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## Silver screen starlet Greta Garbo dies at 84

NEW YORK — Greta Garbo will be buried as she lived: privately and in all likelihood without fanfare. Officials at New York Hospital said Monday that funeral services would be private. Spokeswoman Myrna Manners said the film great had been a dialysis patient at the hospital but she released no other information at the family's request.

"Private means private and everyone should respect her wishes," said longtime friend and neighbor Ben Buttenweiser. "It makes sense that she would have wanted it that way, otherwise you'd need the whole, entire United States Army on hand to keep everybody out." The Swedish beauty, whose sculpted face and throaty, contralto voice helped make her an international star and one of the world's most famous recluses, died Sunday at New York Hospital. She was 84.

## Indian commuter train fire kills 80, wounds 65

NEW DELHI, India — A leaking gas cylinder exploded in a moving commuter train on Monday and set off a fire that left at least 80 people dead and 65 others wounded, news reports and officials said.

Reporters at the scene said the explosion and fire killed at least 100 people.

Fire swept through two of the train's 16 cars as it traveled near Kumrahar in Bihar state, 500 miles southeast of New Delhi. The fire began at 9:30 a.m.

Firefighters eventually extinguished the blaze, but "the heat was so intense no one dared to enter the train for at least a half-hour after the fire," said S.K. Sharma, the top civil administrator in the region.

Sharma said a cylinder of oxyacetylene gas, used in welding, was found in one of the gutted cars.

## American space mission with Soviets too risky

WASHINGTON — Joint missions to Mars by the United States and the Soviet Union are too risky now, a panel said Monday, recommending instead that the two nations follow "a graceful path" of coordinated but independent exploration.

"The United States and U.S.S.R. have no prior experience with the degree of cooperation necessary to carry out a technical project of this complexity or magnitude," said a committee of the National Research Council.

The committee said it was concerned "about relying on the consistency of the relationship over a period of a decade or more into the future." The panel's report appeared to chill the idea frequently expressed by many experts that Mars would be explored jointly by the Soviets and Americans, doing together what would be too expensive for either nation to do alone.

The United States and the Soviet Union have cooperated in space in the past, most notably in 1975 when three Apollo astronauts joined their spacecraft with a Soviet Soyuz and exchanged bear hugs in orbit with two cosmonauts.

— From Associated Press reports

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## Singing for seniors

Clapping their hands and stamping their feet, the UNC Clef Hangers perform "For the Longest Time" by Billy

Joel in the Pit Monday afternoon to kick off Senior Week festivities.

# Lower budget challenges UNC to maintain services

By STEPHANIE JOHNSTON

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UNC administrators are trying to implement budget cuts in a way that both meets state requirements and maintains the University's services and level of quality, several officials said Monday.

Once the office of state budgets allots money to UNC-system schools, policy decisions about budget cuts originate within individual universities, said Ben Tuchi, vice chancellor for business and finance.

"The legislature doesn't act on UNC-CH, UNC-W, N.C. State," he said. "There's one budget. Essentially it's divided among the schools by the office of state budget in conjunction with the general administration of the (UNC) system."

The budget is not only divided among schools, but is further distributed into smaller categories, Tuchi said. "The beginning of the matrix would be academic affairs, health affairs and area health education sectors. In addition, (the budget) is line-item described. There are many categories of operating expenses."

The schools do not receive money in

one lump sum, but receive quarterly payments, Tuchi said. "If the quarterly allotment is less than expected, you have to turn around and pass the cuts along."

Two statewide budget limitations that UNC now faces are a freeze on hiring and a freeze on expenditures for non-essential items, Provost Dennis O'Connor said.

But deciding which categories to cut can be a problem, Tuchi said. "A committee makes the decision. The chancellor functions as the chief executive officer of the committee." The University may, however, make suggestions to the office of state budgets concerning areas of its budgets which need to be increased, he said.

University administrators expressed little hope that next year's budget would improve.

"I don't think next year there is going to be some sort of windfall," O'Connor said. "I'm not overly optimistic."

Gillian Cell, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said judging by the news, the state government was expecting another revenue shortage next year. "We'll also carry over some

unpaid bills from this year."

Tuchi said departments have some means of combating the budget cuts. Some departments, especially those with research facilities, have budgeted allowances for overhead costs, he said.

"That raises the question of using overhead funds for basic institutional purposes," he said. "Some departments have fees. Normally departments that don't have research facilities have very few options."

Cell said the College of Arts and Sciences has a small amount of non-state money to use for absolute necessities, such as paper. "The faculty are paying for an awful lot of things," she said.

Larry Alford, assistant University librarian for planning and finance, said the libraries have had to cut back on some expenses as a result of the budget cuts. "I don't think we've cut out any services," he said. "We've limited the number of long-distance phone calls the staff can make. We've cut down on photocopying. We haven't hired any additional students on state funds. We're in the process of trying to find other means. I'm not optimistic that there will be any budget increases next year."

# Committee favors Vinik for VP post

By MYRON B. PITTS

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The appointment of Grant Vinik as student body vice president was approved by the Student Congress Rules and Judiciary Committee Monday despite criticism from some student government members concerning the reasons for his appointment.

The committee sent favorable confirmation of Vinik to the full congress with five affirmative votes, one opposing vote and two abstentions, including the chairman, who votes only in case of a tie. The full congress meets Wednesday. Its approval would be the final step in confirming Student Body President (SBP) Bill Hildebolt's decision to appoint Vinik as his second in command.

Hildebolt announced Sunday that he would recommend Vinik to the Rules and Judiciary Committee. But former Student Congress representative Jeffrey Beall, a member of the search committee that submitted the names of three nominees to Hildebolt, questioned the president's reasons for choosing Vinik. The committee's three nominees, in order of preference, were sophomores Mark Bibbs and Meridith Rentz and junior Vinik.

Beall accused Hildebolt of discriminating against sophomores by nominating the committee's third choice, the only candidate who is not a sophomore. He also said Hildebolt had gone against his promise to diversify student government by passing over a black and a woman.

Rules and Judiciary Committee member Tonya Alford (Dist. 12) said she voted in opposition to Vinik because after talking with several students, she was not sure whether Hildebolt's decision was in the best interests of gaining minority support. "But I think Grant will be an excellent candidate," she said. "He will get my support through the year."

Hildebolt said at the Rules and Judiciary Committee meeting that he chose Vinik because he was a well-qualified rising senior.

"My decision to choose Grant had a lot of factors involved. Grant is a rising senior — that would have had an impact no matter what names came to me in what order," he said.

Because sophomores could use the position of vice president as a stepping stone in a student body president campaign, they would not be the best choice for the position, Hildebolt said. The office is only two years old and a prece-

dent of appointing junior vice presidents should be set during its early years, he said. Hildebolt noted that in former SBP Brien Lewis' administration, only junior students had applied for the position.

"I think that was a step in the right direction," he said.

Hildebolt's decision hinged on an interpretation of the bill that created the position of vice president, he said. While creating the post last year, student government officials generally agreed that juniors would be preferable to fill the office. "Right now, we're still setting precedent," he said.

Bibbs said a preference for juniors to serve as vice president was written into neither the Code of Student Government nor any other document. The fact that he was the search committee's number one choice, but was passed over by the SBP disappointed him, he said.

"I think sophomore discrimination is wrong," Bibbs said. "The search committee didn't think classification was a problem. To be number one and not get picked because you're a sophomore really hurts."

The intent of the campus leaders who designed the vice president's bill could not be known, Bibbs said. "The framers did not explicitly state that a sophomore could not be vice president. This is not something open for interpretation."

Rentz declined comment on the matter.

Both Lewis, a search committee member, and former vice president Joe Andronaco said a vice president who was not a sophomore would be preferable, as long as he or she were qualified.

More debate on the issue surrounded Beall's decision to release the names of the search committee's top three choices, contrary to a prior agreement between Hildebolt and the committee.

Gene Davis, author of the original vice-presidential bill, said Sunday the business of the search committee is public information. "The entire student body is entitled to know the results of the search committee."

Asa Bell, Student Supreme Court chief justice and chairman of the search committee, said those on the committee had agreed to keep the information private to protect the candidates and to prevent interest groups from trying to influence Hildebolt. "We wanted to keep that kind of pressure off of him."

# Diffendal focuses on RHA, life goals

By DIONNE LOY

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In an interview for an Orientation Commissioner position in fall 1988, Gretchen Diffendal, Residence Hall Association (RHA) president, said her goal was not to be a lawyer, but a judge, and a Supreme Court judge at that, said Shirley Hunter, director of orientation.

This directness exemplifies the way Diffendal approaches relationships, her role as RHA president, participation in other extracurricular activities and academics, Hunter said. "She's very focused on what she wants in this life and on the way to pursue these goals."

Anna WitternMerithew, Diffendal's mother, said dedication and hard work are the main components of her daughter's personality. "She's not afraid of working hard," she said. "She tries to share with society the fruits of her talents. She's willing to give back to the world through volunteering and hard work."

Diffendal displays hard work and talent in all of her activities, her mother said. A junior, Diffendal has participated at almost every level of residence hall government. She served as Spencer Residence Hall president and STOW area governor before taking the office of RHA president.

Diffendal also worked as an Orientation Commissioner last summer and is now serving as junior-transfer orientation program coordinator. She served as co-chairwoman for the Student-Elderly Exchange, a committee of the



Gret Diffendal

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Campus Y, and worked for Habitat for Humanity. She has also participated in Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship.

Betsy Blackwell, a junior from Salisbury who became friends with Diffendal during her freshman year, said Diffendal had a strong commitment to being responsible in whatever job she

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## (Tropical) paradise found

Freshman Kathleen Lowrey and graduate student Anne Winn paint a tropical rainforest for SEAC outside the Union Auditorium Monday.

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*In wildness is the preservation of the world. — Henry David Thoreau*