving Graces:

- The Tar Heels (26-3) have a few offensive weapons of their own in Brad Daugherty and Kenny Smith. Daugherty is second in the ACC in scoring, averaging 20.1 points per game. Smith (11.9 ppg) is picking up the slack left by his injured teammate by taking the ball to the hoop more in the last two games.

- Tradition. The Tar Heels have finished either first or second in the ACC for the last 19 years. With a loss to Duke the streak is very vulnerable.

As a public service for those of you

who have been spent the last few months in Oxford, NC, or some other place cut off from the rest of society, here is the ACC regular season picture. Going into the Sunday showdown, the final game for both UNC and Duke, the Blue Devils are 11-2 in the conference. The Tar Heels are 10-3. Georgia Tech, which is also 10-3 in the ACC, plays at home against Clemson on Sunday.

If Duke beats UNC, the Blue Devils win the ACC regular season title and the top seed in the ACC tournament. If UNC beats Duke, the two teams finish in a tie, but UNC will have the seeding advantage over Duke due to the Tar Heels' season series sweep. Georgia Tech can forge a three-way tie with a win over Clemson coupled with a UNC win, but the Tar Heels also hold the seeding advantage over Tech because of UNC's two victories over the Yellowjackets.

Soviet poet gives moving reading

By JILL GERBER
State and National Editor

Internationally known poet Yevgeny Yevtushenko gave a dramatic reading of his works at Memorial Hall Thursday night, speaking in both Russian and English.

About 400 people filled the hall as Yevtushenko and his translator, Dr. Bert Scott of Queen's College in New York, alternately read passages in both languages. Yevtu-

shenko sat at a small wooden table smoking cigarettes while Scott read.

Yevtushenko is known for his traditional themes of denouncing Stalinism and anti-Semitism and expressing a love for freedom. His controversial writing and expressive, theatrical way of delivering it to an audience have made him a recognized literary figure.

The first piece Scott read described Yevtushenko's encounter with

Sen. Robert Kennedy, whose "eyes lived a separate, guarded life" and gave off bits of anxiety.

The piece said the two men met at a large gala and proposed to follow the Soviet tradition of drinking all the liquid from their goblets and then smashing them on the floor.

Kennedy hesitated to break his goblet because it was an ancient heirloom of his wife, Ethel's.

"I have always been superstitious, and a terrible foreboding came over me," Scott read. "... the work in Robert Kennedy's eyes came to a halt. The goblets were made of a transparent plastic."

Yevtushenko, 52, described a hunting trip he was on in Siberia with some companions. They were hungry, and he shot at two white geese flying overhead. One fell into his hands but the other flew over him, "screaming for his brother."

"Since then, I have given up hunting," he said, although the scene inspired a poem about jealousy called "The Man for a Brother."

"For some reason, water slid more easily off your feathered back than mine," Yevtushenko read, taking his glasses on and off and motioning with his hands. "My dove-gray brother, half our lives was a pecking match... was reliance really impossible — it on you and you on me?"

"For my jealousy, people killed you first when it would've been me." The poet came to the United States in connection with the release of his film "Kindergarten," which is an autobiographical examination of his evacuation from wartime Moscow to Siberia when he was 9 years old. The film features his encounters with death and love, thieves and evil spectators and is finishing a two-week run at the Film Forum in New York.

The event was sponsored by the UNC College of Arts and Sciences, Curriculum of Peace, War and Defense, Office of International Programs, Department of Slavic Languages, and the Program in Russian and East Asian Studies.



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Poet Yevgeny Yevtushenko reads his works at Memorial Hall

Fraternity issues strict alcohol rules

By SMITHSON MILLS
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All Alpha Tau Omega chapters must prohibit open parties and adhere to stricter guidelines when serving alcohol, according to a resolution enacted by ATO national headquarters this week.

A written release from ATO's headquarters in Champaign, Ill., said the chapters would be required to adhere to eight guidelines concerning alcohol use.

- Those eight guidelines are:
 - All chapter functions must be by invitation only.
 - Alcoholic beverages may not be sold, and there can be no charge for admission to social functions.
 - Only trained bartenders may dispense alcohol at social functions.
 - Alternate beverages must be available at the bar.
 - Snack foods must be available whenever alcohol is served.
 - The social chairman must ensure the chapter's compliance with all local and state laws concerning alcohol.
 - No alcoholic beverages may be served at rush functions.
 - Chapters may not sponsor or co-sponsor functions with beverage distributors or brewing companies.

The release cited decreased availability of insurance coverage and the danger of liability suits as reasons for the guidelines.

UNC ATO Chapter President Duncan Conker, a senior from Fair Haven, N.J., said he thought the nationwide regulations were a good idea but restricting parties to only invited guests would be hard to enforce.

"People are a little disappointed that we can't have the types of parties we've had in the past," Conker said, referring to previous all-campus parties. He said ATO would have more mixers and invitation-only band parties in the future.

ATO member Scott Haden, a junior from Billings, Mont., said he thought the regulations would prevent people from coming to their parties and abusing their house.

He said that although the guidelines were for a good purpose, he did not think they would be strongly enforced because of "unfortunate apathy" in the fraternity.

ATO National Assistant Executive Director Mark Mullinix said, "For a long time our national headquarters has been concerned about alcohol abuse and use at our chapters." He said the new regulations were a part of the

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Deficit limits may cut health care

By VICKI DAUGHTRY
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The Gramm-Rudman law poses a serious threat to federal block grants that fund services for pregnant women, the mentally ill and drug and alcohol abusers, said Margaret Woodcock, assistant state health director for the N.C. Division of Health Services.

Gramm-Rudman is designed to balance the federal budget by putting a ceiling on the deficit every year until 1991. Although recently declared unconstitutional by a panel of three federal court judges, the law is being appealed to the Supreme Court, which has said it will make a decision by July. If a decision is not made by March 1, the cuts will be made as scheduled.

The division's maternal and child health program and the Division of Mental Health are two of the federally funded block grant programs expected to be cut.

Woodcock said she expected a substantial loss in the maternal and child health block grant, with cuts for 1986 at 4.3 percent. However, cuts for 1987 would probably be much higher, she added.

"The main problem would be fiscal

year 1987," she said. "Cutbacks could be as high as 20 percent."

Woodcock said Gramm-Rudman could be a major obstacle in providing an adequate level of services to pregnant women.

"There are a lot of women who are dependent upon local health departments for their prenatal care," Woodcock said. "With Gramm-Rudman, the quality of this prenatal care may be reduced, thus increasing the chances of complications, as well as death, for the unborn child."

According to the N.C. Center for Health Statistics, North Carolina has the fifth highest infant mortality rate in the United States. The center reported that there were 12.7 infant deaths per every 1,000 live births in 1984.

Although the causes of infant mortality are very different and complicated, part of this high rate can be attributed to North Carolina's high incidence of premature births caused by preterm labor, according to Dr. Richard Nugent, medical consultant for the N.C. Perinatal Program.

Nugent said preterm labor can be caused by a variety of factors that have

to do with a woman's environment.

"Preterm labor can occur in cases where there is poverty, lower educational levels, stressful lifestyles, or inaccessibility to the best prenatal care — as in rural areas," Nugent said.

Prenatal care programs try to offset these problems by helping women learn how to take care of themselves and their babies, Woodcock said.

But maternal and child health programs are not limited to prenatal care, she added. A federal cut would also affect the crippled children's program, which helps children with chronic and crippling diseases by providing money for hospitalization, surgery, and even wheelchairs, she said.

Woodcock said, however, that with the expected 20 percent cut in 1987, it would be very unlikely that the state could absorb the losses.

How to lessen the impact of such losses on direct services to individuals is also a major concern in the Division of Mental Health-Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services. This division provides programs and services for people suffering from mental illness

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Fools are my theme, let satire be my song — Lord Byron