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Parasitology department to close

By STEPHEN POOLE
Staff Writer

University officials decided this week to terminate the Department of Parasitology and Lab Practice, a graduate department established in 1940 within the School of Public Health.

Both the causes and effects of the termination are not yet clear. Michel Ibrahim, dean of the School of Public Health, and Hilton Goulson, acting chairman of the Department of Parasitology and Lab Practice, as well as University Provost Dennis O'Connor were unavailable for comment Thursday.

Faculty and students are waiting for

departmental meetings scheduled next week to learn more about the decision. Parasitology students have been instructed by the department not to comment until the meeting.

James Hall, associate professor of parasitology, said the program was still in question. "So far, we've been told not to accept new students for next semester and that there are negotiations to try to maintain the department."

"Many of the details are unaccounted for. There are all sorts of options, all sorts of questions."

Dean McCord, president of the Graduate and Professional Student Federation, expressed dismay and frustra-

tion with the news. "It's a shock to any graduate student to find out suddenly that your department no longer exists. To find out on the spur of the moment is inconceivable."

Rick Tidwell, a pathology professor who has collaborated with University parasitologists, said the termination made no sense. Parasitology has had fluctuating success in the past, but the presence of new medical dilemmas, such as AIDS, has re-established its importance, he said.

"Parasitology has ridden the crest. People have seen that you can't forget it."

Goulson said any of the department's 16 master's or 17 doctorate students who return next semester would be able to complete their coursework, Hall said. Students who still have work to complete will be allowed to transfer.

"The current students have been told that they will continue to be supported," Hall said.

Hall said a lack of funds within the School of Public Health was one factor in the decision to terminate the department. The recent budget cuts are not responsible for the school's diminishing funds, but they have added to it, he said. "The lack of funds has been an ongoing thing, though the budget cuts

may have precipitated it."

Despite the financial situation, some professors said last week's decision came as a surprise.

Hall said until the decision was made, the future of the Department of Parasitology and Lab Practice had seemed promising. "The optimism came from our role in (the School of) Public Health and in the new, exciting upswing of parasitology. Our department has a fairly strong national reputation."

Tidwell said the field was in demand from students. "The graduate application pool is still strong. There are still good applicants."



University BRIEFLY

Seniors work toward fund-raising goal

The senior class raised \$287,000 for its senior class gift in a phonathon held Feb. 25-Feb. 27.

The phonathon was the beginning of the class' efforts to raise \$325,000. Plans are to spend \$25,000-\$30,000 to improve landscaping between Murphey and Saunders halls.

The rest of the money will be used to establish a permanent endowment for a teaching fellows program at the UNC Center for Teacher and Learning.

Keitt King, co-chairman of the senior class gift campaign, said volunteers would the campaign until May.

Aerobics class to aid Tina Levy fund

Diana Landers, a senior from Sacramento, Calif., is holding an aerobics class to benefit Tina Levy.

The class will be held Saturday from noon-1 p.m. at The Gym in Carrboro. The cost is \$3 per person.

Exposition to focus on environmental research

Students and faculty are invited to attend a research exposition for the Center for Waste Minimization and Management from 7:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. Tuesday from in the "U" ballroom of the Carolina Inn.

Posters outlining important environmental research under way at the UNC Department of Environmental Science and Engineering and at N.C. State University will be on display.

For more information, contact Dr. William Glaze, department of environmental science, at 966-1024.

Led Zeppelin to play Morehead Planetarium

The Morehead Planetarium will offer "Laser Zeppelin," a musical laser show featuring the sounds of rock band Led Zeppelin, at 6:45 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. on Sundays during March.

The early show replaces the 6:45 p.m. showing of "Laser Wars." "Laser Wars" will continue to be shown at 9:15 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and at 6:45 p.m. Saturdays.

"Laser Floyd" will continue at 9:15 p.m. Thursdays and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

Admission is \$3 for children 11 years old and under and \$5 for others.

Delta Zeta sorority to host groundbreaking

Delta Zeta sorority will hold a groundbreaking ceremony at 3 p.m. Sunday for its new house on Hillsborough Street.

Chancellor Paul Hardin, members of the sorority's national chapter and members of other sororities will attend.

For more information call Barbara Kesler, public relations director for Delta Zeta, at 933-1631.

Grant to help AIDS victims and families

The Kate B. Reynolds Health Care Trust gave North Carolina Memorial Hospital Pastoral Care Department a \$10,000 grant to help AIDS patients and their families.

The Reynolds Trust grant will help support a chaplain who will become a liaison with community clergy and religious groups for referral, education and pastoral support of people with AIDS.

"We are grateful and proud of this recognition and support of our pastoral care program," said Todd Peterson, director of operations at UNC hospitals.

Chapel Hill to start town tennis league

The Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation department is sponsoring a USTA/Volvo Tennis League.

Entry into the league is on a team basis. Individuals should place themselves on an individuals list with the department. All participants must have a NTRP rating and be a member of the USTA.

Team captains may register their team at 200 Plant Road, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday-Friday. A \$50 deposit will be required. For more information call 968-2784.

Residents' input sought for town plan

By TOM PARKS
Senior Writer

Chapel Hill residents will have yet another chance next week to participate in the town's own special brand of representative government.

The town is sponsoring two informal discussions on the aesthetics of downtown Chapel Hill on Monday.

The planning department and the Downtown Commission plan to find out what residents and merchants like and don't like about downtown. The two groups will use comments to prepare a long-term streetscape plan that the town can use as a guide for appearance-related improvements downtown.

"We'd like to have (merchant's) ideas, since they're the ones who'll be affected most by this," said Dave Roesler of the Chapel Hill Planning Department.

Workshops will be held at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday at 153 E. Franklin St., the site of the former Benetton store. Town residents may attend and make suggestions or just listen, Roesler said.

Peter Batchelor, an urban design professor from N.C. State University, will begin the workshop. After Batchelor's remarks, the floor will open for suggestions from residents on ways to improve the appearance of downtown.

Cogswell Hausler Associates, a Chapel Hill architectural firm, will prepare a long-term streetscape plan based on recommendations made at the workshops. The firm will present a rough draft of its report at 9 a.m. Tuesday. The panel will be available until noon to discuss its preliminary report.

Arthur Cogswell, senior partner of Cogswell Hausler Associates, said the workshop would give him a perspective he would be unable to obtain if he just created a streetscape plan.

Cogswell has conducted preliminary interviews with downtown merchants, and he said uneven and rough sidewalks, as well as neglected shrubber-

ies, were some concerns that have been mentioned to him.

"But I'm sure stuff will come up that we haven't even dreamed of," he said.

Chapel Hill officials need input from residents on how to improve or change things downtown, said Dianne Pledger, special projects director for the Downtown Commission.

The workshops will include discussion of kiosks, bike racks, lighting, sidewalks, trees, benches and anything else that residents might suggest concerning the downtown appearance.

"Yes, we do have these things," Pledger said. "But maybe there's a better way to do it. We do have the kiosks, but

if you've noticed, they look terrible."

The plan will be a guide and stimulus for the town to address problems downtown, Cogswell said.

Roesler said Chapel Hill commissioned the study and set aside \$30,000 from this year's budget to pay the fee of the architectural firm and other workshop expenses.

But this year's budget does not include money to put the streetscape plan into action, Roesler said.

"There's no budget for most of the things we'll suggest," Cogswell said.

Roesler said he wanted the town to include money in its budget to implement the streetscape plan.



DTH/Kathy Michel

The gospel truth

The Black Student Movement Gospel Choir was one of five acts to perform during Cross-Cultural Entertainment Night Thursday at the Union Cabaret. The event was a part of Race Relations Week.

Festival to offer insight into different cultures

By VICKI HYMAN
Staff Writer

You can see a traditional Chinese wedding, hear an Italian opera and sample genuine Indian food — all in the same place.

The Association of International Students (AIS) is presenting the 12th annual International Festival from noon to 6 p.m. Sunday in Great Hall in the Carolina Union. The festival will cap off International Week, "The Future of our Global Community."

"What AIS wants is for people to see different cultures, ways of life — to have cultural awareness and understanding," said Nick Kontogeorgopoulos, a sophomore from Toronto and co-president of the AIS.

"I'm from Toronto, and I'm faced with different cultures all the time. You don't get a chance here to see all these different kinds of things."

The festival is the big event of the organization, he said. "It's what we work for the whole year. It's the grand showcase of the AIS."

"It allows us to show what we do. This is our way of allowing the UNC campus to benefit from what we do."

More than 25 countries will be represented in booths at the festival, said Caroline Pham, a senior international studies and political science major from Fayetteville. International groups from UNC, as well as some from Durham and N.C. State University, will provide entertainment, she said.

Many AIS members are excited to be representing their respective countries at the festival. "My booth on Canada will have maps, tourist information — something people can walk in and look at and see a little part of Canada in America," said Valerie Halman, a freshman psychology major from

Montreal.

Foods from different countries will be on sale, Pham said.

Kontogeorgopoulos said usually about 2,000 people attend the event.

AIS member Flo Belvedere, a sophomore from Buenos Aires, Argentina, said the festival exposed students to different cultures, a chance they didn't get very often.

"In Argentina, we emphasize a lot more global learning — we have to learn about other cultures. You get a different point of view. That's been a problem here."

Another AIS member, Anthony Catanzariti, a junior from Griffith, Australia, said most students were very ethnocentric. "My booth should increase people's awareness about Australia. People are very enthusiastic but very misinformed."

The free fair is open to the public.

Watershed topic of public hearing

By DOUG FERGUSON
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A crowd of 300 people filled Carrboro Elementary School Wednesday night to participate in a public hearing concerning proposed development controls in the University Lake watershed.

The hearing focused on a study by Camp, Dresser and McKee, a Raleigh environmental firm, which recommended that development in and around the watershed should be restricted to five-acre lots or two-acre lots with special ponds designed to trap runoff pollution.

However, some people disagreed with this assessment. Richard Hammer, Republican candidate for the Orange County Board of Commissioners, said such restrictions might not be necessary.

"I'm not sure there's a better way, but I don't think people have looked at all of the alternatives (to development restrictions)."

Hammer said that filtration or other methods of water treatment might adequately work to provide clean, safe drinking water for the Chapel Hill area and that the risk involved in consuming treated water is minimal.

"Most of us are willing to fly in airplanes even though they are not perfectly safe," Hammer said. "Millions of citizens drink treated water. People in Chapel Hill just do not want to accept a risk."

Daniel Okun, Kenan professor of environmental engineering at UNC, disagreed. Okun said although technology was available for filtering out bacterial contaminants, technology did not exist to treat water for chemical

pollutants.

"Richard Hammer doesn't know what he is talking about," Okun said. "No one who knows anything about water treatment will say that treatment is better than starting with a pure water source."

Okun, who has traveled around the United States promoting watershed protection, said the interests of a few individual property owners and developers should not outweigh the needs of the 55,000 people who receive their drinking water from the University Lake watershed.

"The land (in the watershed area) is only worth a lot because so many people have moved into this area," Okun said. "The developers and land owners haven't done anything to increase the value of their property. That's an argument that they don't like to hear."

Marvin Collins, Orange County planning director, said the movement toward development controls was the culmination of several years of work to protect the area's water supplies. Despite some heated arguments concerning watershed protection, Collins said everyone wanted basically the same thing.

"I don't think we've had anyone opposed to protecting the water in University Lake. People just disagree on how to do it."

Collins said that governing boards in Chapel Hill and Carrboro were debating the watershed issue and that their decisions about possible zoning changes would be passed to the Orange County Planning Department. He added it might be April 2 before a final decision was made.

Davis

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bers, that's not a feasible way of doing it."

The bill will be introduced after the committee talks with Davis Monday, and will be voted on by the full congress. Although the committee can recommend that Davis be removed from his speaker position or be expelled from congress, Buchenau said he would talk to Davis before choosing.

"I'm going to need this piece of legislation for us to even be able to discuss the event; otherwise, it has no teeth," he said. "I want to talk to Gene first. First we're going to discuss the matter itself, and then if we think the informal discussion with Gene dissolves the problem, then we'll table the bill indefinitely."

Unless several members call for Davis' expulsion, that option will not be considered, Buchenau said.

Friedman said Davis' actions needed to be examined by the ethics committee because he has become inaccessible and negligent in his duties.

"People have been trying to get in

touch with Gene, whether it's the administration or students," she said. "Gene has not been in the office very much in the last couple of weeks."

"All of this has been, to the best of my knowledge, because he has been campaigning for Mark Bibbs. He's letting the congress down; he's letting the student body down."

Friedman suggested that a stronger measure than a censure, such as an official reprimand, might be necessary. "It's basically the equivalence of a slap on the hand," she said. "It's a step before impeachment. It's saying we recognized the fact you screwed up and we're letting you know that we caught you."

Sam Bagenstos (Dist. 14) suggested that Davis should lose his post because "if a bricklayer isn't laying bricks, you don't just censure the bricklayer, you do something more."

"I think it's simply indefensible for a Student Congress speaker to neglect the basic responsibility of figuring out where the meetings are going to be."

Teague

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Freshman Rhonda Barnwell said her suite was sprayed last fall to get rid of a nest of yellow jackets.

Freshman Brian Conlon discovered an eight-inch-long rat in his room in January. He and his suitmates reported the animal to the Carmichael area desk. The desk staff called the police, but the residents killed the rodent with a hammer before they arrived.

Conlon and his suitmates said they were concerned about how it got into the room. "It was too large to squeeze under the door," he said. "I hope it just walked in when the door was open."

Maintenance sprayed after the rat was discovered, Conlon said.

He received no other help except for his RA's recommendation to keep clothes off the floor and not to leave food open.

Students living in the basement of Teague have also had problems with the pipes in their rooms. The pipes in Conlon's room begin making loud noises about 3 a.m., and they are hot enough to burn a person, he said.

Maintenance told the students it was because of the water heating system and nothing could be done about it.

Dancin' in the streets

Members of the UNC Marching Tar Heel band participate in the Krewe of Rex parade on Feb. 28 in New Orleans.

The band, the UNC Naval ROTC unit and the High Kicking Heels attended the celebration.



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