

# News

## Recruitment program gives minorities a look

By **SALLY PEARSALL**  
Editor

Between 260 to 290 rising high school seniors will arrive on campus today to participate in Project Uplift, UNC's minority recruitment program.

According to Archie Ervin, assistant to the vice chancellor for University affairs, Project Uplift has been very successful in the past in encouraging minority students to come to UNC. "(Project Uplift) generates quite a bit of interest in the University, and subsequently generates a large number of applications to the University," Ervin said.

The two-day program, which is designed to introduce North Carolina high school students to

college life on the UNC campus, includes class and laboratory sessions as well as informal group discussions led by UNC students.

"The students come here to learn about college life in general, not necessarily at UNC," said Allan Younger, a student counselor with the project.

Ervin said Project Uplift's staff consisted of about 19 UNC students who were trained as counselors for the visiting students. "(The counselors) live with them in the dorms and generally just act as a big brother or sister for these students while they're here," he said.

Project Uplift participants will be housed in Avery, Parker and Teague dormitories, Ervin said.

## Crazy canine campaign gets human(e) political treatment

By **SALLY PEARSALL**  
Editor

Are U.S. voters ready to accept man's best friend as the top dog in the Oval Office?

That's the crucial question that presidential candidate Punch B. Burger must answer in his campaign, because Punch is a special breed of politician — half German shepherd, half keeshond.

In fact, Punch may be the first canine candidate ever to run for President of the United States. And Punch's owner/campaign

manager Laura Van Sant, who registered him in April 1985, couldn't be more pleased.

Van Sant, a junior from Chapel Hill, said she nominated Punch after reading a book about how easy it was to become a presidential candidate. She filled out two federal election forms, which called for basic information about Punch as well as the name of his campaign treasurer. "It was almost like applying for a credit card," she said.

Since he filed for candidacy, Punch has received monthly Federal Election Committee (FEC) newsletters. "They're basically just a summary of court cases that affect election laws," Van Sant said.

Every three months, Punch receives financial reporting forms requesting lists of contributions to his campaign. "I haven't sent them in for a while," Van Sant said. "I used to put

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## In search of an associate director

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The search should soon be rekindled for a new associate director of the Campus Y, according to director Zenobia Hatcher-Wilson.

A previous search in the fall of 1986 was unsuccessful in finding a replacement for former associate director George Gamble. The Campus Y continued without the guidance of an associate director, but employed two program assistants from August 1986 to May 1987, Hatcher-Wilson said.

Planning for a new search committee should begin soon after the new chairmen of the Campus Y's advisory board assume their duties on June 30. The chairmen of the advisory board are responsible for appointing people to committees, in accord with the advisory board's bylaws, Hatcher-Wilson said.

Originally, a search committee was formed according to the advisory board's bylaws. The committee was comprised of the Campus Y co-presidents, two non-students of the advisory board,

two students at large and the Campus Y's director, Hatcher-Wilson, who chaired the committee.

The regional search was advertised in area newspapers and brought in 95 applications, she said. The committee invited 10 of the applicants to the campus for interviews. "We put a lot of time and effort into the first search, but it was a unanimous decision of the search committee not to hire any of those people based on the interviews we had," she said.

Hatcher-Wilson said she hopes the Campus Y will have named a new associate director by Jan. 1, 1988. "I continue to be excited over the prospect of having a new associate director aboard," she said.

Former associate director George Gamble resigned amid student protest in October 1985, but remained throughout the academic year on the condition that he sign a letter of resignation dated May 15, 1986.

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