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University Briefs

Endowed history chair to honor Graham

The Frank Porter Graham Distinguished Professorship in History is the first \$1 million endowed chair created through the Bicentennial Campaign. The campaign is the largest UNC fund-raising effort ever attempted. The professorship, established by the Arts and Sciences Foundation Inc., is the first endowed chair to be based completely in the history department. Graham was UNC president in 1930-49, a U.S. senator and a United Nations mediator. He was known as a progressive educator and equal rights advocate.

Grant to fund public health training

The UNC School of Public Health has been awarded a three-year, \$662,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Public Health Service to add a concentration in public health practice to an existing doctoral degree program. According to a report in "The Future of Public Health," issued by the Institute of Medicine in 1988, the nation's public health system is in disarray. The public health school will develop new ways to train practicing public health professionals with leadership potential by building on prior experience and knowledge to expand their understanding of America's pressing public health needs, said Michel Ibrahim, dean of the school.

FDA approves artificial bone material use

The Food and Drug Administration has approved an artificial bone material developed at UNC for nationwide use in plastic surgery and dental work. Jacob Hander, UNC professor of dental research and biomedical engineering, and colleagues developed the material, which is a combination of plaster of paris and tiny ceramic particles called hydroxylapatite. Plastic surgeons at Duke University already have used it successfully to fill in skull defects caused by accidents and illness, and periodontists have employed it in repairing bone loss around teeth.

Journalism school gets high marks in critique

The School of Journalism and Mass Communication has been reaccredited by the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. The school was reaccredited by the council May 11, following a site team visit to the school earlier this year. The team issued a report on the school's curriculum, faculty and students. The report calls the school's faculty a "vigorous and diverse group." The team found that students are pleased with the education and attention they receive and that the school's reputation is supported by graduates' performance.

Retired dentist to fund ethics lecture series

A \$50,000 gift from Dr. G. Shuford Abernethy, a retired Hickory dentist, will help the UNC School of Dentistry start a lecture series focusing on ethical issues facing the dental profession. The gift will establish the Abernethy Lectureship in Ethics Endowment Fund, which will support lectures on ethics-related topics for students. Abernethy's gift will count toward the Bicentennial Campaign for UNC, the largest fund-raising effort ever attempted by the University.

Graham was Profile in Courage Award finalist

The late Frank Porter Graham, former president of UNC and a former U.S. senator, was a finalist for the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation's 1991 Profile in Courage Award. The winner of the award was Charles Longstreet Weltner, a Georgia Supreme Court justice and former congressman who abandoned a re-election bid in 1966 instead of running on the same ticket as segregationist Lester Maddox.

—from UNC News Services reports

Romance languages dean bars summer auditing

By Laura Baum
Staff Writer

The chairman of the Department of Romance Languages has barred students from auditing introductory summer language courses. Stirling Haig said he made the decision after instructors and professors complained about the large number of auditors in already filled classes. "Too many auditors are clogging the sections," Haig said. Auditors, who are supposed to remain quiet in class, typically are a passive influence in language courses that emphasize learning in part through speaking, Haig said. "They are the antithesis of what the

class ethos needs to be," he said. "It needs to be active participation by all." Another reason for his decision was that some auditors do speak in language classes and take the teacher's attention from other students, Haig said. Paying, enrolled students might resent them, he said. Although no decision had been made, Haig said he did not plan to prohibit auditing for the rest of the school year. Other language departments prohibit auditing for various reasons. The Department of Slavic Languages does not allow auditors in summer Russian courses because of their intensity, a department secretary said. The equivalent of one year's study of Russian, or eight credit hours, is taught

in one summer session, and instructors need to give their full attention to paying students, she said. But students are allowed to audit Slavic language courses in the fall and spring, she added. Siegfried Mews, Germanic languages department chairman, said auditing was strongly discouraged in that department throughout the year. Because active participation is essential to learning, students auditing the classes would not be able to learn as much as enrolled students, he said. Also, because of the budget cuts, pressure is growing in the General Assembly to force state universities to increase the size of some classes and

eliminate others to save money, Mews said. Because auditors would not be accounted for in descriptions of class size, legislators would not have accurate data on which to base their decisions about increasing class size or eliminating classes. "Too many auditors might take away classes," Mews said. Stephen Birdsall, senior associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said auditing may be discouraged more this fall because the budget cuts will cause some classes to be crowded. "I expect there will be fewer empty seats because of the need to cancel classes," he said. "It could be very dif-

icult, and very clearly we'll have to give preference to the students who signed up for a class." Another and less-important reason auditing may be discouraged is that auditing students do not pay tuition for a class at a time when the University is facing financial problems, Birdsall said. But Birdsall said he did not expect or want auditing to be abolished. "I would hate to see us so rigidly defined that we don't have flexibility in making judgments about individual cases," he said. Professors still can decide whether to allow a student to audit, he said. As a faculty member, Birdsall has audited two courses, he said. "The opportunity to audit has merit," he said.

Chancellor to give \$100,000 in sports profits to committee

By Jennifer Williamson
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The Chancellor's Committee on Community and Diversity will discuss at its June 18 meeting how and when to spend \$100,000 in Athletic Association profits, said Judith Wegner, co-chairwoman of the committee. Chancellor Paul Hardin said at the April 26 Faculty Council meeting that he would earmark at least that amount — half of \$200,000 the Athletic department has agreed to donate to his discretionary fund this year for academic use — to the committee. "We all simply must denounce acts of bigotry," Hardin said at the faculty meeting. "But speaking out is not enough. As tight as our budgets are, I have decided on (this) action." Hardin appointed the committee in the fall to evaluate the status of diversity

and cohesion at the University and to recommend ways to improve them. Wegner said the committee had not yet made formal recommendations. Hardin said Friday, "I am looking forward to the committee report, and I hope that we can make some solid progress." The Athletic Association has pledged to donate \$1 million for academics to the chancellor's discretionary fund over five years. Athletic Director John Swofford said, "We made the commitment to provide the \$200,000 out of post-season revenues." The National Collegiate Athletic Association will distribute post-season revenue to Atlantic Coast Conference members in late July or early August, Swofford said.

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Board diplomats

Jim Yerkey, Carl Willner and Dan Mathias position their competing game pieces in the game Shogun, a war strategy game.

The players were participating in a Carolina Amateur Diplomats conference during Memorial Day weekend.

Provisions of federal rape victim bill already in place at UNC

By Lauren Chesnut
Staff Writer

A bill concerning rape victims' rights introduced in the U.S. Congress last week essentially will rubber-stamp a policy already in place at UNC, said Kathleen Benzaquin, assistant dean of students. The bill, introduced by Rep. Jim Ramstad, R-Minn., would require universities to have a written policy guaranteeing the rights of campus rape victims. It would also guarantee that victims of sexual assault could be accompanied by family, friends and character witnesses at disciplinary proceedings in

the same way that alleged assailants often are, said Darrell McKigney, Ramstad's press secretary. Benzaquin supervised the implementation of a University response plan for victims of assaults and their alleged assailants that went into effect this spring. Benzaquin said she felt the plan already had made a noticeable difference in the way students felt about the issue of sexual assault. The University response plan describes University and community services available to rape victims and their alleged assailants. It also describes the course of events a rape victim or alleged assailant can expect when a rape is reported to campus authorities.

The plan details what is to take place after a student involved in a sexual assault notifies University agencies such as the University police, student health or psychological services, or the offices of student or academic affairs. The University agencies are required to make a reasonable effort to provide the service or services sought by rape victims or their alleged assailants and to offer information about and referral to other service agencies. The University plan also requires agencies to forward incident reports to the office of the dean of students. The response plan requires agencies to assist any students involved in an incident if they want to notify police.

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covering last spring semester, is expected soon. Polly Guthrie, community education and outreach coordinator for the Orange County Rape Crisis Center, said she agreed that the bill probably would not affect the plan already in place at the University. She added, "I certainly would support a bill of this nature because I think it is important for universities where there's not as much support." Fred Schroeder, dean of students, said victims who wanted to remain anonymous or who did not want counseling would be encouraged to describe the circumstances of their assaults for the purpose of establishing statistical reports on the incidence of sexual assault on campus.

Peacock to face consequences of the budget crisis as new faculty chairman

Anthropology department chairman succeeds Harry Gooder in runoff vote

By Melissa Palmer
Staff Writer

"These are the worst of times and best of times," said James Peacock, UNC's newly elected faculty chairman. "The worst of times because of the fiscal threats," Peacock said, "and the best of times because the challenge may help mobilize the faculty and students and others to move in some new directions." Peacock, chairman of the anthropology department, was named faculty chairman in April after a runoff with Beverly Long, chairwoman of the speech communication department. Peacock, a Kenan professor who joined UNC's faculty in 1967, succeeds Harry Gooder, chairman of the microbiology and immunology department. In his new post, Peacock will represent the faculty on policy issues and lead the Faculty Council, an elected body that sets policy for the faculty on academic and other University matters. Laurence Avery, secretary of the faculty, said Peacock's job would be especially challenging this year be-



James Peacock

cause the Faculty Council would be unusually active. "The budget problem creates lots of other problems that have to be dealt with," Avery said. But co-workers say Peacock has strengths that will help him face these

challenges. "He works very well with people," said Robert Daniels, associate chairman of the anthropology department. "He's a very good administrator and very accessible. He's the kind of person that gets things done." One way Peacock has planned to deal with the fiscal crisis is to continue Gooder's work to create a Faculty Council Executive Committee. One of the committee's primary goals would be to strengthen the faculty's voice in budget decisions. Budget cuts have affected faculty members directly and indirectly, Peacock said. In a direct sense, sections are being canceled and phones removed, he said. "The indirect is kind of a demoralization of people. People have to pull back on some of their plans and projects." "I think at UNC-Chapel Hill we may be able to cope with those better than other places," he said. "If you look at the resources we have, I believe you will find that we do more with less than any other institutions in the country. But we can only do so much, and (budget cuts) do hurt."

Hippocratic Oath amended by medical school graduates

By Michael Grogan
Staff Writer

Members of the School of Medicine's 1991 graduating class recited an amended version of the traditional Hippocratic Oath at the May 12 commencement ceremony. Traditionally, graduates recite the oath, a statement of medical ethics, as a formal pledge of their ethical obligations in their future medical careers. The amendment to this year's oath originated in response to the American Medical Association's recent statement in its journal that access to medical care for lower-income patients is limited. The following statements were added to the oath: "That in the treatment of the sick, I will consider their well-being to be of a greater importance than their ability to compensate my services. That I will work for the day when all persons have equal access to basic health care." Carla Hauersperger, a 1991 graduate who was instrumental in amending the oath, said the amendment was made in recognition of the need for accessible health care. "The language in the oath needed to be updated, as well as the need for a statement recognizing the need for easier

access to medical treatment," she said. Hauersperger, along with other students, studied oaths and codes used in other parts of the world that are similar to the Hippocratic Oath, and they were inspired to amend it. Almost all of the 149 members of the graduating class voted in April to make the amendments to the oath. Hauersperger added that the changes in the oath in no way supported a more socialist system of medicine. "The class felt it was necessary for the changes to take place in the area of medical insurance in order to keep the needy under the umbrella; in effect, to keep standard of medicine high," she said. Although the amendments seem idealistic and ornamental, members of the class, including Hauersperger, plan to live up to the standards established in the revised oath. They are committed to offering affordable health care for everyone in their own medical practices, she said. And those students who work in organizations that do not offer such services will try to volunteer in clinical medicine. The changes in the oath prove the commitment of UNC's graduates to make a positive impact on the future of their country, and in this case, the world.

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