

CAMPUS AND CITY

CITY BRIEFS

N.Y. man sentenced for public housing murders

A New York man arrested for the shooting deaths of two women in Chapel Hill's public housing district on Pritchard Avenue Extension Dec. 11, 1990 received two consecutive life sentences Friday.

Luis Antonio Olivera Rodriguez was convicted of second-degree murder for the deaths of Lorenda Yvette Burnett and Barbara Quirin.

The Chapel Hill Town Council tonight will re-evaluate federal amendments issued in 1989 that would mandate public housing residents arrested in or near their neighborhoods be evicted. The council referred the issue back to the town manager at its Feb. 10 meeting, because members thought the ruling was worded unclearly.

Dental fraternity plans Tuesday benefit party

The University chapter of Psi Omega Dental Fraternity will hold a benefit party Tuesday night at Players.

The party will benefit the Lenox Baker Children's Hospital in Durham, which is a rehabilitation center for children who receive treatment at Duke Hospitals.

Tickets for the party, which will begin at 9 p.m., will cost \$3 at the door.

Rock climbing contest forms now available

Registration forms are available for the Dixie Rock Sport Climbing Competition at the Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation Department and at area outdoor equipment stores.

The competition will be held from 8:30 a.m. until 9 p.m. March 7 at the Chapel Hill Community Center on Estes Drive.

Pre-registration is required for the competition and costs \$23 for Orange County residents and \$27.50 for non-residents. Spectators are invited to watch and there will be no cost for admission.

For more information, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 968-2784.

County recycling sites take various materials

Representatives of the Orange Regional Landfill provide collection sites for recyclable materials throughout the county.

Newspapers, aluminum, steel-tinned food cans, and each color of glass bottle should be separated and placed into the appropriate containers at recycling drop-off sites.

Plastic containers which bear a 1, 2, 3 or 5 recycling symbol may be put into barrels for plastic recycling. Lids should be removed, and bottles should be rinsed out and flattened.

Corrugated cardboard is collected at sites at Frank Porter Graham Elementary School, Eubanks Road, South Hamilton Road and by the animal shelter off Airport Road. Boxes should be emptied and flattened.

Cereal boxes and shoe boxes are not acceptable cardboard materials and are not recyclable locally.

Glossy magazines and catalogs are collected on a permanent basis at University Mall behind Belk's, Frank Porter Graham Elementary School and at the Hillsborough Wal-Mart. Phone books, mail and other types of paper are not accepted.

Boy Scout Troop 39 accepts clean white office paper and buys aluminum cans Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. until noon at the site by the animal shelter.

Used motor oil can be recycled at the Orange Regional Landfill from 7:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 8:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Saturday.

Curbside recycling is available to all single-family homes within the town limits of Chapel Hill, Carrboro and Hillsborough. Only certain items may be put into the curbside blue bin.

All newspapers should be put together on the top or the bottom of the box and should be covered with plastic during rainy weather.

Glass bottles and jars also are acceptable. The lids should be taken off and the bottles should be rinsed out. No other glass is acceptable.

Aluminum beverage cans may also be recycled and should be rinsed out. No other metal is accepted.

For more recycling information, call 968-2788.

Faculty OKs graduate insurance plan

By Jennifer Talhelm
Staff Writer

Graduate student employees who can't afford health insurance may be one step closer to receiving it from the University.

The Faculty Council voted unanimously Friday to urge Chancellor Paul Hardin to take all steps necessary to provide University-funded health insurance for graduate student employees.

James Peacock, Faculty Council

chairman, said the council would encourage Hardin to meet with graduate student representatives and discuss how administrators can address the issue.

According to a report presented by Joseph Kalo, chairman of the Faculty Welfare Committee, graduate students receive small stipends and many can't afford basic health insurance coverage.

"We believe it would be appropriate for the University to provide health insurance for that group," he said.

Kathy Nasstrom, co-chairwoman of Graduate Students United, attended the

meeting and backed up the committee's claim.

"Currently, one in three graduate students is without health insurance, mostly because they can't afford it on their stipend," she said. "The stipend doesn't pay for basic living expenses."

A stipend is paid to graduate students for teaching or researching in their department.

Hardin said he supported the idea, but he didn't know where the money was going to come from.

"We don't have enough money in

sight to do it all," he said. "We're dealing with something approaching the zero sum."

Graduate students may have to compromise, he said.

"You might give some thought to whether, if we can't do the whole thing, you want to do all of it for those who aren't covered (on a spouse or parent's plan) or half of it for everybody," he said.

Nasstrom said graduate student representatives would work out a plan with Hardin, but GSU members already had

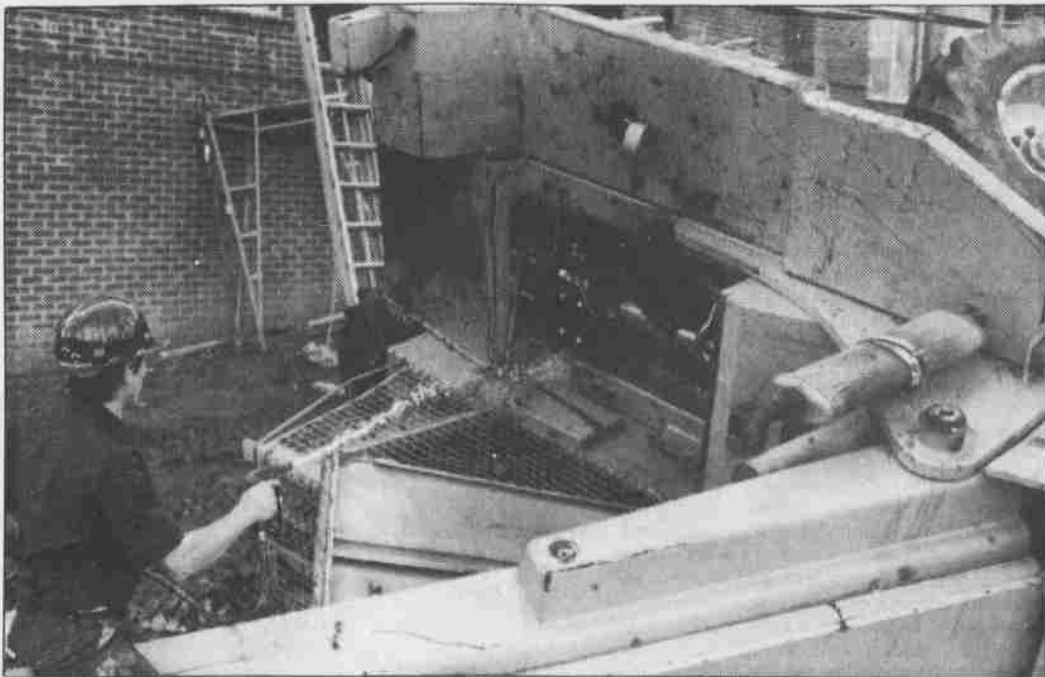
presented a basic plan to the Faculty Welfare Committee.

"The least expensive way is for the University to pay for the basic plan that we as students are eligible for through the University," she said.

The plan would cost \$582 a year, she said. "That's often between 8 and 10 percent of a graduate student's stipend," she said.

Nasstrom said the Faculty Council approval applied to all graduate student employees, who are mostly teaching and research assistants.

Brick cleaners injured by crane's fall



Two workers cleaning bricks on the new George Watts Hill Alumni Center were injured when a crane toppled and overturned Saturday afternoon. Bob Beke, University building systems engineer, said the crane was apparently on uneven ground when the workers extended it to clean the bricks. One of the workers sustained a back injury, and the cab's driver was burned with battery acid. The men, workers in a subcontractor's crew, were taken to UNC Hospitals for treatment, but no information was available Sunday about their status. Beke said the construction administration department would investigate the incident. The crew was hired to clean the bricks, a process that takes place before workers begin landscaping the area. The alumni center is 85 percent completed and is scheduled to open by May, General Alumni Association representatives have said. The building cost \$12 million.

DTH photos by Jon Atkeson



County ranks high in study identifying '91 hate crime sites

By Kim Cable
Staff Writer

Orange County ranked third among N.C. counties in 1991 hate crime occurrences, according to a report released last week.

North Carolinians Against Racism and Religious Violence reported that Orange County tied for third with Guilford and Rockingham counties in crimes motivated by racial or religious hatred. Incidents of hate crime reached an all-time high in the state last year, according to the report.

Christina Davis-McCoy, NCARRV executive director, said national trends reflected a local problem. "Orange County is a microcosm of the nation as a whole."

Davis-McCoy said David Duke's notoriety had encouraged attitudes that

motivated hate crimes.

James Brittain, president of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said Duke's proposal to eliminate welfare programs caused animosity among whites toward blacks.

"The frustration of unemployed white people who consider themselves the working class carries over into the streets," Brittain said. "Frustration has to have an outlet."

Brittain said the extent of racial discrimination had risen with the Reagan administration and had been enhanced during the Bush administration. He cited campaign promises such as "returning to old values" as being racist.

"At least that's the image that's being projected in people's minds," he

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Honor Court selects officers for '92 term

By John Broadfoot
Staff Writer

The 40 members of the Honor Court elected new officers Tuesday for the 1992 term.

Jen Backes was elected as the court's chairwoman, and Jill Jacobs, Lilly Farahnakian and Akbar Sharfi were elected as vice chairwomen and vice chairman for the next two semesters.

Jeffrey Cannon, judicial programs officer, said the court would be in good hands as the new officers gradually worked into their positions.

"It's in fine shape," Cannon said. "At some point after Spring Break they will

take over."

Present court members nominated the officers, who responded to an essay question and then answered questions before they were chosen. Cases concerning possible violations of the Honor Code or of the Campus Code are brought to the court by the University Attorney General's office. Five-member panels, which are headed by one of the elected officers, then hear the cases.

Backes said the court heard as many as four cases a week.

"Anything from academic violations

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Local merchants expect new Gap to have impact

By Andrew Cline
Staff Writer

Executives of The Gap Inc. have selected the old Carolina Theater building next to Top of the Hill on Franklin Street as the site for their 11th store in North Carolina, and feelings among local clothiers are mixed.

"The Gap will be great for the college kids," said Kris Sager, an employee of the Little Shop. "It's got exactly what they wear."

Sager added that since The Gap sold more casual clothing than the Little Shop, she did not expect the store to provide her much competition.

Pam Lineberger, district manager of D.A. Kelly's Inc., which has a store in University Mall, said even though The Gap catered more to college students than D.A. Kelly's, the new store could draw customers away from her store.

"Anybody that sells women's clothing will be competition for us," Lineberger said.

But some local retailers welcome The Gap.

Ken Hamilton, manager of The Hub Ltd., which is directly across the street from The Gap's future location, said he was glad the store was opening.

"There's competition, but I think it'll be a good thing," Hamilton said.

He said The Gap would bring more shoppers to his part of Franklin Street, which could result in increased business for The Hub.

The Franklin Street Gap could be in competition with other stores in the chain, because University students shop at The Gap in Durham.

Amy Pritchett, manager of The Gap at South Square Mall in Durham, said most of her customers were college students.

"We get more UNC students," she said. "We get a lot of Duke students, but I don't think they get out much."

Pritchett said she expected some competition from the new store but added that her store's location would keep her in business.

"Everybody has to go to the mall," she said.

A representative for The Gap's regional office in Atlanta, who asked to remain unidentified, said the Chapel Hill store would not be ready to open any time soon.

The representative said that the company's construction plans were plotted through November and that the Chapel Hill store was not on the construction list.

The Franklin Street Gap probably will not open until the end of the year, the representative said.

Professor: Chemical and nuclear weapons threaten world security, deserve attention

By Christy Hardee
Staff Writer

Nuclear proliferation, the rapid increase of the world's number of nuclear weapons, is the monster everyone worries about, but attention also should be focused on the world increase of chemical weapons, a University professor told a local anti-weapons group last week.

Dietrich Schroerer, University professor of physics and astronomy, addressed members of the Orange County Sane/Freeze chapter Thursday night at their fourth annual membership meeting.

"We have neglected thinking about the chemical weapons, because we have been so concerned with nuclear weapons," Schroerer said. "In the long run, we should worry about chemical weapons as weapons of mass destruction more than nuclear."

Nuclear weapons are terrible, but chemical weapons are just as bad, he said, explaining that chemical weapons were a little more useful and that they were easy to make.

Schroerer told the group they should worry more about the number of nuclear warheads that exist than the spread of nuclear weapons to other countries.

"Over the years, the focus has been narrowed to horizontal nuclear proliferation — the fear that other countries will get nuclear weapons," he said. "The thought behind this is that the more people who have weapons, the more likely there will be a nuclear war."

"We have controlled, more or less, the horizontal proliferation but have had no success in controlling the number of warheads that exist," he said.

Schroerer said some smaller, unarmed countries have threatened to make their own nuclear weapons if world powers continue to do nothing about the number of weapons they own.

Solutions for vertical proliferation, the increase in the number of weapons, have not been considered, because the minimum number of weapons the United States needs has not been determined, he said.

"One of the minimal numbers you hear is that we can keep going down until we get the numbers that the French have, then we need to worry," Schroerer said.

Additional technical problems arise when you try to reduce vertical proliferation, he said.

"How do you disassemble them?" he asked. "No one has thought about it, and no one has thought about what you're going to do with all the employees if

you cut production greatly."

He said that these unemployed workers may leave the United States to work on weapons in other countries.

With Soviet Union breakup, countries that never had nuclear weapons are taking control of them, he said.

"This doesn't produce additional weapons, but it diffuses the control," he said.

He said future proliferators might be Pakistan, South Africa and Iraq.

"To go nuclear, it takes not a terrible amount of money," he said. "Once you have a nuclear program, it doesn't take much to upscale it. ... (The United States) should go on as we have before and make sure people know that the political consequences of building nuclear weapons are bad — they outweigh the advantages."

Orange County Sane/Freeze President Ingrid Swenson said the local chapter is part of the national organization, which was established to redirect military spending to social programs and to prevent the creation of new nuclear weapons.

"The chapter here was founded in the mid-'60s, during the Vietnam War, and was primarily involved with nuclear disarmament," Swenson said. "Now we primarily focus on a peacetime economy."



The University Registrar's Office will be CLOSED on Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 24 and 25.

After these dates, due to renovations in Room 105, Hanes Hall, Registration and Student/Faculty Services will be located in the basement. Records and Training will be located in Room 107, Hanes Hall.

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