

WEATHER
 TODAY: Sunny; high mid-60s
 WEDNESDAY: Rain; high low 70s

ON CAMPUS
 • TARP to hold a can crush for prizes at 12:15 p.m. in the Pit.
 • Hillel welcomes Bart Ehrman, professor of religious studies, to speak at 8 p.m. on "The Jewish Jesus."

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 Christian Laettner, Duke
 Alonzo Mourning, Georgetown
 Harold Miner, USC
 Jimmy Jackson, Ohio State

OTHER ACC HONOREES
 Walt Williams, Md., 2nd team
 Bobby Hurley, Duke, 3rd team

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Housing diversity plan receives low turnout

By Michael Workman
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The housing department received 48 applications for the 135 spaces reserved for black students wishing to move to North Campus under the new racial diversity program, said Housing Director Wayne Kuncel.

Housing officials said that they were pleased with the number of students that had applied but that many of the applicants might have signed up at the last minute after being urged to do so at a Black Student Movement meeting

Wednesday.

Michael Barnes, Residence Hall Association minority affairs executive assistant, blamed the low number of applicants on inadequate publicity.

"I don't believe there was enough publicity to buttress the program," Barnes said.

RHA members gave the plan to the housing department and department officials "hung it out in the wind with passive support," he said.

But Kuncel said, "For the first time offering a program, I'm pleased with the numbers. ... Obviously, we would

have liked to have more."

A committee of housing officials and RHA representatives will assign students to residence halls under the diversity plan, Kuncel said. The plan reserves 15 spaces in each of nine north campus residence halls: Manly, Grimes, Ruffin, Lewis, Stacy, McIver, Kenan, Winston and Alexander.

RHA President Charles Streeter said the program had started well.

"For a first-time thing, that is actually a very strong reaction," he said. "This thing is off to a good start."

Streeter said he had expected the

number of applicants to be lower than it was.

"No matter what you do, no matter what you say, people are going to hesitate for a first-time program," he said.

RHA members hope to see an increase in the number of applicants next year, Streeter said.

Larry Hicks, associate housing director for administrative services, said some students probably will wait until the program has been in place for a year before applying.

"It's in the experimental stage right now," Hicks said. "Some students are

probably going to wait and see what happens."

Shawna Pinckney, BSM executive assistant and liaison to University housing, said she urged students to apply for the program at Wednesday's BSM meeting after she heard that only six students had applied.

Pinckney said Monday's number of applicants was encouraging but still somewhat disappointing.

"It might have been a little naive of me to think that just because spaces are open, people are going to run out and apply for them," she said. "Part of me is

still disappointed because so much work went into the program.

"But 48 is a large number, considering there are still a lot of inhibitions (about moving to North Campus)," she said.

Those inhibitions might have included stereotypes about North Campus racism and the lack of a black community on North Campus, she said.

An information session for students interested in the program, in addition to the letter sent to on-campus black students this year, could boost application figures next year, Pinckney said.

Jury indicts local man for murder

By Dana Pope
 Assistant City Editor

An Orange County man was charged Monday with a second count of first-degree murder in connection with the death of his live-in girlfriend, but her family still hopes human remains found last week do not belong to her.

David Sokolowski, 35, was indicted Monday by an Orange County grand jury on two counts of first-degree murder, according to Orange-Chatham District Attorney Carl Fox.



Carl Fox

The second count was filed in connection with the disappearance of Pamela Owens Ellwood, 42, who had been living with Sokolowski for the past three or four years in a house six miles north of Hillsborough. Ellwood has not been seen for almost four weeks.

Fox said the state would seek the death penalty against Sokolowski.

David Owens, Ellwood's father, said in a telephone interview Monday afternoon that he had not been notified about the indictment.

"The sheriff's department said they would notify us, but they haven't yet," he said.

An Orange County Sheriff's Department official said someone would notify Ellwood's family as soon as possible, adding that the investigation still was being conducted.

Fox said the state medical examiner had not disclosed a positive identification on the female remains found inside the house last week.

Owens said he would continue to hope that the remains did not belong to his daughter because the medical examiner's report had not been completed.

"I still have that little shred to hold on to," he said.

Owens said he hoped the indictment was not based on circumstantial evidence.

Investigators asked the family Friday to identify an earring found in an ear discovered during last week's search

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Bench warming

Beth Meckley, a junior journalism major from Hendersonville, relaxes as she listens to music on an exercise trail bench. Many exercisers last weekend used the Parcourse Fitness Circuit, which goes around Kenan Memorial Stadium.

DTH/Andrew Cline

Former UNC soccer player indicted for 2nd-degree rape

By Warren Hynes
 Sports Editor

An Orange County grand jury indicted a University senior on rape charges Monday, the district attorney's office reported.

Thomas Patrick O'Connor, 21, of G-6 Mill Creek Apartments was charged with second-degree rape, said Sherry Wogen, legal specialist for Orange-Chatham District Attorney Carl Fox.

A Palatine, Ill., native, O'Connor was co-captain of the UNC men's soccer team each of the past two seasons. He was a four-year starter at the marking back position.

A probable-cause hearing in the O'Connor case had been scheduled for last Friday. But Wogen said the case was continued past the probable-cause

hearing as the state chose to submit an indictment to the grand jury.

The grand jury met Monday morning in Hillsborough and found a true bill of indictment, Wogen said.

Fox said passing up Friday's probable-cause hearing was customary. "We don't normally have hearings in rape cases," he said. "We normally do indict the person without a probable-cause hearing."

Fox said the O'Connor trial probably would begin in either April or May.

O'Connor was arrested Feb. 15 on Finley Field and was released on a \$10,000 secured bond. Chapel Hill police Lt. Tony Oakley said O'Connor was arrested after a woman in her 20s told police she had been assaulted that day.

The accuser was an acquaintance of

O'Connor but was not a University student, Oakley said. The incident occurred in an apartment near Franklin Street, he said.

Oakley said the incident occurred between midnight and 6 a.m. Feb. 15. The accuser went to UNC Hospitals that morning. At 6:49 a.m., a UNC Hospitals nurse called Chapel Hill police, requesting that the case be looked into, he said.

Second-degree rape is defined as forced vaginal intercourse with another



Thomas O'Connor

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South African voters might end rule of apartheid

By Jason Richardson
 Staff Writer

For UNC senior Jamie Rosenberg, the difference between the lives of South African whites and blacks was startling.

"There is no middle class," Rosenberg said. "Most whites are upper class and they have at their disposal a black population of cheap laborers. The whites have access to all of the facilities and all of the managerial positions."

Rosenberg, an English major from Los Angeles who spent seven weeks in South Africa last summer on a travel grant from the Morehead Foundation, said he witnessed one white family that considered themselves liberal but gave their housekeeper only one bag of cornmeal and one piece of meat a week, refusing to allow her to eat the leftovers from the family meals.

Under apartheid, South African blacks have undergone decades of oppression and intense discrimination from the nation's upper-class white citizens. Unlike the United States, where all men and women are declared equal by law, the national policy of apartheid in South Africa discriminates against the black majority in favor of the white minority.

South African voters will decide the future of their black countrymen today when they decide on a referendum designed to end apartheid.

In South Africa, blacks are not allowed to vote, are prohibited from holding managerial positions or government office and receive lower wages than whites.

"The thing I remember most was the contrast between the way whites lived, were educated and the opportunities they had, and the way the blacks lived," Rosenberg said.

The referendum, a product of negotiations between the ruling Nationalist Party and a coalition of black South African groups, would present President F.W. de Klerk with a mandate to continue efforts to end apartheid.

The issue of apartheid has triggered heated debate around the world during the past decade.

In the United States, a backlash has hit corporations and individuals who work or conduct business in South Africa.

On a local level, UNC students and faculty members have fought hard to contribute to the effort to end apartheid.

Flo Belvedere, a senior and president of the UNC chapter of Action Against Apartheid, said her organization had worked with other local groups to fight apartheid and to encourage U.S. action against the South African government.

"We worked with Duke on a South African medical project," Belvedere said.

"We worked in getting donations and medical supplies, and we packaged it to send to South Africa."

Action Against Apartheid also has shown films on the effects of South African-backed, pro-apartheid factions in other countries, notably in Mozambique, Belvedere said.

"Last semester we tried to start a book collection campaign," Belvedere said. Although the book collection effort ran into trouble because of a lack of funds on the national level, some UNC faculty members now are working to transport the books overseas.

Stephen Fleming, co-chairman of the UNC South African Scholarship Fund, a Campus Y program, said the group was attempting to raise a \$100,000 en-

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F.W. de Klerk

dowment. The money would be used to help four black South Africans attend college in their homeland.

Last year, the Campus Y committee raised \$5,000. The group currently is sending letters to University trustees and faculty in an attempt to solicit donations.

The committee also has designed T-shirts and sweatshirts in an effort to raise funds, Fleming said.

Belvedere said that although many UNC students opposed South African apartheid, most Americans tend to worry about other issues first.

"A lot of people at UNC are against apartheid, but some people seem to think that it is a problem that does not concern them," Belvedere said. "People are concerned with things at home first."

Recent opinion polls in South Africa indicate that de Klerk's referendum will pass, said Richard Sincere, director of African affairs for the International Freedom Foundation, an international human-rights think tank.

But regardless of the outcome of today's vote, the resolution already has caused a great deal of controversy in South Africa.

South Africa's Conservative Party, founded in 1983 in reaction to a constitution that gave voting privileges to Asians and people of mixed races, has been the most vocal opponent of the referendum, Sincere said.

The Conservatives have warned that terrorist tactics may be used against de Klerk's South African government if the referendum passes, Sincere said. Violence broke out March 10 when a tear gas can was thrown at de Klerk and again over the weekend, when the South African president was hit by a poster tube.

Although the Conservatives do not represent a majority of white South Africans, even some moderate whites oppose the referendum. Rosenberg said he did not know if the referendum would pass.

"People there realize the need for change, but a lot of them don't want to be around when it happens," Rosenberg said.

"On a secret ballot, if people are given a choice, and they see the reality of what that means to their own situation, that 'no' vote is going to flow very freely."

Sincere said if the referendum was approved, de Klerk would continue to propose reforms.

"I would predict a new constitution within 18 months," Sincere said. "There will be elections within two years, and we should see a black president by 1995."

But even if a new government is established, cultural and social problems will be left over from the days of apartheid, Sincere said.

"South Africa will be politically integrated but not culturally," he said.

Rosenberg said the immediate establishment of a completely new, black-

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SHS requests county's 15 additional hospital beds

This is the second part of a three-part series on Student Health Services.

By Jennifer Mueller
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The last thing anyone wants to do when they're sick is squabble over terminology with an insurance agency.

In response to an increasing refusal by insurance companies to reimburse customers for nights spent in infirmary beds, Student Health Service Director Judith Cowan has requested that the 15 beds located in SHS be licensed as hospital beds.

Although the name of the beds will change, the type of care students will receive will not. The overnight service allows SHS to function as an "acute care hospital," or a facility equipped to handle inpatient as well as outpatient care.

The big difference is that SHS charges about \$275 a day for inpatient services, compared to N.C. Memorial Hospital's \$375 a day fee.

The inpatient beds were one of the services that SHS began to charge for in

1984 in an effort to cut back expenses, Cowan said.

"We made the decision to use people's insurance that they already had rather than continue to raise the Student Health fee," she said.

Approximately \$5 of the \$212 student health fee that students pay annually goes towards inpatient service. Cowan said this figure will hopefully decrease to less than \$2 in the next two years.

Donald Boulton, vice chancellor for student affairs, said, "The students on the advisory committee think that it's worth paying the extra dollar or two to have the beds there."

In the past two or three years, Cowan has noted a decrease in the number of students using the beds.

"More and more, insurance companies are saying (that they) don't reimburse for infirmary beds," she said.

Although a student's insurance company is called for "pre-admission certification" before they are admitted as an overnight patient and for a verbal assurance that a stay at SHS will be covered,

Cowan said the companies often don't come through with the money.

As a result, "We haven't been able to go out and encourage students to use their own inpatient services," she said.

In response to this problem, Cowan petitioned the state to authorize an additional 15 hospital beds for Orange County. Last week, Cowan requested that the 15 beds, which have been authorized, be assigned to the SHS.

"The process requires very specific steps," she said, adding that she would know whether the beds have been given to the SHS by the end of the semester.

Last year, about 500 to 600 people used SHS beds, Cowan said. Most of these admissions were by SHS doctors. People are kept overnight for several reasons, including ear, nose and throat diseases; acute infectious diseases; kidney infections; acute gastro-intestinal problems with dehydration; and appendicitis.

In addition, students with chronic ailments such as cystic fibrosis, hemophilia or anemia, frequently make use of the beds.

SHS Handicapped Coordinator Laura Thomas, who works with many of the chronically ill students, explained that they use the beds for extended blocks of time throughout the year.

In past years, she said, some of these students have had to get their treatment at N.C. Memorial Hospital.

"Some of the students also use Medicaid, which will not reimburse for beds that are not licensed," she said.

A University sophomore with cystic fibrosis who asked not to be identified has had to stay in the hospital instead of SHS during her past few visits because her insurance company will not reimburse for infirmary beds.

"I prefer (to stay in) Student Health," she said. "It's easier to get out to go to class, versus the hospital, where you have to sign a piece of paper and wait around for a nurse."

"(SHS) is also more private," she added. "You don't have to deal with residents and medical students walking in and out. They leave you alone — I

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No power, how great soever, can force men to change their opinions. — Benjamin Franklin