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Tree for two

Freshmen Paul Dawson and Lee Anne Coggins decided to enjoy Monday's unseasonably warm weather by skipping their English class to climb a tree in front of the Alumni Building.

STV plans to join college network

By STEPHANIE MARSHALL
Staff Writer

The Student Television station manager said Monday that he plans to sign a contract with National College Television by Friday, a move that will allow STV to offer more hours and variety in programming.

Starting Jan. 18, STV viewers will be able to watch eight additional hours of programming, according to Don Harris, STV station manager. STV currently offers three hours of programming a week.

Executive Producer Tim McMillan said the new programming schedule will go into effect Jan. 18.

Harris said the additional broadcast time will increase student aware-

ness of STV. The STV staff hopes to take advantage of that raised awareness, he said, to raise more funds for the purchase of needed equipment and additional broadcast time.

STV now broadcasts from 10 p.m. to 11:15 p.m. on Monday, and repeats the show on Wednesday. The programs broadcast by STV include "Campus Profiles," a news and sports show; "Off the Cuff," a comedy show; and "General College," a campus soap opera.

The NCTV network will provide additional programming on Monday and Wednesday from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. STV will not have to pay for the NCTV programming, which is

sponsored by national advertisers.

STV operates on a tight budget, Harris said, since it is not allowed to raise money by selling advertising spots on its student-produced programs.

"We have so many students who want to join and we have very limited equipment and programs," Harris said. "Our equipment is so old that it is breaking down weekly."

He said he plans to ask Student Congress to include a referendum on campus election ballots in February that would raise more funds for STV. Although the referendum has not been written yet, Harris said it would

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Town police still looking for student's attacker

By LYDIAN BERNHARDT
Staff Writer

Chapel Hill police said Monday they have no suspects in their investigation of an assault against a female UNC student at the Beta Theta Pi fraternity house this weekend.

"It's really too soon in the investigation to have any definite leads," Capt. Ralph Pendergraph of the Chapel Hill Police Department said. "There is a lot of incomplete information from the investigation."

A tall, black man assaulted a 19-year-old sophomore early Sunday morning in the basement of the fraternity house.

According to a fraternity member who asked to remain unidentified, the assault occurred between 3:30 a.m. and 4 a.m. Sunday. The victim was checked into the emergency room of

N.C. Memorial Hospital at 7:09 a.m. and released at 2:30 p.m. after being treated for bruises.

The victim was bruised and shaken but not raped, Pendergraph said.

It's unlikely that an arrest will be made immediately, Pendergraph said. "These cases usually take a long time," he said. "We have to walk a fine line between the victim's welfare and the progress of the investigation. We will have to go back and question the victim about his (the attacker's) appearance and the details of the incident later, when she has recovered from the shock."

The progress of the investigation depends on the victim's ability to work with police, he said. "Caring for the victim is our primary concern right now."

The victim was found by two

fraternity brothers after the attack, when she came upstairs from the basement bathroom, crying. The two men took her home, where the desk assistant at her residence hall called the area director and the police. She was then taken to the hospital.

"Nobody really knows what to think," the fraternity member said. "Nothing even close to this has ever happened here before. We're all shocked."

According to the source, the basement is composed of a kitchen, a dining room and bathrooms that are usually used by women visiting the house. The assault took place close to the bathrooms.

The victim came to the fraternity fairly often, the fraternity member

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Deadly AIDS virus originated in Africa, scientists say

By DONNA LEINWAND
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In 1979, a New York man first noticed purplish splotches on his arms and legs. In 1980, this young man died.

That same year, two other young men developed the odd splotches, accompanied by fatigue and fever. One had swollen lymph glands.

Doctors diagnosed the spots as Kaposi's sarcoma, a rare but mild cancer found usually in older men of Mediterranean descent. Soon after the diagnosis, the two young men died.

When the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) in Atlanta published a bulletin noting the outbreak of five cases of another rare disease, Pneu-

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mocystis pneumonia, in Los Angeles, doctors began to notice that the unusual diseases affected people with depressed immunity, a syndrome now called AIDS.

But in 1981, doctors didn't know what to call it.

A tragic clue came in August 1981,

when the CDC reported 70 more people who contracted the two diseases. Gay and bisexual men accounted for 94 percent of the cases.

Doctors found few links between the victims other than homosexuality. Most were young men who showed signs of weak, or depressed, immune systems. The men lacked the immunological mechanisms to fight two diseases that rarely threatened the general public.

Researchers, clinging to the only common factor they had, quickly stamped it GRID — Gay Related Immune Deficiency.

"At that time, the gay community was so in the dark, there may have been some belief that it was (a gay disease)," said Mark Donahue, editor

of Lambda, the Carolina Gay and Lesbian Association's newsletter. "I don't think any gay activists thought it was a disease that evolved because of their gayness. It didn't have to be labeled (by the doctors) to have the stigma stick to the disease. Just because of the start-up point, people thought of it as a gay disease."

But more than five years later, as the same diseases threaten the heterosexual population, scientists have discarded the notion of a gay disease.

Scientists, looking to Central Africa for the origins of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, have found a virus resembling the AIDS virus in African Green Monkeys.

"The most current theory is that Human Immunodeficiency Virus

(which causes AIDS) mutated from a simian immunodeficiency virus," said Dr. Jared Schwartz, chairman of the state Medical Society AIDS Task Force and a physician at Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte. "It was probably some mutation in the African Green Monkey virus that enabled it to be transferred to humans."

Mutating viruses, though rare, are not impossible, Schwartz said, citing swine flu, which affected pigs in the early 1900s. In the late 1970s, a strain of flu resembling swine flu caused problems for humans, he said.

Although the virus in monkeys does not exactly mimic the AIDS virus, it seems closely related, Schwartz said.

He said people may have contracted the virus if they used the monkey as a food source or came in contact with its bodily fluid when using it for scientific research.

A manhood ritual involving the monkey blood may have introduced the mutated virus into the Central African population, said Dr. Don Chaplin, a member of the state Medical Society Task Force on Sexually Transmitted Diseases and AIDS.

Scientists believe the mutation occurred in the early 1960s, and diplomats, Peace Corps volunteers and tourists carried it back to the United States, Schwartz said.

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NCNB official says protesters' charges are misleading, false

By JUSTIN MCGUIRE
Staff Writer

Charges by anti-apartheid activists that NCNB Corp. has "close ties" with the government of South Africa and other foreign governments are not true, an NCNB official said Monday.

Rusty Page, a senior vice president at NCNB, said some of the claims made by Action Against Apartheid members during a protest Friday are misleading, while others are lies.

Members of AAA picketed outside NCNB's Franklin Street office Friday, and they are asking bank customers to withdraw their accounts from NCNB.

As reasons for their action against the bank, the group members alleged that NCNB has \$73 million in outstanding loans to South Africa, maintains an NCNB office in Johannesburg and has made loans to the governments of Guatemala and El

Salvador.

But Page said these allegations are false.

"NCNB has done no new business in South Africa since 1985 and we have no office in South Africa," he said. "So why are these people walking in circles around our bank?"

NCNB still has \$73 million in outstanding loans to South African businesses because the South African government has placed a moratorium on companies' repayments of principal loans, Page said.

"The money owed to NCNB is not being repaid because the government will not let them pay it back," he said.

But AAA member Dale McKinley said NCNB has restructured the loans, giving the South African companies more favorable terms of repayment. McKinley said these facts have been confirmed by the National

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Dr. Ruth Westheimer speaks in Memorial Hall Monday night

Dr. Ruth discusses sex with a smile

By KIMBERLY EDENS
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Dr. Ruth Westheimer says sex is funny.

The more than 1,600 people in Memorial Hall Monday night who listened to the nationally syndicated sex therapist seemed to agree.

"I believe human sexuality has to be taught with humor," Westheimer told the audience. She used that humor to address serious sexual issues, such as AIDS, abortion and birth control.

"I believe the more we educate, the less we will need sex therapists," she said. "Sex is and ought to remain a private matter. But we have to start with the attitude that it is natural and it is healthy."

Westheimer said she is opposed to laws that would force authorities to inform parents if their children try to obtain birth control.

"If we get a 'squeal law' on the books, it will be a catastrophe,"

she said. "The young person who can tell his parent, 'I am going to have sex and want to be protected,' is not going to be affected. The young person whose parent might say, 'I'm going to kill you' or 'I'm not going to pay your tuition' is going to be affected, and we will have many more unwanted pregnancies."

AIDS must be addressed as a serious threat to society, rather than as a disease caused by homosexuals, she said.

"I do not waste a moment of my time blaming one group or another," she said. "We must raise money in order to find a cure and to take care of those who are afflicted with that dreadful disease."

But AIDS should be part of comprehensive sex education, she said.

"I do not want to see just AIDS education," she said. "I want to

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I am the King of Rome, and above grammar. — Emperor Sigismund