

The dog who's changing the game



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REMINGTON is a member of the North Carolina baseball team this season. As the service facility dog, he aids the players with physical therapy and also carries out the game ball. He is a very good boy.

Meet the UNC baseball team's dog, the only facility therapy dog in the ACC

By Nicola Mclrvine
Senior Writer

It's the best day ever, every day.
That's how Terri Jo Rucinski, staff athletic trainer for UNC baseball, feels when REMINGTON, the baseball team's golden retriever, is around.

REMINGTON is no ordinary dog. Not only does he spell his name in all caps, but he responds to over 100 commands. He's able to open refrigerators and read words.
That's only the start of his talent.
According to Rucinski, REMINGTON is the only service facility dog in the ACC, and is one of

a handful in the country.
It is something that won't be seen at other schools' games. In the sea of Carolina blue baseball uniforms and in the dusty dugout, a handsome helper is always there to give players water or pick up a ball, his full, fluffy tail dancing in the air as he trots.

Rucinski, who is also the clinical coordinator for the physical therapy clinic at Campus Health, said that REMINGTON has been by the side of injured players every step of the way.
"We've had some kids who have had surgery this year, and they seem to have turned the corner quickly

emotionally, which hadn't really happened in the past," she said. "I like to think he had something to do with that."
Dr. Jeni Shannon, a sport psychologist for the UNC Athletic Department, works with athletes

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Week to honor women in field of technology

The week was started by a UNC computer science student.

By Gloria Ge
Staff Writer

Frustrated by male-dominated tech culture, junior computer science major Kaylee Llewellyn started Women in Tech Week, which is hosting events on campus through Friday.
She said she wants to raise awareness that women are underrepresented in many tech industries and show how people at UNC can make a difference.
"I think the biggest goal would just be to start a conversation and hopefully people that felt like they didn't really

have an idea of what they could do to change this gender gap walk away from this week with some concrete examples of things that they can do to be more supportive of women in tech in general," Llewellyn said.
Gina Rozier, external relations manager of the Department of Computer Science, helped Llewellyn start the week.
"When Kaylee came up the idea, I think she had originally figured we would do a day ..."
Rozier said. "And when she said she wanted it to be big — and she did, she said she wanted it to be big — so then we needed it to be an amount of time ... so we thought, 'Why don't we make multiple events throughout the week.'"
Rozier said they advertised for the week mainly through social media and through fliers.

ers. She said they garnered a lot of student participation.
Second-year graduate student in the Department of Computer Science, Tanya Amert, said she's always loved to play with computers.
"I really like visual things, so being able to describe, say, an image or scene really simply and visualize that, or even simplify daily tasks, like math homework or keeping track of what I wanna do today — any of that I do with technology," Amert said.
She said she thinks women in the tech industry face hurdles and is glad there is an opportunity to have a conversation about the issue.
Computer science professor Mike Reiter, who helped organize the Women in Tech Week, said the lack of women in the field is important to address.

"I think it hurts the field a lot and I think obviously, you know, there are a lot of job opportunities in this field so I think it's important that women have these opportunities as well," he said. "So I think the Women in Tech Week is one of many ways we can try to bring attention to this issue."
Reiter said it is a win-win to hold events like Women in Tech Week, because it benefits women and the field in general.
Computer science professor Diane Pozefsky said one thing that can help increase women representation in the field is to encourage women to consider technology in the first place.
"We have a lot of different efforts, one of them is introducing them to computers and technologies through different paths ... if you get people



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The computer science department holds a Women in Tech Discussion Panel as part of the Women in Tech Week.

excited about what they can do, before they start working on what they do, if you can show them they can do things to help other people or they can make a difference in certain areas,

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NCAA deadline nears with HB2 deal in works

The NCAA set the deadline for today for North Carolina.

By Kylie Marshall
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With hours left before the NCAA pulled years of championships from North Carolina, leaders in Raleigh approached compromise.
In a press conference late Wednesday, N.C. Senate President Pro Tempore Phil Berger, R-Rockingham, and House Speaker Tim Moore, R-Cleveland, said a House Bill 2 deal with Gov. Roy Cooper is in the works.

The General Assembly will consider the bill this morning starting at 9:15 a.m.
In a statement released late Wednesday night, Cooper said he supported the new repeal compromise.
"It's not a perfect deal, but it repeals House Bill 2 and begins to repair our reputation," Cooper said in the statement.
The bill would repeal HB2, but would enact a temporary moratorium on local ordinances similar to Charlotte's non-discrimination act until Dec. 1, 2020.
"Compromise requires give and take from all sides, and we are pleased this proposal fully protects bathroom safety and privacy,"

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CUAB to host watch party after Jubilee

2 Chainz will end at 9 p.m. so students can attend both events.

By Sarah Vassello
Swerve Director

A Final Four watch party will immediately follow the 2 Chainz Jubilee concert, which is scheduled to run from 8 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, the Carolina Union Activities Board announced Wednesday.
The doors for Jubilee will open at 7 p.m. and 2 Chainz will take the stage at 8 p.m. The show will end at 9 p.m., after which CUAB will encour-

age students to congregate at Hooker Fields. The Final Four game starts at about 8:50 p.m. and will be screened on a jumbo LED screen on Hooker Fields, according to a press release from CUAB.
Since UNC reached the Final Four, the Jubilee Facebook event has been filled with students trying to sell their tickets.
"I think when we realized that we advanced to the Final Four, we obviously realized there was a conflict with the timing, or so it seemed," said Ami Patel, CUAB vice president of programming. "I think students selling tickets definitely encouraged us to find a compromise."

The release said the show cannot start earlier due to insufficient staffing.
CUAB said the 2 Chainz team has been very accommodating.
"They understand that basketball is a big, important thing to this school and that advancing to this game is important to the students as well as 2 Chainz coming to campus," Patel said.
And southern hospitality has been extended to 2 Chainz as well.
"We've presented the idea," CUAB vice president of external affairs Jessie Beach said about 2 Chainz attending the Final Four

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Student organizations strive for sustainability

By Aaron Whittemore
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Ofentimes, political leaders and the policy decisions they make are viewed as the ultimate sources of environmental protection. In reality though, the public often holds the true power in creating change. One example of this is food sustainability, which combats many environmental issues like climate change, pollution and land degradation. EcoReps is a UNC student-led organization that deals with food sustainability. The organization focuses on educating students, said EcoReps co-chairperson Kathia Toledo, a senior environmental studies and geography major. “We’re mainly educators,” she said. “We try to host events around campus that have to do with general sustainability practices, especially in regards to behavioral stuff, like how people can change their behavior to be more sustainable.” Emily Hightower, a junior biology and economics major and the other co-chairperson of EcoReps, suggested that buying organic and local foods and eating in season are simple ways of becoming more sustainable. Although tight budgets can present a barrier to being sustainable, she emphasized that doing whatever you can always helps. “If you can’t afford to buy organic produce, consider going to a local farmers market, or if you can’t afford to buy locally, consider just buying vegetables that are in season,” she said. Another organization promoting food sustainability on campus is Carolina Dining Services, which obtains 16 percent of its food from sources within 250 miles of campus. John Florin, an associate professor emeritus in the geography department whose work has dealt with food and agriculture, is impressed by the strides CDS has taken in recent years to become more sustainable. “Frankly, I don’t see how they are able to achieve even as much as they do achieve because of the limitations,” he said. Many of these limitations stem from broad issues involved with the agricultural production and distribution system in the U.S., but students also directly impact the dining hall’s ability to be sustainable, Florin said. “It’s really a two part thing — one part is what Lenoir decides to do, but the other part is what the consumer decides to do,” he said. “There has to be both a demand and an expression of that demand from students before it can happen.” Creating change in food sustainability is not simply up to those in power positions — it starts with the public. Often this change is not complicated or challenging. “It’s very simple to be sustainable,” Hightower said. “People think it’s a major life change, but just carrying around a reusable water bottle is something you can do to reduce waste and conserve water.” With an expanding group of organizations in addition to EcoReps involved in food sustainability and availability at UNC — such as FLO Food, Edible Campus, Tar Heel TABLE and more — students have access to many resources that help create a more sustainable university and community. Getting involved or simply changing unsustainable habits can have a real, immediate impact without relying on those in power. Florin is especially optimistic in regard to the change the public can create in food sustainability. “I believe that we’re really just scratching the surface,” he said.

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- Someone committed damage to property on the 100 block of East Franklin Street at 3:30 a.m. Wednesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports. The person damaged the victim’s car after an argument, causing \$2,500 in damage, reports state.
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Bill could gradually raise smoking age

The bill would not affect current 18-year-olds

By Jordyn Connell
Staff Writer

A new bill in the N.C. General Assembly might raise the minimum age to buy or receive tobacco products in the state from 18 to 21 — whether they be vapor products, cigarettes or other related products.

The bill, proposed last Wednesday by a group of four Republican legislators in the N.C. House of Representatives, would raise the legal minimum age to purchase and possess tobacco products by three years, through it would grandfather in people who are currently 18 years old.

Morgan Wittman Gramann is the executive director of the North Carolina Alliance for Health, an independent coalition that advocates for wellness and the prevention of obesity and tobacco use. She said in an email that she supports the bill.

“Tobacco use remains the leading cause of preventable death in the United States and North Carolina,” Gramann said.

Nearly 80 percent of adult smokers begin smoking by the age of 18, Gramann said, and adolescents are especially vulnerable to nicotine addictions.

“Raising the minimum legal sale age of tobacco to 21 has the potential to significantly reduce the number of adolescents and young adults who start smoking,” she said.

Bills raising the minimum legal sale age of tobacco are being adopted in states across the United States and are extremely popular, Gramann said.

“With broad support among men and women and people of all education, income, races and age groups, it is very possible that this legislation will gain traction in North Carolina,” she said.

Gramann said there are some concerns with the bill, including the bill’s lack of funding for the enforcement of the tobacco use policy. The bill also allows for exemptions for full-time active military service.

Since funding is required to adequately enforce new regulations, she said she doesn’t believe the bill would be very effective.

Under the bill, purchasing or selling tobacco products, including cigarette wrapping papers, would be classified as a class 2 misdemeanor.

Many proponents of the legislation are current adult smokers, Gramann said.

A Senate companion bill is in the works that would reinstate North Carolina’s award-winning teen tobacco use prevention programs to prevent young people from ever becoming smokers, she said.

Michael Walden, an economics professor at N.C. State University, said legislators intend for the bill to reduce smoking at a young age by preventing adolescents from accessing tobacco products.

“There’s a perspective that smoking is a detriment to people’s long-term health, and if policies can be put in place to reduce smoking at an early age, that may lead to less smoking,” he said.

Despite the importance of tobacco to North Carolina’s economy in decades past, Walden doesn’t believe this policy would have much of an effect.

“Tobacco, as an economic component of the state economy, has significantly receded in recent decades,” he said.

Walden said the bill could likely pass.

“Tobacco is not what it used to be, and there are other competing industries,” Walden said.



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Students smoke and converse in the area around the flagpole in the middle of Polk Place.

North Carolina’s state economy is now largely driven by industries like technology, pharmaceuticals, medical care and instrument manufacturing, Walden said — leaving the tobacco industry behind.

John Biondi, a 20-year-old student at UNC, said he started smoking habitually when he was 18.

“I don’t think in principle (the bill is) a bad idea,” he said.

For Biondi, the age difference between current law and the proposal doesn’t matter very much — since he’d been smoking before he turned 18 anyway.

“Maybe it’s a bad decision, but I feel like an 18-year-old can decide that,” he said. “I think someone who’s going to smoke isn’t going to change their mind when they’re 21.”

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No varsity football for East Chapel Hill High

There will only be a junior varsity team at East Chapel Hill High School in the fall.

By Gregory Hall
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Local high schools have recently experienced a lack of student interest in football programs

The interest is so low for East Chapel Hill High School that they will not have a varsity football program in 2017. Instead, they will only have a junior varsity team.

“The decision came about because we’ve been doing the same thing the last three or four years, our numbers aren’t climbing and we’re not keeping kids consistently, so we have young guys coming from middle school jumping straight to the varsity level competing against guys who have had a chance to develop and going on to play in college potentially, so skill levels are not equal,” said Ryan Johnson, head coach of East Chapel Hill.

Johnson has coached at East for four years and has been a football coach for 12 years. He said over his coaching career he has noticed fewer and fewer players coming out, which he said is in part due to recent concussion studies.

Mujahid Turner is a senior at East Chapel Hill, and has played football for the Wildcats all four years.

“The lack of interest is basically stemming from that the players we’ve been trying to recruit have been freshmen and sophomores, so playing freshmen and sophomores in that situation they end up playing like grown men that are going to the next level playing in college,” Turner said. “Putting them in that situation, they don’t really want to play, so they find other sports to play and that ultimately turns out to be the downfall for our team.”

For Chapel Hill High School, the interest began declining three years ago with the 2014 season. Issac Marsh, head coach of the Chapel Hill Tigers, has been coaching there for 19 years.

“I think the scare of concussions along with the growing interest in other sports that have become popular over the last recent years is part of it,” Marsh said.

However, Marsh said he doesn’t think the popularity of basketball in Chapel Hill is a cause of the declining interest.

“We have always had basketball and Chapel Hill has always been a basketball town, so I don’t see the success of basketball affecting football,” he said, “I just think it’s a growing change in the culture that we’re facing and we just have to

get out and promote football and try to explain the safety precautions that are in place with us.”

Marsh said the team is doing as much as they can to promote the football team.

“Right now we’re making a push to increase interest by doing a lot of little things,” he said, “We’re hosting a youth camp this upcoming year, but we are planning on having a junior varsity team, as well as a varsity team.”

Jason Mihalik is the co-director of the Matthew Gfeller Sport-Related Traumatic Brain Injury Research Center at UNC. His research focuses on head trauma with clinical outcomes in athletes.

“I am not sure that concussion alone is to blame for low enrollment,” he said, “I have not seen any studies in the peer-reviewed scientific literature that explicitly state football is ‘dangerous.’ I subscribe to the belief that football is a collision sport that carries an inherent risk of injury. I feel the injury risk is far outweighed by physical activity and a healthy lifestyle.”

Mihalik is not against letting his own son play football.

“If my son (who is still a newborn) wanted to play football, I would strongly consider it,” he said in an email.

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Ryan Johnson has coached at East Chapel Hill High School for four years. The varsity football program has been cancelled.

SCOTUS ruling engages in school choice debate

Special needs students’ education plans must be ‘appropriately ambitious.’

By Becca Heilman
Staff Writer

A recent Supreme Court ruling might change the way public schools and parents approach special education services and school choice.

The ruling last Wednesday said schools must meet a higher standard than “merely more than de minimis” and a child’s education plan must be “appropriately ambitious.”

“The recent decision basically affirmed the view of the parents that the school is not doing enough to provide special education services for their child, and that them receiving compensation in the form of private school tuition was an acceptable



Betsy DeVos is the U.S. Secretary of Education and a particularly vocal supporter of school choice — made possible through school vouchers.

alternative,” said Terry Stoops, vice president for research and director of education studies at the conservative John Locke Foundation.

Stoops said school districts will have to look at whether they are providing satisfactory services to special needs students and whether their individualized education plans and the delivery of education and therapeutic services are adequate.

“I think there’s a question of, within the current funding structure, whether (schools are) able to provide an adequate education for

special needs students in light of what the Supreme Court decided,” he said.

Given the large number of student needs encompassed in special education, Stoops said the issue could be a challenge for many school districts. He said parents should be able to use publicly funded vouchers for tuition and services for a school that better meets their child’s needs.

“... It’s difficult to determine the needs of the individual families,” Stoops said. “We hope that traditional public schools would meet those needs, but sometimes they don’t.”

Yvonne Brannon, chairperson of Public Schools First NC, said vouchers cut into public school funding.

“We’re \$3,000 less than the national average for per-pupil expenditures, so we don’t need to be diverting our monies into voucher programs, especially the way they’re doing it in North Carolina,” she said.

According to a recent study by the Duke Law School, accountability requirements for North Carolina private schools accepting vouchers are among the weakest in the country.

Jane Wettach, the study’s director, said 93 percent of the vouchers are being used at religious schools.

“These religious schools are under no obligation to follow any kind of standard with regard to curriculum, with regard to teacher quality and with regard to graduation standards,” Wettach said. “The fact that we’re using state money to support them is problematic.”

The public cannot compare students using vouchers at private schools and those in public ones due to a variety of testing methods and limited access to test results, Wettach said.

“We don’t really have a way of knowing if our money is being well

spent,” Wettach said.

According to a 2013 Public Policy Polling survey, 61 percent of North Carolinians oppose vouchers.

Still, the White House and U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos have emphasized desires to cut federal funds to public education in favor of giving parents and local education leaders more oversight.

Stoops said pressure is being put on public schools to do many things they were never designed to do.

“If we restore the focus of traditional public schooling to that of providing the basic education we expect all children to have, I think that we would be much more satisfied with the outcomes that our public schools provide and we would see other institutions step to the plate to provide those services that a lot of children need,” he said.

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Night parking fee raises concerns for some employees

The fee is part of the University’s five-year parking plan.

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On March 22, UNC Board of Trustees approved a new parking ordinance that will create a nighttime parking fee as part of UNC’s five-year parking plan.

The plan, which has been in review since fall 2016, would put an end to free parking after 5 p.m.

This could cause problems for nighttime employees by forcing them to spend money to park for their jobs when they previously did not have to, said David Rogers, assistant director of outdoor education and delegate on the

Employee Forum.

“It seems to me that the people who would be most affected by it are the lowest-paid staff around UNC,” Rogers said.

“(They) are already lower paid, so adding extra burden to them to have to pay to be able to park and to have to come work seems a little ridiculous, especially in the face of the budget crunch.”

Herb Richmond, director of housekeeping services, said he has not heard any problems with the new policy, but housekeeping will adhere to it when it is implemented.

Charles Streeter, chairperson of the Employee Forum, said nighttime parking fees had to happen, either now or later, and the University could not keep paying for parking.

“The infrastructure of parking on this campus and the number of people that use

the system, it just cannot be maintained with the current parking plan in place,” Streeter said.

“Those costs have to be absorbed somewhere, so how do you distribute that equally across everyone that is using the parking facilities on campus, and the way to do that would be to implement a nighttime parking fee structure.”

Rogers said he thinks it is unfortunate the University cannot find more reasonable places to supplement the budget. He said he thinks the ordinance was not very thoughtful.

Streeter said the nighttime parking fee is the most fair and equitable thing to do because people with daytime parking permits have been paying all the costs of the parking structures.

“People are parking in the evening and

using the facilities,” Streeter said.

“So you have to ask yourself, is it fair that people during the day pay for something when everyone, even people outside the University, use the facilities for free? You can’t maintain that with just one group of people paying for the parking structure.”

Rogers also expressed concern over the rising health care premiums on top of the new parking fees.

“No one’s been given any raises but they keep adding all these new and improved fees,” Rogers said. “It’s not related to parking, but at the same time they’re going to increase everybody’s health care premiums. The benefit of being a state employee isn’t so beneficial as it used to be.”

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Fleming wants transparency at DTH

By Will Arrington
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Tyler Fleming, opinion editor of The Daily Tar Heel, hopes to bring increased transparency and more diversity and modernity in the finances and distribution of the paper if he is selected as editor-in-chief for the 2017-18 school year.

With the increase of digital distribution of news and the rise of fake news on the internet, Fleming sees the role of media in any form as important.

“Given now, more than ever, we need a media that’s transparent and very open,” he said. “I think it’s unfair for us to just assume that our readers trust us. I feel that’s something that’s been a tradi-

tion in the media, but I want to change things and start showing people why they should trust us.”

Fleming said if he’s appointed as editor-in-chief, he wants to focus not only on outside issues but on internal issues as well. He said financial issues would be a chief concern — which he admits is unusual for somebody running for a strictly newsroom position.

“If the financial situation is so bad that the paper discontinues to operate, that affects everybody,” he said. “I really want to make making a sustainable business model for the DTH a newsroom issue, because if we’re going to change our business plan we need to do it in a way that accommodates what the newsroom needs.”

Fleming, a political science and history major, was the assistant opinion editor before being promoted to editor this year.

“I think we need someone who will act as a voice for this paper, who’s in charge and who’s willing to speak to the community from everybody, from the highest administration offices to down to the person who just walks in into this office who’s curious,” he said.

Kate Stotesbery, a member of The Daily Tar Heel’s editorial board, said she feels Fleming is qualified because of his compassion both for journalism and for people.

“I think what makes him really qualified is his thoughtfulness, that he is incredibly thoughtful about every story, every community issue and

every idea that is put forward to him,” she said.

“But what really sets him apart is his sensitivity and his empathy — both working with staff people but also understanding exactly what story is most important for Chapel Hill, what really makes it tick and what community issues really have a heart to them and have some more meat behind them.”

Penny Abernathy, a professor who holds the Knight chair in UNC’s School of Media and Journalism, taught Fleming in his sophomore year in digital media economics. She said she feels Fleming is qualified not only because of his friendly nature, but because of his unique farsightedness.

“I think he’s a person who’s very optimistic — very can-



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The only candidate for editor-in-chief of The Daily Tar Heel for 2017-18 is Tyler Fleming, the current opinion editor.

do — he listens well and he makes you feel like you’re the center of attention,” she said. “He’s a fabulous people person and has a sense of

where things need to be in six months to a year. You want an editor who has a vision.”

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Platform: The DTH must earn your trust

Opinion Editor Tyler Fleming is the only candidate running to be the 2017-18 editor-in-chief of The Daily Tar Heel. He is a junior political science and history major from Randleman, and this is a short version of his platform.

The DTH’s editor selection committee will meet Saturday morning to ask him questions — if you are a member of the local community or a UNC student unaffiliated with the DTH who is interested in joining the committee, please let us know as soon as possible at bit.ly/ChooseTheEditor.

Student voice is worth fighting for.

The Daily Tar Heel has long been an amplifier for those wishing to speak out, educate or demand change. While we may not always agree on what is being said, hopefully, we can all agree on the need of a student-run media company. Given the current atmosphere of mistrust, it would be unfair for us to expect you to just trust our reporting — I want

to show you we are worth trusting. I want the way this paper operates to be open. I want us to be in the community, not just reporting on it. This paper’s goal is to act as watchdogs of this community, but to do that, we first need to earn your attention and trust. One of the main reasons UNC and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro community are so wonderful is because there are a lot of eyes watching over our community. Sadly, we have seen local news organizations shrink and regress from the area.

This is leaving a big hole for the DTH to fill, and it is only one of the many challenges on the horizon for this 124-year-old organization. Transparency is the only way we can include you in our reporting process and make our reporting more accurate. We want to hold the community accountable, and we need you to hold us accountable. As an educational newspaper, every article you see is the product of a lot of work — all

of which is done by student journalists. The beauty of the DTH is that you can be a first-time reporter and have an article run prominently online or in the paper the next day. Even our most seasoned reporters are still relatively new to the game. While this mission is what I love most about this paper, it does breed problems that we need to address before we can ever hope to fix them. All of us are prone to make mistakes, except our mistakes get published every day. I want to make our mistakes better known, and to make it easier for you to get in contact with reporters, staffers and the editor-in-chief.

If you reach out to the DTH with a question or concern, you should expect a prompt response. Secondly, we need to be more open to shortcomings that are not as explicit. It may not come as a surprise that the DTH has an institutional bias towards the left. We strive to be objective in our reporting, but we are human and often fall short.

Which is okay — it would be naive to say true objectivity can ever actually be achieved. I just want to handle how we convey that bias to you. If we have a hard time acknowledging it before publishing, then we are not actually trying to be objective.

One problem also hurting our ability to be objective is a lack of difference within the DTH’s office. This newspaper’s staff is overwhelmingly monolithic. If reporting the news is based off perceptions of an event, our organization has strikingly similar viewpoints. Which is a disservice to you. This isn’t an issue easily fixed, as its origins are deeply rooted in the industry of historically white media outlets, but through calling attention to it, we can begin to fight against it.

The main area in which The Daily Tar Heel needs to be honest is on finances. The entire newspaper industry has taken a beating. Advertising sales are dropping, classified sections are almost extinct

and online revenue streams are proving inefficient. I don’t claim to have the solution, but I am confident that given a staff of 200 students and a caring community, together we can figure out how to keep the DTH afloat. In addition to being honest about finances, I also want to open up the DTH further to donations — think PBS or NPR. Our content being free gives people easy access to it, but we need help. I want to give people who value our content a chance to help fund our reporting, and more importantly, fund the education of future reporters.

As we continuously look for a sustainable business model, we must also prepare for the future. For me, I don’t want to leave future student reporters with the same economic worries we currently have. While we cannot predict the future, saving money aggressively and keeping an eye on upcoming trends might save a future DTH staff a lot of hardship. Yes, there are many challenges

for all of us as we are trying to understand what our roles are in a constantly changing world. Thankfully our greatest resource is in each other. Certainly The Daily Tar Heel’s greatest resource is the people who write the content and the people who read it. We are an institution in this town, just like Linda’s or Sutton’s, thanks to years of community support. It is time we invite you to be a partner in all that we do.

While we are certainly an institution, I want to make sure we are covering issues you care about. It is my goal to expand our sports coverage to local high schools, to cover more local business ventures and all sorts of stories I think are relevant to your life.

Lastly, I want to hear what you have to say. I want to be your paper, and not just in name or because we are the only daily local news outlet. I want you to trust us and be a part of our coverage. We are your community paper, so let me know how we can best serve you.

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Today is a 9 -- Take action on a profitable opportunity for long-term benefits (perhaps not immediately apparent). Extra assignments could delay fun or travel. Resist the urge to splurge.

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Today is a 9 -- You're more confident and less patient; moderate your temper and your speed with turns and obstacles. Chill out when overheated.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)
Today is a 7 -- Keep a low profile. Slow to avoid costly mistakes. Recharge batteries and make preparations. Strengthen the infrastructure that will support you when things get busy.

Cancer (June 21-July 22)
Today is a 9 -- Advance a team project together. Come up with a backup plan to work around breakdowns. Something unlucky has a silver lining. Collaborate for long-term benefit.

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Today is a 7 -- Let go of old business, as a new professional opportunity requires your full attention. Study the situation. Do the homework you've been avoiding.

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Today is a 7 -- Plan your itinerary before dashing off. Rely on the experience of someone trusted.

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Today is a 9 -- Money flows in, along with a possible career advance. Consider the long haul. Share advice and ideas. Allow your partner temporary veto power.

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Today is a 9 -- Support your partner and be supported. Your communications are getting through. If you hit a roadblock, wait for obstacles to clear. Play a game together.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Today is a 9 -- Advance to the next level with your work, health or physical efforts. Adapt for developing news. Listen to someone who's been where you're going.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Today is a 7 -- Slow down and relax. Postpone travel, and enjoy the scenery. Let someone else manage the shop. Romantic action has your interest; focus on here and now.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Today is a 7 -- Domestic projects have your attention. Don't spend impulsively. Check with family before investing in something that may not be what they want.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)
Today is an 8 -- Share with your networks. A beautiful moment arises through connecting with someone. Phone home if you're away. Conflicting orders require clarification. Work it out.

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What am I doing with my life?

If there's such thing as a mid-life crisis, then surely other smaller segments of life contain mid-crises. Therefore, if college is a segment of time, then the mid-college crisis, as I've seen it unfold around me, is both real and prevalent. If/then statements. Processions of logic to demarcate a thoroughly illogical thought process: the idea that, somehow, whatever you're doing at 19, or 20, or however old you are in your second semester of your sophomore year of college, is not acceptable or impressive or conducive to "real life" things.

My roommate burst into our room yesterday exuding an aura of faint panic. She had a computer science test tomorrow; she never goes to class because she doesn't find the in-class instruction to be helpful; and, anyway, what does she even want to do with her life? Why, she asked me, was she taking computer science? I countered by asking what, exactly, you did in a computer science exam.

I pictured a windowless room with rows of computers, illuminating the distressed faces of hundreds of young coders. My roommate once told me that you could write hundreds of lines of code and, if one letter was wrong, none of it would work. You would have to comb through the existing lines, looking for the errant symbol. I was baffled. Was it actually possible that anyone, anywhere, would ever want to do that with their time? I couldn't answer her question, and she couldn't really answer mine, either.

More importantly, though, can I answer my own questions about my personal aspirations? I recently read "The Idiot," an excellent novel by Elif Batuman. In it, Batuman writes, "Even though I had a deep conviction that I was good at writing, and that in some way I already was a writer, this conviction was completely independent of my ever having written anything, or being able to ever imagine writing anything, that I thought anyone would like to read."

I literally gasped when I read that line. I didn't think anyone else felt like that — like they could, and would, write, but had no idea what to write about, or who would ever want to read their musings for more than 100 lines. I underlined it and recopied it in my journal. Am I a writer because I write for myself, by myself, in a journal that no one will ever read? Can I consider myself a writer if I've never written anything for publication? I DON'T KNOW. I don't know what I'm doing or who I'm doing it for. I guess, to be fair, at this point, no one really knows.

On a whim, I took German my first year of college. Now, almost two years later, I'm planning on living, working and learning in Berlin for seven months. This comforts me. A seemingly inconsequential or aimless choice eventually dictated where and how I would spend seven months of my life. Maybe, if I keep making enough random, authentic choices, they'll lead me, eventually, to the place I'm supposed to end up. Where exactly is that, though?

3/31: Lens of Onyx
Cameron Jernigan writes on Black issues and culture.

EDITORIAL CARTOON By Emily Yue, emyue@live.unc.edu



EDITORIAL

Nap time, nap space

UNC needs better places to take a mid-day nap.

This board was disappointed to see that the boxy cubbies in the Undergraduate Library's basement — previously some of the most appealing nap spots on campus — have disappeared. While we respect that more students may be able to fit into the basement study room now, we want to make some things clear: sleeping matters, naps matter and UNC's campus lacks sufficient nap space.

Even short naps, such as those squeezed in a break

between classes or before an on-campus meeting, can improve mood, alertness and performance, according to the National Sleep Foundation. Students who live off campus or commute to UNC would particularly benefit from safe napping space on campus.

In late 2016, the Carolina Union Board of Directors showed at least a small measure of support for napping when it lifted the restriction against sleeping in the Union basement's Meditation Room. But the Meditation Room's other functions — providing space for students to pray or meditate — may be negatively affected

by nearby nappers. We definitely don't want our snores to disturb our fellow students' religious practice.

Space on campus is definitely limited, but surely some portion of some library or perhaps the Union can be marked off as nap-friendly. A dedicated room with low lights would be ideal, but recreating some specialized seating like what used to be in the UL basement would be good, too.

A safe and comfortable place to nap will improve our academics and our emotional and physical well-being for a low cost, and we think that's an awfully good deal.

EDITORIAL

Just let us know

UNC, text us when you're planning to do construction.

The sidewalk in front of Ackland Art Museum is officially back open, producing a general sigh of relief from all who were inconvenienced by the detour over the past few months. Construction is something all colleges seem to be constantly doing — one of the many lovable annoyances of college that generally make the campus better in the long run.

But the benefits of construction can become temporarily mute when you're late for class and the quick-

est path to your building is blocked off. While this type of situation cannot be totally avoided, we propose a non-mandatory text-based messaging system that alerts students which paths are closed and when they will reopen. Think of an Alert Carolina or a traffic alert type of service.

Being able to check your phone and know which areas to avoid before you leave your dorm or house every morning can decrease the negative sides of construction. And a clear alert would help students with injuries or physical disabilities know which ramps or other access points might be temporarily closed for

construction.

Granted, it is possible to see where construction is by reading this paper, checking Twitter and by looking at the current projects on the UNC Facilities Services website. We appreciate any efforts to help raise awareness of on-campus construction, but these options may not be the most intuitive places to check while you're sprinting up MLK on your way to a biology class.

Ultimately, this is an easy fix to not the biggest problem in the world. College is stressful enough, and any effort to decrease the stress on students and faculty should be seen as a step in the right direction.



QuickHits



Can't be too safe

Anyone who doesn't knock on wood after even thinking about the game on Saturday is doing a disservice to this community. Generally, this paper prides itself on skepticism, but given the stakes this weekend, there is no such thing as taking too much precaution. Please do your part in not jinxing our team.



Hail, Maye

We are not the first, nor will we be the last to sing Luke Maye's praises. He will forever have a special place in our hearts for ruining every Kentucky fan's day and rest of the tournament. Luke, you're a born hero. You were sent by Dean Smith's spirit to get us into the Final Four. Thank you, thank you, thank you.



Boooooooo

This down thumb goes to every player who dares stand in our basketball team's way this weekend. We doubt Oregon players will be reading this, but we hope they know we have seen their work, and we are not fans. The "O" in their name actually stands for "O no, here comes the Tar Heels."



Go Heels

If you haven't noticed, these Quick Hits are dedicated to Roy Williams and our entire basketball team. A lot currently divides the Tar Heel Nation, but on Saturday we should all have the same goal of cheering our team on. We can worry about politics next week. Right now, we all should unite for one goal.



Second-rate coach

We bet Dana Altman, Oregon's coach, has never once said "dag-gum" at a press conference. That alone should justify him not being the better of the two coaches. Frankly, just writing this Quick Hit is somewhat insulting to Coach Williams — everyone knows he is the best. He doesn't need us to say it.



Love ya, Tar Heels

Win or lose, we are proud of everything our basketball team has done. We are proud of all the great people who make up this wonderful community. Being a Tar Heel is wonderful. We all have so much to be happy about. Other schools will never have what we do, which is sad for them. Anyway, Go Heels!!!!!!



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"There is a lot of struggle and a lot of time loss for them before they can actually get the help that they need."

Lauren Turner-Brown, on families finding out their child has autism

FEATURED ONLINE READER COMMENT

"if only the BOT didn't put a 16 year moratorium on building name changes ..."

UNC Student, on asking students to say "Chase Hall" instead of "Rams"

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'One Day' by Duke's Grayson Allen

TO THE EDITOR:

I look at my watch. 4 p.m. Time for practice. Well, it would be time for practice.

Damn. I start walking home. Maybe "Burn Notice" is on. I need a break from everyone looking at me. My phone buzzes. It's a text from Kennard. He sent me an ESPN article. It says, "Could Anyone Ever Love Grayson Allen?"

This hurts. Why would Luke send me that? "Haha," I type back. "You love me, don't you, K?"

He doesn't respond. I keep walking. My mom calls me. Apparently a bunch of elementary schools in North Carolina have banned students from wearing my jersey. She says it's because I'm a bad role model for young athletes.

I ask my mom for advice. She says I should lay low for a while, try not to do anything awful. That's a good idea, I say. But it's hard. It's not hard, she says. Just be a normal human being.

She doesn't get it. No one gets it. I just want to go home.

A big group of people steps in front of me. They're whispering. Amile Jefferson is there. "Hey, Amile," I say. But he doesn't respond. "Say it," a short blonde guy says to Amile. Amile's face seems pained. "Say it," the little one says again, louder.

Amile looks at me. "You're bad at basketball," Amile says. "And you look weird."

They all start laughing. They don't stop laughing for a long time. Amile just looks sad.

I keep walking. I know what Amile said isn't true. He just said that to be cool.

I decide to stop at Coach's office before going home. Maybe he'll talk to Luke and Amile for me.

When I knock on his door, he's watching a video on his computer. He tries to close it when he sees me, but he can't.

So we watch the rest of it.

It's the scene from Star Wars when Obi-Wan cuts off all of Anakin's limbs because Anakin is on his way to becoming a Sith Lord.

Except, in this video, my head is on Anakin's body and Coach's head is on Obi-Wan's.

When the video ends, neither of us speaks.

"Did you make that video, Coach?" I finally ask him. Coach doesn't look at me.

"I'm sorry you had to see that," he says. "It's probably best for you to leave."

So I do. I keep walking and walking. Eventually I get to my apartment. I open the door, walk in, close the door. It's dark.

Bracing myself against the wall, I start to cry.

Why does everyone hate me so much?

I just want to play ball. All I've ever wanted to do is play ball.

Sometimes I just get mad and hurt people.

Why do I have to get so mad?

A tear slides off my cheek. I reach down and catch it before it hits the floor.

I smile.

I am so fast. I am a ball-handler and a tear-handler. It doesn't matter what object is falling. I can catch it.

Another tear falls. I reach for it. Splash. Damn. That one was really fast.

I turn on the TV. "Burn Notice" isn't on, but "Aladdin" is.

I love "Aladdin."

Not the character. The movie. Aladdin is a thief. Jafar is the hero of the movie. I like when he turns into a big snake. Sssss.

I wish I could turn into a snake.

I'd slither away from here and go somewhere else.

I change the channel. ESPN is playing high-lights of the UNC game. Apparently Luke Maye hit a buzzer-beater to beat Kentucky.

Wow.

He looks so happy on TV. I decide to text him.

No reason to be bitter about this. "Nice job against UK, man," I write. "I know we've had our differences, but you're a good guy and I look up to you a lot. Let's shoot around some time if you're free. Maybe Thursday?"

I send it. It feels good to be nice.

Why do people have to be so mean all the time?

Maybe Luke and I could do an interview together. It would be like, "Even the Duke-UNC rivalry can't stop these two great players and better friends from hanging out. Luke and Grayson are everyone's favorite best friends. We can't even remember hating Grayson."

That would be nice.

That would make things better.

My phone buzzes. Luke texted me back. "Thanks!" he says. "By the way, who is this?"

I put my phone down. All the objects in the room start moving away from me.

I can't see anything. All I can hear is Amile and Kennard and Coach and my mom yelling.

So much yelling.

Why are they yelling at me?

I crawl onto the floor. Turn "Aladdin" back on. Jafar is hypnotizing that fat sultan.

"Ssssss, I'm a sneaky little snake," I whisper, inching my body around on my carpet. I'm crying again.

"One day I'm going to slither far away. Ssssssss. Just like Jafar. One day I'll slither far, far away."

One day.

One day.

Griffin Unger
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Public Policy

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