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## Minority students turn to organizations for support

Editor's note: This is the second of a two-part exploration of race relations on the UNC campus

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Helene Cooper, a black UNC senior, didn't have to go very far from her Hinton James Residence hall to find racial prejudice at UNC. She didn't have to leave her room. While writing an English paper

about Jesse Helms, Cooper was discussing the North Carolina senator with one of her roommate's friends.

"We got into this terrific argument," Cooper recalled. "It was an intelligent, logical discussion, and I wasn't offended by anything he was saying."

"And (my roommate) was sitting on the bed, and suddenly she said, 'Well, if you ask me you niggers

ought to be glad you're not still picking cotton.'"

"... A couple of days after that I started seeing things on my folders that would be written 'Ku Klux Klan,' and 'KKK.'"

Overt racism does exist at UNC, but campus blacks say insensitive people are more of a problem. It's those people who make day-to-day life on campus difficult for black

students.

It's hard for some of them to cope, especially freshmen, who have not yet developed a support group, said Phil Graham, a UNC junior.

"My problem is not being able to relate by not finding a lot of black students," Graham said. "A lot of that is because the reach-out period (by the University) is the pre-orientation period, and it's only directed at freshmen."

Before coming to UNC, students' support came from their families and friends at home. At Carolina, the new support group becomes the scant few, usually black, who can understand the psychological demands of being black on campus.

The black Greek system seems to fill that gap for many black students. It draws blacks together and gives them a common base from which to branch out into social interac-

tions, said Cezanne Gray, a UNC junior.

"I think when you come to Carolina as a black student, it's very hard to establish a sense of identity and solidarity together because of sheer number," Gray said. "And that draws you together (in the Greek system). I think that makes you interact with blacks more."

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## Parking lot proposal put on hold

By MARK FOLK  
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The \$450,000 proposal to convert the eight Hinton James tennis courts into a 160-space parking lot for people who attend Smith Center athletic events was put on hold Wednesday by UNC Athletic Director John Swofford.

Although there is definitely a need for more parking spaces near the Smith Center, Swofford said, the proposal requires further study. He said the proposal "went a lot farther" than he had planned.

"I was not told that this proposal was going to be presented to the Building and Grounds Committee," Swofford said. "It was my interpretation that it would come back to me before anything was done with it."

He said he did not know why the proposal was brought before the committee.

Swofford said he came up with the idea of converting the tennis courts into a parking lot earlier this year. He then asked Claude E. "Gene" Swecker, associate vice chancellor of facilities management, to conduct a further study of it.

"The reason I contacted Gene was to find out if it was worth doing this," Swofford said. "I wanted to find out not only how much it would cost, but also how many spaces we could put there."

After Swofford and Swecker met last month with officials from the Physical Education Department and the Rams Club to discuss Swecker's findings, Swofford said he understood that Swecker would do more research and report back to him.

Before reporting Swecker's findings to the Building and Grounds Committee, Swofford said he wanted to obtain approval from the Athletic Council, a nine-member group comprised of students, administrators and alumni.

"We were definitely not trying to leave students out of this proposal," Swofford said. "We just wanted to get as much information as possible before presenting it."

Carol Geer, Carolina Athletic Association president, said that she feels bad that the proposal got "out-of-hand" and that she is 100 percent behind Swofford.

"This is definitely not Swofford's fault," Geer said.

If officials can find no alternative other than converting the Hinton James tennis courts, he said, the athletic department will work on finding room for additional tennis courts on South Campus.

"We really don't want to take those tennis courts away from Hinton James," Swofford said. "But if we have no other solution, then we'll work on finding another place on South Campus for them."



Yes, "Danceryes!"

Yvonne Kendall and Christopher Mehrens rehearse for the "Danceryes" performance of an Italian Renaissance treatise.

The dancers will perform in PlayMakers Theatre Sunday night wearing 15th-century-styled attire.

## Preacher, student debate apartheid

By DEBBIE RZASA  
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A Pit preacher and a UNC graduate student debated Thursday on the value of South Africa's apartheid system and how the United States should react to it on WTKR's "Speak Up" radio show in Durham.

Jed Smock, author of the book "Gold in the Furnace — South Africa on Trial," is better known to UNC students as Brother Jed, the Pit preacher. During the debate, he criticized every idea Dale McKinley, a member of Action Against Apar-

theid at UNC, offered concerning issues facing South African blacks.

Smock, who wrote his book after spending two months in South Africa where he said he interviewed "people from all walks of life," said South African President P.W. Botha has improved the blacks' conditions considerably since taking office.

"I believe that President P.W. Botha will go down in South African history much as President Lincoln has gone down in the history of the United States," Smock said.

But McKinley, who grew up in

Zimbabwe, said Botha's rule would compare better to Adolf Hitler's repressive regime in Germany during World War II. "Someone who would compare Botha to Lincoln has a slightly skewed vision of what's going on in South Africa, to say the least," he said.

McKinley said he strongly supports imposing sanctions on South Africa since it's the only way for the U.S. government to show discontent with the apartheid system. "Impos-

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## Bars survive despite age hike

By BRIAN LONG  
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Six months have elapsed since the drinking age rose from 19 to 21 in North Carolina, but area bar owners and managers say the effects of the Sept. 1 age hike have not been as drastic as feared.

"Nobody knew what was going to happen Sept. 1," said Tim Kirkpatrick, owner of Henderson Street Bar. "But Chapel Hill is a unique town, it's a college town. There are (bars) here that might not have lasted in other towns."

Kirkpatrick said his revenues have not been noticeably lower as a result of the higher drinking age. He added that the fewer number of home football games last fall affected his business as much as the age hike. "Business should be good the rest of spring," he said.

Mark Burnett, manager of He's Not Here on Franklin Street, said he noticed a two to three month drop

in business during the winter, but he does not attribute the drop specifically to the age hike.

"I'm not sure what was the result of winter and what was the result of the drinking age," he said. "I need a couple of months of fine weather to really tell."

Troll's Bar co-owner Roger Meyland said that although he has noticed an overall 10 to 15 percent decrease in revenues, he has been pleasantly surprised.

"It hasn't been near as bad as I thought it would be," he said. "If you've weathered it this far you're all right."

Kirkpatrick said he felt a bigger effect on his business when the age rose from 18 to 19 in 1983. "Every year there would be a whole bunch of pretty freshman women coming in, and the older guys would have younger girlfriends," he said. "The guys would stop coming to the bar because their girlfriends couldn't get

in. That cut down on my business." Meyland may raise beer prices a nickel at the end of the school year. He said the reason is not to make up lost revenues but to offset higher prices from the wholesalers.

Burnett said that although he has not raised prices at He's Not Here, he may have to in August when wholesalers raise their prices. Kirkpatrick raised his prices at the first of the year to coincide with higher wholesale prices.

According to Meyland, an older crowd has been coming to Troll's since September. "A lot more 27- and 28 year-olds are coming in," he said. "They got to the point where they didn't want people spilling beer on them, and now that the age is higher, they feel they can come out and drink a beer after work."

"We can keep the (bar) clean now," he added. "It doesn't get

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## Housing sets tasks for board

By LAURA PEARLMAN  
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A statement of purpose for the newly-created Housing Advisory Board has been released, and a list of its members is being finalized.

The board, which will meet for the first time in September, was formed to improve communication between students and the Department of University Housing. The board will advise Wayne

Kuncel, director of University housing.

A list of recommended members for the newly-created Housing Advisory Board has been sent for approval to Donald Boulton, vice chancellor and dean of Student Affairs.

According to a statement issued by University housing, the five tasks of the board will be:

■ Helping the University provide acceptable housing that is

reasonably priced and conducive to the academic, psychological and social development of its residents.

■ Identifying problems with student housing and making recommendations to solve the problems.

■ Making recommendations about rent structure and budgets for the housing department.

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Dan Kress (left), Ginger Hanby, Laura Sutton and Richard Hoile drink on the Village Green at He's Not Here

The fall of man stands a lie before Beethoven, a truth before Hitler. — Gregory Corso