

Study or scope in UNC's libraries

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There are three libraries which best meet the study and research needs of undergraduate students. They are Walter Royal Davis, Robert B. House Undergraduate and Louis Round Wilson Library.

Davis Library is located between Hamilton Hall and the Student Union. Davis is the kind of place that when you enter you get the feeling that there is some serious studying going on. There are little clues ... such an endless array of books, magazines, periodicals. A step into the elevator reveals a choice of buttons; eight to be exact. After pressing each button you're transported to another world far away from the games, the fun, the dorms.

An imaginary force pulls you along; you see carrels, couches, chairs with or without cushions, tables, study rooms all for your choice. We know it's almost too much, but you have to choose one. Remember, if you can't stand staying in one place you are free to move around. But, stay seated for at least 15 minutes or other students may get the idea you're not really studying and you will be ousted from the ranks of the serious students. Oh, I might add Davis has one floor that saves it being a complete waste of social action. I'm referring to the second floor, the one serious students walk right past. It's there for the those seeking a little fun, some meaningful eye contact. Every student needs to study there once. The fall hours will be: M-Th 8 a.m.-12 midnight, Fri. 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Sun. 12 noon-12 midnight.

The Undergraduate Library is located conveniently beside the Pit area and directly across from Greenlaw Hall. The Undergrad, on the other hand, is a social "zoo." You walk up to the door and hear a slight buzz. You enter, curious, sounds like a party — wait, my map says Undergraduate Library. Maybe it's a misprint. No, it seems to be a library. Silently, check off library requirements: books, reference signs, electronic equipment to apprehend thieves, study cells, helpful clerks. Yeah, it's all there, you

must be in the right place. But you feel slightly out of place ... you rack your brain until you realize you're one of the only ones with a bookbag. You hear snickers, a few whispers, someone suggests you might be more comfortable in Davis. Bet you never knew libraries could be places of social acceptance.

Now, not to knock the library completely. There are a few people gazing into computers, others asking for books their professors put on reserve, and the rest are occupied with research (the nature of, we know nothing about). The fall hours will be: M-Th 8 a.m.-2 a.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-11 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-11 p.m., Sun. 12 noon-2 a.m.

Wilson Library is located next to the Undergrad across from the South Building. Wilson is a library that seems much too dignified for a mere undergraduate to trespass into. The imposing columns and dome ward off many. A few brave students venture past the door to be greeted by a solitary gate-keeper. It's not just any library that interviews its visitors. This is one special place. Wilson does contain the North Carolina Collection and the Rare Book Collection. Actually, Wilson Library is not only for the serious student, but also for the serious person. Don't take it lightly. The fall hours will be: M-F 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m.-6 p.m. Copy machines are found in all three libraries.

Computers. You might have successfully avoided them before, but it's time to face the facts — process or perish. Word process, that is. Papers are much easier to type, edit and print using a computer. There are locations scattered throughout campus for your use. Davis Library, Greenlaw Hall, Undergraduate Library, Venable Hall and 14 dorms all have computers. The fall hours will be: Venable M-Th 8 a.m.-1 a.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. noon-6 p.m., Sun. 1 p.m.-1 a.m.; Undergrad M-Th 8 a.m.-11 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m.-11 p.m.; Davis M-Th 9 a.m.-11 p.m., Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 2 p.m.-11 p.m.; Greenlaw M-Th 9 a.m.-11 p.m., Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m.-11 p.m.

Swimming pools cause crimes

Joe Bob Briggs
At the Drive-in

For those of you that don't live in Texas, this is the time of year when it gets so hot here that little pieces of the medulla oblongata flake off like dandruff and people start making speeches about how we need to stamp out these porno businesses, or build a new medical school in Lubbock, or put in a bid for the 1996 Olympics. And then they argue about it, and one of em kills the other one.

For a long time I didn't know why this happened. But a few years back they commissioned a study called "Suburban Brain Damage: How to Recognize It, How to Prevent It," and researchers found that swimming pools were the prime reason for half the crime in major Texas cities.

See, God didn't intend for people in Texas to swim. Even though we have about 900 lakes, 899 of em were built by the Army Corps of Engineers. The only one God built is called Caddo Lake, smack dab on the Louisiana border, and it's so swampy that if you try to swim in it, prehistoric species get lodged in your trunks. At the 899 Bulldozer Wonder lakes, the water's so mucky that the alligator gar population has filed a class action suit against the state. If you touch the water with your finger before the age of six, you have to have an extra 94 vaccinations before you can start first grade.

In other words, God didn't put any water here. He had a reason. "Go away," he was saying.

But then Texas figured out they could avoid alligators AND alligator

gars if they would build their own swimming pools.

God didn't put any swimming pools here either. God put all the swimming pools in California. But we imported some, and we even imported the redwood decks and the earth-colored tile in the shape of venereal diseases to put around the pools. And then people dug up their entire backyards and destroyed a bunch of perfectly good St. Augustine grass, which is the only crop that'll grow naturally in Texas, and then they pumped a bunch of chlorine in there and they painted big maps of Texas on the bottom of the pool and then they said "Look! Water you can see through!" And all the neighbors came over to stare, and then they wanted pools, too.

So what happens now, about this time of year, is people have been staring out the window at their Texas-style chlorinated pools all summer and then looking at one another and saying "Honey, it might get cool enough today to USE the thing." And then ONE day, usually in late July, the temperature will dip down into the low '90s, and the whole family will sprint out there carrying inflatable Dino the Dinosaurs, and they'll lay their little whitebread bods down on the earth-colored VD tiles, or maybe they'll unfold their

triple padded chaise lounge, and then they'll notice that, even though they've only been out there two minutes, parts of their brain are dribbling down onto the pavement and their skin looks like a pecan waffle.

Fortunately, Texas hospitals are so used to dealing with this problem that they have special ambulance codes. "We have a Richard Pryor on South Elm!" Or, in the case of those who have actually baked both feet off their bodies, "Pillsbury Doughboy at 313 Victor Street." And thanks to modern surgical techniques, we are now able to save most human brains from a full meltdown, and all you have is a little permanent intelligence loss. And that's the scientific explanation for Texas behavior in August.

And speaking of heat, Sybil Danning is back after about a year's absence from the drive-in screen. The former ripaway-bra queen is unveiling her new look in "L.A. Bounty," where she not only doesn't rip off her bra, but she doesn't even show any cleavage! This is the new gimme-that-machine-gun Action Sybil — leather jacket, boots, raked blonds curls spraying out from her head like angel-hair pasta, and 17,000 rounds of ammo. And her target is...

Wings Hauser! Ever since "Vice Squad," he's the pure-dee meanest guy in the movies. And in this one he's a painter-drug dealer/murderer/mystic who likes to perform executions for the amusement of God. Re-

member the thing he does with the wire coat hangers in "Vice Squad"? He does something even MEANER in "L.A. Bounty."

The plot is about how a guy running for mayor is kidnapped and the cops don't know who did it and the mayor is demanding an explanation and the wife is distraught blah blah and Sybil is and ex-cop who forgot to read somebody his rights and got kicked off the force blah blah and Wings is the guy who executed Sybil's partner blah blah and so she's going around the city Bronsoning all the scum.

Here's the beauty of it, though. Sybil's dialogue in this movie: six words. Ever since the original "Dirty Harry," you're just not a decent vigilante cop unless you're a pistol-packing deaf mute.

Seven breasts (but not Sybil's). Twenty-six dead bodies. Two motor vehicle chases, with double crash. Death-by-TV-in-hot-tub. Giant stuffed polar bear attack. Aardvarking. Exploding SWAT team. One western-style shootout. Forklift Fu. Drive-In Academy Award nominations for Wings Hauser, for forcing a guy into a wooden crate at gunpoint, then saying "Hard to breathe?" and shooting the crate full of holes; and, of course, Sybil, for writing the story, producing, starring, and uttering the memorable line "—"

Three and a half stars. Joe Bob says check it out.

RAs help freshmen adjust to dorm life

By JOHN BLAND
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Unless you freshmen come from a family like "The Waltons," and had to pack your seven brothers and sisters in one room, you might not yet be ready to put up with one of the most challenging aspects of college life: living with a roommate.

Fortunately, that's where your Resident Assistant (RA) comes in.

When two people live in the close confines of a dormitory room (particularly the shoe boxes of South Campus), conflicts are bound to arise. These conflicts may erupt from trivial arguments, such as who gets to watch "The Flintstones" or "Guiding Light," or they may be grounded in much more

serious personality and/or cultural differences.

These problems can often be helped by the housing staff — if not the RAs, then the assistant area directors (AADs) and area directors (ADs).

"The basic task (of an RA) is to act as a non-judgmental mediator to help the individuals involved resolve their conflict by themselves," said Tim Dore, an RA for Graham Residence Hall for 1989-90. Dore stressed that it was important that the roommates try to work it out among themselves, rather than rely upon the arbitration of the RA.

He added that each RA had his or her own style concerning the resolution of roommate conflicts.

If problems can't be worked out, freshmen may try to change rooms or dormitories. If no agreement can be reached, then a Room/Area Change Application can be filled out.

Room changes will not be considered for the first 10 days. When rooms are available, room changes will be considered after the applicant meets with an AD.

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