

# Two Yackety Yacks scheduled for release

**The UNC yearbook has not yet published for the 2010-11 year.**

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The 2011-12 Yackety Yack is on schedule to meet its summer deadline and will be ready for distribution in August, according to Editor-in-Chief Waverly Lynch. Lynch replaced former Editor-in-Chief Stephanie Hertz, after

Hertz was asked by the Yack's board to step down in October when the 2010-11 edition was not published. Lynch said she still plans to publish the 2010-11 edition of the Yack with publisher Balfour Yearbooks. Lynch said the 2010-11 edition will be published once the Yack receives students' portraits. Tony Patterson, senior associate director for student life and activities, said the 2010-11 edition should be ready for print July 20, and the 300 copies ordered will

be delivered eight weeks later. The 2010-11 edition was the first not to be published since the Yack's inaugural edition in 1900, Lynch said. Kelly Young, associate director for the student activities fund office, said one customer who ordered a 2010-11 edition requested a refund from her office. She said her office cannot refund the order. The Yack is published by students, with the supervision of Patterson and Young. "Yackety Yack is an important

part of Carolina's history and will move forward in a positive direction," Lynch said. "Right now we are a very young staff, but very enthusiastic. Looking forward, we hope to grow in numbers," she said. Patterson said Lynch has been an improvement from former editors. "Waverly has been terrific to work with on the book," he said. "She not only has experience with yearbooks from high school, but she also understands the importance of preserving the

Yackety Yack as part of Carolina's rich history and tradition." Lynch said the organization of the book has been revamped to order the yearbook chronologically, and that this will continue in future editions. The change allowed the book to be almost halfway finished by second semester. The book will sell for \$107.75 through publisher Herff Jones. "They are working with a new publishing company, and the technology that is available to them through this company now

is even better," Young said. Lynch said she expects about 300 copies of this year's edition to be sold. She said the Yack will coordinate with the General Alumni Association to increase sales. "We are also looking for other groups to collaborate with to assist with marketing the Yackety Yack so students and families know it is available," Patterson said.

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## VIRTUOSO OF VOLUNTEERING

Pat Evans has spent 40 years leaving her mark on Chapel Hill

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Since moving to Chapel Hill in 1970, Pat Evans has left her mark on the town in many ways, including the Carolina blue fire trucks and development of Meadowmont.

In her long career of public service, Evans has served on the Chapel Hill Town Council, the Planning Board, the Tourism Board and Friends of the Downtown Chapel Hill — just to name a few.

"I never saw myself running for council, but I always saw myself as a volunteer," she said.

Recently, Evans and her husband were granted lifetime membership to the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce, after paying their dues for 20 years.

Aaron Nelson, president and CEO of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro chamber, said the lifetime membership was a way to recognize Evans for her two decades of work.

"She's given us enough that we don't need her to pay dues," he said.

From her decade on the council to her current position as the chair of Friends of the Downtown, Evans said she sees her accomplishments only as a progression of her volunteer life.

Josh Gurlitz, vice chairman of Friends of the Downtown, said when Evans campaigned for council, she was one of the few women running for the office.

"I have very fond memories of her campaigns and the work she did running the campaigns," he said. "As well as her effectiveness when she got into office."

While on the council, Evans said she helped to unite Chapel Hill's University and residential communities — something she said the council was not previously concerned about.

"I felt a great deal more could be accomplished if we partnered with the University," she said.

Evans said her experience with her daughter's time at Clemson University also inspired her to push for free transit in the town and to paint the iconic Carolina blue fire trucks. She said Clemson's orange fire trucks inspired her.

Evans also said the fire trucks not only brought pride to the community, but are a major attraction at sports games at UNC.

"Children love it at the hospital," she said. "It kind of makes you feel good."

Three years after leaving the council, Evans said she restarted Friends of the Downtown with the help of the Franklin Hotel, in order to foster economic development in the town.



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Pat Evans, current chairwoman of Friends of Downtown Chapel Hill, stands outside the Franklin Hotel.

"I think it's important to have something that brings the town and University together, and in many ways, Friends of the Downtown is that organization," Evans said.

Nelson said Evans has always supported local businesses in the town.

"She was a champion of the business community for her entire career," he said.

Evans also served on the planning board for nine years. She said one of her biggest accomplishments

was the design of Meadowmont, after planning the Southern Village neighborhood.

But she said she couldn't pick just one thing she has done to be proud of.

"I'm not and never have been a one-issue person," Evans said. "Overall, I'm pretty proud of this community."

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## Thorp backs foreign grads

**A letter signed by UNC leaders calls for easier immigration process.**

By Samuel Mason  
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A hundred university leaders signed a letter demanding a streamlined immigration process for international graduating students in fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

UNC-Chapel Hill Chancellor Holden Thorp and UNC-system President Thomas Ross were some of the signatories to the letter, which calls for an easier path to permanent residency for international students.

Universities have long argued that changes in immigration policy are needed to give the nation a competitive economic edge. But past attempts to reform immigration policy have been met with congressional inaction.

Elizabeth Barnum, director of international student and scholar services at UNC-CH, said the difficulty of the process may keep talented students from coming to the U.S. — they may be attracted to other countries with easier policies, she said.

Thorp said acquiring a visa is a tedious and costly process for foreign students.

"People who are highly trained within appropriate review should qualify for permanent residence in the United States. Exporting them just doesn't make sense," he said.

Barnum said many international students are in the country on temporary visas, which allow them to pursue a program of study and a period of optional practical training. But once they finish, current law requires them to leave the country.

Students who receive a work visa can expect to wait approximately 10 years before their request for permanent residency is granted, Barnum said.

She said current policy presents hurdles for employers to hire talented foreign students.

"It's just been really difficult for U.S. businesses to deal with the law and keep these people working for them," she said.

She said changing the current policy would benefit both international students and the U.S. economy.

The letter was signed by the leaders of Duke University, Wake Forest University, N.C. State University and UNC-Charlotte. Ross endorsed the initiative on behalf of the UNC system.

Joni Worthington, spokeswoman for the UNC system, said the system's Board of Governors has prioritized advocating immigration reform that facilitates recruiting students in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Written by the Partnership for a New American Economy, the letter is addressed to President Barack Obama and leaders of Congress.

Barnum said she was unsure if changes would be made this year, but she is hopeful reform will take place in the near future.

"There has been some bipartisan support, specifically because U.S. industry is behind it," Barnum said.

Thorp said he believes this is an issue that both sides of the ideological spectrum can agree on.

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## in BRIEF

### CAMPUS BRIEFS

**Online MBA program now offering courses to alumni**

Online program MBA@UNC is now open to alumni with a degree in Master of Business Administration from UNC's Kenan-Flagler Business School.

The program is designed for professionals who want to continue their education. Alumni can now register for classes, which start in October.

Alumni will take courses for a grade and receive credit hours. Student cannot audit classes and each course will cost \$800.

**Disorders correspond to increased risk for autism**

Researchers from UNC's School of Medicine found that autism spectrum disorders are more likely for individuals who have family diagnosed with schizophrenia or bipolar disorder.

The study was led by Patrick Sullivan, a professor in UNC's department of genetics and director of psychiatric genomics.

**Katherine R. Everett Trust donates to School of Law**

The Katherine R. Everett Charitable Trust made a donation of \$2.7 million to the UNC School of Law this week. The donation will create six full-tuition Everett Chancellors' Scholarships.

Everett was a prominent North Carolina lawyer and one of the first women to graduate from the UNC School of Law. She was the first woman to argue a case before the Supreme Court.

—From staff and wire reports

## UNC families attracted to 140 West

**The \$55 million project expects to complete construction by April.**

By Colleen Ni  
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Across the street from University Square, blue cranes no longer tower over Franklin Street.

The vertical construction phase on 140 West Franklin has been completed, revealing a building that's eight stories at its peak.

"The exterior of the building is taking shape," said Shari Meltzer, director of marketing at Ram Realty Services.

Meltzer said they expect to finish construction by April. She said the project in total will cost \$55 million.

"Instead of just concrete, the brickwork is being installed on the Franklin Street side," she said. "You can see the emerging architectural elements."

As of Tuesday, 91 of the 140 condominiums have been sold.

The condos range from one-bedroom residences to two-story terrace homes. Prices range from \$325,000 to \$1,525,000.

"The sales are pleasantly picking up," said Meltzer. "We are getting more serious buyers coming in."

She said the amount of walk-in traffic has increased significantly since last summer.

"The fact that people can come now and touch it and see the progress is spurring more people to come back and write contracts," Meltzer said. She said many of their cus-

tomers so far have ties to UNC.

"You've got a loyal group of Tar Heels," said Meltzer. "More than two-thirds of the folks who buy have some connection to UNC, whether as professors or as administrators."

Former Chapel Hill mayor and future 140 West condo owner Ken Broun was picking out carpeting and cabinets for his new residence Friday.

He said he bought a condo in the new building because he wanted to take advantage of the central location.

"We do a lot of things at the University — concerts and lectures and things — and we are within walking distance of most things," Broun said.

"We've met some of the people that we will be living with, and we felt it would be a nice community," he said.

The building will house both retail and residential spaces, and will create a public plaza.

Mike Hammon, director of Ram Real Estate, said they wanted to bring to life a low-key area between West and East Franklin Street with the development.

He said when 140 West is completed, it will help do to that.

"We've built many condominiums in the past, and we found our Chapel Hill customers to have the highest level of education," said Hammon.

He said the apartments are targeted towards the affluent and educated demographic of Chapel Hill.

Hammon said 95 to 99 percent of the buyers have a college degree.

"They really take their time;



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Progress has been made on the construction of 140 West over the summer, and over 60 percent of the apartments are sold.

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you don't have many impulse buyers," he said.

To help build a community, Hammon said they've taken potential customers to musicals, lectures, art galleries and other cultural activities.

"One of the things we're sell-

ing is a lifestyle choice," said Hammon. "We really tried to create a community."

"It's not your typical condominium."

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