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Animal rights activists protest new live lobster tanks in Carrboro Harris Teeter

By Jennifer Brett
Staff Writer

Demonstrators lined the street in front of Harris Teeter in Carrboro Saturday to protest the grocery store's new lobster tank.

The group, which represents the North Carolina Network for Animals (NCNA), has collaborated with the Animal Protection Society to educate people about what they claim are the cruelties involved with the sale of live lobsters.

Group members caught wind of the store's intention to install the tank several weeks ago and notified management that they opposed the decision.

"We discussed the issue with Harris Teeter, and made it absolutely clear that we were against the tanks," said demonstration organizer Marc Hennings. "We've since learned that the lobsters are not fed while they are in captivity."

Harris Teeter employees would not comment on the lobster issue, saying that the company's executives make the decisions about such matters.

Hennings said the group opposed the selling of any type of animal products, but chose to champion lobster rights Saturday in particular because the tank was a recent addition to the store, and because the re-grand opening would attract more shoppers.

The NCNA's agenda includes vegetarianism and a more humane approach to animals, group members said.

"I wish they did more for chickens," demonstrator Jane Sterling said.

Most people realize the consumption

of meat poses potential health hazards, but often overlook the feelings and emotions of the animals involved, group members said.

"Every time I take a bite of meat, it's like a gulp, because I'm thinking about the animal," demonstrator Gail Whiting said. "It had a brain, it felt, just like we do."

Whiting said she still eats meat but she believes in and promotes vegetarianism.

"It would be really hard for me to quit cold turkey," she said. "I happen to love seafood, I love lobster with melted butter. But the way (lobsters) are murdered really upsets me."

People are insensitive to animal rights because they assume animals are a lower life form, group members said.

"So many people are like, 'Oh, I'm human, and animals are so beneath me,'" Whiting said. "How can we be more evolved than (animals) if we are so barbaric in our thinking?"

The tank, which holds several live lobsters, usually is located in front of the produce department. Saturday it had been moved behind the counter.

The protesters did not obstruct traffic, harass shoppers, or try to prevent the sale of lobsters. Many shoppers were unaware of the demonstration, which lasted for about three hours.

"I think (the protesters) are foolish," said area resident Laurie Maryman. "We owe a lot to animal research, and meat provides nourishment for millions of people. They're taking their protest too far."



Two protesters outside the Carrboro Harris Teeter

A Two-Week Celebration of the Life and Legacy of Dr. Sonja Haynes Stone

WEEK ONE
 Today, 7 p.m. Workshop: Our Activist Professor - Pt. 1, BCC, Facilitator: Margo Crawford
 Tuesday, 7 p.m. Workshop: Placing Dr. Stone in Our History - Pt. 2, BCC
 Wednesday, 8 p.m. Imamu Baraka: Salute to Dr. Stone for Being So Black, Hanes Art Center
 Thursday, 7 p.m. Student Activism During the Civil Rights Movement, BCC, Facilitator: Harold Woodard

WEEK TWO
 Sept. 3, 7 p.m. Black Studies: A Vision for the Future, BCC, Facilitator: Trudier Harris
 Sept. 8, 7 p.m. Student Activism for the '90s, BCC, Facilitator: Ann Ards
 Sept. 5, 3 p.m. Memorial Celebration for Our African Queen. Guest Speaker: Dr. Barbara Sizemore, Memorial Hall
 8 p.m. A Salute to the Life and Work of Dr. Sonja H. Stone, Guest Speaker: Harry Allen, Great Hall

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way to get out."

Many of the corporation officials were concerned about the potential costs of renovating the Inn and requested additional information before submitting detailed proposals, Elfland said.

"At the pre-proposal conference, a number of people were concerned that they did not want to be locked into a proposal with a lack of data," she said. "They need much more detailed reports on the building. But getting data is expensive and we don't have the money."

Administrators will work this month on narrowing the field of candidates so the corporations that are not strong contenders do not have to gather their own data, she said. The request for proposals also was amended, requiring less detailed plans for management and renovation strategies.

"They had to submit their credentials — hotel experience, renovation experience, if they've ever run a hotel associated with a university, business references," she said. "We'll pick firms we feel are capable of pulling it off and they'll be given additional time to do studies."

Hospitality Valuation Service will help evaluate financial statements and check references, she said.

Rehkopf said he did not know if the new corporation would retain Inn employees. Their employment intentions will be one of the factors the University will consider in making a final decision, he said.

Student employees will not be affected by the transition, he said.

"Students are a part of our operation and will continue to be part of our work force," he said.

Administrators have been working since March to place employees who wish to remain with the state in other University positions, he said. As a result, 44 of the Inn's 72 permanent employees have transferred to other jobs.

But some employees are anxious, Rehkopf said. "This affects all of us, but we're all hotel professionals and we understand what happens when new management comes in."

Elfland said the University could set up its own corporation to run the Inn. This would free the Inn from having to pay employees according to a state hiring plan but would not solve funding problems.

The Inn, long plagued by financial troubles, ended the 1990-1991 fiscal year breaking even, Elfland said. The Inn operated in the red the last three years, losing more than \$300,000 last year.

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Campus Calendar

MONDAY
 3 p.m. **JOB HUNT 101.** Basic information on how to use the UCPS office for seniors and graduate students will be held in 210 Hanes Hall.
 3:45 p.m. **JOB HUNT 102.** Resume Writing Workshop for seniors and graduate students will be held in 210 Hanes Hall.
 7 p.m. Freshmen interested in lots of fun: Come to a Student Government interest meeting in the Union Film Auditorium. We need help, so come get involved.
 7 p.m. BSM and BCC sponsor Life and Legacy of Dr. Sonja Stone. Workshops in the BCC, Facilitator, Margo Crawford.
 7:30 p.m. The Dialectic and Philanthropic Literary Societies are holding the first weekly meeting of the year in the Dialectic Chamber, top floor, New West. Program — "Political Correctness — Beneficial or Not?"
 8 p.m. Mandatory meeting for all Ebony Readers in Upendo. If there are any questions, contact Lamice at 933-3694.
 11 p.m. WXYC fm 89.3 will play the latest LP from Chubb Rock, "The One" in its entirety.

ITEMS OF INTEREST
 Book Exchange by Alpha Phi Omega, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. on second floor Student Union. Still collecting through Aug. 26 and 27. Selling through Aug. 29. Cashback Sept. 3-4.
 Bike Auction for Charity, Sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega. Over 40 used bicycles for sale. Sept. 5 in the Great Hall. Registration 6:30 p.m. Auction begins at 7 p.m. All proceeds go to charity.
 Attention! The Black Interdenominational Student Association (BISA) is holding an organizational meeting in the Union on Tuesday, Aug. 27 and Wednesday, Aug. 28 at 12 p.m.-12:50 p.m. for all interested undergrads and grads. Check Union Desk for room number.
 UNC HOSPITALS needs you! Register at Volunteer Services, first floor of West Wing, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (closed noon to 1 p.m.). Returning volunteers can register from now until Friday; new volunteers, Aug. 26-30. Call 966-4793 for more information.
 Heels to Heaven, a Christian music ministry organization, is recruiting new members. If you are interested in singing or playing with us, please come by 250 Cobb this week to pick up an application and sign up for an interview. For more information, call Carmen Icard at 933-8017.
 The UNC Committee for Peace and Justice will hold a Bake Sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Aug. 26 in the Pit.
 Students Older Than Average will have a brown-bag lunch from noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27 in 210 Union. Everyone is welcome. For information call Bill Irwin at 929-5540 or Eva Coyle at 942-4369.
 Everyone who was, is or wants to be involved in Student Government should attend a meeting at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27 in 208-209 Union. We will be discussing projects for the year and scheduling meeting times.
 An organizational meeting of the Collegiate Black Caucus will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27 in the Black Cultural Center.
 Attention fellow Democrats! UNC Young Democrats proudly present N.C. Superintendent of Public Instruction Bob Etheridge at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27 in 208 Union. Don't miss this outstanding speaker.
 The UNC Committee for Peace and Justice (formerly the Peace Village/UNC Committee for Peace in the Middle East) will hear speaker Jeff Jones talk about his experience in Russia and the present Soviet situation from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27.
 The Carolina Comic Book Club will meet Wednesday, Aug. 28 in 210 Union. New members are welcome.
 The 1992 Yackety Yack U.C.'s yearbook invites anyone interested in working with the staff to come to the first general meeting at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3 in the Union Film Auditorium.
 Carolina Cheerleading tryouts will begin at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, in Fetzner Gym. Come ready to practice.
 Sophomores only: Applications for the Honors Program will be accepted now until Sept. 15 and can be picked up outside 300 Steele Building.
 Yo Enviro-people! Come to SEAC's first meeting of the semester on learn about what you can do to help the environment. Bring your roommate, your friends or any cute, fuzzy animals that we can all admire. Wed., Aug. 28, 7:30 p.m. in Gerrard Hall.

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Survey finds new trends in marrying

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — For the first time, more divorced women are finding never married men to marry, rather than the other way around.

Experts say the change reflects the growing acceptability of divorce as well as shifting population trends. Men are waiting longer to get married, for example.

The National Center for Health Statistics said there were nearly 2.4 million weddings in 1988.

Some 10.7 percent were divorced men marrying never-married women. But a greater number, around 10.9 percent, represented unions between divorced women and previously unwed men.

That's the first time divorced woman-single-man pairing has outnumbered the opposite combination since the center, a division of the Department of Health and Human Services, began keeping such statistics in 1964.

People who make a living watching America's marrying habits say they've seen the change coming.

"It's definitely happening," says Lori Machiorlante, marketing director for Together Dating Inc., a dating service that has offices throughout the United States and overseas.

"Everything is changing," agreed Beverly Sitnick, bridal manager at the Claire Dratch women's specialty store in Bethesda, Md. "I'm noticing so many combinations of divorced and single people."

Barbara Foley Wilson, a demographer with the center, said she believes a major reason for the shift is the ever-increasing ages at which many men marry for the first time. The median age of men when they first married was 25.5 in 1988, up three years from 1974.

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