## As summer heat intensifies, students seek ways to cool off

 "Iwouldn't go swimming,", said Eric
Houck, a senior English eduction ma. Committee
Robert Reddick, committeeco-chair-
man, said: "Without careful thought, we could waste a lot of money. Everyone has demands
Wegnerssidth
the needs of the campus community: The campus needs to have a diverse community of people. Different
races, genders, ethnic groups and perraces, genders, ethnic groups and per-
sonal handicaps should be represented, she said.

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ago to lower the limit to 65 . Howes said. "We were voting on a came forward from the committee." In a 6-1 decision, the council delevel maximum. Brown cast the only vote for the proposal.
Herzenberg then proposed that the council vote
amendment.
ately passing the amendment immediarmendment wouldo be in place in time for the fall musics season, and lowering hieved, Herzenberg said in arguing 70 -decibel limit.
mer said tabling the amendment
d leave the level at 75 decibels. while accepting the amendment would lower it to 70 decibels.
Herzenberg said" motion is a vote for more noise., After the amendment passed, council adopted a resolution proposed
bymember Nancy Prestonto by member Nancy Prestontoreview he
amended ordinance six months after its passage.
Student Body President Matt Heyd Certain condoms require warnings The Associated Press
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, tatively approved what they say is the first law in the nation requiring stores to post signs warning that lambskin well as latex. Lambskin, or natural membrane pro-
phylactics, have pores that make them permeable, unlike latex condoms, whic
are made, of rlib are made of rubber.
County health officials say studies
have shown lambskin condoms are 95 have shown lambskin condoms are 95
percent effective as a barrier to the

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 Carefulthought should be devoted
o campus structures such as libraries to campus.
she said.
A main concern, Wegner said, is to find ways to deal with racial and ethical problems. Training sessions, orienta-
tionprograms and multiculturalcourses are ways to educate the community Wegner sid these proposals may Wegner said these proposals may
help eliminate future problems before they get out of hand.
$\qquad$ said he was happy with the council's said he was happy with the councir's
decision. decision. . Herzenberg and (UNC Dean of
Students) Fred Schroeder did a lot of Students) Fred Schroeder did a lot of
work," Heyd said, "as well as the stuwents on the commintee.
"Unfortunately," he said, "the noise "Unfortunately," he said, "the noise ordinance is never settled. Monitoring Committee in December 1989 to review the town's noise control ordinance and to advise the council on
improvements to the ordinance, police improvements to the ordinance, poli
spokeswoman Jane Cousins said. spokeswoman Jane Cousins said.
Since January 1991, the committee has focused on decibel levels and times
of day for loud outside noise. of day for loud outside noise.
Committee members included UNC staff members and representatives o fraternitises and student govermment a
well as student and non-student resi well as student and non-student resi-
dents of Chapel Hill. The committee presented its recom-
mendaions to the council May 13 Along with the lowered decibel leve
the committee recommended the commitec recommended the
manager be given the authority to issue permits for any day of the week as long as they met certain ordinance standards.
Theprevious noise Thepreviousnoise ordinanceallowed
the manager to issue certain permits.
Requests for pem Requests or permits at other times had
to be addressed to the to be addressed to the council. The
amended ordinance will allow requests amended ordinance will allow requests
for events such as Arts at Lunch and for events such as Ans at Lunch and
Downown After Five, which are regularly approved by the council with mini-
mal discussion, to be approved by the mal discussion, to be approved by the
manager.
Additional recommendations include manager.
Addition a requirement that neighbors be no fied when a permit is issued and prohiiiting security alarms that sound longer
than 20 minutes.
"The amendment was essentially a "The amendment was essentially by students and memberss," said com-
was broken, Marquette said, "I wou

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## Roman Numerals just don't seem to add up

Let's return to the fourth grade for a
moment. Today's topic is Roman Nu moment. Today's topic is Roman Nu
merals. They taught us this stuff, and it's made my life hell ever since. The probmember anything else, but I rememmember anything else, but 1 remem-
bered Roman numerals. Miss Young did it to me. Miss Young was a knockout in tight-fitting dresses who had no but these she was, diligently explaining Roman numerals, and so I remembered So today, I can't just pass up a copy-
right notice. At the end of the movic. when it says "All rights reserved, copyright MCMLXXVII,", suddenly I'm
immersed inthe Romannumeral trying oo figure out whether that means the year 1977 or the year 977 or the year 2977. Because once you've been indocgive it up. Everyone else can go to the give it up. Everyone else can go to the
Civil War bartlefield and peacefully observe the rusting cannons and the nonuments to fallen Georgia soldiers. where it says "Anno Domino Requiescat Pace, Inna Gadda Davida for about five hours untill can yell out "Eighteen sixty-four! It says eighteen sixty-four!"'Im like the Nerd from Hell. Now. Big problem starting last year.
I decided that all the Roman numerals decided that all the Roman numera I explain what I mean, a brief review is
in order.

"Roman Nu
Miss Young":
I means I.

## , wer. "M.") question. (An. Are you following this? It doesn't

 matter. I have to do this. Imeans 2 ,II means 3 .
Now it tets tricky.
IV Now it gets tric
IV means 4 .
$\qquad$ Because Visthes symbol for 4ive, an the Romans didf 't want to write elill, so "five minus one."
"Why not just write III?" we asked.
And thenshe went intoa bigexplana And thenshewent into a bige explana-
tionabout how the Romans hadtochisel these numbers on sherer granite, and it
ook a long time, and so they ook a long time, and so they tried to
make eem as short tas possible. And then she would tell us that X
means 10 So what would 9 be?
And maybe one Rhodes Scholar in the class
cookie.
Sick
Stick with me. Now it gets trickier.
C
C means 100. So hows trickicr. Romans write 90 ?
XC, right?
XC. right?
Nowthe even trickier question: How
would they write 99?
And no one would ever get it, Be-
cause the answer was "IC." Meaning cause the answer was "IC." Meaning
one hundred minus one. Because the only other way to write
would be "XCX" it would be "XCIX," and who could verfigure that out, when you could just
write IC" And so every time we had a test.
everybody would miss the 99 question, largest symbol they had was M. tt means 1,000 . So when we get to the year 2000,
it will be one of the few years in history that the Romans can write down more But in the meantime we've got all But in the meantime we've got all
these diffcult years, that lawyers like to use in books andonmovies and on legal ontracts. The eighties were especially
bad. You had stuff like "MCMLXXXVIII" where you've got so many letters in so many different
combinations that it takes you about combinations that it takes you abour
three hours to figure out that's 1988 . Bree hours to figure out that's 1988.
Butthen wegotto 1990, and thought
Thank God." Roman "Thank God." Romman laziness will take
over now! The "minus" thing is gomn over nowl The "minus" thing is goma
kick in. Those copyrights are gonna kick in. Those copyrights are gon
shrink down to nothing. reading the copyried around, and I was reading the copyright on a videotape.
and I saw this weird combination I'd and I saw this weird combination I'd then Inoticedthate: "MCerybody was using this "MCMXC," and then, when 1991
rolled around, "MCMXCL." What's going on here?
Where is Miss Young?
I want every copyright attorney in Young's office immediately
Why isn't $1990^{\text {"MXM }}$ "?


In other words, "one thousand plus
one thousand minus ten."
Youignorant lawyers are making the Romans chisel two extra letters in a block of sheer granite! ms has this already created for the year 1999?
Will we have "MCMXCIX"? It will be world wide disgrace. How can we go round subtracting one with the second letter, subtracting one with the fourh
letter, and subtracting one with the sixth letter, but refuse to do the most economical subtraction, which would sim-
ply be "MIM"?
Im telling you, it's been a long time since the fourth grade, but it's vivid in my memory. We' re making a huge mis-
take. We're going downa doomed road toward hundreds and thousands of unneeded X 's and C 's and L 's in our
future. Well have 1 build new wing future. We'Il have to build a new wing
ontotheLibrary of Congress. Andwe're offending Roman numeral scholars ev. offending R
erywhere. Im very agitated about this.
Iknow know I'm right. Tlease, somebody, some scholar of
the ancient cultures, write in to me and he ancient cultures, write in to me and
tell me there's one thingII leamed correctly in grammar school. 1 feel confi dent that $m$ c percent right and the res
of the world is wrong. Well, maybe not that confident. But Im IC percent sure.
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