News

93-year-old author slows down

Plans to finish book publicity first

BY LINDSAY POPE STAFF WRITER

Afternoon tea and crackers are just as much part of the routine for 93-year-old Margaret Wharton as scheduling book promotions and calling publishers.

The British author has written five books about her life as the wife of an American soldier.

In her latest book, "Seeing through Savernake," Wharton tells about her adventures as a young woman before and during World War II.

"This book is not just a personal history, but a reference to how peo-ple lived their lives in that period," said Karen Izbinski, Wharton's publisher.

When the war broke out, Wharton was in her first year of teaching elementary-age children in the southern English town of Marlborough, in Wiltshire.

She was involved in a government program that required teachers to evacuate children from the larger, more dangerous cities to less dangerous areas.

"Young men were going where they had to go and we were going where we had to go," she said. "It was a madhouse. Kids crying and mothers not wanting to part with them."

It was during these times that Wharton began writing about her experiences.

"If you've seen or done something worthwhile, I think you have she would eventually marry in a right to write it," she said. "It's history.

Wharton believes she witnessed many worthwhile things, and the scenes have stayed vivid in her talent, said Paul Joffrion, her Amazon.com, but Izbinski hopes

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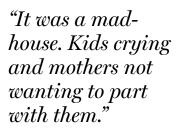
computer monitors that can connect to laptops.

Michalak said she regretted the inevitable decrease in services.

"We want to give students and faculty members the best library assistance that we can, and when budget cuts are made, we can't take as many staff and we can't be as fast and so on," she said.

"To us, that feels very bad."

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MARGARET WHARTON, AUTHOR

memory, she said. Wharton said she remembers standing outside of a miner's cottage in a tiny Welsh town where she had taken the evacuated children when the war was declared. But the fighting didn't start

immediately. "Here we were waiting for war

and nothing happened," she said. "If you're expecting something like that, you want it to happen. You can't spend your life waiting for it when you know it's coming."

The happier times of war have also stayed with Wharton.

She remembers getting to know American soldiers when they first arrived in England during the summer and fall of 1942.

"England is a town where people walk," she said. "Very often all you do is walk and talk and that very often encourages a man to say 'Will you marry me?' and the girls say yes, and there you are."

Wharton walked and talked with the American soldier Savernake Forest, the place that inspired the title of her most recent publication.

Writing is not Wharton's only is currently only available on

ago when we had the same (two-

ticket) system," said Stephen Estes,

But Gwaltney said the number

of tickets delivered actually exceeds

the number of available student

seats because they know a large

would prefer to send out the cor-

rect number of e-mails to tickets."

But because an average of only

about 60 percent of students actu-

ally attend the games, the depart-

"It's gambling," he said. "We

number of students won't come.

a senior political science major.

TICKETS

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DTH/BEN BERR

Margaret Wharton, 93, recalls her experiences as a young woman before and during World War II in her memoir, "Seeing through Savernake."

social worker. Several of her water- to get it into some of the local and color paintings hang in the Health Center at Carolina Meadows where she lives.

The cover of Wharton's new book is a painting of Savernake Forest she did herself.

Excluding the Duke game, "the

percentage of winner e-mails that

showed up last year, just in ACC

games, ranged from a high of 62

percent for Virginia Tech and 60

percent for Georgia Tech to lows

of 18 percent for Florida State and

24 percent for Miami," Gwaltney

games has so far ranged from 78

percent for Virginia Tech to 58 per-

This year, attendance at ACC

Carolina Covenant scholars are

graduating at a higher rate than in

previous years. See pg. 3 for story.

said

ment overbooks the seats.

"Seeing Through Savernake"

Triangle area bookstores. Wharton said she has no plans for another book.

"I'm too old," she said and laughed. "I didn't even expect to write this last one."

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you have no right to complain," said senior psychology and religious studies major Lauren Breedlove.

With only ticket lottery remaining, some seniors expressed worry that their perceived bad luck will continue with the Duke game.

"If I don't get a Duke ticket, I'm going to be mad," Breedlove said. Gwaltney stressed that the number of tickets available to students in the lottery for the Duke game has not changed and will be more than 5.000.

"If you're going to complain Next year, CAA President-Elect Caitlin Goforth said she hopes to about the policy but aren't going to use the ticket or give it away, then increase student attendance and increase the number of tickets available.

"I think the students' dedication this year has shown the ticketing department that we are going to support our basketball team."

Obama against gay marriage ban in NC

BY ELIZABETH JOHNSON STAFF WRITER

Following the introduction of a bill in the N.C. General Assembly that would ban gay marriage in the state, many opponents of the legislation are relieved to hear they at least have President Barack Obama's support.

Republican senators in the state legislature said earlier this week they want to add an amendment to the state constitution that would

But Wednesday, Obama said he believes it is unconstitutional to treat people differently, especially in the case of marriage, based on their sexual orientation.

Department to stop defending the

Reaction from UNC

"For the Carolina community, it gives us a little bit of hope," said Billy Kluttz, the co-president of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Straight Alliance at

after the General Assembly announcement and restores some of our faith in Obama."

Reaction from Democrats

Sen. Ellie Kinnaird, D-Orange, said she's pleased with the presi-

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lower than the (general) election, but hopefully a good percentage of students will come back out and vote and have a stake in next year's administration."

Voting began at midnight and will stop at 10 p.m. Results will be announced in Carroll 111 at 10:30 p.m., said Andrew Phillips, chairman of the Board of Elections. The general election was held Feb. 8, but due to a series of lawsuits, results were announced nine days later at an impromptu meeting in the Pit.

The election results also brought with them a collection of creative write-in votes, including three for candidate Brooklyn Stephens' horse and a second-place tie between UNC basketball player Kendall Marshall and Larry Drew II.

"It speaks to the need for someone like me who has been outside of student government for a year," Cooper said. "People are ready to and received 18 percent of the vote, make fun of (student government) coming in third place.

dent's announcement, calling it a "step in the right direction."

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Though I admire his decision, it will have no impact on the state of North Carolina, because this is a conservative state and the Republicans have just gotten in power for the first time in 100 years," Kinnaird said.

"They have introduced the bill to place such a concept into the constitution, which says that marriage in the state of North Carolina is only between a man and a woman and it will probably pass in the referendum."

Reaction from Republicans

"Traditional marriage is a core value that has strengthened our nation, and it is a value that is protected by federal law," said Sen. Richard Burr, R-N.C., in a statement.

'By ordering the Attorney General to stop defending federal law in court, the president is taking another step towards politicizing the Justice Department."

"It is the president's job to defend the laws of the land or pursue legislation in Congress to change them," Burr said.

The administration is charting an irresponsible course with this decision."

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after former Speaker of Student Congress Deanna Santoro filed a complaint against the board.

She claimed the board misinterpreted the Student Code by allowing Lee to campaign while serving as student body secretary. The complaint resulted in an injunction to delay the release of results.

A dip in voting occurred around p.m., when the Student Supreme Court issued the injunction, before rising slightly later in the day. The complaint was dismissed Feb. 17 when the court ruled Santoro did not file the complaint within the 72-hour statute of limitations. The runoff was announced later that evening.

Former candidate Rick Ingram also went to trial the night before the general election. Cooper and Lee said Ingram's campaign violated election law in a "malicious and harmful manner."

The board voted not to disqualify Ingram due to a lack of evidence. He appeared on the ballot

ban recognition of gay marriage.

And he directed the Justice law in court.

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"It cools us down a little bit



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Mark of the Covenant

The recipient of a prestigious scholarship is a first-generation college student. See pg. 3 for story.

Baseball undefeated

The young baseball team is trying to rebound from a disappointing 2010 season. See pg. 5 for story.

A Womack's work

The chief justice of the student supreme court has had a busy election season. See pg. 7 for story.

Internet entrepreneur

The awkward texts your parents send you have a home, thanks to a UNC graduate. See pg. 9 for story.

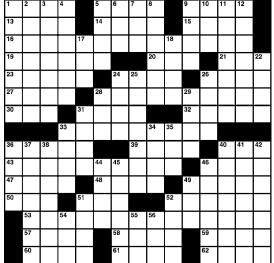


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and make jokes, and that's not the way it's supposed to be at all." The first delay of results came



Ingram said he would not endorse either runoff candidate.

"I'm giving it a lot of thought and I want to do what I think is right," he said. "At this point, I'm not being swayed either way."

Stephens received 14 percent of the vote and said she will also elect not to endorse either candidate.

"I believe students who voted for me should be able to make their own decisions about who they're to vote for," she said.

Two years ago, Jasmin Jones defeated Thomas Edwards in a runoff election for student body president after Edwards won a convincing 41 percent of the votes in a six-candidate general election.

In what the election losers called the "Jasmin Consensus," Jones picked up everyone's endorsement en route to the presidency.

Cooper and Lee both said they are not quite sure what to expect, but are excited nonetheless.

"It's a toss up," Lee said. "We both have great ideas. We've both run really great campaigns."

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COMPLETE A MINOR IN SUMMER SCHOOL

The first summer cohort is being recruited for the Minor in Spanish for the Professions (medical track) in summer 2011.

Twenty students will be accepted into this separate summer program that will not be available to students who are participating in the Academic Year minor program in Spanish for the Professions.

Students must complete all three core courses during the 2011 summer term: SPAN 265 (prerequisite SPAN 204), SPAN 321+293 and SPAN 335.

SPAN 265, "Spanish for the Professions," will be offered in first session, and SPAN 321, "Medical Spanish," (with the accompanying service-learning course SPAN 293) and SPAN 335, "La comunidad hispana," will be offered in second session. Students have the option of taking their allied course in first session.

Students can get a pre-registration form from program director Darcy Lear at lear@email.unc.edu.

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