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Tony! Toni! Tone!

A singer in the dance band with the repetitive name raises a fist to the crowd at the Hardee's Pavilion at Walnut Creek Amphitheatre July 17. That's a hat he's wearing over his dark hair. The group was part of the Club MTV Tour. See story, p. 4.

State budget plan leaves financial aid unsettled

By Melissa Palmer and Paul Bredderman
Staff Writers

UNC financial aid officials do not know whether students at the University will receive additional financial aid to cover the tuition increase passed by the General Assembly this month.

Ten percent of the revenue generated from the tuition increase, or \$3.9 million, has been earmarked for additional financial aid for students at the 16 UNC-system schools, said Nathan Simms, UNC-system vice president for student services.

Eleanor Morris, UNC-CH financial aid director, said financial aid officials will not know exactly how much more money the University will get or which students will qualify for the additional aid until the UNC-system Board of Governors decides in August how to allocate the aid money.

Wayne Jones, UNC-CH associate

vice chancellor for finance, said, "When students return, the aid check that they get is actually going to be based on last year's rates."

Students will be billed for this year's higher tuition rates, and adjustments will have to be made later on, based on the Board of Governor's decision, he said.

Simms said the aid would probably be in the form of grants, which the students would not be required to repay.

"It sounds like there will be some money (for the University)," Morris said. She added that the financial aid office would not be able to decide which students would receive additional aid until after the beginning of the fall semester.

"Once we learn the amount and the conditions of any funds that might be given, it will take us three to four weeks to reprogram the system and to begin making additional awards to students," Morris said.

"I don't even begin to know what we're going to do about how we distribute that money to needy students," she said, "because we don't know whether it's limited to in-state, whether it's limited to undergraduates, whether it's for this year or for next, whether it will come to us before classes begin or after."

"The only thing I do know is that if we got any, we are not going to be able to consider anybody for the increase until school begins."

Financial aid officials will distribute available funds to students who applied for aid before March 1 before making any decisions about which students are most qualified to receive additional aid, Morris said.

"At this point we feel a commitment to those who applied by March 1 to be able to deliver a financial aid notification to them if they're eligible, in time to get funds at the beginning of school,"

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UNC senior files to join fall race for Chapel Hill council

By Amber Nimocks
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Rising UNC senior Mark Chilton will join incumbents Joe Herzenberg and Roosevelt Wilkerson in seeking election to the Chapel Hill Town Council in November's election.

Chilton, 20, is student government's liaison to the council. He filed July 17 to run for one of four at-large council seats that will be filled in this fall's election.

Chilton said he was running to better address issues of common concern between University students and town residents.

"In the past, there has been tension between townspeople and students because of issues like the noise ordinance," Chilton said.

But now that new issues such as recycling and the proposed South Loop Road have united townspeople and students, students need to be involved, he said.

Chilton said he wanted to expand curbside recycling services to include more apartment complexes.

"It's absurd that for many apartment dwellers there is no access to recycling services unless they can travel to the recycling sites," he said. "It shouldn't be necessary to have a car to recycle."

Chilton said he would like to see someone other than a University official representing UNC in town government.

"South Building is not the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill," he said. "There are 8,000 employees and

22,000 students who do not always feel well-represented by South Building (officials)."

University policies often evoke anger from students and town residents, Chilton said. "Both (groups) feel railroaded by a group of old men who are not from Chapel Hill and don't understand the character of Chapel Hill and what we want it to be."

Council member Art Werner said that he thought students' views needed to be represented on the council, but that he doubted whether a student would best represent those concerns.

Students don't usually get involved in town elections, he added.

"The only way students are going to

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Assembly authorizes commemorative college license tags

By Zoe Trohanis and Melissa Palmer
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Just in time for the University's Bicentennial Celebration, the General Assembly has approved the distribution of commemorative N.C. college and university license plates.

Under a bill passed in the waning hours of the assembly's session last week, automobile owners can buy special plates for an extra \$25. Fifteen dollars per plate would go for "aca-

ademic enhancement" at the school represented, and \$10 would pay for the cost of designing the special tag.

The \$15 donation to each school will be credited to the Collegiate Plate Fund, a separate account established in the State Treasurer's office.

The revenue from this fund will be transferred quarterly to the UNC Board of Governors or to the appropriate private school in proportion to the number of collegiate plates sold representing that institution, the bill states.

Each school is free to design its own

graphic, with the state Division of Motor Vehicles having final approval of color, design and material used.

At least 300 orders from the school must be made before the division authorizes production of the plate.

The bill's primary sponsors were Rep. Peggy Stamey, D-Raleigh, and Sen. Wendell Murphy, D-Rose Hill.

Tim Moore, UNC-CH Speaker of Student Congress and aide to Sen. John Carter, R-Lincolnton, said the special plates could help raise money schools need.

"The reason I supported this bill was because it was a way we could raise revenue for the University of North Carolina system without imposing further unnecessary tax increases on the citizens of the state," Moore said.

UNC student Mark Bibbs, an assistant to House Speaker Dan Blue and a supporter of the bill, said a DMV report released earlier this year said personalized plates could raise \$1 million a year for North Carolina's colleges and universities.

That figure could rise if UNC-CH

officials market a University plate aggressively to coincide with the Bicentennial Celebration, Moore added.

Bibbs said any N.C. automobile owner could purchase a collegiate license plate of choice regardless of where she or he went to school.

Bibbs said smaller schools, which may have difficulty reaching the 300-order minimum, should be able to benefit from the bill.

"If smaller schools want the money, it is up to them to go out and promote their tag," Bibbs said. "The General

Assembly is) being fair because the state is letting them participate for the extra money. It's like extra credit."

Joe Hackney, D-Chapel Hill, said he agreed with Bibbs.

"It seems to me most any college can meet that (number) with a minimal amount of effort," Hackney said. "This is one of those concepts that some people have had interest in doing over the years, and some other states have it. It allows someone who is affiliated with a university to show that affiliation on his or her license plate."

Course pack prices climbing, use falling after court ruling

By Jon Whisenant
Staff Writer

Course pack prices are rising while their contents are shrinking because of an April court decision that requires professors to receive permission from copyright owners before photocopying materials.

A U.S. District Court's April 4 decision reinterpreted the Fair Use Clause of the 1976 Federal Copyright Law.

"It used to be that you could photocopy a small portion of a book or journal under the idea of fair use," said Harry Watson, professor of history. "Now you have to get permission for virtually everything, and that means that these people are in the position to charge money for their permission."

The new rules will affect the price of course packs in two ways, Watson said.

"First, the process of writing and asking for permission is time consuming and expensive — the copy shops

charge for it, and that cost has to be passed on to the students," he said.

"Second, whatever fee that the copyright owner charges has also got to be passed on to the students."

Penn Corbett, manager and co-owner of Universal Printing, said prices could increase dramatically.

"You could be looking at what was a \$15 book — that book now could easily be between 35 and 45 dollars," Corbett said. However, the amount of royalty varies among publishers, he added.

Terry Boren, president of Copytron, said that he would not predict as huge an increase in prices, but that he expected the use and size of course packs to drop.

"We are anticipating approximately a 50 percent reduction in the total number of packets that will be coming in, and maybe a 50 percent thinning of the packets themselves," he said. "That

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Housing evicts unregistered Spencer resident

By Lauren Chesnut
Staff Writer

A part-time UNC student obtained a key to a Spencer Residence Hall room at the beginning of the second summer session and lived there without signing a contract or making payment arrangements until he was asked to leave last week, according to housing department personnel.

The student, Larry Bratcher, 20, also was asked to vacate a room in Morrison Residence Hall during spring semester after housing officials learned that he was not enrolled then, either, said Rick Bradley, summer school area director. Bradley is area director for Morrison during the regular school year.

In this summer's incident, Bratcher called the summer dormitory office, located in Mangum Residence Hall, and pretended to be a former housing staff member, said Larry Hicks, associate housing director for business affairs. During the call, Bratcher authorized a Mangum housing employee to give Bratcher a room key, Hicks said.

Bratcher moved in to Spencer the day before the first day of classes, said Matt Pamenton, a resident assistant in Spencer.

"We all knew he was here," Pamenton said. "He was not on the roster, but that wasn't unusual."

Pamenton said room assignments tend to be somewhat confused during summer sessions and said he assumed Bratcher was a legitimate summer school student.

Room keys for Spencer open the dormitory's outside doors and the doors to both the men's and women's restrooms. During the regular school year, Spencer is an all-women's dorm. Pamenton said he did not know whether the housing department had retrieved Bratcher's key from him.

According to a University police report, Bratcher was issued a trespass warning for all residence halls on July 16.

Officer Edwin Swain wrote in his incident report, "I was advised by University housing (that Bratcher) has been in the dorm for most of the summer term."

University police Capt. Willie Bell said Bratcher was permanently banned from living in student housing unless he meets with director of public safety Arnold Trujillo and has the warning rescinded.

Hicks said there was a standard procedure whereby summer session students apply to live in dorm rooms. Students apply, make payment to the cashier's office and are then put on a roster that goes out to area desks, he said. Students also must be full-time to

be assigned to a room, he added.

"I believe how (Bratcher) gained entrance is he came in (to Mangum) late in the evening when we have a desk staff sitting there, like around 10 o'clock or so, and had basically conned his way in, saying that he had signed up for summer housing," Hicks said.

"(He said) he wasn't on the roster because the office was closed, but we would be checking with them the following day. He actually tried it twice, and the second time, under a different person, he got through."

Hicks said Bratcher called Mangum and impersonated a former housing employee. He stressed that the former employee was not involved in Bratcher's deception.

"Since there was no real follow-up, that's how he remained," Hicks said.

Regarding a report in the Chapel Hill Herald that stated that Bratcher had been given permission to stay in the room until he found other accommodations, Hicks said: "That was incorrect ... I don't know where (the Herald reporter) got that information, but quite frankly what we did is we approached him, served a warrant and gave him until 6 p.m. that evening to get out, and when we went back to check, he was gone."

Hicks said that as part of its investigation, housing was "pursuing issues of

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When your snout's in the public trough, don't forget who's providing the slop. — Tim Moore