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## NC inmates to challenge juvenile sentences

Some N.C. inmates can seek parole eligibility or resentencing.

By Kent McDonald  
Staff Writer

North Carolina juveniles convicted of first-degree murder between the years of 1994 and 2012 had one option: life in prison without parole.

These mandatory life sentences were ruled unconstitutional by the U.S. Supreme Court in a 2012 decision — calling for states to provide more than one sentencing option for future cases.

But until last week, inmates sentenced as juveniles during the 18-year period in the state were not considered. The Supreme Court case *Montgomery v. Louisiana* established these convicts have a constitutional right to challenge their sentences.

“Our office represents about 60 people in this situation,” said Allison Standard, assistant director of post-conviction litigation for North Carolina Prisoner Legal Services.

Standard said clients are hopeful they can work toward the possibility of parole.

But parole is difficult to obtain in North Carolina, she said.

“Just by giving someone the sentence of life with parole does not guarantee these people are going to get parole ever,” Standard said. “I think we should really be saying life with parole eligibility.”

Conflict over juvenile sentencing is nothing new, she said.

“But it is part of a general trend that shows a recognition that juveniles are different and should be treated differently than adults,” she said.

Overall, the adult justice system fails to account for the environmental factors of the offenders, said Joshua Rovner, a state advocacy associate at the Sentencing Project, a research and advocacy think-tank in Washington, D.C.

### Juvenile and adult systems

Jody Kent Lavy, director and national coordinator of the Campaign for the Fair Sentencing of Youth — an organization that advocates for age-appropriate sentencing — said young people possess a unique capacity for change and rehabilitation.

“They’re better off in the juvenile criminal justice system where they have access to programming, to counseling, to programs that were established with their developmental stages in mind,” she said. “As opposed to the adult justice system which ignores all of that and frankly does incredible harm.”

The adult and juvenile defense have very different approaches, said Rovner.

“The adult system merely cares about what the adult did,” he said. “An adult is considered fully accountable for their actions, whereas for a juvenile, there can easily be litigating circumstances.”

These factors can acknowledge the difficulty of a juvenile leaving a home situation that might be chaotic or abusive, Rovner said.

He said colleagues at the Sentencing Project have found certain links between juveniles sentenced to life and their environments at home.

“In surveying those juveniles who got life sentences, overwhelmingly those were people who came from violent homes who were abused themselves,” Rovner said.

### Race and the “superpredator” theory

Treatment of juveniles as adults can be traced back to the “Superpredator” theory, conceived in the 1990s, Lavy said.

“It said that there were godless, fatherless, monsters — violent African-American teenagers that were going to come to a neighborhood near you and commit violent crimes,” she said.

Rovner said the theory showed racist elements and made it easier for legislatures to charge children as adults.

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## Lights, camera, inaction

The lack of a film major at UNC is reflected in the state

By Ryan Schocket  
Assistant Arts & Entertainment Editor

Student filmmaker Stuart Schrader sat in his sophomore media production class, bored, confused and pissed off.

“I had an absolutely terrible experience. It was a pretty large lecture, and it was very uninvolved,” he said. “There was no energy. There was no involvement with the professor genuinely in the interest of the students.”

After finishing the class, which was based on completion of tedious assignments, his teaching assistant graded, the junior political science and communication studies major said he felt frustrated.

“It made me question, ‘Why am I even going here at all? Why am I wasting my time at all by studying this, being interested in this? Why am I taking the time to care about this stuff when I don’t think I’m learning enough here? It’s not going to be a practical pursuit in order to get a career out of it.’”

Schrader’s frustration was met with anxiety.

“That anxiety was amplified by the lack of organization in the communications department’s media production focus and the absence of any student-led organization to accommodate people with similar interests as me on campus.”

Until fall of 2015.

### A new place



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Riley Reid (left) and Stuart Schrader are two-thirds of Uninsincerity, a student filmmaker group at UNC.

Junior Prakash Kadiri founded the Carolina Film Association, a student-run organization that strives to help filmmakers.

“The organization accomplishes its mission by offering resources, guidance and organization to student filmmakers to realize their vision in a cinematic language over televisual or episodic forms,” according to its website.

Kadiri said North Carolina has changed from the place colloquially known as “Hollywood of the East” to a place of limited filmmaking.

“Now they’re calling Atlanta that,” he said. “That’s where all the big productions are now.”

In 2014, the N.C. General Assembly cut its film incentives system, which previously reimbursed production companies 25 percent for projects that cost more than \$250,000.

Now, filmmakers rely on grants from North Carolina, which,

according to its 2016 budget, has \$60 million to spare for films.

But due to their expensive budgets, large-scale productions, which rely on tax rebates, move where their efforts will receive substantial compensation.

Now, big-name films aren’t filmed in the state that once hosted box-office hits like “The Hunger Games” and “Iron Man 3.”

While this might seem like a good opportunity for the film industry, many people in North Carolina will suffer.

“I think they shouldn’t have cut the tax incentives. Bigger productions help stimulate the economy. Film equals jobs,” Kadiri said.

And to get jobs, many are relocating.

“A lot of people who work on films in North Carolina have to go down to Atlanta,” he said.

### CUTTING ROOM FLOOR

87.5

percent of UNC-system universities do not offer a film major

94.1

percent decrease in films and TV shows filmed in North Carolina since 2010

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UNC-system universities offer a film major

### Limited release

The Hollywood of the East has now become the Hollywood of the Past.

For decades, the distinctive landscape of North Carolina has

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## A forum on Y leadership

Two pairs are running to be co-presidents of the Campus Y.

By Amy Nelson  
Staff Writer

Standing in front of a full house, four candidates explained how they would push to make the Campus Y more inclusive in the upcoming year.

The Campus Y Co-Presidents Forum was moderated by the current co-presidents, Vishal Reddy and Juliana Ritter, on Wednesday night. Regan Buchanan and Lauren Eaves are running as a pair against Monique Laborde and Noah Ponton.

In 2015, the Campus Y’s election had around a 60 to 70 percent voter turnout, said Reddy, who is a member of The Daily Tar Heel’s editorial board. Only those who registered as Campus Y members before Jan. 20 may vote in this year’s Campus Y election. The election will be held online Feb. 9.

### Campus Y experience

Buchanan currently serves as the Y’s director of evaluations and Eaves serves as director of membership. Buchanan said she has facilitated communication,



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Noah Ponton (left) and Monique Laborde, Campus Y co-presidential candidates, participate in a forum on Wednesday night.

which allowed her to revamp the point group system — a method to evaluate Campus Y committees — this semester.

Eaves said she is currently working on Y-Connect, an online database for current Campus Y members and alumni. Laborde and Ponton said they have held positions on the executive board in the past. Laborde said she served as the first-year member at large and then as director of development.

Laborde said as a first-year, she went to department heads in order to raise money to bring activist Cornel West to

campus to speak.

Ponton formerly served as director of communication, where he said he solidified most of the team’s responsibilities.

### Changes to cabinet

Ponton and Laborde said they want to bring in more speakers from the community to speak at cabinet meetings, especially people running in local elections or for the N.C. General Assembly.

“We want to bring local activists in, whether or not we

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## Housing reacts to Granville incident

Someone tore down a Black Lives Matter bulletin board.

By Liz Bell  
Senior Writer

As he was on his way to class Tuesday morning, resident adviser Cj Alfonso found an unexpected blank space in the bulletin board he assembled two days before.

Alfonso had hung up a Black Lives Matter poster addressing misconceptions about the movement on the seventh floor of Granville Towers West.

He was hurt and surprised to find the poster crumpled up in the trashcan.

Alfonso took the poster to his room and posted pictures on his Snapchat story. Fellow resident adviser Tyler Sharp tweeted the pictures, which have now been retweeted more than 400 times.

Alfonso said he hoped the poster would inform his predominantly white hall about the purpose of the movement.

“Being in this environment, we forget the struggles that minority groups like the African-American people face,” Alfonso said. “I thought that I wanted to be a voice here in Granville Towers.”

Out of the about 60 first-years Alfonso oversees, he said there are no black students and very few minority students.

“I wanted to expose them and make them aware of things going on — the struggles that people face and why this movement’s going on,” he said.

Allan Blattner, director of the

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The best of online



The ultimate guide to surviving 8 a.m. classes

By Will Schoeffler  
Staff Writer

Among all of the confusion of my first year I didn't know much about college, but I did know one thing.

Never take a class that starts at 8 a.m. Ever. Never ever.

I managed to make it through three whole years managing my schedule around a late start in the day. One time I even managed to not have class before noon! From everybody's perspective, I was doing college right.

Until this semester when there was one unavoidable class at 8 a.m. Ugh.

So I bit the bullet, figuring I might as well go all in, and now I have classes almost every day at 8 a.m. This might be blasphemy, but I actually love it.

This semester is starting to look like my best semester yet, and I think if you gave it a try, you'd love it too. Here's how to maneuver the schedule of an early riser.

1. Keep your alarm clock away from your bed.

It may be #trendy to sleep with your phone next to you in bed, but it's time to stop it.



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SPORTSBALL

Staff writer Meggie Crusier explains who to root for in the Super Bowl.

There was a brief time in my life when I was a Denver Broncos fan.

Just because that time coincided with the years Tim Tebow was their quarterback does not mean that I base my football loyalties on quarterback attractiveness.

Although it might, considering I was also a fan of the Browns (who even are the Browns?) when Brady Quinn was playing there ...

For more, head to our Tar Heel Life Hacks blog.

THE SOUTH

Coloradoan staff writer Alli Ehrman judges all the in-state students for their reactions to snow.

I did not realize that snow in North Carolina meant ice, but spending a month in the middle of a Colorado winter had prepared me for this.

For the full story, head to our Pit Talk blog.

ONLINE POLL

The Daily Tar Heel asked respondents how much they spent on textbooks this semester. Results as of publication.

"I dunno — daddy took care of it for me."  
— 30 percent

"I'm now an indentured servant."  
— 28 percent

"My first-born child."  
— 25 percent

"A week's paycheck."  
— 18 percent

To vote in our polls, head to [dailytarheel.com](http://dailytarheel.com).

THE ONYEN

With student body presidential candidates dropping like flies, The Daily Tar Heel's satirical blog explains why first-year Andrew Williamson was the latest to say goodbye.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

TODAY

**Class: Mardis Gras Party:** Southern Season will host Sheri Castle as she teaches participants how to cook various dishes at home in preparation for Mardis Gras.  
**Time:** 6 p.m.  
**Location:** 201 S. Estes Drive

**UNC Women's Basketball vs. Louisville in "Tar Wars Night":** The Tar Heels will take on Louisville at home in a "Star Wars"-themed game. There will be T-shirts and a chance to win

lightsabers. This event is free to attend.  
**Time:** 7 p.m.  
**Location:** Carmichael Arena

**Spring 2016 African Diaspora Lecture:** Howard University professor Quito Swan will deliver his speech "Melanesia's Way: Black Internationalism in the South Pacific," focusing on black internationalism. This event is free and open to the public.  
**Time:** 7 p.m.

**Location:** Sonja Haynes Stone Center

FRIDAY

**CHCCS High School A Cappella Jam:** Carrboro High School will host an a cappella concert featuring eight groups from all three district high schools. Tickets are \$5 for students, \$8 for adults and free for CHCCS faculty and staff.  
**Time:** 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Carrboro High School Theater

**Priceless Gem Tour/Black and Blue Tour:** This walking tour of campus highlights UNC's African-American history, particularly in the 19th and 20th centuries. It will last about an hour and a half. Tours from the visitors center are free and open to the public. To reserve a space, please email [mjfox@unc.edu](mailto:mjfox@unc.edu).  
**Time:** 3 p.m.  
**Location:** UNC Visitors' Center

**Dogwood Blossom Band:** The Dogwood Blossom Band, an Americana and bluegrass group, will perform at Johnny's Gone Fishing. This event is free and open to the public.  
**Time:** 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.  
**Location:** 901 W. Main St.

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CORRECTIONS

Due to a reporting error, Thursday's page 3 story "IFC event draws people to its kitchen" misrepresented the names of Alvin and Omelia Garner. Alvin and Omelia's last names are Garner.

Due to a reporting error, Friday's pg. 6 story "SNL head writer, UNC graduate gives talk at Carroll," misattributed Lana Jordan's words. Jordan is a producer of Student Television.

The Daily Tar Heel apologizes for the error.

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CITY BRIEF

One resident and two Chapel Hill police officers were taken to UNC Hospitals Tuesday after responding to an apartment fire, reports state. The fire was extinguished quickly, and the cause for the fire is still under investigation.

— staff reports

SPORTS BRIEF

The North Carolina football team has promoted Chris Kapilovic to the offensive coordinator position, the team announced in a press conference on Wednesday.

Kapilovic — UNC's offensive line coach for the past four seasons — will replace former offensive coordinator Seth Littrell, who accepted a head coaching position at North Texas this offseason.

— staff reports

POLICE LOG

- Someone drove while intoxicated on the 500 block of Jones Ferry Road at 8:49 a.m. Tuesday, according to Carrboro police reports.
  - Someone committed vandalism to property on the 700 block of Pritchard Avenue Extension at 5:56 p.m. Tuesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.
- The person damaged a window, causing \$150 worth of damage, reports state.
- Someone communicated threats at 828 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. at 9:45 a.m. Tuesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.
- The person turned themselves in at the Chapel Hill Police Department, reports

- state.
- Someone possessed illegal narcotics on the 700 block of Trinity Court at 11:42 a.m. Tuesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.
  - Someone committed vandalism on Bell Tower Drive at 10 a.m. Wednesday, according to UNC Department of Public Safety.
  - Someone committed vandalism and damaged property at Granville Towers West at 8:25 p.m. Tuesday, according to UNC Department of Public
- Safety.
- Someone committed a drug violation on South Columbia Street by Health Sciences at 1:49 p.m. Tuesday, according to UNC Department of Public Safety.
  - Someone committed disorderly conduct at Aycock Family Medicine at 11:23 a.m. Tuesday, according to UNC Department of Public Safety.
  - Someone reported a suspicious person on the 100

- block of Berry Patch Lane at 10:25 p.m. Sunday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.
- The person reported a suspicious male walking behind houses, reports state.
- Someone reported possible gunshots on the 400 block of Perry Creek Drive at 6:02 p.m. Tuesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.
  - Someone reported a disturbance on the 400 block of Davie Road at 3:43 a.m. Monday, according to
- Carrboro police reports.
- The person reported that someone left who was very intoxicated, reports state.
- Someone reported suspicious condition on the 100 block of King Street at 8:19 a.m. Sunday, according to Carrboro police reports.
  - Someone reported fraud at Cobb Residence Hall at 9:22 p.m. Tuesday, according to UNC Department of Public Safety.
- The person obtained money or property by false pretenses, reports state.

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# Meet the next student body president

‘He really, really cares about a lot of people’



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Bradley Opere poses with his Old Well cutout. He held an event to take photographs with people who support his campaign.

## Bradley Opere wants to connect people from all over campus.

By Karli Krasnipol  
Staff Writer

Junior Bradley Opere is a soccer player, a dancer, a student government member — and a candidate for student body president.

Karthik Sundaram, one of the candidate’s friends, said Opere first brought the idea up to him in the summer of 2015.

Although they vaguely discussed Opere’s intentions, Sundaram said that Opere was mostly there to support him during a tough time in his life.

“We talked about the issues that were going on in my life at that time and he was just relating to them with stories from his past,” Sundaram said.

Outside of his political ambitions and his support as a friend, Opere is a phenomenal soccer player, said Morgan Pergande, a member of his intramural team.

“He brought this whole group of people together from a bunch of different areas, and it was nice how diverse that team was,” Pergande said.

Pergande and Opere’s team won the soccer intramural championship.

“I was the goalie and he was the forward, and he ran all the way back down the field and jumped on my shoulders and we ran off the field,” Pergande said.

Tony Asher, another of Opere’s friends, said he would find Opere watching Chelsea games early in the morning.

“Probably his all time favorite thing to do is dance, though,” Asher said.

Another friend, Jordan Peterkin, said Opere was his dance buddy during finalist weekend for the Morehead-Cain scholarship.

“If you hang around with him at any point in time, I’ve been to his house sometimes, and he’ll play Adele and we’ll

just go sing off,” Peterkin said.

Peterkin was also a member of the panel that named Opere a Martin Luther King Jr. scholarship winner this year.

“We could tell he dedicated a lot of his time to making sure that these unrepresented populations on campus were given a voice and a space where they felt, you know, unified,” Peterkin said.

Opere said being chairperson of the Multicultural Affairs and Diversity Outreach committee of student government is where he began to establish relationships with different people across campus.

“I think through serving and working with other students within MADO, that’s where I actually found my passion to be in Carolina, and to serve Carolina, and to ultimately love Carolina,” Opere said.

Opere’s platform places emphasis on caring for the safety and well-being of students.

Peterkin said Opere’s campaign team got One Act trained on Sunday.

“It’s not just about winning and a title for him,” Peterkin said. “It’s more so like he really, really cares about a lot of people.”

Professor Georges Nzongola-Ntalaja said he has had Opere in three classes, and he is what you would want in a student.

“I think it would be good for UNC to nurture him because he is likely to become one of our great leaders,” Nzongola-Ntalaja said.

Opere said he wants to bring different people together from across campus, both now — through his photo campaign — and as president.

“My vision is to be able to see people coming together and, you know, sharing a common vision or working on causes that are not directly related to them, but they know are important,” Opere said.

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‘I’m running because I feel called to serve’



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Wilson Sink poses outside of Davis Library. Sink’s platform focuses on three main themes: space, stories and service at UNC.

## Helping people feel like they belong is Wilson Sink’s priority.

By Maria Prokopowicz  
Staff Writer

If junior Wilson Sink wins the race for student body president, he wants every student at UNC to feel comfortable calling the University home.

He said he found his home at UNC through his classes, student government, Greek life and Musical Empowerment, among other organizations.

“I recognize, though, that not everyone has that experience, that feeling that they belong here, and that’s unfair,” Sink said.

“I’ve been really fortunate in my time here, but I’m running because I feel called to serve to make sure that my experience is not unique.”

Sink’s platform focuses on three major themes to help define Carolina as a home: space, stories and service.

He said space will focus on the physical aspects of UNC, and the stories portion focuses on students’ experiences at UNC.

He said engaging students in democracy is the most important issue to him — and that falls under the service theme.

“We have a voice to speak out through activism, but also we have a voice to vote, and I don’t think students utilize that enough,” he said. “It’s important that we recognize that there is power to change things if you choose to act.”

Sink’s interests go beyond politics. He said he is passionate about music, and he is involved in Musical Empowerment, an organization that offers free music lessons to underprivileged children in the area.

“He’s full of ideas and has a very clear vision,” Marissa Cranford, co-president of Musical Empowerment, said.

“He really cares, and he’s

really dedicated, and he’s the kind of person that if he says he’s going to do something, you can be 100 percent sure that it’s going to happen.”

Sink, who has been involved in Musical Empowerment since he was a first-year, serves as an executive committee member and teaches guitar lessons to children.

He said some of his best memories at UNC have come from being in the organization.

“Probably the best feeling for me is always going to be seeing my kids perform,” Sink said. “It’s something really powerful for me to see them finally click.”

Sink also has a home in his fraternity, Chi Psi, where he said he has formed unique connections. Sink said his experience in Greek life has been overwhelmingly positive.

As student body president, he wants to continue creating partnerships between Greek organizations and groups on campus to make a philanthropic and environmental difference.

As a Morehead-Cain Scholar majoring in political science and peace, war and defense, Sink has also found a home in his classes.

Larry Goldberg, who taught Sink when he was a sophomore, said Sink is an active participant in class who possesses intelligence and common sense.

“He’s such a good student. I wish he’d focus all of his attention on his studies,” Goldberg said.

“But that’s a teacher’s point of view.”

Junior Joseph LaRochelle said since he met Sink during his first year at UNC, Sink has been someone to look up to.

“Wilson’s community is Carolina,” LaRochelle said. “He’s found a ton of things that he’s gotten involved in, but he never ceases to find other communities that he can engage in and thrive in and be friends with.”

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‘He’s not really afraid of what people think’



DTH/SARAH DWYER

John Taylor sits on the steps of Wilson Library. Taylor identifies himself as a “dark horse” in the student body president election.

## John Taylor hasn’t forgotten growing up in a small town.

By Colleen Moir  
Senior Writer

John Taylor, a junior Asian studies major, is running for student body president because he’s passionate about community.

Taylor grew up in Albemarle before his family moved to Chapel Hill when he was in middle school, and he and his family went back and forth between both places.

“It’s interesting coming from a very conservative environment to a much more liberal environment, but it really helped me to learn a lot more about my state,” Taylor said. “It’s the greatest state in the Union, in my opinion.”

Taylor attended Woodberry Forest School in Virginia and spent a summer in China before enrolling at UNC in the fall.

During his time in China, Taylor learned his father had been diagnosed with melanoma. The cancer eventually spread to his brain.

“I had to go home early,” Taylor said.

“That was a really tough thing to have happening, so I got home in time to see him. It was very difficult to deal with as a freshman in college.”

Taylor’s father passed away in late September that year.

“That’s been a defining experience in my life, but it’s really helped me to grow a lot in my faith,” Taylor said.

Taylor is involved in several Christian groups on campus. He’s a student resident for the Chapel of the Cross and a member of Cru at UNC.

He was previously involved in Carolina Against Slavery and Trafficking through the Campus Y and worked for the Orange County district attorney’s office.

“I’m kind of a dark horse in this election,” Taylor said.

“I think one thing that sets me apart is being very involved in the Christian

community here at Carolina. People may look at me and say I’m more conservative, but I’m a registered Democrat — I’m moderate.”

Miles O’Neill, campus director of Cru at UNC, said Taylor has been an asset to Cru because of how many people he has brought into the organization during his time there.

“There are people around our organization, really, I think, because John has reached out to them, cared for them and invited them to things,” O’Neill said.

Taylor said he is passionate about bringing people together and hearing ideas from all sides.

“I know that I’m only one person. I’m just a white guy from a small town in North Carolina, and I haven’t had every experience in the world,” Taylor said.

“I think one strength I have is being able to recognize that and to be able to recognize the need to really listen to people and take into account their experiences.”

Taylor said because of this, the issues of racial reconciliation and sexual assault reform are the most important issues to him in this platform.

He wants required English courses to discuss the history of racism at UNC and for One Act training to be incorporated into LFIT courses.

Junior Cole McCauley, a member of Taylor’s campaign team, became close to Taylor on a Cru summer trip to East Asia.

“There was this group of bikers being really loud at 2 a.m., and we were all really tired,” McCauley said. “(Taylor) befriended them, and the next thing I know, John’s on one of these bikes with these people from East Asia.”

Senior Eva Zarzar, another friend of Taylor’s, said Taylor is fearless.

“He’s not really afraid of what people think, which is admirable and not typical on a college campus,” Zarzar said.

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# For the first time, all 3 candidates debate

## They talked about how to make campus safe and inclusive.

By Victoria Mirian  
Assistant University Editor

Student body president candidate Bradley Opere gathered the remaining petition signatures he needed to join candidates Wilson Sink and John Taylor in “The Great South Campus Debate” Wednesday night.

Issues facing people of color came up in the debate, which was sponsored

by the Black Student Movement, the Carolina Hispanic Association and the Residence Hall Association.

“I can’t pretend to have the experiences that marginalized people have had on this campus,” Taylor said, but he wants to amplify others’ voices as president.

Sink said he wants to make Black and Blue Tours mandatory at orientation. He also discussed his experience registering students to vote and said he wants to extend voter registration to every student.

“We need to empower the minority community, and

that’s something we can do through voting,” Sink said.

Opere wants every UNC student to go through racial equity training, and he wants to increase minority participation in student government.

“We need to be able to look and see how many minority students actually work for student government,” he said.

### Safe spaces

Sink wants to expand the LGBTQ Center to North Campus and push for more gender-neutral bathrooms and better accessibility.

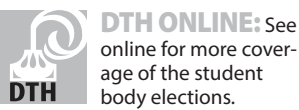
“No one should have to use a spreadsheet to go to the bathroom,” he said.

Taylor said he and many other students at UNC can tend to feel lonely.

“I’m going to make sure everybody has a place they can go home to at the end of the day. That’s what I’m going to work for,” he said.

Opere said he wants official spaces where students can feel safe and express their opinions. He applauded the opening of Pride Place as a step in the right direction.

“There are informal spaces to interact,” Opere said. “We need to find spaces where we



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feel like we can celebrate and be part of this campus.”

### Housing and CAPS

Opere said it will take a long time to fix the recent drop in students living on campus but said student input is an important step.

He wants to restructure residence halls and partner with RHA to work against sexual assault by training roommates at the beginning

of the year.

Taylor said he wants to encourage students to stay on campus by increasing counseling resources, as well as encourage community within on-campus housing.

“These are the people who are going to stand with you no matter what you’re dealing with,” he said.

Sink also wants to increase resources for Counseling and Psychological Services. He said he wants to bring private counselors to campus for students who have used up their free counseling sessions.

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## INMATES

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“It was appealing for politicians to be able to blame this generation of kids and say they were somehow worse than any generation that had come before them,” he said.

But Rovner said the theory, which was created by a political scientist, was largely discredited by experts in the criminal defense field.

Lavy said she sees the destructive effects the theory had on sentencing.

“The concourse of those laws is what created this system that allows our children to be sentenced to die in prison,” she said.

Legacies of racism are evident even in the structure of our courts and juries, according to Tamar Birkhead, an associate professor of law and director of clinical programs at UNC School of Law.

“When you have a criminal justice system where people of color are being tried by all white juries, that is problematic,” she said. “Even today, that legacy is with us in the form of the challenge of not only finding jury pools that are diverse but the challenge of ensuring when lawyers pick juries they are not eliminating people of color for improper reason.”

### Criminal defense reform

Juvenile sentencing policies are one indicator of the ongoing issue of mass incarceration in the United States, said Chris Agoranos, a student at the Duke Divinity School pursuing a certificate in prisoner studies.

*“It’s so costly to operate a prison system (while) locking up people who don’t need to be imprisoned”*

Josh Ravnor

State advocacy associate

“Mass incarceration and mass criminalization is our country’s newest iteration of white supremacy and anti-black violence,” he said.

Agoranos said events like “Criminal (In)justice: Resistance, Accountability and the Ecology of Reform” — hosted at Duke — provide a chance for dialogue.

Rovner said voters are looking for politicians who will end the era of tough crime and mass incarceration for both economic and ideological reasons.

“It’s so costly to operate a prison system (while) locking up people who don’t need to be imprisoned. But also because it goes against the American ideals about second chances and redemption,” he said.

Birkhead said the most recent Supreme Court case is a positive step, but there is still much more to overcome in juvenile sentencing and the overall criminal defense system.

“For the past 50, 60 years, we have relied on locking up people for their natural lifetime rather than grappling with issues such as poverty, violence, mental illness, intellectual disabilities,” she said.

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## FILMMAKERS

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been the backdrop for films of all genres.

Many movies filmed in North Carolina have gone on to win Academy Awards and Golden Globes and be honored by the American Film Institute.

In the 1990s, North Carolina was the setting for box office hits like “Forrest Gump,” “The Fugitive” and “The Green Mile,” which together grossed more than \$1 billion worldwide.

Other blockbuster hits like “Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby,” “Dirty Dancing” and “Cabin Fever” were filmed in the state.

Numbers are now dwindling. According to the North Carolina Film Office, in 2010, 17 movies and TV shows were filmed in North Carolina; in 2011, 33; in 2012, 23; and in 2014, 19.

But in 2015 — only one.

### A ‘major’ problem

Of the 16 UNC-system universities, 87.5 percent do not offer a major dedicated to filmmaking.

Some offer a film studies major or minor, which focuses on literary and artistic component of film itself, rather than the process of its creation. Some offer a communications degree that incorporates certain aspects of filmmaking.

Private schools, like High Point University and Elon University, offer undergraduate majors that teach students to make films or documentaries.

Junior Riley Reid, a filmmaker who has worked with Schrader, said although he feels

supported at UNC as a filmmaker, he wishes there were more courses available.

“I know there’s a production major in the (communication) department,” he said. “I think more formal classes on video editing and production in general would be really cool — open for all types of students.”

### ‘Alone and Isolated’

One year after finishing his media production class, Schrader joined Kadir’s Carolina Film Association.

Schrader said the CFA — which was granted \$6,660 in funding by Student Congress on Tuesday — became a haven for filmmakers.

“It ultimately became the flagship, premier organization for anyone interested in film on campus,” he said.

In November, Kadir brought something new to UNC — Campus MovieFest, a private, competitive program that supplied students with equipment. Winners advanced to the national level, the prize there being their film screened at Cannes Film Festival. Schrader made a short film, “Of Princes,” with two friends, Jan Bergengruen and Reid, and it wound up winning — but not just at UNC. The film won Campus MovieFest nationally.

“It would never have happened without Campus MovieFest through Carolina Film Association,” Schrader said. “It’s had its ups and downs — being a filmmaker at Carolina.”

“It’s made me feel alone and isolated.”

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## CAMPUS Y

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agree with them,” Laborde said.

Buchanan and Eaves said cabinet meetings are a time for committees to get to know each other, and they said they want to continue that tradition.

### Meaning of membership

Eaves and Buchanan said they want to make the Campus Y more welcoming, and they want to install a “leave-one-take-one” bookshelf at the Y.

Ponton and Laborde said they want membership benefits, like alumni career panels and social events. They also want to make it easier to verify if someone is an active member of the Campus Y.

“I do not think that a Y membership should be just about paying five dollars,” Ponton said.

Laborde said she and Ponton will create a monthly Y podcast with guest speakers from the community.

### Campus Y’s relationship to the rest of the campus

Laborde and Ponton want to bring in more outside perspectives to the Campus Y.

“We have to support the vision of other young student activists,” Laborde said.

Eaves and Buchanan said they also want to bring more people into the Campus Y and work with other activist and student groups.

Eaves said the Campus Y’s relationship with student government should be based on shared ideals.

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## GRANVILLE

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Department of Housing and Residential Education, said the department filed a police report and doesn’t know who vandalized the board.

“I mean, clearly, this is not just tearing any bulletin board down,” Blattner said. “There’s some potential symbolism behind that.”

Samone Bullock, a junior public policy major who is black, said she learned of the incident when she saw Sharp’s tweet. Bullock said she had two reactions: she was not surprised, and she was angry.

“This is another example of how UNC and students at UNC continue to devalue black lives,” Bullock said. “We really have got to do better.”

Alfonso had a discussion with his residents Tuesday to talk about the incident.

Blattner said there will be follow-up programs in Granville to give residents a place to express their feelings and opinions.

“I want them to know that they’re not alone in their feelings of disillusionment and hurt and that we think this act is just as deplorable as they do,” Blattner said.

Taylor Bates, president of the Residence Hall Association, said the incident reiterated the importance of addressing social justice.

Alfonso said he’s going to make a new Black Lives Matter bulletin board.

“It’s a statement to say, ‘If you continue to try to undermine it, it’ll just come back better and new.’”

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To get the advantage, check the day’s rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19)

Today is an 8 – The next two days bring lots of career action. Prepare for a test. Find another way to solve your problem. The opposition holds out, and it could get tense. Take a time-out, if necessary.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Today is a 7 – Dream big. Plan your vacation today and tomorrow. Include a creative challenge. Get into study and research. Your wanderlust is getting worse. Travel, romance and fun are favored. Have a backup plan for obstacles.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

Today is a 9 – Discuss shared finances over the next few days. Work together on the numbers. File papers. Create a roadmap and budget for future plans. Take your partner to a new spot to celebrate completion.

Cancer (June 21-July 22)

Today is an 8 – Negotiate to refine the plan. Work with a partner over the next few days. Work out a disagreement about household matters. Take a carefully calculated risk. Navigate surprises gracefully. Finish and clean up.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Today is an 8 – Postpone shopping, and focus on your work today and tomorrow. Saving money doesn’t need to cramp your style. Take a creative tack. Jump a hurdle. Soothe someone who’s irritated. Relax after work with a colleague.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today is a 7 – Get into your game over the next few days. Enjoy your practice. Do something fun with someone interesting. Don’t try to buy favor. Study your strategies. Play together with common passions. Create love.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Today is a 7 – The next two days are good for making changes at home. Family takes priority. Technological fixes ease a breakdown. Adapt your place to new circumstances. Research options before compromising. Maximize savings with organized hunting.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Today is an 8 – You’re firing on all creative cylinders. Write, edit and broadcast over the next few days. Issue communications. Figure out solutions. A technical breakthrough reveals new options. Resist impulsive purchases. Research and then choose.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Today is a 9 – Take a pass on socializing for now. Work and make money over the next two days. Tap another source of revenue. Keep your deadlines and satisfy an authority. Take charge, and make something happen.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Today is an 8 – Relax into a confident two-day phase. You’re taking control. Listen carefully. Does the plan work for you? Everyone won’t like everything. Compromise for what’s most important. Aim for a happy ending. Keep a secret.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Today is a 6 – Get into thoughtful planning mode. You’re entering a two-day pensive phase. Clean, sort and organize. Schedule into the future. Travel later. Update the budget. Luxuriate in privacy. Settle into your cocoon.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

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# Local churches rally to help Flint crisis

**First Baptist Church has raised 165 cases of bottle water so far.**

By Matthew Hardin  
Staff Writer

The Rev. Jace Cox saw a special on the news about a parent and child who were unable to bathe in the city water in Flint, Mich.

Having three small boys himself, one of whom he had just bathed, the sadness of this example struck him, and he was determined to help the people of Flint.

"All lives matter, but when you think about little babies, you have to do something," he said.

Working from the Liberty Praise Center in Sanford, where he is pastor, he reached out to his friend, the Rev. Rodney Coleman of First Baptist Church in Chapel Hill, to collaborate in sending clean water to Flint.

A friend of Coleman's had told him about the deteriorating conditions in Flint, and when Cox contacted him about a partnership to donate water he was interested.

"It's really unifying people," Coleman said. "It's bringing people together."

So far, First Baptist Church has raised 165 cases of bottled water from more than 30 drop-off sites in the area. People have also donated money in lieu of physical bottles of water to the cause, which has been used to purchase water.

"Less than \$70 will buy over 800 bottles," Cox said.

Ken Davis, a member of First Baptist Church who has worked on the project, said he is surprised yet pleased by the amount of donations they have received.

"We only challenged 20 people (in the congregation) at first, and then it spread," Davis said.

The donation event will continue until Valentine's Day, by which time they hope to have received more than 200 to 250 cases of bottled water. They hope other churches in the area will help them raise awareness by reaching out to their members.

"Think of the duplicity. If this is what we've raised so far, imagine what we can do," Davis said, pointing to the cases of water.

*"This is real ministry. It's not about egos but about the work at hand."*

**The Rev. Jace Cox**  
Pastor of Liberty Praise Center

But Coleman also stressed that donating water is only a temporary solution, and he's concerned about what will happen to the people of Flint when the story begins to fade from the public eye.

He said they understand that the infrastructure will have to be repaired in order to improve the crisis and expressed that contamination can happen anywhere.

"There are 15 wells that are contaminated on a street that I can walk to in Sanford," Cox said.

Still, the donators are hopeful.

They hope to fill a tractor-trailer with the water they receive, and will travel to Flint after the fundraiser ends to distribute the water.

"This is real ministry," Cox said.

"It's not about egos but about the work at hand."



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(From left.) Ken Davis and the Revs. Jace Cox and Rodney Coleman pose with donations of water.

Davis said all kinds of water are needed, from bottles to gallons, and also mentioned a need for sanitary wipes for hand-washing and bathing small children in order to conserve water. First Baptist Church is

accepting in-person donations of water at their location at 106 N. Roberson St. throughout their operational hours, Monday through Friday from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., and on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. They also

encourage people to call to make appointments if these hours are not convenient at (919) 942-2552, or to donate through the Liberty Praise Center on Givelify.com.

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## Tar Heels reap rewards on Signing Day

By Pat James  
Sports Editor

A year ago, Coach Larry Fedora and his staff were selling hope, the idea that the North Carolina football team would awake from its slumber and return to prominence.

After an 11-1 regular season, an ACC Coastal Division title and a defensive turnaround of vast proportions, those what-ifs have turned into tangible evidence for the Tar Heels to sell to recruits.

The bounty for UNC's success was evident on Wednesday, as the Tar Heels finished National Signing Day with the No. 33 recruiting class in the country, according to 247Sports. With 26 total signees, this class marks the largest under Fedora.

"Winning helps in every aspect of the program," Fedora said. "But definitely in recruiting."

From its recruiting haul, UNC welcomes 16 players to a defense that made significant strides under defensive coordinator Gene Chizik.

After allowing 14.5 fewer points per game in 2015 compared to 2014 — marking the biggest jump for a Power 5 program — Chizik said the defense's improvement helped draw recruits.

"I think most of the recruits we entertained starting back a year ago when I got here were guys that already had a familiarity with North Carolina," Chizik said.

"I think they were all waiting to see exactly where this program is going ... They saw

the fruits of our labor, and I think a lot of them were excited about the possibility of jumping on board with that."

North Carolina's 11-win campaign helped rejuvenate a program that has been plagued by the ongoing NCAA investigation.

And after spending past seasons saying opponents used the NCAA investigation to turn recruits away from UNC, Fedora said this tactic no longer has the same impact as it once did.

"I really believe that cloud that's been hanging over our head for the previous four years has dissipated," Fedora said. "It's not there, it's not like it was ... I just think people are tired of hearing about it and they know there's been a lot of crying wolf about what's going

to happen — and none of those things have happened."

A majority of the Tar Heels' recruits had already committed before the start of the 2015 campaign. And while Fedora said his team's success helped lock in a few recruits, he believes UNC will see more of a bump with future classes.

"I think it's going to be huge for the future," said offensive coordinator Chris Kapilovic. "I think you see some doors opening, some success in the 2017 class."

"A lot of these kids we signed were already committed before the season started, so I think it helped confirm their commitments and opened some doors for the next couple of years, for sure."

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Solution to Wednesday's puzzle

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### Meet the candidates

We sat down with each of the three student body president candidates. See pg. 3 for profiles.

### We believe in you

So, you're taking an 8 a.m. this semester ... here's how to survive the pain. Visit Tar Heel Life Hacks for more.

### Time to take sides

Are you more of a Broncos fan or a Panthers fan? Visit Tar Heel Life Hacks to find out.

### We pass on petitions

The editor-in-chief breaks down why DTHers can't sign petitions. Visit Paige Views for more.

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Across	58 One of anatomy's great vessels	winner	51 Long narrative poem
1 It precedes Romans	63 Classical theaters	19 European capital	52 Dandy
5 Maestro Ozawa	64 Southwestern New York city	23 1994 Stanley Cup winners	53 High spirits
10 __ de somme: beast of burden	65 Linear	24 Properly	55 Rowlands of "The Notebook"
14 " __ luck!"	66 Filter	25 Radio toggle switch	56 94-day undertaking in the Cheryll Strayed memoir "Wild"
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16 Shuffle, for one	Gaynor	27 Nicholas Gage memoir	59 Nice handle?
17 Dishonest memoir, e.g.	68 Bunker tool	28 __ suit	60 "Prince __": "Aladdin" song
20 Ancient amulet	Down	29 Hear again	61 U.S. Army rank qualifier
21 Dark clouds, perhaps	1 Leatherworker's set	30 Tribute title words	62 Bosox legend
22 Pulitzer-winning book critic Richard	2 Smart	31 Flight segment	
24 Bear's team	3 Part of TTFN	32 Like some small dogs	
26 Place for permanent storage	4 Man cave features	38 " __ le roi!": French Revolution cry	
33 Dedicatee of an 1810 piano manuscript	5 Wreckage resting place	39 It's to dye for	
34 Brand that includes N-Strike blasters	6 Throw the ball away, say	42 Website directory	
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44 " __ Toward Tomorrow": 1996 TV movie with Christopher Reeve	13 Slow Churned ice cream		
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## Your major isn't a joke

I recently came across an article on Facebook entitled something like, "Stop degrading your major." While I didn't take a moment out of my mindless scrolling to actually read the article, the title was enough to get me thinking about the way I talk about my major. I'm an English major; when I tell people this, I usually follow it up with, "Yeah, I know I will probably end up jobless for a while."

It's a reflex because I want to beat my conversation partner to the inevitable punch line: "That's not very marketable." Humanities majors generally have to deal with the disapproving comments from people who think a major in the humanities is a waste of money. It's easier to say, "Yep, I know I'm going to struggle," than explain your major is teaching you to work hard and think critically.

I shouldn't take the easy way out, because my major isn't the easy way out. Some of my STEM major friends recently reminded me, yes, their work is hard, but mine is too. While they might spend hours upon hours laboring over physics problems, I am matched with the challenge of reading hundreds of pages each night and preparing thoughtful notes. All academic suffering is relative, which is something I never considered.

So why do people think reading and writing as majors will cause us to slum it for a good few years? Perhaps because the rhetoric of popular television shows and other media make me believe I'm destined for a life of coffee serving in Brooklyn. Not that there isn't dignity in the art of coffee, but I'm supposed to be the next voice of some generation, right? I guess I've been watching too many reruns of "Girls."

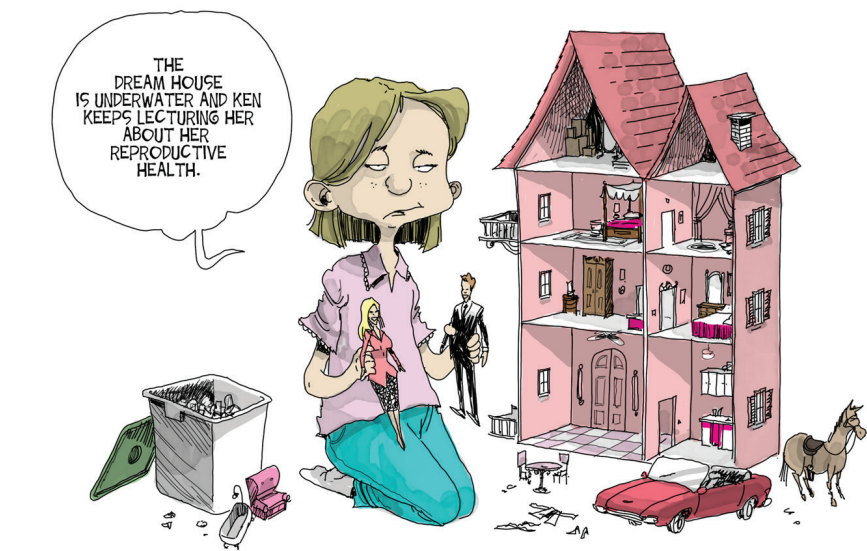
Maybe that kind of rhetoric is better, the kind of rhetoric that makes us more confident instead of making ourselves the butt of an academia joke. We should talk ourselves up, no matter what major we are. Even my STEM major friends have their doubts. Will they get into medical or graduate school? How long will it take to achieve their dreams? These are all valid questions. All of us have doubt, even those who have traditionally "marketable" majors.

I don't know when the future started to look so murky. I'm not going to blame the collegiate environment for harboring so much self-doubt, but it's difficult to look around and seemingly only see success and feel like you're failing. But isn't everyone kind of floundering? Aren't we all piecing it together as we go along? The future is scary, but that doesn't mean you won't shape it the best way you can. It's something to figure out along the way.

So your major is a constant source of doubt; join every other college student in the club. You chose your major for a reason, and that's because you love it. There is more dignity in unashamedly pursuing what you enjoy in this life rather than saying, "Yeah, I'm an English major. What am I planning to do with that? Starve." That joke will only be funny for so long.

### EDITORIAL CARTOON By Drew Sheneman, The Star Ledger

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### EDITORIAL

## Keep Wilson open later

### Wilson Library's hours are not ideal for researchers.

UNC, we are constantly reminded, is a research university. Our core mission is knowledge creation. Everything else is second.

That is why it is puzzling that one of the crown jewels of the University, Wilson Library, closes at 5 p.m. every day but Saturday, when it is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. By contrast, student recreation centers are routinely open from 6 a.m. to midnight.

The University should explore options to keep Wilson open later, even

just to 9 p.m., even for one or two nights per week.

Granted, the demand among students for rec centers is almost definitely higher than the demand for archival materials and rare books, and the University must, to an extent, respond to demand. So students, take advantage of the amazing resources available to you in Wilson.

Every valuable service the University provides obviously has costs tied to it, and the University should not spend more lightly. Nonetheless, on a campus that spent nearly \$2 million on a public relations firm specializing in "corporate reputation management," it seems reason-

able to ask for longer hours.

Wilson's hours make it difficult for researchers with classes and other responsibilities to access the treasure trove there.

Within Wilson, you can find an original tape of Martin Luther King Jr. in Birmingham, Ala., in 1963 and album artwork proofs for Arcade Fire.

Don't be intimidated by the majesty of the building. The archivists and librarians who work there are friendly, immensely knowledgeable, and they want to help you.

UNC, ensure students have the opportunities they need to better explore the untapped knowledge waiting for them within.

### EDITORIAL

## Your turn to be heard

### Student elections are key to bringing change to UNC.

This editorial board has not held back our criticisms of student government. We understand how frustrating student politics can be.

Yet, even though we believe student government can be improved, that does not give us or any UNC student an excuse to not vote in the elections.

Voting is one of the best mediums to voice grievances, exercise influence and to place the best people in charge.

Sadly, student involve-

ment is slipping. Last year's SBP election had the lowest turnout in over a decade — only 13 percent of students voted.

One of the many reasons student government is ineffective is due to a lack of support. Sure, student government has a lot of internal faults, but if we are not voting then we are equally contributing to the problem.

So research the candidates, send them emails for more information, let your thoughts be heard and most importantly vote. If you do not like a candidate's platform or feel they are glossing over an important issue, tell them. The candidates are

all busy students, and it's unreasonable to expect them to do their jobs if we do not do ours.

None of this is to say voter turnout will fix all of student government's issues. But voting is a good first step to creating the conversations that will bring about positive change.

Is it all that is required? No, but it is a good place to start.

The election is all done online and will only take a few minutes to possibly make a meaningful change.

Student government has a lot of potential to be a loud voice for the student body, but we must first show that we care.



## QuickHits



### Rain on my parade

College is a time to learn — sadly, we forget a lot. We forgot to bring an umbrella on a day it was suppose to rain. We were drenched and we just started lying to people about it instead of admitting to our mistakes. So if you are reading this, we did not actually save some one from drowning in University Lake.



### Stagnant Trump

In a world filled with inconsistency, it is refreshing to see some things remain constant. When Donald Trump came in second in Iowa, he gave a speech expressing gratitude — this left us perplexed. Thankfully, he is back on Twitter blaming his loss on a cheater. It is good to know some things never change.



### Panthers Pat

We have expressed our discomfort with the NFL in several Quick Hits, but watching the NFL is about to get even more uncomfortable. Gov. Pat McCrory — our archenemies, the enemy of our University — will be in attendance. Can't we eat slaughtered animals and watch men slam into each other in peace?!



### Open forever

Time-Out is open 24/7, serving thousands of intoxicated students at any time. The employees of this establishment deserve a thumbs up. To the Time-Out crew, we apologize if we were ever belligerent. Please know we only have the deepest respect and gratitude for the great work you do.



### Two?!

The graduate student governance referendum did not get the signatures required to be on the ballot — they were two short. TWO! This needed to happen, and now graduate students are still subjected to undergrad rule due to two f\*cking votes. For the record, we signed it — which doesn't mean much now.



### Hope for the future

While we are happy to see Marcus Paige scoring above 10 points again, it was painful to watch the loss against Louisville. It's OK, team, we are still doing fine. We know having Paige back means great things for the future. Duke is only 13 days away, so let's just make sure everything is back to normal by then.



### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"All lives matter, but when you think about little babies, you have to do something."

The Rev. Jace Cox, on the Flint water crisis and his decision to collect bottled water to donate to Flint residents in need

### FEATURED ONLINE READER COMMENT

"If you wanted to go to college in a place where you could remain after graduation, you should have attended UNC-Charlotte or NCSU."

Andrew, on the town lacking many young professionals

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Voting can lead to better representation

TO THE EDITOR:

As a candidate for student body president, a North Carolinian and, most importantly, a UNC student, I am humbled by your critique and insight provided in the two recent editorials.

The student body president can and should take stances on issues that affect student life.

Inherent to that responsibility, though, is working with several complex political bodies that have their own unique politics: student government, the UNC administration, the Board of Trustees, the Board of Governors and the General Assembly.

Therefore, to lead student government within the context of this range of nuanced institutions, while still being the students' advocate, I must serve cooperatively and collaboratively.

But leading is not only about making public stances.

Leading student government is about empowering students to be advocates in their own right.

That's what my administration will do.

My administration will educate the student body about legislators and issues through our CarolinaResponds team and through voting scorecards rating state legislators.

We will break down traditional barriers to voting through registration drives and step-by-step voting guidance.

And we will build upon established relationships, while also constructing new ones, with community leaders in Chapel Hill and Raleigh.

The student body president does not just stand at the head of student government.

The student body president stands with 30,000 voters capable of redefining Carolina.

With a vote, students can fix the opaque process by which Margaret Spellings was appointed.

With a vote, students can reroute budget priorities so that mental health and sexual assault resources are not out of students' reach.

And, with a vote, students can safeguard the flagship of our state, this University.

*Wilson Sink  
Junior  
Political science and peace, war and defense  
Candidate for student body president*

#### Come out to support the Table UNC

TO THE EDITOR:

I write to call attention to a serious concern regarding our campus food system:

UNC currently lacks an

accountable and transparent process for purchasing real food.

As the central public institution of North Carolina, it is a part of our mission to educate the students of our state, to foster entrepreneurship and creativity and to graduate students who are committed to investing in our state's economy.

We also have an obligation to lead.

There is no doubt that UNC is already a leader within the state and the southeast.

As leaders we have the privilege of defining the expectations of the world in which we live. The time to define these expectations is now. We need an institutionalized process that guides our campus food purchases.

The good news is we're not starting from scratch.

In 2011, students campaigned for former Chancellor Holden Thorp to sign the Real Food Campus Commitment, which would devote the campus' administrators to address concerns of racial justice, sustainability, immigration, labor and health that are interwoven in our campus food system.

He met students' activism with little action and a request for more information.

Since then, a small number of committed students have worked collaboratively with Carolina Dining Services.

Since 2013, we have directly audited over \$4 million in products and recommended key shifts to support suppliers of real food.

We pushed UNC forward without active administrative support, but we have reached a threshold for doing this work alone.

Students pay for meal plans, eat food on campus and are residents of the campus community.

This affects all of us. We must ensure food and dining purchases reflect our values.

In signing the Real Food Campus Commitment, we affirm the university's commitment to leading North Carolina and to investing in our students, our workers and our regional economy.

We must seize the opportunity to lead North Carolina and to join our peer institutions in this work.

On Friday, Feb. 5 at 1 p.m. we will march from the Pit to the steps of South Building.

The purpose of this public action is to draw attention to where the power is in this system — from the grassroots to the office building — and to show how we, as student leaders and activists, can demand more involvement by our administrators.

Come to the Table UNC!

*Claire Hannapel  
Director  
UNC Real Food Challenge*

### SPEAK OUT

#### WRITING GUIDELINES

- Please type. Handwritten letters will not be accepted.
- Sign and date. No more than two people should sign letters.
- Students: Include your year, major and phone number.
- Faculty/staff: Include your department and phone number.
- Edit: The DTH edits for space, clarity, accuracy and vulgarity. Limit letters to 250 words.

#### SUBMISSION

- Drop off or mail to our office at 151 E. Rosemary St., Chapel Hill, NC 27514
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