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## Wilkerson vote decisive in defeat of South Loop

By Peter Wallsten  
 City Editor

Roosevelt Wilkerson attacked the state of town-gown relations and voted against South Loop Tuesday night, providing the swing vote necessary to keep the proposed road off the state-funded thoroughfare plan.

Wilkerson, who changed his mind in August after casting an affirmative vote in July, criticized the communication between Chapel Hill and UNC officials.

"My decision to change my vote has more to do with looking at the total situation, and that the town and the University are not communicating as we should," Wilkerson said. "The council that sits in December will have a tremendous task in front of it when it looks at the next year."

Ben Tuchi, UNC vice chancellor for business and finance, said Wilkerson's comments about town-gown relations

were unfounded.

"He must have something in mind of which I'm not aware," Tuchi said after the 5-3 vote. "We must have met with the town twice a month, made presentations to neighborhoods and held public hearings. I'm not sure what else could have been done."

University administrators want South Loop built to realign Manning Drive and reroute traffic further away from UNC Hospitals. The road is controversial because it would destroy portions of Odum Village, UNC's student family housing.

The town council needed to vote on the road, which is included in UNC's land-use plan, to include it in the thoroughfare plan funded by the state Department of Transportation.

Tuchi said he did not know what action the University would take now in regards to South Loop. "That's speculation," he said.

Before the Tuesday night meeting,

many people doubted that the council would vote on the matter because of council member Jimmy Wallace's absence. The 68-year-old Wallace, who is recovering from falling down a flight of stairs two weeks ago, was expected to break a 4-4 tie among council members.

The tie would have occurred had Wilkerson not changed his vote. Council members Joe Herzenberg, Joyce Brown, Nancy Preston and Julie Andresen voted with Wilkerson Tuesday night against adding the road to the thoroughfare plan. Mayor Jonathan Howes and council members Art Werner and Alan Rimer voted in favor of the resolution.

When the road first came before the council in July, Wilkerson, Howes, Rimer and Werner voted in favor of the plan. Andresen, Herzenberg and Preston voted against it.

Council rules require that a resolution

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## Bicycle helmet vote delayed after strong hearing turnout

By Amber Nimocks  
 Staff Writer

After hearing from 30 residents concerned about an ordinance that would require the use of bicycle helmets, the Chapel Hill Town Council voted unanimously to refer the proposal back to the town staff for further consideration.

More than half of the people who spoke at the hearing were UNC students. In addition, the council chambers overflowed with interested spectators, many of whom also were students.

Council member Art Werner, who supports the law, said he was pleased to see student response to the issue but also said he was not sure if he heard much during the hearing that changed his mind.

Orange-Chatham District Attorney Carl Fox, who has been opposed to the ordinance since it was first proposed two weeks ago, spoke out against a

helmet law at the hearing.

Fox said it would be impossible to enforce the law because there would be no way positively to identify violators.

"The system simply isn't set up to enforce this kind of ordinance," Fox said.

He said that laws requiring motorcyclists to wear helmets are effective because riders must register their vehicles with the state. Because no registration system exists for bicycles, offenders easily could lie to police officers about their identities.

Fox also said it was already difficult to enforce the existing ordinances that regulate bicycle traffic, and a helmet law should not be a priority for the council.

"We just have a lot of other laws that deserve a lot more attention," he said.

The ordinance, which would make helmet use mandatory within town limits, was almost adopted at the council's

Aug. 26 meeting.

Under the proposed ordinance, cyclists riding on public roads or paths would have to wear a helmet that meets standards set by the American National Standards Institute or the Snell Foundation.

Violators would be charged a \$15 fine.

Chapel Hill resident Wayne Pine said he thought an education program would be the best way to help prevent bicycle accidents.

He suggested the council establish a bicycle committee to address broader issues of bicycle safety in the community.

Pine also said the council should hire a bicycle coordinator who could be responsible for public education of bicycle safety. The coordinator would work with administrators on local, state

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### Drain saw

Curtis Williams of Pittsboro lines up his saw Monday afternoon drain located at the corner of South Building. Williams is a mechanic for the UNC Physical Plant.

## Housing department releases statistics on ethnic breakdown

By Heather Harrelld  
 Staff Writer

The percentage of minority students who live on North Campus and middle campus increased this semester, but some students feel that the campus still is not racially balanced.

Wayne Kuncel, housing director, said he was pleased by a housing department report showing the distribution of on-campus students by ethnic group.

"I was encouraged by the 1991 figure, because it does represent a significant increase from last year," he said.

Scott Peeler, co-president of the Residence Hall Association, said the report could be misleading because it appeared that the percentage of black students living on North Campus was close to the percentage of blacks enrolled at the University.

But the report does show the low number of black students who live on North Campus, he said.

"We look at the report and say that the percentage of black students living on North Campus is low compared with the number of black students who live on campus," Peeler said. "This report shows us that there is a lack of diversity on North Campus."

Peeler and Christy Pons, co-president of RHA, are working with the Black Student Movement on a proposal that will address ethnic balance in the residence halls. They will present recommendations to the housing department next semester.

Kuncel said the housing department's goal was to establish a climate in the residence halls that would make every

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Percentage of students living in residence halls by ethnic group					
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
<b>White Students</b>					
Northern Region	91.7	91.2	89.4	88.2	86.9
Middle Region	85.5	82.8	79.6	77.2	75.5
Southern Region	69.8	68.4	68.2	66.0	66.0
Residence Hall Totals	80.2	78.9	77.7	75.8	74.7
University Enrollment	87.9	87.2	86.3	85.1	84.7
<b>Black Students</b>					
Northern Region	5.1	5.6	6.7	6.2	7.0
Middle Region	10.2	12.9	14.6	15.9	16.5
Southern Region	25.0	26.2	26.4	27.9	26.4
Residence Hall Totals	15.4	16.6	17.3	18.0	18.1
University enrollment	7.6	7.9	8.3	8.8	8.6
<b>Asian students</b>					
Northern Region	2.3	2.4	3.2	4.1	5.1
Middle Region	3.1	3.8	4.5	4.9	5.8
Southern Region	3.9	3.3	3.7	4.6	5.2
Residence Hall Totals	3.2	3.3	3.7	4.5	5.3
University Enrollment	3.0	3.4	3.9	4.4	4.9
<b>Hispanic and Native American Students</b>					
Northern Region	0.9	0.8	0.7	1.5	1.0
Middle Region	1.2	0.5	1.3	2.0	2.2
Southern Region	1.3	1.8	1.7	1.5	2.4
Residence Hall Totals	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.7	1.9
University Enrollment	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.8

The housing department compiled these figures, which include U.S. citizens and citizens of other countries.

Northern Region: Alderman, Kenan, McIver, Spencer, Aycock, Everett, Manly, Ruffin, Graham, Grimes, Lewis, Mangum, Stacy, Old East, Old West, Cobb, Joyner  
 Middle Region: Alexander, Connor, Winston, Parker, Whitehead, Carmichael, Avery, Teague  
 Southern Region: Ehringhaus, Hinton James, Morrison, Criage

## Hardin will ask trustees to rename Black Cultural Center after Stone

By Cathy Oberle  
 Staff Writer

Chancellor Paul Hardin will present a proposal to rename the Black Cultural Center in honor of Sonja Stone at the UNC Board of Trustees' October meeting, said Arnie Epps, Black Student Movement president.

Stone, an associate professor of African and Afro-American studies, died Aug. 10 after having a stroke.

The decision to recommend the proposal was made Monday at a meeting of

University administrators and members of the Dr. Sonja H. Stone Task Force. The group will meet this morning.

About 100 students gave Hardin a letter last week demanding the BCC be named after Stone, that an endowed chair be established in her honor and that the African and Afro-American curriculum be given departmental status.

Matt Heyd, student body president, said Tuesday that the task force discussed with administrators the group's plans for honoring Stone.

They also discussed the University's commitment to the BCC and the need to identify funding sources to help achieve the group's goals, he said.

Epps said they would discuss giving departmental status to the African and Afro-American studies curriculum today. "After the meeting we should have a lot more definites," he said. "We plan to accomplish all three of these goals."

Hardin's support of renaming the BCC after Stone shows he is listening to students' requests, Epps said.

"We're building a bridge of communication between the students and administration," he said. "There's still lots of work to be done. The students are the foundation of this University and should be treated as such. Students must be a priority."

Heyd said Hardin made it clear it would take a lot of work to achieve the group's goals. "These are long-term type goals," Heyd said. "He gave the impression that it will be hard and (take) a lot of money."

## Telephone registration hours decreased to 12-hour period

By Jennifer Mueller  
 Staff Writer

For students who experienced problems when calling Caroline last year, the University registrar has some good news and some bad news.

The good news is that Caroline's capacity was recently doubled. The bad news is that the telephonic registration system's operation hours will be cut by three hours beginning in the spring.

New operational hours will be 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. The registration lines were open until 11:00 p.m., but the data processing department was unable to perform all of its duties in the overnight time allotted by this schedule.

Financial aid award processing, cashier billing routines and student class schedule packet production were three of the critical jobs that were not being fully processed, University Registrar David Lanier said.

"We tell people that if you register one day, we'll have your packet the next day," he said. Sometimes it was taking several days to mail out the class packet and the bill, he said.

"I was very reluctant to (reduce the hours)," he said. "I'd like to see if we could inch it back up."

Bob Culp, assistant director of administrative data processing, said, "We were doing the best we could prior to the installation of the additional lines."

"(But) there were certain times when we were not able to finish all of our reports and do back-ups of data," he said. "It's very important that we protect the very valuable records on students by doing back-ups in case something happens."

Caroline now is being used in conjunction with an older computer system and bridging between the two systems

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### Corrections

In the Sept. 10 Daily Tar Heel article "Majority of UNC population unaware of council's power," the liaison to the Chapel Hill Town Council was incorrectly identified. Mark Chilton serves as the liaison.

In the Sept. 10 DTH article "Students show lack of interest in helmet ordinance hearing," Roosevelt Wallace was incorrectly identified as a Chapel Hill Town Council member. Roosevelt Wilkerson is the correct name. Chilton also was incorrectly identified in the story. The DTH regrets the errors.

Any philosophy that can be put 'in a nutshell' belongs there. — Anonymous