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Voting law changes to impact fall election

By Michael Liguori
Staff Writer

Today is the last day to register to vote in North Carolina in the November election, after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that the state law eliminating same-day registration and out-of-precinct voting would take effect.

On Oct. 1, the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals blocked two parts of the legislation — better known as the voter ID law — from affecting voters this fall.

The provision requiring voters to present a photo ID at the polls won't take effect until 2016. But UNC students will have to take an extra step to vote on Election Day on Nov. 4.

Jack Largess, political director for UNC Young Democrats, said that campus is divided into four different precincts and that students living on campus run the risk of voting in the wrong one unless they prepare.

"So if I have a friend in Connor, and I live in Craige, and I go with her to vote, we might go to the wrong precinct. And then one or both of our ballots won't be counted," he said.

All students can vote early at North Carolina Hillel on Cameron Avenue starting Oct. 23.

Civil rights groups like the N.C. NAACP have decried the state's voting law as a means of disenfranchising minority and young voters, while supporters of the law say it is a way to combat voter fraud.

Jay DeLancy, executive director of the N.C. Voter Integrity Project, said he's pleased with the high court's move.

"We're happy that the most fraud-friendly provision in America has been rolled back," he said.

If false information is given at same-day registration, DeLancy said there is no way to verify who gave it out, and multiple small cases suggest that voter fraud happens more than can be proved by available public information.

Irv Joyner, the N.C. NAACP's legal adviser and an N.C. Central University law professor, was disappointed, but not surprised, by the Supreme Court's decision.

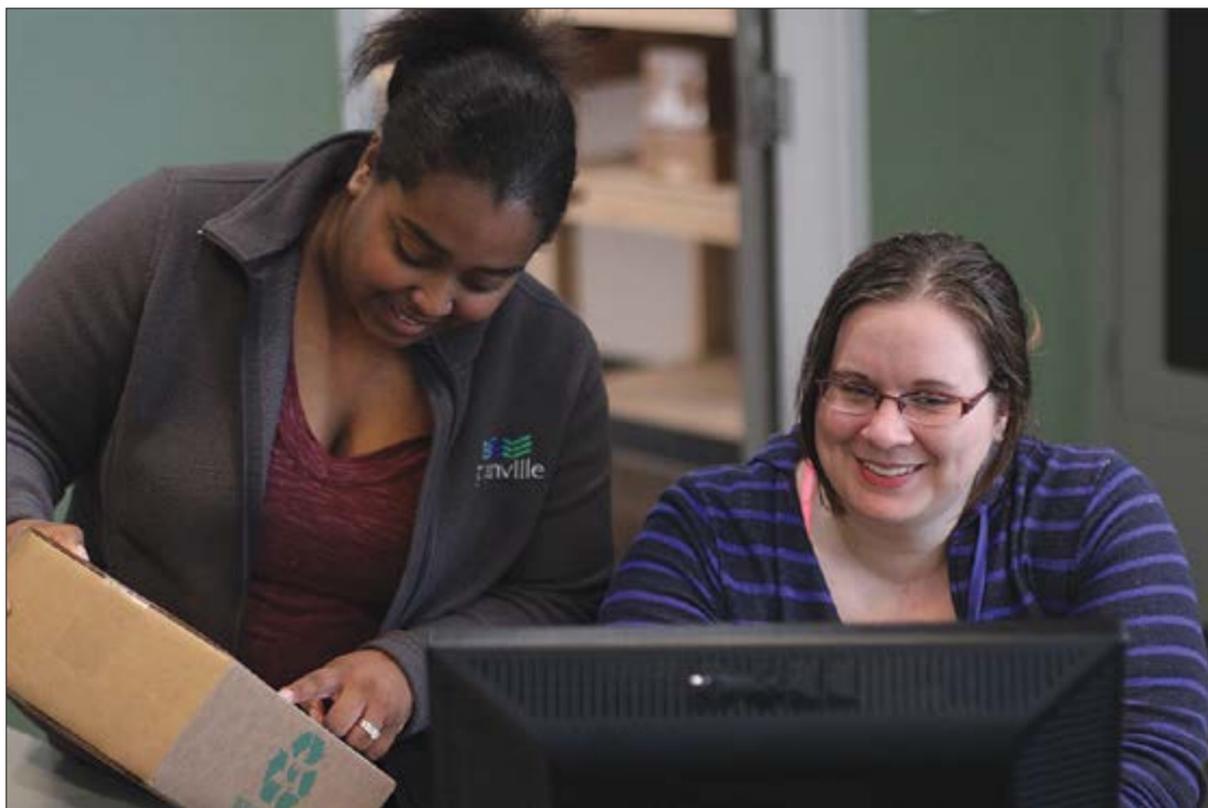
Joyner said as many as 30,000 N.C. voters use out-of-precinct voting and same-day registration. Seventy percent of black voters in the state used early voting in 2012, and 32 percent of out-of-precinct votes from the same year were cast by black voters.

The NAACP is one of several plaintiffs who will challenge the new law before the Supreme Court in 2015.

The N.C. Board of Elections has expressed concern that different legal opinions on the

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MAKING THE MAX OF MINIMUM WAGE



DTH/KATIA MARTINEZ

Shavon Flowers (left) and Meghan Eisenhardt have worked at Granville Towers since September 2013. Eisenhardt, a sophomore, is a desk attendant.

Student workers grapple with effects of low wages

By Nick Niedzwiedek
Senior Writer

UNC senior Samantha McCormick held a minimum wage job at \$7.25 an hour as an office assistant at Parker Residence Hall for more than two years.

This fall, she got a second job as a tutor at the UNC Writing Center, which pays \$10 an hour. Though she tried to juggle both for a few weeks, it quickly became too much — and she quit her office assistant job.

"I think it was not always worth the effort to work for only \$7.25," she said, adding that her tutor work is enough to help pay for graduate school applications.

North Carolina's minimum wage is the same as the federal minimum wage: \$7.25 hourly.

In February, President Obama called for a gradual increase in the federal minimum wage — which was last raised in 2009 — to \$10.10 an hour by 2016.

The Congressional Budget Office, a non-partisan government agency that analyzes the economic impact of government policies, esti-

mated that approximately 16.5 million people nationwide would see their earnings increase if the minimum wage were raised.

According to CBO estimates, 900,000 people would be raised above the poverty line, while 500,000 jobs would be lost as a result of the increase.

College students who work part-time to help defray college costs and other expenses would also benefit from a minimum wage increase.

"If I'm working 10 hours a week outside of my school work, if it is very low-wage, then there is more pressure to work more hours," said T. William Lester, a professor of city and regional planning. "A higher wage makes that balance a little more manageable."

Ripple effects

Sophomore Meghan Eisenhardt works as a desk attendant at Granville Towers and recently began working at the Franklin Hotel to pay for some of her expenses at school. Eisenhardt said she supports a minimum wage increase.

"I would probably work a little less, but not much less," she said. "It would be nice to be able

to save some money instead of spending it all."

Stephen Lich-Tyler, an economics professor at UNC, said the South generally has lower wages than other regions do.

"I think it is to the benefit of the South that we have lower wages than in the Midwest or the Northeast," he said. "A lot of manufacturing has moved down here."

Jeffrey Miron, an economist at Harvard University and the libertarian-leaning Cato Institute, said the minimum wage might prevent employers from creating low-wage jobs.

"It is an issue of a zero income versus a very low income," Miron said. "If that person's skill set can only command a \$4 wage, then preventing that person from working does not benefit them."

Improving schools or job training, he said, would be a better way of improving a person's earnings than increasing the minimum wage.

In Orange County, according to the National Low-Income Housing Coalition, residents have to work more than two full-time minimum wage jobs to afford the

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Carroll stalker caught and cited

Two others got away without being cited for indecent exposure.

By Bradley Saacks and Sara Salinas
Senior Writers

Rita Balaban was not impressed by the unexpected surprise in her Economics 101 class Thursday.

Three naked men wearing flesh-colored masks streaked through her auditorium in Carroll Hall, interrupting her lecture. Instead of waiting for the disruption to pass, Balaban took action.

When one of the stalkers began running toward her, she pulled off his mask, showing his face to the hundreds of students in her class. She chased another one down, de-masking him as well.

One student was eventually cited for indecent exposure, according to the incident report filed by the Department of Public Safety.

"The first thing she said when they ran in was, 'Now that's a teeny weenie,'" said senior Elly Withers, who was in the class. "I had no idea she was so boss. It was kind of cool to see that."

Junior Cameron Inglis saw the incident and said Balaban's response was the last thing she expected.

"Professor Balaban's reaction to the whole thing — I just thought



COURTESY OF ADAM SHEINHAUS

Professor Rita Balaban stands with the two masks she removed from stalkers who interrupted her economics class on Thursday morning.

it was great," Inglis said. "Just kind of humiliating them instead of getting mad."

Balaban defended her actions, saying she believes what she did was right.

"You're not going to do this again, because we're going to stop this. We're going to find out who you are so that people know," she said. "There are plenty of other times you could do that. Streak across campus when we're between classes."

Ross Taylor, a visiting lecturer of journalism, said he saw a naked man in a mask run into the bathroom in the basement of Carroll Hall and was immediately concerned that something

was wrong.

"It is not normal that you walk past and see someone running nude in the hallway of your workplace," he said.

Taylor said he alerted another professor and went into the bathroom to monitor the situation.

"My main worry was ... it could have been something much worse, and I wanted to make sure to help to prevent that," he said.

Another student came in and slid a bag of clothes underneath the stall the stalker was in, Taylor said. After the student dressed and left the stall, Taylor confronted him and said the student was

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Chapel Hill's fraud cases increase exponentially

Since 2013, in Chapel Hill reports of identity theft have gone up 293 percent.

By Luman Ouyang
Staff Writer

Three weeks ago, someone stole Janice Tyler's identity and opened a PayPal credit account in her name — and the incident left her reeling.

"The person actually purchased an iPad," said Tyler, director of the Orange County Department on Aging.

"How I even found out that this had happened was I got a bill from PayPal Credit, and to me, it looked like a junk mail," she said.

"I opened it up, and it said that I owed \$4,000, and they thank you for opening this new account, and it had an email address that was not mine."

Robin Clark, an officer with the Chapel Hill Police Department's community services division, said financial fraud is one of the fastest growing crimes because of modern technology.

She said that there have been 126 reported identity theft cases since January, which represents a 293 percent increase from the 32 cases reported in all of 2013.

Clark said Chapel Hill Police have responded to 49 credit card fraud cases and nine credit card theft cases this year. In all of 2013, residents reported 48 total cases of credit card fraud or theft.

Seniors are the most targeted group for financial crimes, said ZhenZhen Yu, a social worker at the Department on Aging.

The department offered seminars this month for seniors to educate them about how to prevent fraud and where to go if they are victims of fraud, said Beverly Shuford, the information and benefits specialist at the aging department.

A common scam affecting seniors is called the grandparents scam — people will call seniors pretending to be a grandchild and say that they have been arrested overseas and need money to get out of jail, Clark said.

"Never give out your personal information to the people, except the professional ones, like the bankers, insurance, or hospitals," Yu said.

"When you go somewhere, only bring the amount of the money and the card you need, never bring the social security number with you."

In the case of PayPal, people usually receive mail or letters saying that someone is trying to open up an account using their information, Clark said.

When Tyler found out her identity had been stolen, she immediately called PayPal. She then went to her bank so they could put fraud alerts on her account. She also reported the incident to the Chapel Hill Police Department.

"It's just a pain," Tyler said.

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“You don't have to be naked to be sexy.”

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Simply not better together

From staff and wire reports

Unlikely combinations make the world go round — peanut butter and chocolate, salt and pepper, Harry and Sally. But it turns out that combining marijuana with soda is perhaps not the greatest idea in the world, as a store in Washington is learning the hard way. The bottles of marijuana-infused soda purchased by the store have been spontaneously exploding. Employees at Top Shelf Cannabis in Bellingham, Wash., have moved the soda inventory into a steel bin, and they now wear facial shields whenever working with what turns out to be dangerously explosive material. The soda company, Mirth Provisions, said a high yeast concentration is to blame. But we think there might be a few things that just are not better when they're together. Sorry, Jack Johnson.

NOTED. A man in California has been suffering from residual guilt over a prank for more than 50 years. Bernard Schermerhorn, 73, and a friend stole a few newspaper racks from The Ledger in Florida back when they were in high school. This week, he was moved to send the paper \$200 and an apology letter. Better late than never, right?

QUOTED. "We like to ensure a warm welcome to all our guests at HQ, and at neighbor point did the horse pose a risk to security!"

— A police spokesman in Winsford, England, who got punny when explaining what happened when a sad little horse wandered into Cheshire Police headquarters this week.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

TODAY

Faculty Lecture: Cherie Rivers

Ndaliko: Ethnomusicologist Cherie Rivers Ndaliko will present "A Look That Kills: Representations of Gender and Sexual Violence in the Current Conflict in Congo." The event is free and open to the public.

Time: 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Location: Hyde Hall, Incubator Room

The Robert Cray Band: Singer and guitarist Robert Cray will bring blues and soul to UNC tonight. Cray has won five Grammy Awards and has earned 15 Grammy nominations. He has also written and performed with the likes of Eric Clapton, Bob Dylan and Bonnie Raitt. Student tickets will cost \$10. Other ticket prices will vary.

Time: 8 p.m.**Location:** Memorial Hall

Over the Top: This performance will teach participants about World War I with a twist that involves a game for the audience. The characters in the performance will adopt the personality of the countries involved in the Great War. The event is free with a suggested \$5 donation.

Time: 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Location: Studio 6, Swain Hall

SATURDAY
Flyleaf YA Book Club: In a delayed celebration of Banned Books Week, the Flyleaf Young Adult Book Club will be discussing "The Miseducation of Cameron Post," by Emily M.

Danforth, which was recently removed from a summer reading list by a school district in Delaware.

Time: 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Location: Flyleaf Books

Guest Artist Recital: Wayla Chambo: UNC alumna Wayla Chambo, a flutist and poet, will give a performance that incorporates contemporary flute music of the 20th century and electronics.

Time: 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Location: Kenan Music Building

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UNSOLICITED ADVICE



DTH/KATIE WILLIAMS

Unruly teens and lifestyle consultants Drew Goins and Kelsey Weekman very candidly celebrate the greenlighting of their new blog of "You Asked for It" advice extras today. Stay tuned for the new YAFI blog on dailytarheel.com.

POLICE LOG

- Someone caused a disturbance on the 100 block of South Greensboro Street at 11:52 p.m. Monday, according to Carrboro police reports. The person flipped over tables on a patio, reports state.
- Someone reported a suspicious person at 100 Schultz St. at 5:01 a.m. Tuesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports. The suspicious person was knocking on a door, reports state.
- Someone committed misdemeanor larceny at 201 E. Main St. at 1:52 a.m. Tuesday, according to Carrboro police reports. The person stole a credit card, an iPhone 4s, a Vera Bradley wallet, a AAA card and other items, valued at a total of \$483, reports state.
- Someone committed misdemeanor larceny on the 300
- block of Estes Drive Extension between 2:44 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, according to Carrboro police reports. The person stole an etched map valued at \$30, reports state.
- Someone reported loud noises on the 100 block of Woodbridge Lane at 9:58 p.m. Wednesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports. The person heard loud slamming noises, reports state.
- Someone reported a loud party at the 600 block of Jones Ferry Road at 1:20 p.m. Wednesday, according to Carrboro police reports. Someone agreed to turn down the music, reports state.
- Someone committed larceny in Ruffin Residence Hall at 1:01 p.m. Wednesday, according to reports from the UNC Department of Public Safety.



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Q&A with author, historian Jim Leutze

In the early 1800s, North Carolina was branded the "Rip Van Winkle State" for its backward, racist attitudes and comatose approach to the changing environment around it. But starting around 1835 and lasting until 2010, effective leaders and state constitutional reforms earned North Carolina a new nickname: progressive.



Jim Leutze, former UNC professor, wrote a book about the tumultuous history of North Carolina politics.

This is the argument of former UNC professor Jim Leutze in his new book, "Entering North Carolina: Set Clocks Back 100 Years." Leutze, also the former chancellor of UNC-Wilmington, spoke with staff writer Blake Dodge about his book.

THE DAILY TAR HEEL: What led you to write the book?

JIM LEUTZE: I wanted to raise my family and make my career here because I came to the conclusion that this was a state that had a vision of where it wanted to go, that it no longer wanted to be a southern state mired in racism and poverty, that it wanted to be a "New South." And from the time that I came in 1964 through about 2010, I thought it was going to continue and follow a new course, and it did. I was pleasantly happy. But the changes that came in 2010 made me distinctly unhappy.

DTH: What made you unhappy?

JL: We didn't only put the brakes on, but we wanted to go backward, all the way back to the late 19th century — which was not only less progressive, but less successful. We had poor schools, low wages and a poor reputation for the state. I wrote the book because I was unhappy with the way things were going, and I was very puzzled about what had happened and why it happened.

DTH: What specific 2010 policies are you talking about?

JL: Well, obviously, as a professional educator, I am very unhappy about what's happened to our public education system. And I am pretty sure that the people who are currently in power do not favor public education. The 7 percent teacher raise — for some — is a cynical political move for an election year, and it cannot fool me. They are not supporters of public education. And they are not supporters of the University. I've seen what they've done as far as the University is concerned — the cuts they have made, the way in which we have had to cut back on faculty and the increasing cost for students and their parents.

DTH: What has the N.C. General Assembly done exactly, and what kind of impact has it had on students?

JL: I believe that education is a public good. I believe you want an educated populace, so that those people can become tax creators, they can earn a good living, they can run a good business, they can come up with new ideas that will lead to hiring people and, furthermore, that they will be able to make wise choices politically. When I was at Chapel Hill, the state paid more than half the cost of education. Now the state pays more like 25 percent of the cost of education, with the idea that education is a private good. It's a whole different philosophy about the value of education. But education is a public good. You will be a taxpayer, you won't be in jail, you won't be on welfare — you'll be a taxpayer. I see the reduction in the amount that the state pays for in education as bad public policy.

DTH: What makes for a good leader of North Carolina?

JL: We have had some governors who were business people who have been good governors. But I don't think we can necessarily identify a profile. We have had several effective governors who have been farmers, like Jim Hunt. But what he did was organize the business people; he met with them regularly and persuaded them to support his programs. Terry Sanford was a lawyer. We've had governors who used to be chemistry professors. There is no one profile that can make a good leader or governor. What made them great? They had a vision of where they wanted the state to go, and they were willing to get out front and lead. They would do unpopular things, like raise taxes. Good leaders figure out what they want to do and then find the money for it. They don't settle for, "We don't know where the money went."

DTH: What would be your caveat to UNC system students? What do you think they should know about the legislature?

JL: I think they should know that they're getting screwed, that their long-range interests are not being taken into consideration. They need to get out of their cocoon and realize there's a broader world out there and that decisions are being made today that will affect the world they live in, that their children live in. They need to force themselves to think about what they want when they're 40. Students have to be impressed with the fact that it's their future. I'm 78 years old, and I'm the one doing all the fighting. They should do their own fighting, or at least, help me fight for them.

COMMUNITY CONNECTION



DTH/ANI GARRIGO

Project Connect had its eighth annual event at Hargraves Community Center early Thursday afternoon. It was Veronica Lamberth's first time attending.

Project Connect event provides health care to homeless

By Kerry Lengyel
Staff Writer

Veronica Lamberth waited with other Orange County residents for her turn to see a doctor through Project Connect at the Hargraves Community Center Thursday.

Once per year, Project Connect provides health care, dental care, legal services, housing resources and more to those who are homeless or who are at risk of becoming homeless.

"I think it's very helpful," Lamberth said. "Especially for people who are on lower income."

Jamie Rohe, homeless programs coordinator for the Orange County Partnership to End Homelessness, said she thinks this year's eighth annual event was extremely successful.

"Now that it's our eighth year, we've got it really well organized," Rohe said. "We've got a food committee, volunteers and logistics."

Rohe said the most needed services were dental services.

"We get people here who have got really severe problems — teeth that need to be pulled, abscesses, infections, cavities or they haven't had their teeth cleaned maybe ever," Rohe said.

Oral pathologist Dr. Sasha Worley, a resident from the UNC School of Dentistry, said she spent her day screening patients who were in dire need of dental care.

"If there's anything suspicious that we see, we'll refer them to the school to have a biopsy done and that's a free service," Worley said.

"We'll make sure that they're getting the treatment and management that they need," Rohe said the planning committee raised awareness for the event by visiting various organizations across the county.

"We went to interfaith councils, shelters and to Freedom House, which is a substance abuse program, and a few other providers," she said.

Lamberth said she heard about the event through the Freedom House Recovery Center, a nonprofit organization that provides residential and outpatient crisis services, and she was pleased that she made the trip.

"With the dental it has helped me get my teeth filled, and for the eye services, they helped me get some reading glasses," Lamberth said. "They also gave me information on where I can get low-income housing, so it's very helpful."

Rohe said this year, Project Connect emphasized health services.

"We have ophthalmologists here that are checking for glaucoma and other eye problems and giving out free reading glasses," she said.

Rohe said she was happy to announce Project Connect would be giving away 10 free eyeglass prescriptions to the Wal-Mart in Hillsborough, which were donated to the event.

Project Connect also offered an array of social services at the event, giving out thrift shop vouchers, food stamps and other services, as well as employment and housing counseling.

"There are a lot of people who never are able to really get a fair shot again, and what that does is it just drives someone further and further down into the well," Rohe said.

Rohe said this year's mantra has been "quality not quantity."

"If you just bring all of the providers together on one day and get the people here, they have every shot at every opportunity that's provided in the community as they can get," Rohe said. "It's all here."

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UNC flips classrooms, expectations

Research supports the move away from traditional lectures.

By Sofia Edelman
Staff Writer

More students are experiencing flipped classrooms for the first time this semester, and as UNC prepares to apply for reaccreditation through the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in 2015, the move toward more flipped classrooms is part of a push to improve academic quality.

Student Body President Andrew Powell said there has been a push to enhance the quality of the academic experience by moving to a blended learning style for science, technology, engineering and mathematics classes.

"We know that this works. We know that we can improve student learning," he said. "The work that UNC is doing in flipped classrooms and active learning is certainly going to enhance the student experience at UNC but will also place Carolina in a leadership role that will ultimately become a big national change."

UNC is midway through a three-year research grant from the Association of American Universities that helps fund course redesign in the natural sciences, said professor Kevin Guskiewicz.

"It's probably not a method that's going to work in every class, in terms of content, but it seems, according to preliminary data, to be working in the courses that we've targeted at this point," Guskiewicz said.

Chemistry professor Michael Crimmins, who changed his teaching style to a more active approach in 2013, said he is excited about this change.

Some educators still prefer traditional teaching methods, such as lecturing, even though research shows that students learn more when they practice material in class, said Jean DeSaix, who employs blended learning in her Biology 101 class.

"It's just clear. The research evidence is there. It's so clear that it's like malpractice if you don't try to do it," DeSaix said.

Freshman Jeremiah Hartsock is in Biology 101, a flipped class, and he said the flipped classroom method is helpful, although he wishes there was more time spent on clarification during class.

"It takes time getting used to, especially considering flipped classrooms require more comprehension beforehand, which is very different from when in high school you're taught in class and you show application afterward," Hartsock said.

Crimmins said active teaching can be taken as a short cut, but when done correctly, it helps students.

"You really have to think very carefully and critically about the material that you are presenting and how to uncover misconceptions that students have about the material."

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DTH/CAMERON ROBERT

This Saturday, the Chapel Hill Farmers' Market will celebrate the new season with a craft festival. The regular vendors will be present alongside the craft sellers in the farmers' market.

Markets say so long to summer and hello to fall

Local farmers markets are making the transition to fall.

By Zhai Yun Tan
Senior Writer

The leaves might not be red enough, but both Carrboro and Chapel Hill's Farmers' Markets are ready to celebrate fall.

The Chapel Hill Farmers' Market will celebrate the new season with a craft festival Saturday, with locally made jewelry, pottery, candles and lotions.

"We are really trying to focus on people who are local and making their own products, not things that are being resold," said Ali Rudel, market manager of Chapel Hill's Farmer's Market.

The regular vendors will be present alongside the craft sellers in the farmer's market.

"It's like while you're doing your market shopping you can shop for craft too," Rudel said.

This is one of the market's six different craft festivals throughout the year. There will be three more markets following in December, leading up to the holidays.

Rudel said the market only sells food that is grown within 60 miles of Chapel Hill. But as the weather gets colder less produce will be sold in the winter markets.

"For the holiday season, the vendors will be bringing more gift-oriented stuff," she said.

Carrboro chooses to welcome the new season with their annual fall festival — with cider pressing and bee-keeping.

"This event is to raise awareness for new folks who want to check out the event," said Carrboro Farmer's Market manager Erin Jobe. "We are also featuring

fall produce, celebrating existing customers and drawing in new people."

Visitors can join in activities organized by Kidzu Museum, a museum in Chapel Hill that aims to promote learning through play.

Kidzu Children's Museum has participated in the festival for four years.

Tina Clossick, Kidzu director of operations and programming, said events are inspired by products and events at the market, and children also learn art skills.

The Carrboro Farmers' Market often hosts activities such as the Fall Festival, Jobe said. This summer, the market hosted a tomato festival, followed by a big pepper festival.

Jobe said the market stays open year-round, even during winter, although the number of vendors could decrease.

"But even then, it's still a really great time for fall and winter produce," Jobe said. "The market stays quite full year-round."

David Barrett, owner of Dig It Farm, a local farm that provides fresh produce in the Triangle, is a vendor in the market.

He sells his vegetables at the market every week, but this is his first time witnessing the Fall Festival.

"I don't do anything different for the craft market, but the event promotes interest for people to participate in the farmer's market," Barrett said. "It really involves more of the community."

One of Barrett's favorite things about the market is that he gets to connect with his customers.

"The relationship between the farmer and customer is really important," he said. "It's great to buy something from people they know and trust."

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Dozen Doughnut Dash: carbs for a cause

By Melody Jiang
Staff Writer

If a man in a hot dog costume is scarfing down a dozen doughnuts at the Old Well on Saturday morning, do not be alarmed — he is probably participating in the

Dozen Doughnut Dash. The Dash is part of Chapel Hill's "Turn the Town Pink" campaign for the month of October. The campaign raises awareness and support for cancer patients in the community by funding the Comprehensive Cancer

Support Program at the Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center and the N.C. Cancer Hospital. "I love the whole effort, not just the doughnut dash. It always strikes me how generous and engaged the businesses here are in helping out," said Dr. Donald Rosenstein, director of the CCSP. The doughnut dash at UNC was started in 2011 by a group of students. "The students all had fam-

ily and friends who had battled with cancer and so they wanted to put on a fun event for a worthy local cause," said Adam Glasser, vice president of marketing for the Dash. "Over the last four years our race has grown in size. This year, we have added a costume contest, so that racers can celebrate Halloween a few weeks early," he said in an email. Something else that is different this year is the guest speaker: UNC women's bas-

ketball coach Sylvia Hatchell will be speaking about her recent victory over cancer. For those concerned about health risks, Glasser said eating all 12 donuts is not required. "We have 'doughnut day-care,' where runners can leave their uneaten doughnuts and pick them up after the race," he said. "Of course, runners do have to eat all 12 doughnuts and finish the race in order to qualify to win one of our awesome prizes."

Glasser said proceeds for the race are used to purchase doughnuts at a discounted rate from Krispy Kreme, as well as the race T-shirts for runners. "The rest of the money goes directly to the Lineberger Cancer Center to support the amazing work they do," he said. Senior Kit Mook has participated in the Doughnut Dash since it began. "It's a lot of fun, and it's a way to get involved in Carolina," he said.

His advice to people who are participating for the first time is to swallow the doughnuts and drink lots of water. "Don't think about the doughnuts, just eat them. You're not going to want to think about them." Glasser said he hopes to attract more runners each year. "After all, who doesn't love fighting cancer with doughnuts?"

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TANER SETS THE STANDARD

The Turkey native has settled in as a leader

By Pat James

Assistant Sports Editor

Senior Ece Taner sits in the stands at Carmichael Arena, legs crossed and overlooking the gym floor where she and the North Carolina volleyball team have spent the past two hours practicing.

Absent is the athletic tape she wears around her left wrist and hand. For Taner, the bandage serves as more of a reminder than protection — a reminder of the repercussions her relentless pursuit of the ball can lead to.

"It always reminds me that hand is not that stable, so I'm more cautious of it, and I don't try to jam it on the floor or something," said Taner, who broke her hand her freshman year and had a plate and two screws inserted.

But that doesn't stop Taner. She's faced much stiffer obstacles en route to attaining the position she's in today.

Several other hurdles have stood in the way for the Turkey native in her transition from a silent freshman in an unfamiliar country to the voice behind the No. 12 team in the nation.

After letting her play do the talking for most of her career, being the vocal leader for UNC is a new position she never could've seen herself in.

"When I first got here, I was so quiet," Taner said. "I wouldn't talk at the huddles. I was kind of that person who didn't have a voice on the team, but I would do my job."

"Looking back now, I'm like, 'Wow, I never thought I'd come to where I am now.'"

'Love at first touch'

Taner was born in Izmir, Turkey — more than 5,000 miles away from Chapel Hill.

She spent her formative years growing up in the city — exploring it by foot and by cab, indulging in city life and driving with her family to the beach during the summer.

In fifth grade, Taner's gym teacher introduced her to volleyball. It was love at first touch.

"The first day I set foot (on the court), I was like, 'Wow, I love this. I want to stick with this,'" Taner said. "I wasn't very into academics. My brother was always the bright child in the classroom, so I was like, 'I need to be good at something

... I'm going to accomplish this mission. I'm going to play in college, and I'm going to play professional."

Taner developed a well-rounded skill set. Having experience at nearly every other position — including outside hitter and middle blocker, despite her 5-foot-6 frame — she found a home at libero in her junior year of high school. The libero is a type of defensive specialist who wears a different color jersey, playing the back row only. As UNC's libero, Taner is the only player who never steps off the court.

"Transitioning to libero, I kind of had a background from hitting, so I knew what the hitter wanted to do, so defense kind of got easier for me," she said. "So I think that definitely helped me develop a basic, stable, fundamental skill."

A world away

Coach Joe Sagula remembers when he first met Taner.

As a sophomore in high school, Taner traveled to the U.S. to attend UNC's volleyball camp. Sagula said Taner's exceptional playing experience and diverse skill set immediately caught his eye.

"We were doing some drills, and she said, 'Well, I can set.' So she set. And then she says she can play back row and she would be the libero, so she did that," he said. "She did everything but play middle hitter."

With the Atlantic Ocean between them, Sagula was limited to email correspondence with Taner and relied on videos to watch her play.

Taner's play on tape did what words could not. Her play spoke for itself and earned her a scholarship to UNC.

But doubts about her performance on the court never crept into Taner's mind during the recruitment. She was more concerned with her performance in the classroom.

"I was mostly concerned with how my transcripts would transfer or if my grades wouldn't be enough, because I had to take the SAT and that was more challenging for me because English is my second language," she said.

But she made it. And in 2011, Taner came back to UNC — the school she fell in love with just a few years before.

Elvio Paradiso — the presi-



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Senior libero Ece Taner traveled from Turkey to Chapel Hill to play volleyball for Coach Joe Sagula and the Tar Heels.

dent of Taner's club team in Turkey and her coach for nearly two years — said while her talent was exceptional, Taner would face many new challenges in the U.S.

"Anything new is nice, but difficult," said Paradiso in an email. "Doubts about if she can do it also in U.S., if she can still be a leader after being so many years in Turkey, can give stress."

An unfamiliar world

The freshman libero with

the hard-to-pronounce name arrived on campus in the fall of 2011.

"I had no idea what to expect when I found out a girl from Turkey was coming, and I struggled to pronounce her name," said senior defensive specialist Chaney LaReau.

Taner struggled with missing her family.

"They're really far away," Taner said. "They're across the world. So not being able to talk to them whenever I wanted to was a struggle."

She had trouble navigating

campus and comprehending Western cuisine — cheaper food at home was more nutritious than American fast food.

But Taner knew she'd have to learn to deal.

"I was like, 'OK, I'm going to have to get used to this.'"

To the surprise of her teammates, what challenged Taner the least was her ability to converse with them.

"Honestly, I thought we weren't going to be able to communicate, but she speaks better English than most English speakers natively

do," said senior outside hitter Lauren McAdoo.

But what served as Taner's Achilles' heel early on at UNC was her ability to grasp what was going on in her classes.

"It almost was deceptive in that she sounded more American and her English was so good, you would forget she was foreign," Sagula said.

"But there in the background, she was having to take in a lot of different things to be here — being away from

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WOMEN'S SOCCER: NORTH CAROLINA 3, WAKE FOREST 0

Women's soccer shuts out Wake

By Ben Salkeld

Staff Writer

The North Carolina women's soccer team was ranked No. 7 in the country, unbeaten in the ACC, and riding a six-game win streak, but the Tar Heels still had to do one thing: defeat an opponent by more than one goal.

That was until UNC (8-2-1, 5-0 ACC) took down Wake Forest (3-7-2, 1-3-1 ACC) by a convincing score of 3-0 on Fetzer Field Thursday.

A collection of exceptional performances all around — including an assist and a goal from sophomore midfielder Cameron Castleberry — gave the team the confidence it needed to secure its seventh straight victory.

"We know now that we have the ability to finish," Castleberry said. "And we know that we can hold teams off now and keep a clean slate instead of letting them come back in."

Coach Anson Dorrance wanted more from his team after they allowed second-half goals from N.C. State University and Virginia Tech in previous games.

"Anson even mentioned in the halftime speech that earlier in the season, when we were playing elite teams like UCLA, we shut them out," senior defender Satara Murray said. "So we needed to get back on that groove, and I'm so glad we finally did."

Dorrance was unsatisfied with



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Junior forward Paige Nielsen bounds down the field in North Carolina's 3-0 win against Wake Forest. Nielsen scored one goal Thursday night.

the team's struggle to win possession early in the game Thursday.

"I didn't think we started the game very well," he said. "I thought we came into the game very under-motivated. But I thought as the game wore on, we got better."

Castleberry was one of the primary catalysts of that improvement, providing an assist on junior Paige Nielsen's goal in the 15th minute and then pouncing on a loose ball and putting it into the net on her own in the second half.

"I've been telling Cameron Castleberry that her potential is absolutely off the charts," Dorrance said. "So I'm very proud of the fact that she's scoring and making things happen."

The scoring strikes from Nielsen, Castleberry and sophomore forward Sarah Ashley Firsenberg gave the Tar Heels their sixth straight game with multiple goals after the team scored just twice in its first four matches.

"Obviously, (scoring) was a bit of an issue in the beginning of the season," Murray said. "I think it was a bit of nerves and inexperience. But it was a great week of practice, and I knew that would come out in this game."

"Seeing that everybody is improving, from the keeper all the way to the front line — I couldn't be more happy."

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Old friends 'Quise, Golson to face off

By Grace Raynor

Sports Editor

Just Sunday, North Carolina quarterback Marquise Williams saw his phone light up with Everett Golson's name on it.

"Me and Everett go way back," Williams said of the Notre Dame quarterback, who is currently on the short list for the Heisman Trophy. "He told me happy birthday."

Williams and Golson do go way back. Golson originally committed to North Carolina and was hoping to work out a deal where he would be a two-sport athlete — joining Roy Williams on the hardwood — after football season. But Golson flipped his commitment, deterred by UNC's ongoing NCAA scandal.

And though things would certainly be different if Golson were donning light blue, that won't be so when the Tar Heels (2-3, 0-2 ACC) travel to South Bend, Ind., Saturday to take on the No. 5 team in the nation.

"It is weird. We thought he was coming," Williams said. "My hat goes off to him. He's been doing a tremendous job this year — he's been unbelievable. I appreciate what he does to the game."

Through five games, the redshirt senior has thrown 13 touchdowns and is averaging almost 280 passing yards per game. He helped quarterback the Irish to a date with Alabama in the 2012 BCS National Championship Game and has also rushed for four touchdowns this season. Golson will be one of the toughest quarterbacks UNC will face all season.

And Coach Larry Fedora knows this.

"They're going to go as far as he takes them. He's a really good player. He can run and beat you with his legs on any play. He can turn a very ordinary play into a great play," Fedora said. Meanwhile, UNC's defense — though at times showing glimpses of improvement — is still struggling to stop opponents. To date, it is ranked 117th in the nation for total defense, taking the same approach into Notre Dame (5-0) that it's had all season.

"We're still going to do the same defense that we've been doing," senior safety Tim Scott said. "As a secondary, we know that we have to cover a little bit longer — maybe if he scrambles, we've got to plaster."

With three consecutive losses and the season's halfway mark Saturday, the Tar Heels are in need of a spark if they're to revamp their season.

"Fortunately or unfortunately, we're fixing to play a really good football team," Fedora said. "I look at it as a tremendous opportunity. Other people may not look at it that way."

Williams, too, sees it as an opportunity. Even if it means taking the field opposite Golson. Even if it means facing a massive defensive line that boasts 300-pounders across the front.

"As a college football player, you dreamed of going to play in Notre Dame," Williams said. "It gives you the chills when you go in the stadium and see so many fans. You think about the movie 'Rudy.' It's just something like that."

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DTH PICKS OF THE WEEK

The DTH sports staff and one celebrity guest compete to pick the winners of the biggest ACC and national college football games each week.

As the saying goes, "Even a blind squirrel stumbles upon an acorn."
Last week, our own blind squirrel (Brendan Marks) stumbled upon his first acorn of the year (correctly picking Ole Miss to beat Alabama) and we're all just kind of sitting here like, "Umm... uhhh... is this real life...?"

Breaks down
Most of the pickers are convinced that this wasn't any indication of skill, but rather some sort of glitch in the matrix.
Still, life goes on and Marks is still sitting in last place, so we don't have to start feeling bad about ourselves yet.
Well, most of us.
The QB1 — aka Comeback Dodson, aka Ron Dodson, aka Aaron Dodson — had the worst

week of his picks career, going 3-6 and falling into a tie for fourth place with his protegee Carlos "Los" Collazo.
Los was the only picker on the sports desk to not choose UNC last week against Virginia Tech, and that paid off for him and the Guest Picker (Jacob Emert at the time) who led the week in picks with 6-3 records.
"I guess I'm the only one who takes this 'unbiased thing' seriously," Collazo said. "But if everyone wants to pick UNC again this week, that's fine with me, too."
"I've got some catching up to do and that would really help me out."
Unfortunately (maybe) for Los, every picker is siding with Notre Dame as the Tar Heels head into South Bend.



Larry Keith is this week's guest picker. He wrote for and edited Sports Illustrated for 34 years. He is currently retired.

Senior Writer Daniel Wilco is sitting one game out of first place at the moment, continuing his amazing redemption year in picks.
In order to try and gain some ground, he's the only picker taking Cincinnati over Miami and one of just two taking TCU over Baylor.
Larry Keith is this week's guest picker. He is a former sports editor for The Daily Tar Heel. Bring it on, Larry.

Record to date	Grace Raynor	Aaron Dodson	Daniel Wilco	Carlos Collazo	Pat James	Brendan Marks	Larry Keith
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Cincinnati at Miami	Miami	Miami	Cincinnati	Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami
Duke at Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech	Duke	Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech
Auburn at Miss. State	Miss. State	Miss. State	Miss. State	Miss. State	Miss. State	Miss. State	Miss. State
TCU at Baylor	Baylor	Baylor	TCU	Baylor	Baylor	Baylor	TCU
Oregon at UCLA	Oregon	Oregon	UCLA	Oregon	Oregon	Oregon	UCLA
Louisville at Clemson	Clemson	Louisville	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson
Ole Miss at Texas A&M	Ole Miss	Ole Miss	Ole Miss	Texas A&M	Ole Miss	Texas A&M	Texas A&M

THE LOWDOWN ON SATURDAY'S GAME

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HEAD-TO-HEAD

UNC front seven vs. ND rush: Notre Dame's rushing attack isn't anything to freak out about (78th in FBS) but UNC has allowed 12 rushing TDs this season. **EDGE: ND**

UNC secondary vs. ND pass: Everett Golson is a Heisman candidate going up against the 121st passing defense in the nation. This one isn't close. **EDGE: ND**

ND front seven vs. UNC rush: ND allows fewer than 100 rushing yards per game, fewer than three yards per carry and has given up just three rushing TDs. **EDGE: ND**

ND secondary vs. UNC pass: UNC's passing attack is better than its running game, but The Irish have given up just four passing TDs in five games this year. **EDGE: ND**

The Bottom Line — Notre Dame 33, UNC 10

Faster LLC opening put on hold

By Maggie Monsrud
Staff Writer
Angel investment firm Faster LLC has been fully operational since April 2014, but finally decided to locate its first permanent home at 201 E. Franklin St.

officials Sept. 29.
In a response email, town staff said delays were caused by a number of reasons, including unpermitted and unsafe working conditions at the site, backlog at the inspections department and unclear communication.

was both safe and in compliance with local ordinances."
Faster is an angel investor, meaning it provides financial backing for small startup businesses or entrepreneurs.
Faster's main focus is on early-stage and high-impact technologies, but the company also plans to provide support to a limited number of UNC student-led startups.

Raleigh, Charlotte, Atlanta and New York," Scarborough said in an email.
"Creating a vibrant entrepreneurship community can help us keep some of that human and intellectual capital here."
Faster is also funding nonprofit enterprises such as Event Horizon and UNC Creatorspace.

There was supposed to be a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Faster on Sept. 25, but general manager Gunnar Wieboldt postponed the ceremony because of problems with town inspections that required Faster to tear down its drywall.
Wieboldt said he was concerned about the way Chapel Hill's inspections department has handled his project.
"Had the inspection department of Chapel Hill been more professional and cooperative, we would have made this deadline with ease," Wieboldt said in an email to Chapel Hill town

"Mr. Wieboldt's project took place during a period of high demand and a shortage of staffing, which we are correcting," the email said.
Wieboldt said the town now appears to be working on making the process more efficient.
"It was a complex project renovating an old building for a new purpose," Wieboldt said of his space, which sits on top of Time Out and the bar Deep End.
"We should have allotted more time to ensure that the town had sufficient opportunity to confirm that construction

Aaron Scarborough, director of 1789 Venture Lab, a Chapel Hill-based company similar to Faster, said having a strong entrepreneurial community would grow the local economy.
"We educate so many brilliant people at UNC only (to) see them leave for places like

Faster now hopes to start operating and investing by the end of the month, Wieboldt said.
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home, and then academically realizing she had to follow and comprehend things in classes."
With the assistance of Tony Yount, the team's academic adviser and one of the people Taner said has impacted her life the most, she surmounted her academic struggles.
On the volleyball court, Sagula said Taner had to adjust to enduring more physical training and conditioning, as well as being with the team seven days a week as opposed to once or twice per week like she did for her club team.
But Sagula said Taner seemed to find an outlet from the rest of the unfamiliar world when she was on the court.
She and her teammates spoke the same language on the floor.
While she remained fairly silent, Taner's performance did the talking. But Sagula knew after stepping into the lineup the way she did as a freshman, Taner would one day be the voice of the Tar Heels.

the season and the voice the team hopes can carry it deeper into the NCAA Tournament.
It took some time and adjustments, but the soft-voiced Turkey native has finally acclimated to her surroundings and the role her coach always imagined her in.
"She's finally feeling comfortable that she has the ability to tell others, 'Hey, follow me.' I think she's always been a very humble person — never pushed herself on people," Sagula said. "But people have always loved Ece from the first day she's been here."
Taner's performance on the court is now not only seen but is heard. Her voice motivates her teammates' to perform at a high level.
"She's always all over the place. I trust her a lot — all of us hitters do — to defend," said redshirt senior Chaniel Nelson. "We can swing as hard as we want, and we know Ece is going to be there

always, talking to us and encouraging us."
Through 47 sets this season, Taner leads the team with 187 digs. Her 1,278 career digs entering tonight's match against Virginia place her within reach of UNC's top-five career digs mark with 14 games remaining in the regular season. Her 3.44 career dig average per set currently has her in the No. 3 spot on the school's all-time list.
But now, the more pressing demand is being the captain her teammates believed she could be when they selected her for the position.
"I figured out how to deal with things. Opportunities just come to you, so you just got to take them and make the best out of it," Taner said. "So I think that's where I am right now. I'm just taking this leadership opportunity and trying to be the best leader I can be for this team."
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Solution to Thursday's puzzle

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Project Connect
Hundreds of people experiencing homelessness received health care Thursday. See pg. 3 for story.

Farmers markets
The Chapel Hill and Carrboro farmers' markets are preparing for fall. See pg. 3 for story.

Financial fraud rising
The county's Department of Aging is providing financial fraud services this month. See pg. 1 for story.

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Do not target centers for cuts

The Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History celebrated 10 years in its current building in August. The establishment of the center was the result of decades of controversy, advocacy and struggle, from the creation of a 900 square-foot space that was once the Black Cultural Center in the Student Union, to Sept. 10, 1992, when students marched to South Building to demand a freestanding facility.

This past summer Gov. Pat McCrory signed the 2014-15 state budget, which spurred the Board of Governors to consider repurposing \$15 million from the UNC system's centers and institutes toward its strategic directions initiative and distinguished professorships.

But the Stone Center, American Indian Center, Carolina Women's Center and Center on Poverty, Work and Opportunity, among others, are spaces to construct historically accurate narratives of exploitation and exclusion that have been birthmarked into the founding of this University.

No degree of budget oversight is enough to justify cutbacks to these centers.

The board is reviewing the system's 237 centers and institutes, 80 of which are at UNC-Chapel Hill, said James L. Holmes, Jr., chairman of public affairs and leader of the effort.

"We are following a process that we believe is in the best interest of the system," he said. "This is a fact-based review that has no agenda from its outset."

Former state budget director Art Pope presented to the board earlier in September, pointing to centers as a possible area for cuts.

The Civitas Institute, a think tank that calls itself "North Carolina's Conservative Voice" has written about the centers and institutes as a possible source of budgetary excess. The John William Pope Foundation, an Art Pope enterprise, is the bankroller of the institute.

The institute criticized the coexistence of the Institute for African-American Research, the Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture, and the African Studies Center at UNC.

"Are these efforts duplicative? If so, are there justifiable reasons to finance multiple programs?" the institute asked in an article posted on its website.

Only in 1951 were the first black male students admitted to UNC after a hard-fought battle in federal courts.

And only in 1965 did Karen Parker become the first black female graduate of UNC.

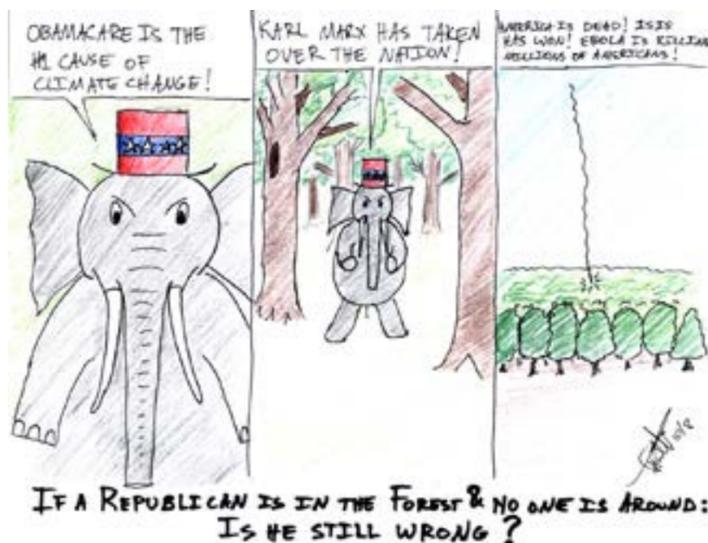
The board aims to release results from the first phase of review by Oct. 15.

The centers are a means for our university to reckon with a destructive past — a time when people of color, women and people experiencing poverty were barred from attending.

Still, we must practice continual repentance. Some inclusion does not equal amends for the past nor does it absolve the University from historical inequities that persist to this day.

As Seth Rose wrote last week, the unacceptably small number of black men enrolled at UNC face a more difficult path to graduate than the average student. Now is not the time to undo the limited progress we have achieved.

EDITORIAL CARTOON By Daniel Pinelli, pinelli@live.unc.edu



EDITORIAL

Get behind a bike plan

Safety statistics show the town's plan is needed.

A week ago, Pamela Lane of Durham was riding her bicycle on the sidewalk near the intersection of Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Hillsborough Street when a car ended her life. Her death and the deaths of other American cyclists should not merely create a news bulletin, but be a tangible lesson on the importance of designing roads to be safe for all users.

According to the North Carolina Department of Transportation, Orange County is home to the third most car-bicycle collisions per capita of any municipality in the state.

To address this issue, a coalition of Chapel Hill residents, cycling advocates, a consulting firm and various branches of government created the Chapel Hill Bike Plan, a comprehensive investigation of existing infrastructure and attitude problems that includes steps for implementation and design approach. The plan was approved by the town council in June.

Its goals include improving safety for cyclists, fostering a positive cycling culture in the town, creating a network of cycling

facilities that coordinate with greenways and increase bike use.

The plan's strength lies in its commitment to action. Included are vital funding and resource strategies, including the recommendation to pursue state and federal funding sources for plan projects. However, the current North Carolina Department of Transportation budget is hugely skewed toward automobiles and largely leaves bikes and other transportation forms, such as rail and public transit, to be marginalized. Of the \$4.3 billion budget, less than 10 percent was spent on transportation other than cars.

North Carolina and the town risk seeming out of touch with the times if they cannot fund these projects. According to the League of American Cyclists, bike miles traveled have more than doubled between 2001 and 2009 in the U.S. As community advocates have shown, a serious contingent of the town's cyclists want better infrastructure.

Future planning should be sure to actually put cyclists in a safer place on the road, rather than merely making them feel like they're protected. For example, while the shared lane markings for cyclists on Martin Luther King

Jr. Boulevard are a sign that the town is aware that cyclists exist, it is not physically slowing the cars zipping by at 35 mph, nor is it physically separating two modes that cannot, as has been proven by the 79 crashes in town between 2008 and 2012, always safely share a road.

This doesn't mean cyclists should be left to ride in the sidewalks, against the law in some parts of the town. Instead, the plan includes designs for creation of new bike lanes, cycle tracks and even bicycle signals that prioritize bike traffic.

Those that see the bike plan and its expenditures as a waste of time and money are ignoring one of its crucial components. Those that are riding in Chapel Hill now do so because they are brave or daring enough to ride on streets with infrastructure not designed for their needs. By creating separate lanes, more connected greenways and further, creating bike parking, the town will entice riders who would have otherwise never considered commuting by bike.

By getting behind the bike plan and advocating for changes in state funding, local government and our legislators can make the town the southern part of bicycling heaven.

COLUMN

Save our studies

We shouldn't defund one of the University's best centers.

At first glance, my bookshelf might seem a bit unusual.

Sure, there are a few choice novels that I've taken from home, some books left over from previous literature courses I've taken. But my favorite section contains textbooks on Eastern European languages: My Russian 101 textbook lovingly preserved, a Polish textbook picked up for a dollar at some book sale or another, a Czech textbook worn from three semesters of use.

You see, at heart, I am a Slavophile, someone fascinated by all things related to Eastern Europe and Russia. The prospect of studying multiple languages like Russian and Czech was one of the reasons I chose UNC as an out-of-state student. The strength of UNC's programs and faculty have also attracted graduate students who share my passion for all things Slavic to the Center for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, one of the nation's best in its discipline.

Though, as an undergraduate, I am not technically affiliated with the center. I have come to know some of its students, staff and faculty well



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in my time here. As a recipient of a Foreign Language and Area Studies fellowship from the center, I was able to study abroad this summer in St. Petersburg, Russia. I met a former leader of Polish Solidarity, a Ukrainian and a Georgian ambassador, and a U.S. diplomat to Russia.

But because of budget cuts, on Oct. 1, the Department of Education informed the center it would not receive funding for the next budget cycle, cutting FLAS fellowships that support students studying critical and less-commonly taught languages like Russian, Polish and Czech.

This means students, who could have received FLAS funding for this academic year, have been left with vir-

tually no options, and future students will have a much lower chance of receiving financial support for their studies both here at UNC and abroad. Relevant course offerings could be curbed and cultural opportunities reduced — prospects that, for me, are simply unthinkable.

Therefore, on both fronts, I implore that other area studies' centers and University officials work together to ensure that the center can continue to attract and financially support students, professors and visiting scholars who are engaged with the region. As one of the top-funded Russian and East European centers among U.S. universities in the last budget cycle, UNC's center has a legacy of excellence that should be maintained.

The ongoing crisis between Russia and Ukraine demonstrates this region's continued relevance. Students in area studies programs are the diplomats, the policy analysts and the activists of the near future. A strong commitment to our center will demonstrate UNC's leadership in meeting the renewed demand for specialists in this region.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The first thing she said when they ran in was, 'Now that's a teeny weenie.' I had no idea she was so boss."

Elly Withers, on professor Rita Balaban's reaction to streakers

FEATURED ONLINE READER COMMENT

"If you live off campus, why should the University pay for your transportation to and from bars?"

onetwothree, on a proposal for UNC to buy Buzz Rides

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Kvetching board™

UNC should contract with Buzz Rides

TO THE EDITOR:

The editorial, "The University should purchase Buzz Rides," rightly points out that SafeWalk provides a decent service at a very high cost per student served. All the while, Buzz Rides serves many more students at a much lower cost. However, the solution isn't DPS buying Buzz Rides or the Student Safety Security Committee providing a "grant."

First, University ownership of Buzz Rides likely entails weighty management regulations that come with government ownership. Second, giving "grants" to socially desirable private entities is an increasingly common governmental tool but is also a sophisticated transaction requiring close oversight and accountability. I do not think the SSSC can provide such ongoing oversight.

Instead, I propose that the University contract with Buzz Rides to pay a certain amount per student ride in exchange for preferential treatment for students and advertising student safety resources. (What better time to advertise the importance of consent than on the way home from the bar?) I hope Student Congress will put politics aside and embrace outcome-focused policies that best serve our community. Let's get to work.

David Goldberg
Graduate Student
Member, Student Safety and Security Committee

Buzz Rides legislation was misrepresented

TO THE EDITOR:

Apparently my first letter criticizing the misrepresentation of my bill wasn't enough to point out what this legislation did, since yesterday's editorial misrepresented its effects yet again.

Last year, Buzz Rides applied for funding through SSSC. This committee is a subsidiary of Student Government and thereby must follow Title V. Title V prohibits allocating student fees to groups that are not University-recognized student organizations. Title V also prohibits allocating student fees in a way that would result in individual gain. Therefore, when SSSC attempted to allocate money to Buzz Rides without quorum, they violated both the Student Code and N.C. General Statutes.

This blatant disregard for the rules was the impetus for this bill. Furthermore, this bill did not make any change in the rules; it simply made it explicitly clear that SSSC was required to follow Title V. I personally have nothing against Buzz Rides. I think the idea behind it is wonderful. I just wish people would stop misinterpreting my bill.

Kevan Schoonover
UNC Student Congress

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kvetch:

v.1 (Yiddish) to complain
Balaban 2016.

To my rude and obnoxious athlete suitemates: I really want to screw you over, but I've decided I'll just let your classes do that for you.

I hate growing up. It means I have to get my own Netflix account after years of mooching off my older brother's.

(Insert kvetch about how much your football team sucks.)

Morrison dorm — modern enough to have solar panels, but reliable elevators? Forget them.

Foreshadowing at its finest — UNC's playboy bunny worked at Maxim Healthcare Services.

My professor apologizes for taking a while to grade tests, and I'm just like, "No worries. I actually prefer living in denial."

Today in class, I asked my oceanography professor if he believed in aliens. This fully represents how seriously I am taking my senior year.

Didn't have a pen or pencil, so I had to write an in-class assignment with a highlighter this morning. Senior year is looking good.

I was stopped and asked twice in an hour if I was registered to vote... while dancing and wearing a hot dog costume.

#nobodysafe
To the bowl of free condoms in Rams Head gym: For months you silently mock me, but now in my time of need, you vanish?

While I realize that many people are on their computers during class, I'm beginning to think that not all distractions are equal. While I'm looking up the YoPo flavors, homeboy next to me is applying to Cambridge.

The only thing that executes worse than our defense is my Java code.

To the girl in Rams who had the Kim Possible ring tone: Call me, beep me, if you wanna reach me.

Carolina Kickoff participating in Bike to Uganda just took the lead as most annoying white guilt on campus. Your move, Dance Marathon.

Memo to defense: When you sack their quarterback, you can only prance around and look silly IF WE ARE AHEAD. Stop it.

My professor told us to go big or go home. Most of the class chose to go home.

To yesterday's streakers: Finals aren't for another two months, and Davis is on the other side of the quad.

Send your one-to-two sentence entries to
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