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Students on waiting list fail to pick up parking permits

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About 65 percent of students on the waiting list for parking permits have not picked up their permits, said John DeVitto, director of UNC Transportation and Parking Services.

Most of the students on the waiting list for spaces in A, I, K, L, and M lots are not picking their permits up, and there are spaces immediately available in PR and F lots, he said.

The list of students who have received permits is posted each Friday and students have until the next Thursday at 4 p.m. to check the list and pick up their permits, DeVitto said. When students do not pick up their permits by Thursday, they are deleted from the waiting list and another list of students is posted.

The procedure for obtaining a parking permit has changed this year, DeVitto said. In the past, Transportation and Parking staff members posted notices when permits became available for sale, DeVitto said. Students waited in long lines to purchase the permits without any guarantee that they would get one.

This year the procedure is different and students may be unsure of what they are supposed to do, he said. Students who did not get a permit are placed on a waiting list. When spaces become available, students are taken off the waiting list according to when they signed up and are given permits, DeVitto said.

Students who did not pick up their permits and were deleted from the waiting list can sign up again but will be added to the end of the list, he said. Lists are posted at the Transportation and Parking Services building, which is located next to Morrison Residence Hall, and at the Student Government Office in Suite C of the

Union, he said.

The problem with the new procedure is that many students do not know that the waiting list is being posted, said David Smith, student parking officer.

Students don't realize that a new list is posted each week, so if they check the list and don't see their name on it, they don't check it again, he said.

"By this time of the year, most people have already found something to do with their cars, or they just don't bring

their cars to school," Smith said.

The new procedure will eventually work well for the students, he said, but more information about how the system works will let them know what they need to do, he said.

Students who have already purchased their permits have said they liked the new procedures, DeVitto said. Students don't like to have to wait in line and the new procedure allows them to avoid lines, he said.

University bus system reports 9 percent ridership increase

By SIMONE PAM
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The number of University students riding buses has increased by 9 percent in less than two months, University parking director John DeVitto said Monday.

"Previously, the ridership increase norm was around 2 to 3 percent (during this time period)," DeVitto said. However, several recent factors have led to this year's increase, he said.

"We are providing better services and we are trying to make it more

accommodating," DeVitto said.

According to John Gardner, transportation planner, a major change was made on the P route. In the past the P route was mostly aimed at commuter students. Thus, students who live on campus did not really have a need for the route.

"To make the P route more convenient for resident students, we realigned the route to come where the dorms are. We added stops at Airport Road, Hillsborough Road, Stadium Drive, Ridge Road, and down to the Dean E.

Smith Center. This now covers 90 percent of all the dorm areas."

Some of the changes occurred as a result of a transportation meeting with campus groups such as Student Congress and the Residence Hall Association, Gardner said. "Student Congress expressed an interest in more direct service from South Campus (Chase Hall) to the Student Union so we expanded the P route and eliminated the L route, which serviced the law school.

In addition, the hours the buses are in service have increased so that buses

now run from 6:30 a.m. until 1:30 a.m.

Chapel Hill Transit (CHT) administrative assistant Scott McClellan said CHT operated all bus services in Carrboro, Chapel Hill and the UNC campus. "We operate under a contract and UNC came to us last spring asking for an increase in service hours, number of buses circulating and an extension on certain routes.

"Money is now being spent more wisely," he said. "When you do analysis, you find out which routes are more commonly used and adjust so you can best serve the public."

The department has also improved

publicity by speaking specifically to certain groups, DeVitto said.

In addition, CHT has added new locations and changed certain routes.

Funding for the recent changes comes from various areas.

Part of the \$25 student transportation fee has gone to the increase in circulation and extended hours, Gardner said. "Transit is funded through who rides the buses and through the University. In the student transportation fee, the idea was that the users of the buses should pay a large cost of the price because 80 percent to 85 percent

of the people who ride the bus around and to the University are students."

"I don't think there would be much of a bus service in Chapel Hill if the University did not participate financially," Gardner said.

"We pay for about half of what the service costs now; the other half is through property tax," he said.

"Last year, the transit cost for the University was about \$550,000. This year it will be about \$750,000. By 1993, the cost of transit will be over a million dollars due to increases in services, and decrease in federal money given."

Public health school ends 50th year

By CHRIS HELMS
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The School of Public Health will begin a yearlong celebration of its 50th anniversary Thursday with a seminar by national public health expert Warren Winkelstein, a UNC alumnus.

Winkelstein, who earned his bachelor's degree from UNC in 1943, is a national figure in the fight against AIDS. He was instrumental in the reduction of new AIDS cases among homosexual men in San Francisco and is a former dean of the University of California at Berkeley School of Public Health.

The seminar, "Observations on Public Health," will be held in Rosenau Hall auditorium at 3 p.m. and is open to the public.

The seminar marks the beginning of a slate of activities to include a national symposium on the future of the environment and public health, an alumni conference and the dedication of a new \$16.3 million Public Health and Environmental Sciences Center.

In a press release explaining the celebrations, Michel Ibrahim, dean of the School of Public Health, said: "Throughout the years, the school has maintained its top national standing among schools of public health and expanded its leadership in the field. We are excited that the activities planned during the next few months will recognize the school's accomplishments and highlight the many services the school provides to the people of North Carolina and the nation."

The school, the first public school of public health in the nation, is one of the top four schools in the country, said Harriet Barr, assistant dean of the school. Only the University of Michigan, Johns Hopkins University and Harvard University had schools of public health ranking higher, she said. The school brought in \$16 million in research projects last year, according to a school report.

The national symposium, which will be held Jan. 21-24, will focus on "Environmental Change and Public

Health: The Next 50 Years." Twenty policy experts and scientists will speak on expected environmental changes and their effect on public policy. Tickets are available for \$125 from the school registrar's office. Call 966-1104 for more information.

The school will dedicate two new buildings on May 4 — the McGavran-Greenberg Hall and the adjacent Herman G. Baity Environmental Engineering Laboratory. These buildings will relieve cramped conditions in Rosenau Hall, Barr said.

The close quarters in Rosenau Hall are the result of the rapid growth of the school, Barr said. Since 1963, student enrollment has tripled from less than 300 to almost 900. The growth has placed pressure on classrooms, laboratories and office space, she said.

Funds for the new facilities were approved by the General Assembly in 1985, according to a school report. Construction began in October 1986 and should be completed by late November.

Red Cross continues Hugo relief drive

By JULIE CAMPBELL
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To help victims of Hurricane Hugo, The Orange County chapter of the American Red Cross is continuing its campaign for public donations.

While many community organizations are collecting food, clothing and building supplies to send to the victims, the American Red Cross deals directly with the people needing help.

Robert Ziegler, the executive director of the Orange County chapter, said that dealing directly with the victims has many advantages.

"After assessing their individual needs, we give them a purchase voucher so they can help with their own healing process," he said. Each American Red Cross chapter was assigned a goal of \$8,838 to help pay for the disaster operation.

"If each Red Cross chapter pays its

fair share, the money will be collected quicker and more efficiently," he said. Orange County has exceeded its goal, but will continue collecting money to compensate for other chapters that are unable to reach their goals.

The process of collecting, shipping and distributing items is more expensive than buying the same things from a local store, he said. The Red Cross has estimated that its entire operation for Hurricane Hugo will cost about \$42 million.

The Orange County chapter is also helping victims through blood drives scheduled throughout October.

Joe Brugnolotti, chairman of blood drives in Orange County, said areas affected by Hugo have a shortage of blood. Because many of these areas lost electrical power, blood storage was impossible and much of the stored blood

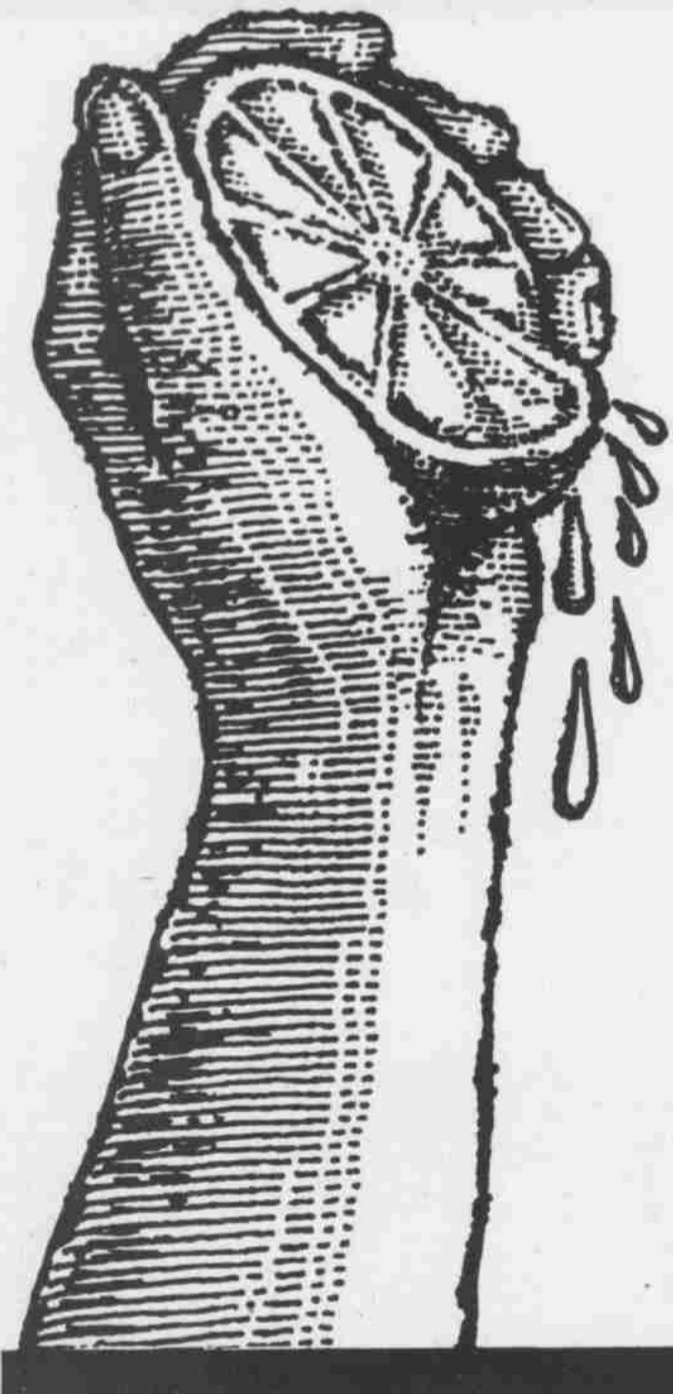
was lost.

"Many blood drives were canceled because of the hurricane," he said. "Now we are trying to play catch-up."

George Moody, national chairman of the American Red Cross, said the organization is relying "totally on the generosity of the American people at times like this."

"We are confident that Americans will once again come to the aid of those suffering from Hurricane Hugo's destruction," he said.

Anyone wanting to make a donation to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief fund should send checks to the American Red Cross, Orange County Chapter, 105 W. Main St., Carrboro, N.C. 27510. Checks should be earmarked to "Hurricane Hugo."



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