

WEATHER

TODAY: Cloudy; high low 80s
SATURDAY: Chance of rain; high low 80s

ON CAMPUS

- Lorelei's Spring Concert at 8 p.m. in Memorial Hall. Tickets: \$4 at the Union, \$5 at the door.
- Blue-White football game will be played at 1 p.m. Saturday in Kenan Stadium.



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Woman named head of University Police

By Steve Politi
University Editor

Alana Ennis, a Durham Police Department captain, will take over as the University's new director of police and public safety May 4.

Ennis may become the state's first female police chief, said Carolyn Elfland, interim police chief and associate vice chancellor for business. Elfland said she did not know of any other female chiefs at the University level.

"Police work is still a man's business in a lot of ways," she said but added that UNC had seven female officers, which is a "high percentage" of the staff.

Ennis, who is one of four district commanders, supervises four sergeants

and 41 officers in one of North Carolina's most crime-ridden cities. She will head the University's 54-member force, succeeding Arnold Trujillo, who resigned in February.

"She is a very articulate, dedicated law enforcement officer," said Jack Pendergrass, a Durham police watch commander. "She has served the city of Durham honorably and will be an asset to the University."

Lt. Clay Williams of University Police said he expected Ennis to improve the department.

"I believe she will add a degree of professionalism," Williams said. "Over time, I think it will show that she will be a positive force in this department."

Officer Cathy Morefield added, "I

seriously hope the department is going to go forward and become more professional."

Ennis, who is on vacation in Florida and could not be reached for comment, spearheaded the Durham Police Department's successful efforts to become nationally accredited. The process involved reviewing and revising policies and procedures to meet the standards of an international accreditation agency.

Elfland said one of her long-term goals was to have UNC become one of the few universities with accredited departments.

"(UNC) is one of the top 10 or 20 universities in the country," Elfland said. "There's no reason why we can't have

a police department to match it."

Ennis also penned the grievance policy for the Durham department. Elfland, who made the final decision on Ennis' appointment, said her advocacy for officers' rights was an important consideration.

University Police has been riddled with grievance disputes and internal problems.

Morefield said she thought Ennis would work with the individual officers in the department.

"From what I understand, she is a person who wants to work with other people and not to give up," she said. "She wants to work."

Pendergrass said Ennis had good communication skills. "She's very firm

yet very understanding. If you communicate, then you're in command. She's not an authoritarian person."

Elfland told UNC public safety personnel about the appointment at a meeting Thursday afternoon. No one commented negatively about the appointment, she said.

"I think everyone is glad that they're going to have another leader," Elfland said. "Some people are just really enthusiastic and super thrilled, and some people are just glad to move forward."

Moving from Durham to Chapel Hill may be a tough transition for the new chief, Elfland said.

"I think the biggest thing for her is going to be transferring from a big city with a major crime problem to a lower

crime area," she said.

But UNC's crime problem is increasing, Elfland said. The number of reported assaults on campus more than doubled from last fall to this fall.

"Crime has really gone up this year, and we really wanted somebody who has experience with how to cope with that," she said.

Elfland's ability to work well in the community will make her a welcome addition to Chapel Hill, Elfland said.

"She's got a very community-oriented policing philosophy," she said, adding that many of Ennis' projects in Durham involved interaction with local groups. "I think the campus is the perfect place to have that kind of philosophy."

Officials investigate hate crime

By Megan Brown
Staff Writer

The search for suspects in an incident involving the possible racial harassment of two black University students continues, but the situation has escalated after the students received letters Tuesday that they perceived as a continuation of the harassment.

The office of the dean of students and University Police are attempting to find the person or people responsible for a miniature noose found on the message board outside the door of two black Hinton James residents the Monday after they returned from Spring Break.

Sophomores Corey Sturdvant and Melvin Browning, second floor Hinton James residents, found the noose hanging from the pen attached to their message board March 9.

"I didn't know what it was at first because I wasn't thinking anything racial at the time," Sturdvant said. "I couldn't believe it. I didn't think stuff like this still happened."

Browning said he was angered at such overt racism.

"My mom was ready to come get me," he said. "But I explained to her that it happens to black students on a lot of college campuses."

A letter of apology appeared behind their message board March 11, signed by a Bill Russell, who claimed to be the grand master of the Superior Order of the Holy Cross.

Sturdvant said a friend told him that Russell was the head of the Denver, Colo., branch of the Ku Klux Klan. When the only Bill Russell listed by Denver information was contacted, he denied any such affiliation.

The letter said the noose had been meant for one of his suitmates as a symbol of initiation into the group. Sturdvant said,

"I don't think so," he said. "I think it was a joke."

Hinton James Area Director Bill Latham said that while nothing overtly racist was stated in the letter, the incident was very possibly racially motivated.

"When African-American students find a noose on their door, you suspect the worst," Latham said.

Sturdvant and Browning said they believed that repeated letters posted this week on the bathroom door in their suite were written by the same people responsible for the earlier incidents.

Sturdvant said the letters stated, "Unless you're female or in there with a female ... nobody wants your butt."

He said: "I think it was the same people (that wrote the last letter). I'm sick of it ... really am."

Latham said he had not heard about the letters.

Sturdvant said if University officials found the culprit, they would take action.

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Ralliers seek governmental support for day-care workers

By Andrea Bruce
Staff Writer

RALEIGH — About 150 parents, children and child-care workers rallied at Meredith College Thursday as part of a nationwide attempt to attract attention to problems plaguing the child-care industry.

Speakers from the Triangle urged rallyists to seek government subsidies to finance increased wages and benefits for child-care workers.

"This rally can bring together people like us to put our children at the top of the (government's) agenda," Rosemary Vardell of the Child Care Center in Chapel Hill told the crowd.

Janet Ray, vice president of the N.C. Association for the Education of Young Children, said governmental response to the requests of parents and child-care workers had been slow.

"The long-term benefits of quality child care are a secret at this time," she said.

Ray said that if parents and workers continued to pursue their goals, elected officials eventually would respond to them.

Child-care workers are paid about half of what similarly educated workers receive in non-child-care related positions, and few child-care workers receive health care or retirement benefits from their employees, speakers explained to rallyists.

Elliot Wurtzel, a parent and a UNC graduate, said he had presented his concerns about child care to Chancellor Paul Hardin and to the UNC Board of Governors but was unsatisfied with their responses.

"It is unfortunate that at this point



Alexander Adeleke and his son Adejare rally for child-care workers' needs

the University talks about supporting child care but shows no action," Wurtzel said.

Wurtzel, a former social worker who served on the Child Care Education Commission in Chapel Hill, said the issue should be important to the University.

"This involves the children of the students, faculty and staff, including the housekeepers who spend 40 to 50 percent of their income on child care," he said.

Wurtzel also expressed interest in starting a degree program at the University to educate students about child-care service.

"UNC is involved in raising \$320 million for the Bicentennial," Wurtzel

said. "Why can't they stretch it to \$325 million and donate \$5 million of it to enforcing quality care through a degree program for child-care workers?"

Wurtzel said that BOG members told him that a child-care degree was a possibility but that no one had expressed interest to the BOG about committing to the program.

Other parents said they were angry because of the government's attitude toward requests for increases in subsidized funds for child-care centers.

Hellen Haven, a Chapel Hill resident, mother of nine and grandmother of 21, said, "It's time we made the

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Embezzlement causes problems for Yack

By Bonnie Rochman
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Yackett Yack editor Shea Tisdale said Thursday that the campus yearbook was in dire financial straits four months after its former business manager embezzled more than \$75,000 from the publication.

Tracy Lamont Keene, 21, of 100-13 Melville Loop Road was charged Dec. 5 with 21 counts of embezzling a total of \$75,896.65. Keene orchestrated the theft by writing multiple checks to his mother and aunt, who claim to have been unaware that the money had been obtained illegally.

When asked if the Yack was suffering fiscal strain, Tisdale responded that "any organization which has \$76,000 stolen from it is in trouble."

Although refused to specify what

kind of troubles had befallen the yearbook, Tisdale indicated that the Yack was searching for financial benefactors to help offset the stolen money.

All the Yack's friends have been very helpful, and we hope that other people will come forward and help to ensure that UNC has a yearbook for a long time to come," he said.

Keene's case is on the Orange County Superior Court arraignment calendar for the session beginning April 20.

An arraignment calendar lists the cases that will be heard during a given session, but it does not specify a particular trial date.

But Assistant District Attorney Jim Woodall said that he doubted Keene's case would be heard until the following session. "I don't think it will come up until May or June at the earliest," he said.

Tisdale said he thought the case had not been given as much legal attention as is devoted to a more violent crime like a murder.

"It seems like it's low priority because it's a white-collar crime, but a lot of people have been hurt by what he's done," he said.

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