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Four more apply for council position

By Katy Wurth
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Four more Chapel Hill residents applied for the Chapel Hill Town Council seat vacated by Roosevelt Wilkerson last month.

Wilkerson resigned from the town council three weeks ago after he admitted falsifying Chapel Hill Mayor Ken Broun's signature on an official town document.

The town clerk's office had received a total of 10 applications for the seat by late Monday evening.

Mickey Ewell, the owner of three Chapel Hill restaurants — Spanky's, Squid's and 411 West — applied for the vacant seat minutes before the 5 p.m. deadline.

Ed Devany, Pat Evans and Johnnie

Leon Peace Sr. also applied Monday for the open seat.

Residents who applied before Monday's deadline were Dolores Nesnow, Barbara Powell, E. Joyce Roland, David Strevel, Paul Tripodi and Gloria Williams.

Ewell ran for a seat on the council in last year's municipal elections, but came in fifth, one place short of gaining a seat.

"I thought I ran a pretty good campaign, and I gained support throughout the community, including a lot of sup-



Mickey Ewell

port in the black community," Ewell said Monday.

"I know a lot of people in this town, and the town's given a lot to me," he added. "I want to give something back."

Devany stated in his application letter, "Few people are as blessed to have as wide a variety of associations as I have for years, which I deeply believe would serve well."

Evans said, "Because of my service on the Planning Board and my involvement in the community, I feel I can listen to and honestly and fairly represent the entire community."

In his application letter, Peace said, "I wish to state that I am not 'Bosser' nor 'Bought' by any political 'faction' or clique, but if I am appointed to this position, I pledge to serve honestly, pleasantly and fitfully to the best of my ability."

With Wilkerson's resignation, the council was left without black representation.

Devany stated in his application letter, "I am in complete agreement with those members of the town council hoping to find a black candidate to replace the member recently resigned."

"However, should no such viable candidate come forth, I believe I would be an appropriate candidate," Devany added.

Both Powell and Williams said they thought it was important to have a black member on the council.

"The black person will not represent one segment of the community," Powell said Monday. "If a black issue comes up, it will affect the whole community."

Williams, who was endorsed by the Black Leadership Coalition, added, "Chapel Hill was unique in that each segment of the population has been represented in the past, and I think it should continue to be that way."

But Tripodi said the seat was open for someone to represent the community as a whole.

"I'm not concerned whether it's a black or red or white or yellow seat," he said.

Strevel and Nesnow also said they believed they could sufficiently represent the black community regardless of their race.

Nesnow said, "I think the lack of black representation is a legitimate concern, but when you're involved in public service, anyone who wants to do it should step forward."

All the applicants said they thought that the council would have to put the problems of the past months behind them in order to regain credibility in the community.

Ewell and Powell were particularly

concerned with crime in the black community.

In addition, Powell said, "I'm very interested in affordable housing and programs for the elderly."

Peace said he was concerned with different issues in the town including transportation, police, schools, lighting, fire, diversity, taxes, town planning and the University.

Tripodi, who also ran and lost in last year's council elections, said his main goal was to integrate a "home-grown" labor force into the local business community by creating a low-income housing area.

Tripodi said he also would like to see some black-owned businesses started in downtown Chapel Hill.

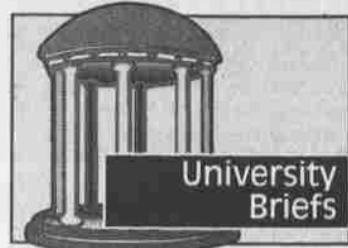
Roland was unavailable for comment Monday afternoon.

The council will have a question-and-answer session Oct. 12 for all applicants.

An appointment to fill the vacant seat will be made at the Oct. 28 meeting of the council.

The person appointed to the seat will serve until 1993, the year of the next town council election.

The person receiving the fifth-highest total of votes in Nov. 1993 will complete Wilkerson's term through 1995.



University Briefs

Registration drive hailed as success

The voter registration booth in the Pit stayed open until midnight Monday to accommodate an unexpectedly high volume of students.

UNC campus registration coordinator Eric Ose attributed the high number of students registering to the upcoming presidential election.

Ose said that although he did not have final registration figures, he expected a total of about 4,000 new voters. The projected figure surpasses the 3,300 students who registered to vote in 1990.

The registration booth in the Pit operated for more than three weeks, normally staying open from 10 a.m. until about 5 p.m.

"Turnout has been heavy," Ose said. "We've probably registered more people to vote on this campus than any other campus in the state."

Ose estimated that two Democrats registered for every Republican. He said almost one-third of the current campus population was registered to vote.

Ackland volunteers sought to help teach

The Ackland Art Museum is seeking Outreach Program volunteers to introduce children to such subjects as N.C. folk pottery or paintings and sculptures.

Volunteers will instruct children and adolescents in the classroom about the Ackland's collections and will help local teachers incorporate visual arts in school curricula.

Outreach volunteers work to expand and improve services to rural and inner city schools in the Triangle. Minority outreach volunteers, including people with disabilities and others with knowledge of African and Indian art, especially are needed.

People interested in volunteering should have good communication skills and a desire to both learn about art and work with children. Teaching experience or knowledge of a foreign culture or language is not required but is helpful. Students majoring in education also might find the program beneficial.

Outreach teachers are asked to make a one-year commitment to the program. The initial eight-session training program is scheduled Wednesday and Friday mornings from Oct. 28 through Nov. 20.

For more information, call the Ackland at 962-0479.

Sigma Phi Epsilon nets \$2,000 for charity

The brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity recently presented a check for more than \$2,000 to the Ronald McDonald House of Chapel Hill.

The check, which was presented to officials of the Ronald McDonald House at an Oct. 1 ceremony, comes from proceeds raised during the fraternity's 11th annual Slugfest Softball Tournament through sponsors, entry fees, T-shirt sales and alumni contributions.

Sigma Phi Epsilon sponsors the softball tournament each spring to benefit the "House with a Heart," which provides a place for parents and family of children in local hospitals to stay during their relative's hospitalization.

UNC history professor wins Dexter Prize

The 25th annual Dexter Prize has been awarded to Donald Reid, UNC associate professor of history, for his book "Paris Sewers and Sewermen: Realities and Representations."

Established in 1968 by Dexter Chemical Corporation, the award is administered by the Society for the History of Technology. Reid was awarded the prize Oct. 1 at a ceremony at Dexter Chemical's Charlotte office.

The Dexter Prize is given annually to the author of an outstanding book in the history of technology published in the preceding three years.

The award includes a silver plaque and a \$2,000 honorarium.

A native of Cambridge, Mass., Reid received his B.A. from Wesleyan University and earned his M.A. and Ph.D. from Stanford University. He also is the author of "The Miners of Decaturville: A Genealogy of Deindustrialization."

Journalism students earn scholarships

Three UNC undergraduates have won \$2,500 scholarships from the Freedom Forum, a non-partisan international organization dedicated to "free press, free speech and free spirit for all people."

Tiffany Ashhurst, a sophomore from Midlothian, Va.; Wendy Bounds, a senior from Raleigh; and Yu-Yee Wu, a senior from Tallahassee, Fla., were three of the 67 students nationwide selected for the scholarships, which honor academic achievement, writing potential and personal character.

Since the program began in 1981, 588 students have won nearly \$1.5 million in scholarship money.

Rosey's registrar: Elections board penalty possible

By Paul Bredderman
Staff Writer

Orange County Voter Registrar Claire Kirch said Monday that she knew she could be fired by the Board of Elections when she registered 43 people to vote in front of Rosey's Goodtimes on West Rosemary Street last week.

But the former University graduate student said she wanted people who were at the bar for a voter-registration bash to do what they came to do — register to vote.

People who registered Thursday night as part of Rock the Vote, a national voting effort, will be allowed to vote in the upcoming election, according to Barbara Faust, chairwoman of the Orange County Board of Elections.

"I'm always pleased when voters are registered," Faust said. "I am not pleased that Kirch did the registration without our sanction."

The board won't decide whether Kirch should be allowed to remain a registrar until after the elections are over, Faust said.

Kirch and the local chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union knew about the board's objection to voter registration at the event beforehand, but they thought the board used bad reasoning in banning registration at all local bars, Birch said.

The Board of Elections created the policy two years ago after they encountered problems with drunkenness, people giving false data and people having difficulty hearing because of loud music and crowds at registration events held at He's Not Here and Cat's Cradle.

William Simpson, an attorney for the Raleigh ACLU chapter, said the board's decision to place restrictions on bars, but not on malls and restaurants, was questionable.

The board's policy is vague about what kinds of disturbances should be tolerated, he added.

But election officials approved of registering voters at Applebee's Neighborhood Bar and Grill Monday night, before the midnight deadline.

Faust said, "(Applebee's) is a restaurant, not a bar."

"The (registration) coordinator, who is a former board chairwoman, went

there and made sure that it's a place where the music wouldn't bother her, and people weren't standing around with a drink in their hand," Faust said.

Annette Sneed, Applebee's manager, said there usually was a small crowd on Monday nights to watch football on television and that the dinner rush occurred between 6:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.

"We're going to turn the music down in the area that the registrars are going to be in," she said.

Simpson said that according to state law, the registration officials at each of the sites were the ones in charge of minimizing distractions to registering voters.

Kirch said music from the bands did not create hearing problems outside the bar. "Rock the Vote and I have common sense, and I sat outside the bar."

The only disturbance was caused by television cameras and reporters who came to film the people waiting to register and to ask her questions, she said.

Faust said in addition to breaking the board's policy, Kirch did not apply with the board to register voters at the site and was not supplied with registration forms by the board, Faust said.

"Ms. Kirch is the only (special registration commissioner) who didn't follow our policies," Faust said.

A total of 80 registrars were registering citizens to vote in this year's election, she added.

Kirch said that she was not paid to register voters and that she was more concerned about residents' access to registration than about keeping her job.

She said either Alan McSurely, a local civil rights attorney for whom she works, or Simpson would represent her if the matter went to court.

Simpson, who wrote to Faust twice stating his objections to the policy, said it was questionable whether Kirch's actions were grounds to fire her.

"She's appointed to register voters, and the Orange County Board of Elections is supposed to be about encouraging people to register," Simpson added.

Jason Richardson contributed to this story.

UNC faculty and staff have variety of ways to donate to charity

By Holly Stepp
Staff Writer

The staff and faculty of the University may donate to their favorite charities through the State Employees Combined Campaign.

State employees may give to more than 250 non-profit agencies.

The University coordinators for the campaign are Eddie Capel from the internal audit department and LaRue Coats from the School of Nursing.

The Orange County United Way manages the campaign for the University.

Jane Bohn is the associate director for the Orange County United Way. The campaign has been running for the past 10 years.

Even though the United Way manages the campaign, it is only one of several agencies to which employees may donate.

"The United Way runs the campaign because we are an organized fund-raising facility," Bohn said. "We are just one of 259 agencies that employees may donate to."

The organizations range from several national groups to local United Way groups. In some cases, employees

mistakenly believe the United Way is the only agency that they can donate to, Bohn said.

"The agencies range from the American Red Cross to Hospice," she said. "There are a lot of human-service agencies as well as environmental agencies."

The agencies participating in the campaign are chosen by an office in the state's Department of Administration, and each must meet certain criteria, including an IRS non-profit tax bracket.

Once the organizations meet the criteria, they are chosen on a random basis. The non-United Way agencies are uniform for all state offices.

Capel said he thought faculty and staff members had a large variety of possible agencies to which they could donate.

"It's really an open-ended way for faculty and staff to give," he said. "They can designate (their money) or just put down the United Way."

Faculty and staff may choose three ways of giving: payroll deduction, bill or cash payment.

The donor also may designate his or her donation to a particular charity. Undesignated funds are divided among the agencies in the campaign.

Midnight madness comes to UNC

By Gautam Khandelwal
Staff Writer

The Carolina Athletic Association and the UNC basketball team have a midnight surprise in store for die-hard UNC basketball fans.

Instead of waiting until the annual Blue-White scrimmage game to see the Tar Heels in action, UNC students and fans will be able to view the team's first practice as part of the first "Tar Heel Tipoff" program.

Daniel Thornton, co-director of the event, said the program served two purposes. "It's a big pep rally that lets students and fans see our basketball team, and it allows players to be introduced formally," he said.

Head coach Dean Smith said he agreed to the event last April.

"I had been against it at the beginning because players would have to practice at midnight," Smith said.

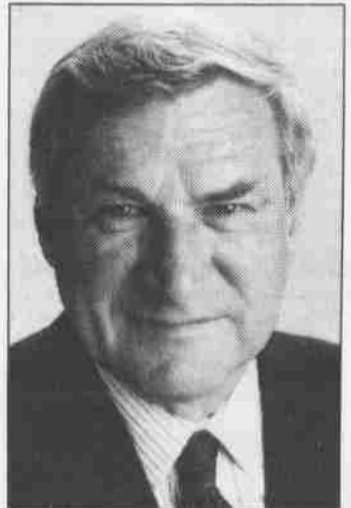
In January 1990, the NCAA imposed regulations, effective Aug. 1, requiring college teams to begin their season Nov. 1. The date had been Oct. 15.

"October 15 has been the first day of practice for the last 40 years," Smith said. "If we practiced on October 15, I wouldn't have agreed to this event."

"However, since we've already missed two good weeks of practice, I'd like to get something good out of it from a practice standpoint. This scrimmage will be a miniature of the Blue-White Game."

CAA President Tracy Kirincich said she thought people were surprised that Smith approved the event.

"Coach Smith is very conservative, and many people associated with the



Dean Smith

athletics department and members of the University seemed to be shocked that Coach Smith gave his consent to the event," she said.

"Many feel that this program is a show-boat event, but it was designed for students and fans to become more intimate with the basketball team and to support the basketball system here."

The scheduling of the event means that unlike previous seasons, fans will not have to wait until the Nov. 20 Blue-White Game to see the UNC basketball team in action.

The Tar Heel Tipoff is scheduled to begin at 11 p.m. on Halloween at the Dean E. Smith Center.

The Smith Center doors will open at 10:15 p.m., but only students will be

allowed to enter at that time, Thornton said.

The rest of the public will be allowed to enter at 10:45 p.m. "This way, students will be given first priority as far as seating is concerned," Thornton said.

Kirincich said the festivities might include appearances by the High Kicking Heels, the UNC varsity cheerleaders and the Marching Tar Heels. "Because of the UNC-Maryland football game, these groups have not confirmed whether they will be able to attend," she said.

Video clips from the Tar Heel's previous seasons will be shown at the event on a large screen.

"A giant video screen will be installed in the Smith Center, and people will be seated in a horse-shoe shape around the screen," Thornton said.

The players will make their appearance at 12:01 a.m., marking the beginning of the 1992-93 basketball season, Thornton said.

The team's senior captains — George Lynch, Henrik Rodl, Matt Wenstrom and Scott Cherry — will speak, Smith said, adding that he also might speak to the crowd.

Chris Cameron, assistant athletic director at the University of Kentucky at Lexington, said Kentucky had held such a program since 1982.

The average attendance at the event, called "Midnight Madness," has been about 9,500 Wildcat faithful, he said.

Thornton said he was not sure if the Tar Heel Tipoff was a permanent addition to the schedule.

"I'm not sure if it will be held again next year," he said. "Much of it depends on the turnout we get this year."

More than \$4,000 in equipment disappears from Student Television

By Brad Short
Staff Writer

The disappearance of more than \$4,000 worth of equipment has officials of Student Television and the University Police puzzled.

Geoff Newman, STV station manager, said he did not know where the equipment had gone.

The items missing are a Sony portable model video cassette recorder valued at \$3,950, two Lowell DP brand camera lights worth \$148.50 each, two bulbs worth \$12.72 each and a canvas bag valued at \$20. The total value of the missing equipment is \$4,292.44.

Newman said equipment came in and out of the station all the time, so he wasn't sure about the exact time of

disappearance. "I don't know when the equipment disappeared," he said, adding it could have been as long as three weeks ago.

STV put in a claim with an insurance company and was told to file a police report, Newman said.

"The insurance adjuster may or may not want to see a police report," he said.

Newman filed the police report Thursday.

According to the report, the equipment had not been seen since Sept. 1. For the past 10 to 14 days, Newman has been contacting the STV staff to try to locate the items.

No one at STV claimed to have the equipment, Newman said.

"Nobody on the staff knows what happened to the equipment, and I be-

lieve them," he said.

In the police report, Newman states that the doors were locked at all times when the crew was not in the station. The investigating officer, Ollie Bowler, reported that no evidence had been found and that there were no witnesses or suspects.

Newman said the station was in need of some new television equipment.

"Most of our equipment is five to eight years old," he said. "Most of our equipment is old and broken."

He added that the stolen equipment, like most of the STV equipment, had practically no resale value.

Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of the equipment is urged to contact Student Television or the University Police at 962-8100.

School, county leaders clarify bond issue

By Dale Castle
Staff Writer

HILLSBOROUGH — Voter approval of a \$52 million school bond is needed for construction of new schools to ease overcrowding and for implementation of state-of-the-art technology countywide, local school and government officials said Monday.

The press conference, which took place at Stanback Middle School, was held to clear up questions about the possible uses of the bond referendum that will be on the Orange County ballots Nov. 3.

Andrew Overstreet, Orange County Schools superintendent, said the bond plan included two new schools serving kindergarten through sixth grade, which would cost \$28 million, according to a report.

Overstreet said Stanback, a primary school, was too small for its grounds and would be replaced.

"There's nothing we could do to make (Stanback Middle School) more ad-

equate," Overstreet said.

The vacated Stanback building could be used either for office space, parks and recreation storage or an early-childhood development center serving 100- to 200 students, Overstreet said.

"Pre-school programs now are targeted on a need basis," he said.

Bond Education Steering Committee Co-chairman Keith Coleman said county and city middle schools were full and needed to be expanded.

"It's really a question of whether we go back to a mobile village community or progress and build a new school," he said.

Another \$2 million would go to rewire schools and improve technology in Orange County Schools, Overstreet said. The money would go to buying new computers, wiring networks and other advancements.

Overstreet said there now were 19 students per computer.

"(The new technology will) help (students) prepare for the complex world they will face as they leave here,"

Overstreet said.

The final \$22 million would be used to build a new high school in Chapel Hill.

Chapel Hill-Carrboro Schools Superintendent Neil Pedersen said the Citizen's Advisory Committee concluded that a new high school was necessary.

"We don't need a 1,500-student high school, but by the time the school is built, the number of students will have increased," Pedersen said.

Moses Carey, chairman of the county commissioners, said he heard countywide support for the bond after taxpayers understood the needs of the school system.

"The bond issue is not as imbalanced as many people might think," Carey said.

The conference was held at Stanback Middle School to show the need for better facilities across the county, Carey said. "We decided to have (the press conference) here for the next most vivid example of need."