

CARSON MURDER TRIAL

## Related case may play a role in trial

Information from a separate murder case might be used in court.

By Jeanna Smialek  
City Editor

Jurors who will be selected starting today could be allowed to hear about another case related to the shooting of former student body president Eve Carson as Laurence Alvin Lovette Jr. goes to trial.

Judge Allen Baddour ruled Monday during the first steps of Lovette's trial for Carson's



**Laurence Alvin Lovette Jr.** is also charged in the 2008 slaying of Duke University graduate student Abhijit Mahato. Lovette is charged with murder in both cases.

Information from outside charges is only allowed in court if it adds to arguments about the crime in question because of its marked similarity. Its potential to prove facts also can't be outweighed by how much it will prejudice a jury against the defendant's character.

Karen Bethea-Shields, Lovette's defense attorney, wanted the Mahato information excluded because she said it was both too different and too prejudicial.

But Baddour said Mahato's case was similar enough to be brought up during Lovette's trial and not too biasing to be included in court if it meets trial requirements.

Mahato was a 29-year-old graduate student who was found shot once in the head in his off-campus apartment. Lovette and Stephen Lavance

Oates have been charged in the homicide.

Bethea-Shields said witnesses who have testified for the prosecution about the Mahato murder are of questionable reliability and could bias the jury.

"Every last one of these witnesses has a threshold problem," she said during the motion hearing.

She said some had contradicted their statements, while others made statements under stress or promise of lighter sentences.

Bethea-Shields also said while the charges might have some similarities, they also have significant differences — for example, Mahato was shot once while Carson was shot five times.

But Jim Woodall, district attorney for Orange County, said both killings involved college students shot off-campus for the apparent motive of monetary gain.

"It doesn't have to be bizarrely similar," he said.

Woodall said the cases just need to be tied enough to make a reasonable person think the same person could have been involved in both crimes.

Carson was found dead in an intersection about a mile off campus. Prosecutors say Lovette and Demario James Atwater, who has already been convicted, abducted Carson from her apartment, drove her in her SUV to withdraw cash from her bank account and then killed her.

In both cases, money was withdrawn from the victim's ATM and the victims' cell-phones, iPods and other possessions were stolen, Woodall said.

He said investigators believe Mahato might have been taken in a stolen vehicle to an ATM to withdraw cash, possibly creating another connection.

He said that both cases also demonstrate that the killer had a knowledge of guns, which could tie them.

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## HEADED SOUTH



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To keep upperclassmen on campus, UNC will no longer reserve rooms for freshmen on North Campus.

By Taylor Hartley  
Staff Writer

As if there weren't enough freshmen on South Campus already.

Next year, housing officials will stop reserving space for freshmen on North Campus, pushing 200 to 250 additional freshmen to South Campus in an effort to keep older students from moving off campus.

The move will not forbid freshmen from living on North Campus but represents a substantive change in the University's housing policy.

Officials made the decision after a survey conducted a month ago indicated that more non-freshmen would be inclined to live on campus if North Campus rooms were more readily avail-

able, said Rick Bradley, assistant director of housing assignments and communication.

The University now has 434 empty beds, which cost about \$2.4 million in wasted space, Bradley said.

"We market our spaces to increase demand," he said. "We want to increase occupancy primarily for sophomores and juniors."

The University traditionally reserves space on North Campus for a portion of the freshmen class, Bradley said. About 8,500 students live on campus, and 20 percent of the 3,300 freshmen live on North Campus.

"Because we were holding space for (freshmen), we were probably having upperclassmen moving off campus," Bradley said. "We're hoping that now, more will want to stay on North Campus."

Bradley said 165 of the 434 empty beds are on North Campus. Housing officials hope to fill those spaces with upperclassmen and fill the

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## Town Council finalizes details for food trucks

Trucks would increase employment and dining diversity in Chapel Hill.

By Caroline Watkins  
Staff Writer

The Chapel Hill Town Council finalized on Monday details of a plan, set to be voted on this January, that could allow food trucks in the town.

The council tackled long-standing issues concerning the trucks, including costs of enforcement and methods for making sure sales tax revenue from the trucks stays in the county despite the fact that many are connected to out-of-town establishments.

The town's current Land Use Management Ordinance doesn't accommodate food trucks, with

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Roger Stancil,  
Chapel Hill town manager

the exception of short-term special events, but the proposal would allow them to sell on private property in commercial districts.

Some say introducing food trucks to the town would meet the council's goal of encouraging new businesses and diversifying the town's economy and employment.

"I hope the ordinance passes because it will provide more job opportunities," said UNC sophomore Ajmal Khalid. "We definitely need that in this economy, and it would be good for the town as a whole."

But enforcing new regulations and monitoring the trucks could

cost the town, said Town Manager Roger Stancil.

The council discussed the cost of enforcing the new rules, the increase in police personnel and staff time from the town's planning, inspections and legal departments the measure would necessitate.

"The dilemma is that food trucks are not an 8 to 5, Monday through Friday operation," Stancil said. "If we're going to enforce this, then we need enforcement officers 24 hours a day."

Costs would be covered by the

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## UNC housekeeping reform a slow process

Administrators say they aim to focus on quality of the ongoing housekeeping reform efforts.

By Leda Strong  
Staff Writer

Reform in the housekeeping department is underway, but administrators said they are moving slower than expected, with an eye on quality rather than speed.

Dick Mann, vice chancellor for finance and administration, said it is important to give critical issues the time they need.

"It's going OK, and I'd love to see it go faster, but it doesn't make sense to jam something in if people don't feel they are involved," he said.

Administrators said in October that they would move quickly to accomplish points of reform. But a few key projects have yet to see major progress in the two months since the University released its report on housekeep-

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Brenda Malone,  
Vice chancellor for human resources

ing reform. These projects include the formation of an advisory committee, a management training program and better communication between employees.

Brenda Malone, vice chancellor for human resources, said steps are being taken, but some necessary parts of the process are inevitably taking more time.

"I'm not sure there's ever an end date for reaching a climate of cultural stability," Malone said.

"In essence, we're meeting our target, but these are ongoing things," she said.

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Calvin Coolidge became the first sitting U.S. president to attend a college football game in the South, attending a UNC win over the University of Virginia in Charlottesville.

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Overnight seasonal change.  
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Sunny in November does not make it sundress weather.  
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“They can’t scare me if I scare them first.”  
LADY GAGA



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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## TODAY

**Yoga in the galleries:** Relax, do some yoga and get inspired by the beauty of the Ackland Art Museum. The session is an hour long and incorporates poses inspired by the art in the museum. Yoga mats are provided. Space is limited, so please RSVP at acklandRSVP@unc.edu.  
**Time:** Noon to 1 p.m.  
**Location:** Ackland Art Museum

## WEDNESDAY

**Tolstoy and Russian politics:** Listen to an illustrated talk by author and translator Rosamund Bartlett. Bartlett will discuss why Tolstoy continues to be such a politically explosive figure in Russia today and his specific relationship with Russian politics.  
**Time:** 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**Location:** Dey Hall, Room 305

2518 A-B

**The Milford Project:** Do you love to sing, dance and act? Come to an informational meeting about the Dramatic Department's spring main stage production of "The Milford Project," a musical about a 13-year-old science prodigy who is recruited by the U.S. government to create a superweapon. The meeting will cover preparation for auditions in early December and other ways to get involved in the production.  
**Time:** 8:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Student Union, Room**Men's basketball vs. Wisconsin:** Cheer on the UNC men's basketball team as they face off against Wisconsin for the 13th annual ACC-Big Ten Challenge.  
**Time:** 9:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Smith Center*To make a calendar submission, email calendar@dailytarheel.com. Please include the date of the event in the subject line, and attach a photo if you wish. Events will be published in the newspaper on either the day or the day before they take place.*

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## DAILY DOSE



## It's wabbit season

From staff and wire reports

I was gonna buy a bunny, but I got high. It was gonna be really funny, but I got high. Now I'm going to jail, and I know why — yeah — because I got high, because I got high, because I got high. La da da.

Lawrence University student Theodore Benner, 20, was charged Wednesday with burglary and possession of marijuana after authorities say he stole a pet rabbit from a church day care. Twinkle the rabbit went missing Nov. 13, and was found in Benner's dorm room four days later with a recently purchased cage. Clearly, Elmer Fudd was doing it wrong.

**NOTED.** Today's Noted brings you another solid chapter in the ongoing saga of Man v. Trailer Park.

Maykel Borges, 32, was arrested Monday for attacking trailer park residents with a hatchet after they denied him beer. God bless America.

**QUOTED.** "Today it is very easy, on the Internet and other places, to encounter animals for sexual intercourse."

— Eva Eriksson, Swedish politician. Did you know that in 1944, Sweden decriminalized bestiality? You do now.

## POLICE LOG

● Someone reported a road rage incident at 12:15 a.m. Monday on I-40 Eastbound, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

● Someone vandalized property between 6:20 p.m. and 9:20 p.m. Saturday at 1713 Legion Road, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

There was damage to two flower pots, an art gallery banner, a business sign, the building's front doors and the building's face, reports state.  
The total damage was valued at \$1,104, according to reports.

● Someone was driving while impaired and had a concealed gun at 4:13 a.m. Sunday on Battle Lane, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

● Someone stole a stereo receiver unit from a vehicle at 1:42 p.m. Sunday at 1602 E. Franklin St., according to Chapel Hill police reports.  
The stolen stereo receiver was

valued at \$120, and damage to the vehicle's dashboard trim was valued at \$200, according to reports.

● Someone set leaves on fire around an apartment complex at 106 N. Elliot Road at 1:33 a.m. Saturday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

● Someone stole a box of hair clippers from a Walgreens store at 108 E. Franklin Street at 1:45 a.m. Saturday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.  
The box of hair clippers was valued at \$29.99, reports state.

● Someone keyed a car between 12:00 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. Saturday at 405 Overland Drive, according to Chapel Hill police reports.  
The damage was valued at \$400, reports state.

● Someone was driving while impaired at 2:45 a.m. Thursday at 100 Mulberry St., according to Carrboro police reports.

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# CUAB hosting big names close to LDOC

## Travis Porter, Spike Lee to visit UNC back-to-back as classes end.

By Katherine Proctor  
Assistant Arts Editor

A concert by hip-hop group Travis Porter, hosted by the Carolina Union Activities Board, will be on this semester's last day of classes.

But it's not an LDOC event, said Cierra Hinton, president of CUAB.

"We don't want to call it 'LDOC,' because then you get into

the question of who does LDOC better," she said.

Travis Porter's performance, which is contracted for \$14,000, will be on Dec. 7 — the day after film director Spike Lee will visit campus as a CUAB-sponsored speaker.

Lee is contracted for \$25,000, and student tickets are \$5.

Hinton said that the proximity of the two events was unplanned.

"It just kind of happened that way," she said.

CUAB will sponsor several other events during the last week of classes.

Some of these include a student stand-up comedy show, a

film marathon and a concert by Mandolin Orange and Mipso Trio — which will happen hours before the Travis Porter show and is a rescheduling of the bands' canceled concert in August.

"When you get down to the end of the semester, all of these things start to end up close together," Hinton said.

Marquise Hudson, performing arts chairman for CUAB, said that though two Dec. 7 concerts would seem to imply LDOC-scale planning, their placement was accidental.

The original date for the Travis Porter show was not on the last day of classes but on Dec. 2,

Hudson said.

"It's all a coincidence that we've got so many things happening this week," he said.

He also said that CUAB did not consider moving any of the events to the beginning of next semester in order to maintain the week's variety of events.

CUAB was hesitant to apply an LDOC headline to the Dec. 7 events because it would garner comparisons to Duke's student activities events, Hudson said.

"A lot of students don't realize that even though Duke has these huge events, their budget is about three times ours," he said.

"I mean, they had an \$80,000

*"It's all a coincidence that we've got so many things happening this week."*

**Marquise Hudson,**  
Performing arts chairman for the Carolina Union Activities Board

'Mad Men' party in their library."

Hudson said that as of 5 p.m. Monday, 497 of 600 available tickets for the Travis Porter show had been sold.

Ticket sales would bring in \$9,000 if the show sells out.

CUAB receives one third of student organizations fees, about \$13 per student per year.

Zoey LeTendre, program adviser for CUAB, said the organiza-

tion's budget at the start of the school year was \$364,000.

Hudson said he's wanted to bring Travis Porter to campus since that start.

"I just thought they'd be popular," he said.

"They're a southern rap group, and clearly, we're in the south."

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# SAYING GOODBYE TO SALLY

## Town Council member has her last meeting

By Florence Bryan  
Assistant City Editor

Chapel Hill Town Council member Sally Greene participated in her last council business meeting Monday night.

Greene, who served two consecutive terms on the council, will be remembered for her commitment to historic preservation, homelessness issues and affordable housing, officials said.

Chapel Hill Town Manager Roger Stancil said Greene's educational and professional background — including her law degree and work for UNC's Center for the Study of the American South — made her a valuable council member.

"She had a background in law and in history, and both of those are professions where people ask good questions," he said. "One of the things that I always appreciated was her ability to ask good questions and her insight into aspects of an issue that maybe other people didn't see."

One of Greene's major accomplishments was pushing forward the inclusionary zoning ordinance, which was passed in June 2010.

The ordinance mandates that new residential developments set aside a certain percentage of their units at prices that are affordable for low and moderate-income households.

Mayor Pro Tem Jim Ward said he was impressed with the way Greene considered all perspectives on the ordinance, from developers to low-income residents.

"Coming up with a document that everybody could agree on, that was an extreme challenge," he said. "She hung in there with it, and it took a lot of determination, a lot of time, to do that."

Ward, who has served with Greene during her entire tenure, said he first began working with her on social justice issues, such as the renaming of Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.

Greene also served as the first chairwoman of the Orange County Partnership to End Homelessness, which worked on the county's Ten-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness.

"She started out as someone who was participating and became one of the leaders on the council to help us do a better job of identifying



DTH/KARLA TOWLE

Sally Greene, a Chapel Hill Town Council member, sits at her desk after her final business meeting on Monday night. Greene served the Town Council for two consecutive terms that spanned eight years.

strategies that worked for both the community and homeless individuals," Ward said.

Newly elected council member Lee Storrow said he is impressed by Greene's legacy.

"I don't think anyone will ever fill Sally's shoes," he said. "I'm excited to sort of see what my tenure will look like, but in no way will I ever be able to replace her."

Storrow will be sworn in on Dec. 5 when Greene officially retires from the council.

"It's hard to put into words how it feels after eight years of public service except that it's been an extraordinarily gratifying experience," Greene said.

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# ECU reviews emergency response tactics

## Administrators will change the school's text message alert system software.

By Miranda Murray  
Staff Writer

East Carolina University is learning from its mistakes — one black umbrella at a time.

Administrators at ECU have changed the university's text messaging alert system and said they will continue to evaluate the on-campus response to a lockdown that occurred earlier this month.

On Nov. 16, ECU issued a campus-wide lockdown after police received phone calls about a man with a rifle — which turned out to be a black umbrella.

But ECU students did not receive the initial text message alerts during

the incident, which has prompted the school to modify its software, said Bill Koch, associate vice chancellor for environmental safety.

The original software required someone to select faculty, staff and students separately as recipients. During the Nov. 16 incident, the system's operator mistakenly did not select students for the initial text.

"We're going to put in an 'all' button, so in nearly all cases we'll hit 'all,'" Koch said.

ECU will also have an additional person review the message.

"One person would put the message together in the system, and another would make sure it's done correctly," Koch said.

Several faculty members were also discovered to have left their classrooms during the lockdown.

Koch said the university will speak with those faculty members, and he thinks the incident will spark more

employees to seek more lockdown training.

ECU's emergency management staff routinely conduct self-assessments following incidents.

Koch said he expects a draft report about the response by the end of the week.

"We had a lot of positive feedback about the response—and we're happy about that—but emergency management people are focused on continually improving," Koch said.

School administrators also said this incident has highlighted the new role social media plays in law enforcement.

During the lockdown, several rumors about the supposed gunman's activity were spread through Twitter and Facebook, creating anxiety and confusion for law enforcement and students.

"You can't control it, but we think we can communicate better with our faculty, staff and students," Koch said.

Randy Young, spokesman for the UNC Department of Public Safety, said the department realizes the myriad ways people on campus communicate and works through the same channels, but it has not formally met to discuss the incident at ECU.

Young said University leaders need to use social media to communicate, adding that the department recently started a Twitter account.

"If rumors are spread through social media, then (universities) also need to be a player via social media, allaying fears through the same media," he said.

Mike McFarland, director of University Communications, said UNC-CH's Alert Carolina system also utilizes several media outlets.

"We're trying to use all the technology available to us to put information out in the most effective way," he said.

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# Congress to vote on oversight bill today

## If passed, student organizations would be required to submit an inventory of their purchases.

By Colleen Ni  
Staff Writer

The way Student Congress accounts for its property held by student organizations will be streamlined significantly if a bill presented before the body passes tonight.

The bill would require student organizations to provide an inventory of all items bought with student funds that cost more than \$15 within two weeks of each purchase.

Organizations would be required to provide such inventories before they could request money from Student Congress, said Marc Seelinger, chairman of the oversight committee of Student Congress.

The committee — created in the spring to ensure accountability within student government — passed the bill Nov. 15. One of its purposes is to keep records of financial transactions by student organizations that use student government money.

Sponsors say it will increase accountability for student government property and encourage sharing among student organizations.

"This will just save the students money because if they know we're keeping track of it, they'll take better care of it," said Jared Simmons, chairman of the finance committee.

"We just want to make sure all students are accountable to their peers."

If two-thirds of Student Congress votes to pass the bill Tuesday, the accountability bill will be enacted in time for the next round of appropriations.

"The point of the bill is acknowledging that there are resources to be shared," Speaker of Student Congress Zach De La Rosa said.

There are no specific enforcement mechanisms written into the bill, Seelinger said. But the Student Code does permit the oversight committee to perform random audits, he said.

According to the code, student government owns all items bought with funding appropriated by Student Congress.

Inventories provided by organizations will include the locations and values of the items.

The bill will mostly affect dance groups and other groups that rely on lots of equipment, Simmons said, adding that funding for props and costumes is a problem.

"We cannot afford to buy custom tailored costumes for every show," he said.

"The biggest concern is where to draw the line at what items can be shared," De La Rosa said.

An outfit that is fitted to a particular person can be potentially ruined, or problems could arise when dance groups are performing at the same time, he said.

"The whole idea of trying to share costumes sounds really difficult just because all the compositions are really different," said Blair Ellis, a member of UNC's Carolina Style Dance Company.

Choreographers have a certain vision for the dance that might not come across if the costumes have to be reused, she said.

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## inBRIEF

### CAMPUS BRIEFS

#### Carolina Inn searched last Tuesday after bomb threat

The Carolina Inn received a bomb threat last Tuesday, said Randy Young, spokesman for the department of public safety.

Officials were alerted to the threat after someone called the Inn and reported a bomb on the premises, Young said.

The Department of Public Safety, Chapel Hill Police and the K-9 Unit trained in bomb detection answered to the scene. No one was evacuated from the Inn.

Due to the specificity of the threat, Young said law enforce-

ment quickly determined there was no bomb on the premises.

The identity of the caller was unknown at the time, and the incident is still under investigation.

#### Future US Army surgeon general to receive award

The University's School of Nursing will honor an incoming U.S. Army surgeon general at the alumni awards this week.

Maj. Gen. Patricia Horoho will receive the Alumna of the Year Award for service to the field of nursing, promotion of health care and scholarly efforts.

She will become the 43rd Army surgeon general in December and the first female and non-physician to hold the title.

She will also be promoted to

lieutenant general.

Her current position is the U.S. Army deputy surgeon general and chief of the U.S. Army Nurse Corps.

### SPORTS BRIEFS

#### Eight UNC football players picked for All-ACC teams

The Atlantic Coast Sports Media Association selected freshman tailback Giovani Bernard, senior defensive end Quinton Coples and senior linebacker Zach Brown for first-team All-ACC, according to a University press release.

Senior receiver Dwight Jones, sophomore offensive tackle James Hurst and junior guard Jonathan Cooper were named to the second-team, while freshman kickoff

returner T.J. Thorpe and senior defensive tackle Tydreke Powell earned honorable mention.

### CITY BRIEFS

#### 'Occupy' doctor to discuss health for the 99 percent

Steve Auerbach, a pediatrician, will speak in Chapel Hill and Durham Friday and Saturday about health for the 99 percent.

Dr. Auerbach helped organize the activist group "Healthcare for the 99 percent" as part of the Occupy Wall Street in New York. He is also a leader of Physicians for National Health Program.

Auerbach will talk about how extreme economic and social inequalities affect health. He will

also touch on the affects of private insurance companies on the nation's health and economy.

The doctor will also discuss how he thinks a single-payer health system is a key remedy to these problems.

He will also participate in local Occupy activities.

Photo opportunities will be available before, during and after the doctor's talks, which will take place on campus from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Friday. The event will be followed by a 5 p.m. walk to Occupy Chapel Hill and teach-in at Peace and Justice Plaza.

Auerbach's speech will take place at Alumni Hall, Room 207.

#### County holds general fund application info session

Outside agencies and other

non-profits can apply for general fund appropriations to support community services each year, and on Thursday Orange County will hold an overview and orientation session to inform those interested about the process.

The session will take place at the Century Center at 100 N. Greensboro St. in Carrboro starting at 3:30 p.m.

According to a press release, the county recognizes that outside non-profits provide a network of services and help to secure a social safety net for individuals and families who are struggling in the current economic climate.

The county encourages such organizations to submit applications for an appropriation.

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# UNC surgeons give baby life-changing operations

By Katie Quine  
Staff Writer

A baby born with multiple rare physical deformities will receive the first in a series of life-altering operations today, courtesy of a team of UNC Hospital surgeons.

Adam Paulraj, born in India, was abandoned at birth. He has Bartsocas-Papas Syndrome, which has left him with a partially developed nose and eyelids and fused hands, feet and legs, among other deformities, said UNC Hospitals plastic surgeon John van Aalst.

The extremely rare condition has only 24 documented cases worldwide, van Aalst said.

"Adam is literally a one-in-a-billion kid," van Aalst said.

"A lot of these children die in utero or early after birth, but the amazing thing about Adam is that he survived. And now he's two-and-a-half-months old, so that puts him in an even rarer category,"

Jessica Paulraj, Adam's adop-

tive mother, said his quality of life is likely to improve significantly after today's surgery, even when it did not always seem to be the case.

"At one point, we thought we were just going to be doing palliative care for Adam," Paulraj said.

"We didn't know any sort of medical intervention was possible."

Hope for the Paulraj family came in the form of online donations from around the world, paying for the surgery in full, said Stephanie Crayton, spokeswoman for UNC Hospitals.

Within six days, the \$100,000 needed for the operation was collected.

"I just fell to my knees in absolute amazement and praise," Paulraj said.

The money will go toward correcting some of Adam's most urgent needs.

His eyelids will be reconstructed with the hope of preventing future blindness. He is also to receive a new feeding tube directly connected to his stomach, van

Aalst said.

Adam will also undergo both a colostomy and cystoscopy to correct the bowel and urinary problems that left him with a serious blood infection last week, he said.

While nervous about the surgery, Adam's parents said they look forward to being better able to feed their son through the gastric feeding tube and to Adam being able to sleep better at night with his new eyelids.

"Learning how to manage different things will definitely be a challenge. But we've been able to learn so much, and God has sort of carried us faithfully thus far," Paulraj said.

Van Aalst said he is hopeful and believes the baby might even be able to walk one day.

"It is difficult to say how well he is going to do, but if you can judge how well a person does by how much he is loved, then Adam is going to do great," van Aalst said.

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## HOUSEKEEPING

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One initiative that only recently kicked off was the formation of an advisory committee, which aims to provide representation of housekeepers to management.

"We want to engage the advisory committee to help us with initiatives we think could be enhanced with input from employees," Malone said.

Members of the housekeeping department will vote on nominees this week, Malone said.

James Holman, a housekeeper and employee forum delegate, said he is pleased with progress and has seen slight change.

But he said he is worried about the permanence of the initiatives.

"I am concerned about things going back to the way they were before," he said.

"We have to see what comes out of this advisory committee, which hasn't started meeting yet."

Another initiative is the supervisory development program, a University-wide initiative that will start in the housekeeping department, Malone said.

The program centers on training for appropriate management techniques.

Malone said having employees that speak different languages — namely Spanish, Karen and Burmese — is an ongoing challenge.

"We want to make sure we are sensitive to it and address it appropriately," she said.

"Sometimes it makes things

## STORY SO FAR: HOUSEKEEPING CHANGES

- September 2010
- At a meeting of the Employee Forum, University housekeepers protest a new policy that bans sitting down on the job. Complaints began in July 2010 after eight employees received disciplinary action for resting on the job.
- March 2011
- University policy is changed to include bullying and intimidation as grounds for employees to submit a complaint. An increase in the number of complaints submitted to UNC's human resources department followed the policy change.
- UNC hires PRM Consulting Firm to examine complaints about workers' rights being ignored by management and sexual assault allegations within the department.
- April 2011
- Housekeeper Amanda Hulon

take a little longer, because there are not a lot of folks in our community who can provide translation services."

The search for a new housekeeping director has also begun, and a search committee has been formed, Malone said.

Mann, who leaves office Dec. 1, said the reform faces deeper challenges than checking items off a list.

"Getting people more comfortable is going to take some time, because people have to believe things are changing, and that is something that takes time," Mann said.

"Really change the environment — that's what we want to do."

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## FOOD TRUCKS

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food trucks' zoning permit application fee, which the current draft sets at \$118. But some council members are worried that won't be enough to defray expenses.

The council also discussed the problem of retaining tax revenue.

"I know there's been concern about taxes, but I faithfully pay my annual sales tax, as do all the other food truck vendors that I know," said Jody Argote, owner of Parlez-Vous Crepe in Carrboro.

But business owners said that even if food truck owners pay, taxes might go to other counties where they are headquartered.

Some restaurant owners also worry the trucks could pose new competition for their businesses.

"There aren't any wedding cake trucks or dessert trucks that can be parked near my business, so we won't be significantly hurt," said Katrina Ryan, owner of Sugarland.

"But it's a bit of a slap in the face to those of us who are supposed to be partners in this economy."

The draft proposes ways to decrease competition between trucks and permanent shops.

Those include keeping the trucks at least 100 feet away from restaurant entrances and not allowing them to offer seating.

Differences between the food and dining experiences trucks and restaurants offer were also cited as reasons the two won't compete.

"I feel like those are two very different styles of eating," said sophomore Shannen Box. "If I want a hot dog and it's right there, then I'll go for a food truck. But if I have intent to go to a sit-down restaurant, then I won't change my mind."

Council member Donna Bell said the food trucks bring variety and innovation to Chapel Hill.

"They are spaces for us to have new food experiences. They don't have to complete a full menu, they can really specialize in one particular thing."

Some residents have also voiced concern about sanitation. Under the proposal, the trucks will be required to obtain a permit from the county health department before being allowed to sell in Chapel Hill.

Food trucks are already permitted in Carrboro, Durham, Raleigh and Hillsborough.

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## SOUTH CAMPUS

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additional 208 beds on South Campus with freshmen.

Freshmen who participate in living-learning communities or the honors program will still be able to live on North Campus, Bradley said. Disabled students will also be able to live on North Campus according to their needs.

Some of the move's rationale relates to the freshmen class dynamic, officials said.

"We encourage (freshmen) to live on South Campus because that's where most of their class is housed," said Larry Hicks, director of housing and residential education.

Encouraging freshmen to live on one side of the campus is similar to Duke University's housing policy, which requires freshmen to live on East Campus.

"The class identity for students is much higher because they share experiences like bus routes and dining rooms," said Joe Gonzalez, associate dean of housing services at Duke, where students are required to live on campus until the end of their junior year.

Some UNC freshmen who

live on South Campus said it has enhanced their experience.

South Campus residence halls include Morrison, Ehringhaus, Craigie, Hinton James, Koury, Hardin, Horton, and Craigie North.

"I like living on South Campus, because I know everyone's in the same boat as me," said freshman Kelly Pope.

"If I lived on North Campus, it would be overwhelming because I'd be surrounded by upperclassmen who knew what they were doing."

Nestor Ramirez, a UNC senior and admissions ambassador, said the move could have negative impacts on the way the admissions office markets the University.

"It will seem like freshmen are being confined to one space," he said.

And some upperclassmen said the change in policy might not affect their decision to move off campus.

"I cook a lot, so I wanted my own kitchen, and I wanted my own room," junior Maria Marshall said.


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## Egyptians vote for first time since ouster of Mubarak

CAIRO (MCT) — Defying predictions of violence and chaos, Egyptians flooded polling stations Monday to cast ballots in the first elections since the ouster of President Hosni Mubarak.

Polls were slow to open in several districts because judges were late or ballots hadn't arrived, but overall, voting unfolded smoothly and Egyptians said they didn't mind the hours-long wait because, for the first time, they felt their vote would be counted.

After a particularly fitful month that included a weeklong, deadly battle between security forces and anti-military protesters, it was uncertain right up until the eve of elections whether the polls would go on.

The Muslim Brotherhood was the council's primary backer in keeping elections on schedule, to the ire of liberal parties who would have needed the

Islamists' backing to force out the entrenched generals. But nothing would keep the group from its moment, and much of the voting Monday looked like "a Brotherhood coming-out party," the Islamist expert Shadi Hamid, now in Cairo, wrote on Twitter.

## Romney faces challenges from both the left and right

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MCT)

— Should Mitt Romney survive the Newtown Surge and fend off any other challenges from his rivals for the GOP nomination, a preview of what awaits him in the general election can be found in a new television ad crafted by the Democratic National Committee.

The ad points viewers to a website MittvMitt.com, which features a video that highlights what the DNC says is Romney's flip-flops on abortion, the economic stimulus package, health care, global warming, assault weapons,

and even the legacy of Ronald Reagan.

Romney, of course, has other, more immediate concerns beyond the Democratic Party. The endorsement of Newt Gingrich on Sunday by the influential Union Leader newspaper in New Hampshire holds the potential of undermining Romney's support in a state that weeks ago appeared to be certain to go his way.

## Eurozone pacts, Black Friday sales boost U.S. stocks

NEW YORK (MCT) — U.S. stocks leapt Monday, posting their best day in at least a month, as Wall Street embraced moves by European leaders to join euro-area members in a fiscal union and on evidence U.S. holiday sales got off to a record start.

But Spar cautioned against jumping the gun. "Rome wasn't built in a day, but the Italian bond market can take it down in just a few sessions," he said.



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»» Carolina Ahumada and her daughter Nicole Gonzalez (left) carry their giant bags from the Disney Store along with other shoppers who flocked to South Coast Plaza in Costa Mesa, Calif., for Black Friday specials.

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# Don't Scrooge over the planet

Turning green for the holiday season shouldn't make anyone feel like a Grinch. It might actually be the best present you can give to planet Earth. But it's not easy. Between Thanksgiving and New Years, Americans increase their electricity consumption by a whopping 27 percent, creating an environmental Nightmare Before Christmas. With a little extra effort, however, your holiday season can be as green as your Christmas tree. Contrary to popular belief, it's actually better to have a live tree than a fake fir. Plastic trees are made of non-biodegradable petroleum plastic (PVC) and require even more fuel to be manufactured. Though they supposedly last forever, they tend to be discarded in landfills after just a few years due to diminished attractiveness. The shipping also has to be counted: about 85 percent are from China. Live trees, on the other hand, are generally grown on special tree farms in order to be harvested, so cutting them down doesn't cause harm. While alive, they improve air quality. And last year, 93 percent were recycled into mulch. There are more than 4,000 "treecycling" centers in the U.S., and recycling your tree after the season greatly reduces its impact. The lights decorating that tree (and the whole house) also can add an exorbitant amount to your energy bill. For those who don't want to become the neighborhood Scrooge, just unplugging lights during the day saves energy. That goes for Menorahs, electric candles and any other twinkling decorations. Going a step further, LED lights are 90 percent more efficient than traditional lights. A Department of Energy study showed that if everyone replaced conventional holiday lights with LEDs, it would save at least 2 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity in a month, enough to power 200,000 homes for a year. Now to what's obviously the best part of the holidays: the presents. All those gifts on your wish lists may be lumps of coal for the environment. The shipping alone takes its toll, as many of the gadgets awaiting you are produced in China or Japan. Wrapping paper is another undercover danger. Americans throw away 1 million extra tons of garbage each week between Thanksgiving and New Years Day, including holiday wrapping and packaging. All that snowflake-printed paper adds up to 25 percent more trash than usual. This year, limit that figure by using newspapers or recycled bags instead of gift wrapping. Instead of buying expensive holiday cards, just write a note directly on the paper. Gift wrapping can be reused also; just don't rip the paper, and it can be used next year. The actual gift must also be examined. Electronics have been popular in recent years, adding to energy costs for the entire duration of the gift's use. The EPA recommends Energy Star labeled products. They come on entertainment gadgets like TVs, as well as office supplies and other popular holiday gifts. This label guarantees that the product uses 25 percent less energy than standard models. These steps are a great way to save money, find useful and fun presents — and ultimately give a gift to the whole planet.

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11/30: Columnist Benjamin Elkind writes on the Jewish National Fund and its dirty politics of late.

EDITORIAL CARTOON By Drew Sheneman, The Star-Ledger (Newark, N.J.)



## EDITORIAL Housing goes south

### The new housing policy is unlikely to result in desired changes.

Living on North Campus is about to get a lot harder for incoming freshmen thanks to changes in UNC's housing assignment policy, which are designed to attract more upperclassmen to on-campus living and enhance the freshman experience. But, in effect, these changes have only injected additional confusion into the housing process and hold little promise of addressing many of the key reasons students move off campus. Starting next year, the Department of Housing and Residential Education will make nearly all rooms on North Campus, excluding Granville Towers, available to sophomores and upperclassmen during the first-rounds of room reservations. While this will not stop freshmen from living on North Campus, it will likely force between 200 and 250 freshmen into South

Campus residence halls. Since housing has 400 empty beds that it is currently unable to fill, the department is looking for ways to make living on campus more attractive to upperclassmen. Their answer: kick freshmen down south. Incoming students wishing to live on North Campus will likely need to be in the honors program, which reserves 50 North Campus spaces for its students each year. Otherwise, freshmen will have to be willing to live in one of the North Campus Living Learning Communities to secure a non-South Campus assignment. This change will hopefully help the housing department fill many of the 264 vacancies it currently has on South Campus. This large vacancy comes despite a recent change making on-campus living compulsory for all freshmen. Currently, up to 20 percent of North Campus rooms are held for incoming freshmen students. But survey data collected before Thanksgiving break suggests that many

students leave for off-campus housing because of a lack of available rooms on North Campus. While North Campus is likely a more attractive location for many upperclassmen, it is unclear if this change will be enough to woo them to stay on campus, particularly given the amenities offered off campus like personal kitchens, laundry machines and parking. To address South Campus vacancies, the housing department would be better off educating incoming students on the preferable social dynamic that exists there. While these changes would likely have caused little controversy, a botched announcement on the housing website has caused widespread student concern that South Campus will become exclusive to freshmen. Housing will need to do a better job educating students on these changes before registration time. Otherwise, the department may run the risk of having even more vacancies in years to come.

## EDITORIAL The 'predatory' problem

### A towing ordinance isn't the answer to the town's parking issues.

If the Town of Chapel Hill wishes to insist that local towing practices are overly aggressive or even "predatory," it must allocate the blame appropriately — on itself. Thus far, however, the Town Council has convinced itself that private towers and parking lot owners are primarily at fault, responding to complaints about their unfair practices with proposals to require clearer signage and an opportunity to pay with credit and debit cards. Reasonable though these proposals may be, they are merely stopgap measures for addressing a problem the town created that needs fixing — the severe lack of parking downtown. The proposed ordinance, drafted in response to a noticeable uptick in complaints this year, addresses well-founded concerns with towing companies. In addition to signage and credit card requirements, it would expand the \$100 downtown cap on fees to the

rest of the town, a measure that stands to rid the towing process of confusion and the seemingly arbitrary judgment of determining which streets and properties can be considered "downtown." There's even talk of imposing a grace period, monitored through existing security cameras, that would allow visitors to park and run a quick errand without the fear of having their car towed away by the many trucks hovering around downtown. These measures are the low-hanging fruits, the small steps toward making Chapel Hill a more inviting and, therefore, business-friendly town. But they can't distract from the overriding problem: a lack of parking that has pushed visitors into the lots of businesses they aren't patronizing. This problem was only exacerbated by town officials when they closed down Lot 5, a public lot the corner of Franklin and Church streets, earlier this year to make way for construction of 140 West — but without doing enough to provide or advertise new parking options. These options included one

lot with 48 spaces between the Courtyard and Lantern restaurant, and another with 57 spaces on Basnight Lane. But whether because of their inconvenience or poor advertising, these spots have failed to make up for what was lost with Lot 5's demise. The complaints that have trickled into the town show that local businesses have paid the price of this problem, creating demand for stricter towing practices. This demand presents a paradox, as council member Gene Pease has noted that harsh towing practices creating an uninviting atmosphere that means "bad business" for Chapel Hill. While there's clearly room for sympathy in local towing practices, targeting towers and the businesses that retain their services is not the answer to the town's parking woes. As the town formulates its Comprehensive Plan and considers further development like 140 West, it would be wise to ensure that the parking scarcity isn't exacerbated. And rather than assign blame, it must take the responsibility it deserves for fixing this problem.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"If I lived on North Campus, it would be overwhelming because I'd be surrounded by upperclassmen who knew what they were doing."

Kelly Pope, freshman

FEATURED ONLINE READER COMMENT

"Politics again, as the gutless bastards dare call it a Christmas tree — that is what it is and that is what it celebrates. Get used to it, and leave the politics out of it."

Sven Goli, on Chapel Hill's Community Tree Lighting Ceremony Sunday night

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tuition dialogue should utilize student proposal

TO THE EDITOR:  
As part of the Strike the Hikes campaign, I attended two public meetings on tuition and fees. I expected the committee to pass Provost Bruce Carney's proposed tuition hike, but one thing puzzled me about our 'dialogue.' Why do they keep asking students to provide proposals? This seems like a reasonable request, but it is only a distraction, a delay tactic.  
Mary Cooper presented a proposal — a 6.4 percent tuition increase per year plus 5 percent extra for first-years — and every non-student member of the tuition and fee advisory task force voted against it. They claim that they did not have enough time. Why, then, should we waste our time with a written proposal, two days and two meetings later? To be disregarded like Mary Cooper?  
Some may criticize our use of the 'mic check' tactic to disrupt the Nov. 16 meeting after the decision to adopt the proposal was declared unanimously. I believe it was necessary. It was the first time those determining the price of our public education were forced to hear the students.  
Tuition is not just a price — it is a decision about the composition of our student body. In 1999, in-state tuition and fees were approximately 6 percent of the median family income in North Carolina. In 2009, it was 13 percent. With an in-state tuition increase of \$2,800 over five years and a still-sagging economy, that percentage will skyrocket. Do you know someone who won't be coming back next year?  
Lucas Sherry  
Graduate Student  
Sociology

Pell grants, my father would likely have turned out like his brothers.  
When the board decided on tuition increases, they should have kept people like my father in mind.  
South Moore  
Freshman  
Political Science, History

Diabetes is not always caused by a poor diet

TO THE EDITOR:  
While I agree with the overall sentiment expressed by Andrew Moon in his article on the failure of public school lunch reform, I am compelled to protest the disservice he renders to diabetics, and public knowledge of this disease. Moon refers to diabetes three times in a column about unhealthy diets. This contributes to the misperception that diabetes is always caused by poor nutrition. While type 2 diabetes is often caused in part by lifestyle, there is always a genetic factor involved. Moreover, type 1, or insulin dependent diabetes, is never caused by lifestyle and results from a combination of genetics and environmental triggers which cause an autoimmune response.  
As a student of public health, Moon should be aware of how his invocation of a disease can further misunderstandings. I have had type 1 diabetes for 18 years, and I struggle in a very real way against the myths about "diabetes": that it was my fault, that it could have been prevented with better dietary choices, that diabetics are lazy and fat. While Moon could have realistically pointed to type 2 diabetes as a potential side effect of the poor nutrition in school lunches, it was irresponsible of him to invoke "diabetes" in this article, adding to the conflation of all varieties of this disease, and furthering public misunderstanding of the condition in general.  
Anndal Narayanan  
Graduate Student  
History

Affordable education will improve society

TO THE EDITOR:  
One of the many debates that arose from the issue of tuition increase is whether or not quality education is a right. I don't claim to have the answer to that question. However, I can unequivocally say that making quality higher education affordable to everyone will only improve society.  
My father is a perfect example of how making higher education affordable can improve society. He grew up incredibly poor. He spent his early adolescence in an orphanage because his mother could not afford to support him and his six siblings. My dad's brothers dropped out of high school because, even if they could get in to college, they could not pay for it.  
My father was fortunate to escape the poverty he grew up in. After initially dropping out of high school, my dad got his GED and was admitted to a university. More importantly, my dad received Pell grants, which enabled him to afford college. Today, my dad is a university provost who pays taxes and is actively involved in bettering his community. Without

Save Chapel Hill's Human Rights Center

TO THE EDITOR:  
The Human Rights Center (HRC) at Abbey Court has become part of student culture. Several Campus Y groups have programs there, including LINC, Technology without Borders, Community Empowerment Fund and Advocates for Human Rights. Nearly all of my students in SOCI 273 have service learning responsibilities at Abbey Court. Inexplicably, the managing company of Abbey Court wants to shut us down. We want to stay until the end of the spring term so that we can find new space. We thank you for your support by signing our petition at <http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/the-human-rights-center/>  
Judith Blau  
Professor  
Sociology

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