

WEATHER
TODAY: Partly cloudy; high 70-75
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T·U·E·S·D·A·Y Up Front

'Canned hunts' footage spurs library employee to activism

By Yi-Hsin Chang
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The magnificent black cat crouched low and paced back and forth, his eyes glaring suspiciously at the men standing around him. He hissed, showing his long, sharp fangs, hoping to ward off his enemies.

This seemingly exotic "hunt" did not take place in the wilds of Africa. It happened in a cage a few states away, right in the heart of Texas.

When the leopard was released from the cage, he was attacked and mauled to death by a pack of dogs. Then the hunter shot him, claiming the cat as his trophy.

Hunts of this type, where animals are shot after they are let out of a cage and sometimes while still in it, are called canned hunts. They are illegal only if the animal is endangered and have become a thriving business in many states across the nation.

The hunts first came to national attention on the "CBS Evening News" on July 2. While watching the news, Eve Burgess, library carrel supervisor at Davis Library, unsuspectingly witnessed the airing of a home video of the leopard hunt.

She remembered her reaction: "I cried immediately. I was very hurt, very disappointed ... I felt as if I witnessed a murder ... When I saw this leopard in the cage, when he came out from the cage, he was cowering. His eyes looked terrified."

Burgess left the room in the middle of the segment. "I refused to watch the man shoot the leopard because he was already dead," she said.

Disturbed by what she had seen, Burgess began consulting family and friends on what action she could take. She wrote a letter to CBS expressing her outrage over the canned hunts.

On Sept. 6, NBC's "Exposé" aired a documentary on the hunts. "I thought maybe I can have courage to watch this, but I couldn't. ... I only saw the first part of it and made my decision. I thought action must be taken," Burgess said.

Though she had never before actively protested, Burgess decided to generate petitions against the canned hunts and take them in person to Governor Ann Richards of Texas. When she called Richards' office to make an appointment, however, she was told she could not get one before January. Burgess is trying to schedule an earlier appointment.

"I'm going to take a definite step by going down there, and the longer she makes me wait for the appointment the more signatures I will get, the more backing I will get," Burgess said.

When Burgess informed a close friend, Will Stott, a teaching assistant and graduate student in the English department, about the canned hunts, he also decided to become involved.

"This is a glaring example of the mistreatment of animals. ... When problems like this come to our attention, we have a responsibility to act on this quickly by starting petitions," Stott said.

Stott made copies of the petition and took them to his two English classes. He read his students a narrative Burgess had written explaining the purpose of the petition and allowed

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Group to petition for Stone proposal

By Heather Harreld
Staff Writer

Members of the Sonja Stone Task Force plan to make their presence known at the UNC Board of Trustees meeting Friday.

Task force members will attend the meeting to show their support for renaming the Black Cultural Center for Stone, said Toija Riggins, Black Student Movement Minister of Information.

"We want to gather and let them know we are in favor of the renaming of the BCC," Riggins said.

Stone, an African and Afro-American studies professor, died Aug. 10 after suffering a stroke. Chancellor Paul Hardin will present a proposal to BOT members to rename the center the Dr. Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center.

Donald Boulton, vice chancellor for student affairs, said it was not unusual to have large numbers of students attend BOT meetings.

"We've had a number of occasions where students have appeared to support an issue," he said.

Students will not need to speak at the meeting because University officials are in favor of the proposal, Boulton said. "I supported the letter to me from the task force, and I turned it over to Chancellor Hardin who in turn supported it," he said.

Student Body President Matt Heyd said the students would show board members how important the renaming of the center was by attending the meeting.

"The presence of the students will be very helpful," he said. Heyd is a member of the task force and an ex-officio BOT member.

The proposal should be approved without any problems, he said. "Chancellor Hardin and Dean Boulton have both gone out on a limb to support this proposal," Heyd said.

Black Student Movement members have been recruiting people from Greek organizations and other groups to attend the meeting Friday.

Heyd said response to the BSM's request for students to attend the meeting had been positive. "Many organizations are working together," he said.

John Pope, a BOT member, said he did not like the idea of students attending the meeting. "It will not have a positive effect on the board meeting," he said.

The group should choose one spokesman to present its argument and then tell board members what it wants in an orderly manner, Pope said.

"I don't believe that mass protest at a board meeting is appropriate," he said.

Task force members took a letter to Boulton Sept. 3 outlining their demands of renaming the BCC, establishing an endowed chair in Stone's name and giving the African-American curriculum departmental status.

Members of the task force will gather at the bus stop across from the Carolina Inn at 9:30 a.m. Friday. The BOT meeting is at 10:30 a.m. at the Inn.



Lumbering help

Chapel Hill police officer Jimmy Tapp helps Andrew Myers of Blake's Landscape and Garden clean up a load of 1-by-6-inch planks that fell out

of Myers' pickup truck Monday afternoon. Myers was on his way to a job when the boards slid out onto N.C. Hwy. 54 East near U.S. 15-501.

DTH/Grant Halverson

Committee may choose DTH editor Board of directors considers change

By Birch DeVault
Staff Writer

A 13-member committee would select the Daily Tar Heel editor if a proposal being discussed by the newspaper's board of directors passed in a campus referendum.

The student body now selects the editor.

The proposal, compiled by a subcommittee of the board of directors, states that "selection power should be contained within a group understanding the needs of the paper and of students who read it."

Choosing the editor through campus elections makes the editor a politician and prevents the paper "from operating as a truly free press," the proposal states.

The selection board's 13 members would include people appointed by the student body president and the president of the Graduate and Professional Students Federation, as well as a DTH staff member chosen by the staff and a DTH editor chosen by the editorial board.

Seven positions on the selection board would be filled by a campus-wide ap-

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Residents say condominiums would harm forest, increase traffic

By Dana Pope
Staff Writer

Residents carrying signs and wearing buttons filled the Chapel Hill Town Council chambers at a Monday night public hearing to oppose the proposed 98-unit University Place condominiums.

Speakers against the development, which would be adjacent to the Northside neighborhood, said there would be parking and traffic problems and the complex could be damaging to the environment. Northside is bordered by North Columbia Street to the east and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro line on the west. It is one of the town's largest and oldest neighborhoods.

Robert Bradley, a Virginia-based developer, applied to the town for a special-use permit to build University Place, which would include seven buildings on a 14-acre tract on Clark Road.

Bradley and other developers have proposed building 300 parking spaces for the complex, although 400 people would live there. They said one bus pass would be assigned to each unit to discourage automobile use.

Chapel Hill Town Council candidate Robert Joesting, who has lived in the Northside area for more than 17 years, said allotting parking spaces for each bedroom in the complex would not guarantee adequate parking.

"Adding 400 bedrooms does not mean only 400 people will live there,"

he said. "Realistically, 500 to 700 people will live there, most of whom will have cars."

Clifton Brock, a resident of Dover Street, said parking would overflow into the Northside neighborhood from the proposed complex.

"Where you find students, you find cars that multiply," he said.

R.D. Smith, a Caldwell Street resident, said traffic increases could endanger residents living in two retirement homes in the area.

"The majority of automobiles will come through the neighborhood in which I live," he said.

Northside resident Thomas Gunn said he counted traffic for a 12-hour period at the corner of the University Gardens

apartments and North Columbia Street to see if figures in a Kimley-Horn study were accurate.

Bradley hired the Kimley-Horn consulting firm to study existing traffic congestion in the area.

The report stated that 90 percent of the traffic from University Place would use the Airport Road route to campus, but Gunn said his findings show there would be about a 50-50 split between Airport Road and the western segment of North Columbia Street.

Representatives from the Student Environmental Action Coalition contributed to the hearing by making signs, marching before the hearing and voicing their opinions on the development could pose to the environment.

SEAC member Jessica Greene said the project damaged "every aspect of the environment."

Ruby Sinreich, also a representative of SEAC, said damage to the environment was inevitable if the complex was built and attention needed to be placed on the topography changes that would be involved.

"You're going to destroy trees, no matter what the number," she said.

Bradley said one of the criteria in choosing the University Place location was the fact that student housing already existed around it.

"The area must already be an obvious student housing area," he said.

Sue Goodman, a member of the University faculty and a Northside resident,

said the lack of student housing was not a problem that needed to be dealt with by building a new apartment complex.

"The dorms are already complaining about the number of vacancies and (apartment) complexes are competing for students," she said.

Goodman said that the Northside area already provides some moderately priced, single-family housing and that the town needs more.

Estelle Mabry, president of the Chapel Hill Alliance of Neighborhoods and a Pritchard Avenue resident, said the University Place complex was "decidedly unwanted" in the Northside area.

The town council is expected to take action on the proposed development at its Nov. 13 meeting.

Many seniors notice little of officers' efforts to fulfill campaign promises

Editor's note: This is the second article in a five-part series analyzing the progress student-elect officials have made on their campaign promises.

By Soyia Ellison
Staff Writer

Seven months after campus elections, many seniors remember their class officers' campaign cows, but few remember their promises.

Senior Class President Mike Ferguson and Vice President Jay Dunn, who featured cows on their campaign posters, are working to fulfill their campaign promises.

But the average senior hasn't noticed the officers' work.



Heather Long, a senior from Hickory, said, "I know that they had some specific ideas, and I haven't really seen any of that. But I'm not really into the University scene, so I haven't seen much."

Beth Stevens, a senior from Smithfield, agreed with Long. "I haven't seen anything except senior night out and senior newsletter, but I'm not up on campus that much so I really don't

know what's going on," she said.

Many seniors echoed these students' apathy. Very few remembered any of the campaign promises, and many students said it wasn't important to them if Ferguson and Dunn fulfilled their promises.

But Laurel Falls, a senior class marshal from Morehead City, said the officers were putting in a lot of effort.

"I think they're doing a really great job," she said. "They're both working really hard."

In their platform, Ferguson and Dunn promised to create a senior volunteer network and a guide to the job search

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Bounced check charges against Heyd dropped

By Jennifer Talhelm
Staff Writer

Charges against Student Body President Matt Heyd for writing a worthless \$104 check to Southern Bell of Greensboro have been dismissed.

"As far as Southern Bell is concerned, (the charges) have been dropped," Heyd said. "They really should not have been brought in the first place."

Heyd said he received a notice telling him the check he wrote to the company in May had bounced. He then paid the bill in installments during July and August.

Chapel Hill police officers delivered a criminal summons to Heyd Sept. 30 stating he hadn't paid his telephone bill.

But all the checks had cleared his



Matt Heyd

account two weeks before he received the summons, Heyd said.

Southern Bell commissioned the summons Sept. 20, 10 days before the court issued it.

"If the last check was dated before Sept. 20, they said the charges would automatically be lifted," Heyd said. His last check was written before that date.

Heyd said his address changed over

the summer. "(Southern Bell) sent the letter to the Chapel Hill post office and they said they couldn't find me. (But) they should have had me in their records, seeing as I had paid them from that address."

Heyd said Southern Bell could not have defended its position in court even if his account had not cleared.

"Southern Bell would have had to, one, swear they had made a good faith effort to let me know they were proceeding with the prosecution; and two, tell me they didn't have the money."

"The company couldn't support the arguments because he never received the letter and because his last check was dated before Sept. 20, Heyd said.

"This whole thing has been a rather large mistake on Southern Bell's part," he said. Southern Bell officials said they could not comment on accounts.

But I always thought that I'd see you again. — James Taylor