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## UNC slashes Printing Services

**All 12 employees of Printing Services will be laid off this summer.**

By Robert Bryan
Staff Writer

After multiple rounds of layoffs and years of losses, UNC Printing Services will shut down this summer, laying off its remaining 12 employees.

Carolyn Elfland, associate vice chancellor for campus services, said the decision, which was made weeks ago but announced to employees Monday, was expected and based on a lack of demand for the product.

But some of the department's employees said they were surprised by the decision and that losses stemmed from University mismanagement.

For the last 40 years, Printing Services has printed bulk documents for departments on campus, such as newsletters and fundraising letters. The department relies on its own sales for funding.

Elfland said the department's services will now be outsourced, and she hopes to find a new company by August. She met with the 12 remaining employees on Monday to announce the decision.

"Personally, I was not expecting it," said Glenn Haugh, design and pre-press supervisor. Others expressed the same sentiment.

"We had no foreknowledge of what was going to happen," said Jim White, a print and document services technician.

Elfland cited "market forces" as the reason for the change. She said business has been declining for years as more departments publish online and buy

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## RISING ABOVE LIFE'S TRIALS

DTH/JESSICA GAYLORD

Martha Svoboda, a 56-year-old third-year student at UNC's School of Law, stands in the law library. Svoboda is following her childhood dream of practicing law.

**A mother fights breast cancer as she follows her law school dreams.**

By Hayley Paytes
Staff Writer

Martha Svoboda, 56, can very often be found with her nose in a book, whether she's studying at the law library or while waiting for radiation treatments for her breast cancer.

Svoboda is a third-year student at UNC's School of Law, and was diagnosed with invasive breast cancer last fall.

Today is her last round of treatment.

Svoboda said she has wanted to be a lawyer since first watching Perry Mason on TV as a child.

"I just know there is more I have to do with my life," she said. "I have been a financial executive, I have two beautiful kids, but there is still more I have left to give."

Growing up, law school was just a dream, but in 2010, during her son's senior year at UNC, that dream became reality when Svoboda was accepted into UNC's School of Law.

"At first, I didn't think she was going to follow through," her son Zack Svoboda said.

"But then she started studying for the LSAT, and then she took the LSAT, and then she received her acceptance letter."

Zack said it didn't seem real until his mom attended a mixer for new law students at La Residence on Rosemary Street.

"Even if she just ordered a Coke, it was just weird to me that my mom was at La Res," he said.

Zack said at first he wasn't thrilled his mom would be attending UNC with him, but the two bonded while going to school together. He would often pop by the law library to study with her or go to lunch with her on Franklin Street.

Classmate Jennifer Vuona remembers when Svoboda first told her about the diagnosis, just before their banking law class started one day.

"She never even blinked," Vuona said. "It was never in question that she was going to finish law school this year."

Professor Melissa Jacoby, who taught Svoboda last semester, said she was always a diligent student who asked good questions in class, which the cancer diagnosis didn't change.

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## STUDENT SPEAK OUT ABOUT CELLPHONE BAN

By Katie Reilly
Staff Writer

Chapel Hill will soon become the first town in the nation to make it illegal for drivers on municipal roads to use handheld and hands-free cellphones after the Chapel Hill Town Council passed a ban Monday.

Councilwoman Penny Rich began petitioning the council more than two years ago to create the ordinance.

"It's the next step. We just took it before anyone else," she said. "This is really about education. It's not about giving out tickets."

Still, the ban has sparked criticism because of its enforceability and for possibly overstepping town authority.

"I know that the state is not going to entertain a ban on cellphone use any time soon, if at all," said Laurin Easthom who voted against the ordinance.

The ordinance makes cellphone use while driving a secondary offense, so police can't stop drivers for phone use without another reason to pull them over. A town campaign will inform residents about the ban before it goes into effect June 1.

**Cameron Bradley,** freshman, English

"I think in theory it makes sense because it is a distraction, but at the same time, they may as well exclude conversation in general because that's a distraction too."

**Rosemary Johnson,** junior, English

"I think that ultimately, it's going to lead to people who look like students getting tickets. It's not going to be applied equally. It doesn't make much sense and by much, I mean any."

**Kj Moon,** freshman, chemistry

"It should have been done a while ago. I know some pretty bad drivers out there and throwing phones into the mix makes it catastrophic."

**Josiah McCoy,** sophomore, linguistics and computer science

"I'm sure they have legitimate concerns about the use, but I don't think they should be spending their time regulating stuff like that."

## Gender-neutral debate restarts

**Supporters of the proposal hope to garner support from system heads.**

By Emily Overcarsh
Staff Writer

The fight for gender-neutral housing began anew Tuesday night as about 15 students rallied in the Pit to restart the campaign.

This time, proponents have set their sights higher — on the entire UNC system — in an effort to shore up support.

They will also have to convince interested parties off campus of the merits of the housing proposal, which has received criticism from some alumni.

In February, Chancellor Holden Thorp rejected the initial proposal, which gained support from hundreds of students and a variety of campus groups, saying "stakeholders off campus" had not been properly educated.

The proposal would have allowed UNC students of the opposite gender to live together on campus. Proponents argue a gender-neutral option would help lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer students feel more comfortable in their living environments.

In the March/April issue of the Carolina Alumni Review, three alumni wrote letters to the editor in response to an article about gender-neutral housing.

The letters expressed concern about increased pregnancy rates, underage sex and immorality.

Franklin Burris, class of 1955 and one of the proposal's critics, said he thought the idea was "absurd" and conflicted with his religious beliefs.

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## Hit-and-run driver tested for drug use

**Police may file additional charges against Lauren Fredette.**

By Katharine McAnarney
Staff Writer

Police suspect the woman they say hit a female student and fled the scene likely had drugs or alcohol in her system at the time of the accident.

Rachel Armstrong, a senior psychology major, is now in fair condition at UNC Hospitals after being hit Monday afternoon while using a crosswalk in front of Davie Hall.

The vehicle was going 45 mph in a 25 mph zone, said Randy Young, spokesman for the Department of Public Safety.

Campus police officers found a car belonging to Lauren Fredette, 22, on Laurel Hill Road and arrested her by the Outdoor Education Center.

Officers saw Fredette running on a trail in the area, said Sgt. Josh Mecimore, spokesman for the Chapel Hill Police Department, which assisted in the arrest. Chapel Hill police detained her until campus police arrived and took her into custody.

"Officers were just in the area, and they saw a white female who matched the description that campus police were looking for," he said. "They got out of the car to interact with her, and it appears there was an attempt to evade."

When officers apprehended Fredette, she cooperated and identified herself, Young said.

According to the accident report, Fredette, who is not affiliated with the University, caused an estimated $2,500 in damages.

Fredette was charged with a felony hit-and-run, but was released in lieu of a $2,500 unsecured bond Monday.

Campus police suspected Fredette had either alcohol or drugs in her system based on the way she was acting. Officers wrote on the incident

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**This day in history**

**MARCH. 28, 1969**

Former U.S. President Dwight D. Eisenhower dies at Walter Reed General Hospital in Washington, D.C.

**Every moment counts**

**Cross something off your or a friend's bucket list.**

*"Every moment counts" is a student government initiative to honor Eve Carson.*

**Today's weather**

Goodbye, freakishly cold weather.
H **79,** L **57**

**Thursday's weather**

Hello, back to normal.
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**Never fight an inanimate object.**

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DAILY DOSE

# Don't try this at home. Please.

From staff and wire reports

Semi-serious story time. Freshman year we lived in the Southern paradise known as "Hinton James," where the only thing easier than the sorority pledges is getting your drank on. Our suitemate went too hard this one time and ended up in the hospital with a BAC of .42, on like a Wednesday. Kinda scary. We didn't think we'd ever see someone top that, but we were wrong.

James Henderson, 28, of Valparaiso, Ind., was found on the side of the road Saturday with a BAC of .552 percent. For reference, Wikipedia begins listing death as a possible symptom at .30, and does not list any outcome other than death for .50 and greater. Henderson is alive, for the record.

So, frat stars and lax bros everywhere: Next time you think you're going hard, you're really not.

**NOTED.** Hey, remember a few years ago when New Jersey's governor was cheating on his wife with his male staffer and all kinds of super-shady kickbacks were happening? Also, remember "The Sopranos?"

Apparently the armpit of America is past all that now. New Jersey was recently found to be the least-corrupt state. Georgia ranked last.

**QUOTED.** "He's really dopey and just likes to chew socks."

— Lydia Brown, 18, of West Yorkshire, U.K., on her 2-year-old basset hound, George.

George made headlines across the pond recently for literally saving his own life by calling police. He was choking himself with the phone chord and accidentally dialed 999.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### TODAY

**Cornhole tournament:** Did UNC's loss mess up your NCAA bracket? Fear not, for there is more March Madness to be had. Grab a partner and participate in this bracket-style tournament sponsored by Campus Recreation.
**Time:** 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
**Location:** Rams Head Recreation Center

**Careers in government:** Mix, mingle and network with government professionals. Learn about different jobs, internships and career fields.
**Time:** 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
**Location:** Hanes Hall

**The Arab Spring:** Attend a discussion by Andrew Reynolds, an associate professor of political science, who will discuss the transformation of the Arab world after the protests and uprisings of January 2011 and offer insights into the future of democracy in the region.
**Time:** 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
**Location:** FlyLeaf Books

**PlayMakers Vision Series:** Meet the director, cast and creative team who worked on PlayMaker's production of Michael Frayn's comedy "Noises Off." Refreshments will be served. Space is limited, so please RSVP if you plan to attend.
**Time:** 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
**Location:** Center for Dramatic Art

### THURSDAY

**Confidentiality at what cost?:** Eat lunch and learn about ethics from N.C. State Bar Deputy Counsel Carmen Bannon, who will discuss moral conflicts with lawyers' ethical obligation of confidentiality. Registration is required.
**Time:** 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
**Location:** Hyde Hall

**Music on the Porch:** Enjoy the spring weather and listen to music on the porch at the Love House and Hutchins Forum. The concert will feature soul singer Kim Arrington, jazz pianist and composer Eric Hirsch and jazz saxophonist Peter Lamb.
**Time:** 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
**Location:** Love House

**Matthew Shipp:** Hear acclaimed jazz pianist Matthew Shipp in a concert presented by CUAB and WXYC. Tickets are available free for UNC students and $12 for the general public at the Carolina Union box office.
**Time:** 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.
**Location:** Hill Hall Auditorium

*To make a calendar submission, email calendar@dailytarheel.com. Please include the date of the event in the subject line, and attach a photo if you wish. Events will be published in the newspaper on either the day or the day before they take place.*

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## SILENCE FOR SCHOOLING

DTH/JESSICA GAYLORD

Freshman geography major Ellen Currin sits in front of Lenoir Hall on Tuesday afternoon with her hands bound and duct tape over her mouth to both promote a screening of the film "Education Under Fire" and to protest the lack of a right to education in Iran for the Baha'i people.

## POLICE LOG

● Someone entered a vehicle and attempted to remove property at 201 S. Estes Drive at 7:30 p.m. Monday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person entered a 1993 white Jeep Wrangler, reports state.

● Someone attempted to break into and enter a vehicle in a parking lot at 800 Pritchard Ave., between 6:30 and 6:52 p.m. Monday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The suspect attempted to enter a vehicle by pulling on the door handle, according to police reports.

The vehicle was a 2009 grey Toyota Scion, reports state.

● Someone disturbed the peace and trespassed in a restaurant at 450 S. Elliott Road at 2:30 p.m. Monday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person created a disturbance both inside of a Burger King and in the business' parking lot, reports state.

● Someone broke into and entered into a home at 326 Wesley Drive between 11:35 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person removed a window recessed air conditioner unit to gain entry to the interior of the residence, according to reports.

A laptop computer and a computer bag — valued at $520 in total — were stolen, reports state.

● Someone was concealing merchandise at a grocery store at 1129 Weaver Dairy Road between 9:45 a.m. and 10:06 a.m. Monday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person concealed condoms in a backpack and stole them from a Food Lion, reports state.

The Trojan condoms were valued at $10, reports state.

● Someone slammed into and broke a screen door at 301 Glade St., between 8:30 and 8:40 p.m. Monday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

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> New Scholarship for Students

**The UNC Business Essentials program** is currently recruiting Student Ambassadors for its **online business certificate program** offered through the UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School. UNC Business Essentials is designed specifically for non-business students to develop valuable business skills, knowledge and experience to help jumpstart their careers.

**Student Ambassadors** will receive a full scholarship for the UNC Business Essentials program, **a $3,200 value**. In addition, Student Ambassadors will represent UNC Business Essentials, building awareness through campus events and activities throughout the school year.

**To apply,** please email a current resume and a one-page essay (250 words or less) describing why you want to be a Student Ambassador. Include your major, current GPA and anticipated graduation date. Email your application to uncbusinessessentials@unc.edu. **Application deadline is March 30th.**

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# Students to march for Trayvon Martin

**About 100 people are expected to march on Franklin Street today.**

By Caroline Hudson
Staff Writer

Students will gather in front of the post office on Franklin Street at 11:20 a.m. today to march in honor of a slain Florida teen.

Trayvon Martin, a black 17-year-old, was shot and killed by neighborhood watch volunteer George Zimmerman last month. Zimmerman remains free because he says he shot Martin in self-defense.

Protesters in Chapel Hill are following in the footsteps of other cities in questioning this claim during an hour-long march.

"I don't see the deadly force," said Rev. Robert Campbell, the president of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro NAACP, in reference to Martin being unarmed. "It just does not add up."

The march will be followed by a rally in the Pit that will include speakers and online petitions.

Junior Alexis Davis, the incoming president of the UNC Black Student Movement, said that the march and rally will be an opportunity to educate people about the incident.

"It looks like a case based on race," she said.

But Davis said she would not want something like Trayvon's shooting to happen to anyone, regardless of what race they are.

Members of the BSM met Tuesday at 5 p.m. in the Stone Center to make posters for the march.

Senior Eric Campbell, president of the group, said that a crowd of around 100 people is expected to attend the march.

He said the march is meant to be an event where everyone can come together.

"It's not an issue just for the black community," he said.

Because they have been busy with an NAACP convention for the eastern seaboard, the Chapel Hill-Carrboro NAACP has not had a chance to plan a similar event in honor of Trayvon Martin, Campbell said, although rallies have been organized in Raleigh and Durham.

But he said in light of the shooting, action needs to be taken to uphold America's reputation as a peaceful nation.

"Too many of our young people are going to the grave before their time," he said.

And Eric Campbell said that he thinks the U.S. justice system needs to be re-evaluated.

"This could just as easily happen on Carolina's campus," he said.

**MARCH FOR MARTIN**

**Time:** 11:20 a.m.

**Location:** in front of the post office on Franklin Street

The march is being organized by the BSM; Building Bonds, Breaking B.A.R.S.; National Pan-Hellenic Council; Campus Y and the Asian Student Association.

On Monday, the groups that organized the march will meet with the UNC Black Law Students Association in order to assess the legal aspects of the Martin case.

After the forum, another march will start at the law school fountain and end at the Stone Center.

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DTH/LOGAN SAVAGE

Jannine Humphrey works on a sign that will say "Am I Suspicious?" in the Stone Center on Tuesday night for a Trayvon Martin awareness march.

# A LONG WAY TO THE TOP

DTH/BRIAN FANNEY

Top of the Hill's new distillery, which has been under construction for the past two and a half years, recently underwent a trial run to produce distilled alcohol.

## Top of the Hill's new distillery almost ready for production

By Brian Fanney
Assistant City Editor

Top of the Hill's new distillery took a big step forward Tuesday.

The facility, housed in the old Chapel Hill Newspaper building on W. Franklin Street, conducted a "stripper run" that produced a rudimentary form of alcohol.

Proprietor Scott Maitland, who referred to the building as "Chapel Hill Booze," said he was pleased with the resulting product.

"To me, this is cleaner than our competition," he said. "I was amazed at how good it tasted."

Maitland said he's close enough to production that he's confident customers will see Top of the Hill-brand liquor on shelves by mid-May.

The facility will make gin, bourbon, rum and vodka from local and organic products.

"You've got farm to table. This is grain to glass," Maitland said. "That's the thing that will hopefully get people to give us a try."

Maitland said he considers the distillery's liquors far more local than Top of the Hill's beer or North Carolina wine because the ingredients for liquor come from the area.

He said the distillery will make batches of spirits using 2,000 pound bags of grain, 4,000 pound bags of ground wheat and 1,700 gallons of water.

*"You've got farm to table. This is grain to glass… That's the thing that will hopefully get people to give us a try."*

**Scott Maitland,** Proprietor of Top of the Hill

Esteban McMahan, investor and salesperson at the distillery, said agreements are already in place to sell products to 411 West, Spanky's, Lantern and other local bars and restaurants.

"It's the usual suspects," he said. "We'll start in the Triangle and expand from there."

He said that since ABC stores are required to sell North Carolina products consumers are interested in, Top of the Hill-branded liquors will be available statewide.

UNC junior Lauren Seborowski said she has had good experiences with local beer but has never had local liquor.

"I don't know that I would pick it up without some sort of recommendation, but I'm curious."

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The trial run was successful in producing a rudimentary form of grain alcohol, said Top of the Hill proprietor Scott Maitland.

# Chapel Hill fracking hearing draws crowd

**More than 500 attended a public hearing on the practice Tuesday.**

By Graves Ganzert
Staff Writer

Protestors and supporters of hydraulic fracturing packed East Chapel Hill High Schools' auditorium and voiced their opinions Tuesday at a N.C. Department of Environment and Natural Resources public meeting.

The process at the center of the controversy, fracking, removes natural gas from shale formations in the earth using high-pressured water to free the reserves.

The N.C. General Assembly is considering controversial legislation that would allow fracking in the state, and a recent study by the department of environment found no issues with the practice if it's properly regulated.

But opponents spoke out against that report Tuesday, saying fracking could harm North Carolina.

Marvin Woll came from Raleigh to tell officials that he believes fracking would hurt the environment by contaminating water supplies and is being rushed into place without proper evaluation.

"I think that there is way too many problems in fracking to rush into it," Woll said. "I think the wisest choice is for North Carolina not to go down the fracking road."

Though most of the state's emphasis has fallen on other areas with the most potential for natural gas resources — like the Sanford sub-base in Lee County — some in Orange County worry that fracking in the state could pollute local water supplies.

Chapel Hill resident Meg Ferrell said the practice could be a safety hazard, and she wanted to make sure the legislature realizes some oppose it.

"We will be on the record saying don't do this and we will know who to blame," Ferrell said.

But some supported the proposal, saying introducing the drilling process could create more jobs and stimulate North Carolina's economy.

Raleigh resident Albert Eckel said he thinks North Carolina should embrace fracking.

"The state has a real opportunity here," Eckel said.

Eckel said the United States doles out large amounts of money for energy consumption, but by introducing fracking, North Carolina could utilize its own energy.

COURTESY OF JOSH DAVIS

The Raging Grannies attended the North Carolina Department of Environmental and Natural Resources meeting on Tuesday to protest fracking in North Carolina.

Dustin Chicurel-Bayard, director of communications for the North Carolina chapter of the Sierra Club, said he remains indecisive on the issue.

He said he believes the process could work for the state, but legislators must make sure that human and environmental safety take priority. He said accountability is also important.

"The big question is — how will the public know if the safeguards are in place?"

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# UNC law school sees fewer applicants

**Fewer students are taking the LSAT and applying to law schools.**

By Sarah Brown
Staff Writer

Between the economic recession years of 2007 and 2009, the number of students taking LSAT exams and applying to law school was on the rise.

But tides have turned dramatically.

The number of LSAT exams administered by the Law School Admission Council in 2011-12 was 129,958, an almost 25 percent decrease since 2009 and the lowest number of exams given by the council since the 2000-01 academic year.

The decrease has impacted many schools across the nation, including UNC's School of Law, which has seen an 8 percent decrease in applicants.

"The 16.2 percent decrease (in LSAT exams given) for the past year was the largest we've seen in the history of the test," said Wendy Margolis, spokeswoman for the admissions council.

Fewer students taking the LSAT has resulted in a nearly 15 percent decrease nationwide in law school applicants for fall 2012, with 87 percent of schools having submitted data so far.

But Michael States, assistant dean of admissions for the UNC law school, said he believes the lower number of applicants is a positive sign for UNC.

Despite the smaller applicant pool, he said this year's class was the strongest entering class UNC has ever admitted in terms of GPA and LSAT scores.

"People applying to law school now are people who are really serious about becoming lawyers," he said. "I think we'll actually see more long-term job satisfaction (for law school graduates)."

He said the large number of people taking the LSAT in recent years might be due to students struggling to look for jobs after graduation.

"Now there has been a lot of media coverage about law school costs and the legal job market, and that's caused some who weren't as serious about law school not to take the LSAT," he said.

He said the smaller pool doesn't affect the selectivity of the admissions staff, and the school's lower tuition has helped keep UNC competitive.

"If students compare the tuition costs of UNC to competitors, they're more likely to choose UNC," he said.

Sarah Zearfoss, senior assistant dean for admissions, financial aid and career planning at the University of Michigan's School of Law, said the school experienced a 5 percent decline in applicants from 2011, a number she said didn't surprise her given the struggling economy.

However, she too said there are positive aspects of the decreasing numbers.

"Having students who are pursuing law school on a whim is not good for law students or for law schools," she said.

Despite the downward national trends, some law schools have seen an increase in the number of applicants. Wake Forest University's School of Law reported that their applicant pool is up about 33 percent from 2011.

Jay Shively, assistant dean of admissions and financial aid at Wake Forest's law school, said in an email that he attributes much of the jump to expanded recruitment efforts. He said he personally visited a number of undergraduate programs to connect with prospective students.

"Because of this outreach, including application fee waivers and carefully drafted correspondence, we may be making the application list of students who in the past may not have considered us," he said.

Shively said despite the high cost of a law degree and a dim job outlook, law school applicants should not be discouraged.

"The odds of anyone getting a $150,000 job right out of law school these days is slim from virtually any law school," he said. "But a legal education is still a prerequisite to a broad range of worthwhile options."

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# Dining partners with small farms

By Sarah Niss
Staff Writer

Beginning in May, students will enjoy local produce in the dining halls thanks to a partnership with Bender Farms in Warren County.

The relationship will provide fresh broccoli and cauliflower this spring, with corn, tomatoes, cucumbers, melon and more becoming available in the summer and fall.

Scott Myers, director of food and vending for Carolina Dining Services, said this partnership has been in the works for years.

He said CDS wants to increase the amount of produce purchased from within 150 miles and develop a relationship with farmers so students know where their food is coming from.

Warren County could also benefit from an economic boost, said owner of Bender Farms, Jeff Bender.

Many of the tobacco farms in the county have suffered economically and now hope to expand to produce, Bender said.

But most small farms, like those in Warren, can't grow enough volume to sell to big institutions like grocery stores.

"Carolina Dining, to their credit, is interested in dealing with a small business," Bender said.

Bender Farms is currently the only farm in the area working with UNC, Myers said.

"I hope by next year we can have a bigger regional facility in place and can raise anything," Bender said.

He said he hopes to get 10 or 15 more farms to come together to buy the necessary equipment to grow more.

"It's our hope that in developing a relationship with this farm we can extend to more within Warren County," Myers said.

Students should not expect meal plan costs to rise with the new partnership, Myers said.

The regional farms will likely sell at prices UNC can afford, he said.

"As consumers become more savvy, we're at an advantage," Bender said.

CDS dietician Kelley Urban said students are becoming more knowledgeable about their food, and there are major health benefits.

She said local foods won't travel as far and will have less pesticides and chemicals.

Members of the student group Fair, Local, Organic are also excited about the idea, they said.

"It's wonderful that they're taking this on and trying to develop more relationships with local farms," FLO member Jamie Berger said.

FLO member Suzanne Fleishman called the initiative "revolutionary."

"The way a lot of dining halls work is going through outside sources, but they're helping to forage a partnership with a farm."

She said partnerships like these could also help UNC in the future if national food prices rise, adding that contracts with large companies like universities are helpful for small farms.

"This is an amazing step, the perfect example of a win-win situation," she said.

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# Upper-level courses fill quickly for some

By Grace Raynor
Staff Writer

Although the 9.9 percent tuition hike for in-state students passed to the dismay of many, it might help keep psychology majors out of summer school.

Beth Kurtz-Costes, director of undergraduate studies for the psychology department, said with the number of students seeking a psychology degree increasing the department has had to turn to emergency funds in the office of the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences to meet demand.

The department is consistently trying to find ways to ensure that psychology majors are able to enroll in higher-level courses they need to satisfy the major.

Kurtz-Costes said she hopes the tuition increase will limit that need.

"We're hoping that with the tuition increase, there will be changes to the ... budgets that will mean we don't have to act at the last minute or come back to the dean's office with special requests, as we have before," she said.

She said some seniors will not be able to graduate on time, forcing them to take summer school.

But the tuition hikes might help the department hire more instructors for more sections, so the class of 2013 can graduate without summer classes, she said.

David Luong, a junior psychology and communications double major, said summer school should be a choice, not a last resort.

He added that summer school would limit opportunities to partake in internships or research.

"Summer school should never be the thing you have to do."

"You should always be able to finish in the four years without summer school because the program is built for you to finish in four years."

The psychology department is not the only one struggling with registration for its upper classes.

The political science department's 400-level classes are its most popular, and the department is being forced to cut down on 200-level classes to create more of them, said Mark Crescenzi, associate professor in the political science department.

"We're always worried about making sure our juniors and seniors can get the courses they need to satisfy the major," he said.

He said the department also has a two-week registration period restricted to majors only, to limit the competition.

Junior psychology major Kelly Buchanan said she is hopeful that more classes will open up in her major. All of the classes she tried to register for Tuesday were either full or wait-listed.

"Everyone's dealing with it, and it's not the psychology department. They just don't have enough money."

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# Thomason wants more in-depth reporting

By Lucinda Shen
Staff Writer

Three years ago, the email that welcomed Andy Thomason as a staff writer to The Daily Tar Heel read, "We're expecting big things from you."

And now Thomason is trying to achieve those big things.

Thomason, who joined the University desk as a freshman, is the sole candidate for next year's editor-in-chief position.

The junior history major from Charlotte said becoming editor-in-chief of the paper wasn't always in his game plan.

"I never had grand ambitions," Thomason said about his first year as a staff writer.

But his goals at the newspaper have since changed.

He said he wants to give back to the organization that has given so much to him.

"I feel a personal connection to this newspaper and the people here," Thomason said.

Thomason has held leadership positions at the newspaper for the past two years, serving as both an assistant editor his sophomore year and University Desk editor his junior year. He also served as last summer's editor-in-chief.

When Thomason envisions next year's Daily Tar Heel, he sees it as an informant that the community can trust.

Thomason said if elected, he will work to make the newspaper a better public servant, to evolve the website and to improve transparency.

"We're going to have more detailed reporting," he said.

Thomason's platform for next year includes implementing stronger investigative projects for staff writers and editors to take on throughout the year.

He said he hopes these projects will provide the Chapel Hill community with stronger, more in-depth coverage.

Thomason also hopes to increase the newspaper's transparency by creating and maintaining an editor's blog, which he will update once a week detailing how the editorial staff handled certain issues or stories.

Ryan Barber, who was University editor last year while Thomason served as his assistant, said Thomason is a strong leader.

"Andy's very good for the paper and training the new generation," Barber said.

Barber said he went out of his way to recruit Thomason as an assistant editor two years ago.

"He emerged as a reporter with a lot of skill but also a lot of initiative," he said.

Thomason's roommate Everett Lozzi agrees.

Lozzi said he sees Thomason's dedication to his job even when he's at home.

"When he's outside of the DTH, he's talking about the DTH," he said.

Paula Seligson, who currently works with Thomason as an assistant editor on the University Desk said she trusts Thomason's leadership.

"He's always been calm in tough situations," she said.

"His decisions are always very sound. I trust him with The Daily Tar Heel — and it's the place I pour my life into."

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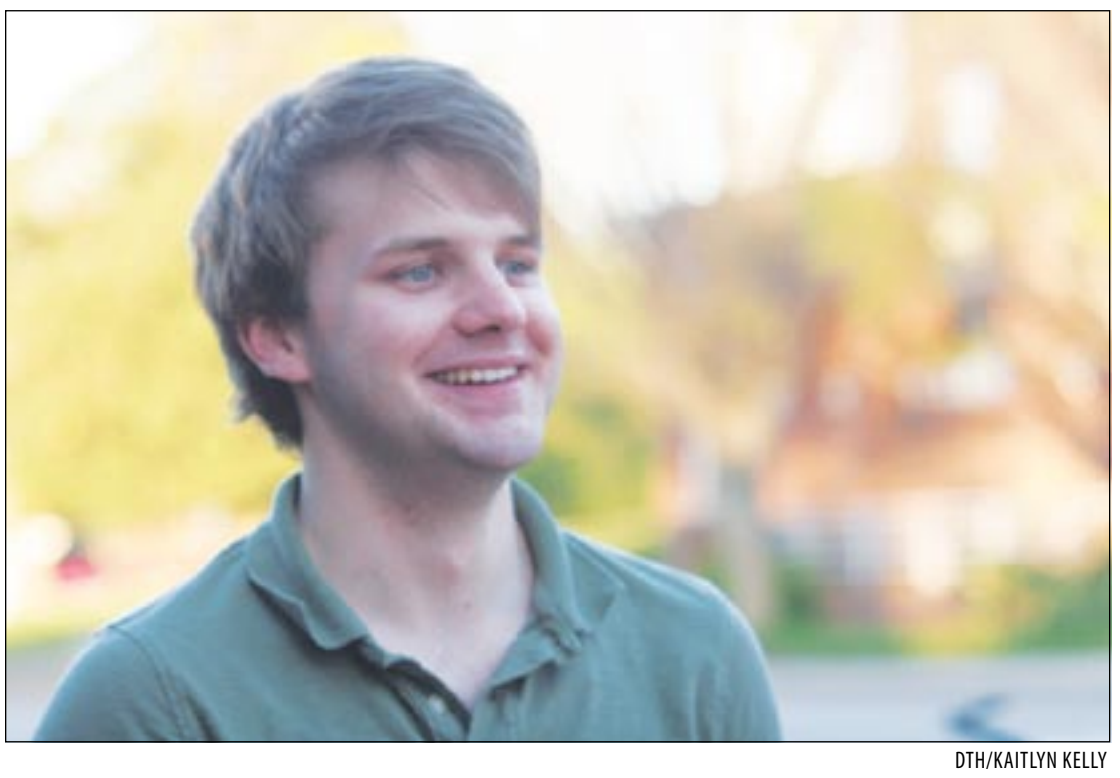
## EDITOR-IN-CHIEF SELECTION

**About editor selection:** The editor of The Daily Tar Heel is chosen by an 11-member board that includes a UNC employee, a former DTH editor, a member of the community at-large, representatives from the student body, a member of the DTH board of directors and three DTH staff members. Each candidate is interviewed by the board for about an hour, and then the board votes.

**To read Thomason's plans**, see page 12. Visit dailytarheel.com for Thomason's full platform.



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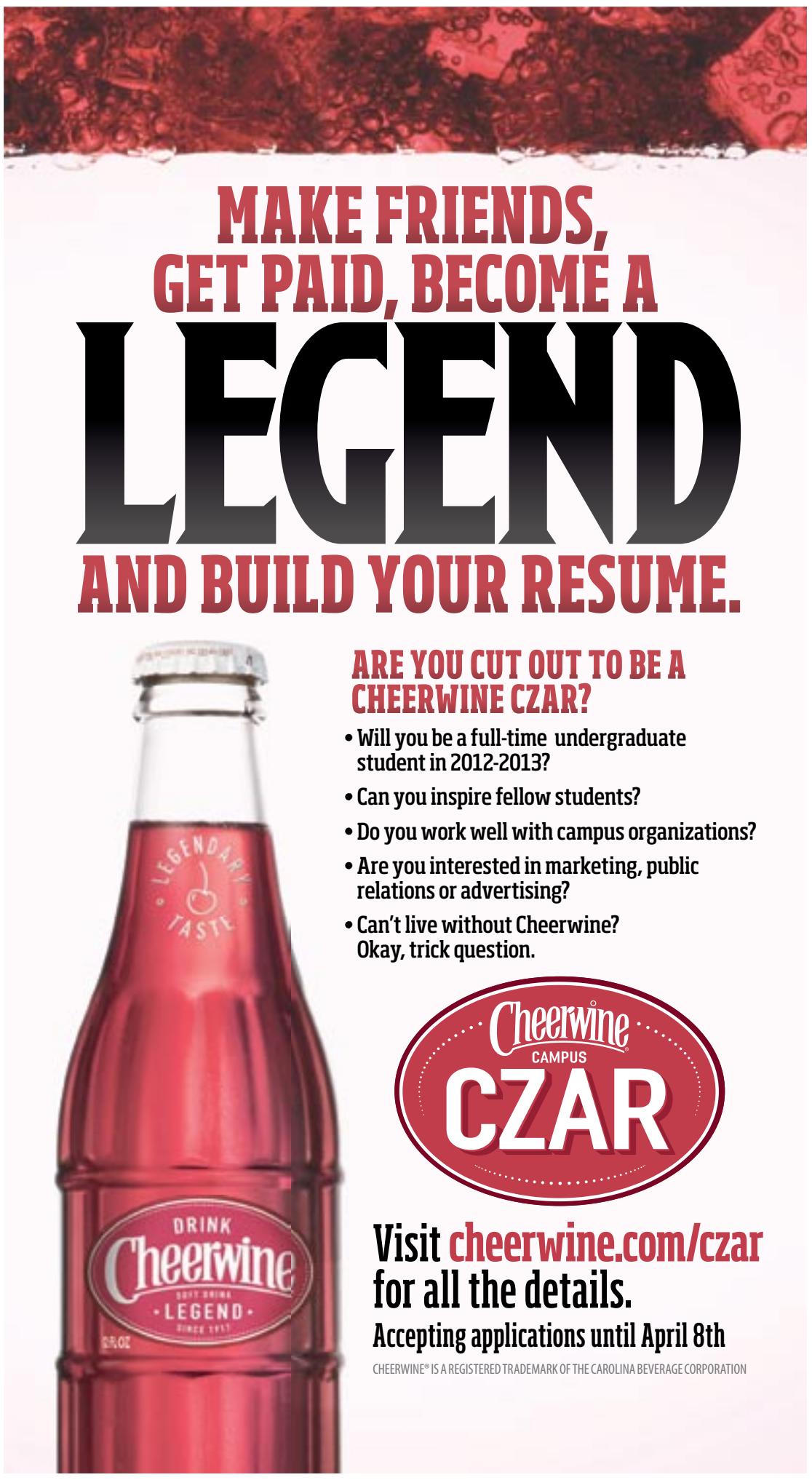


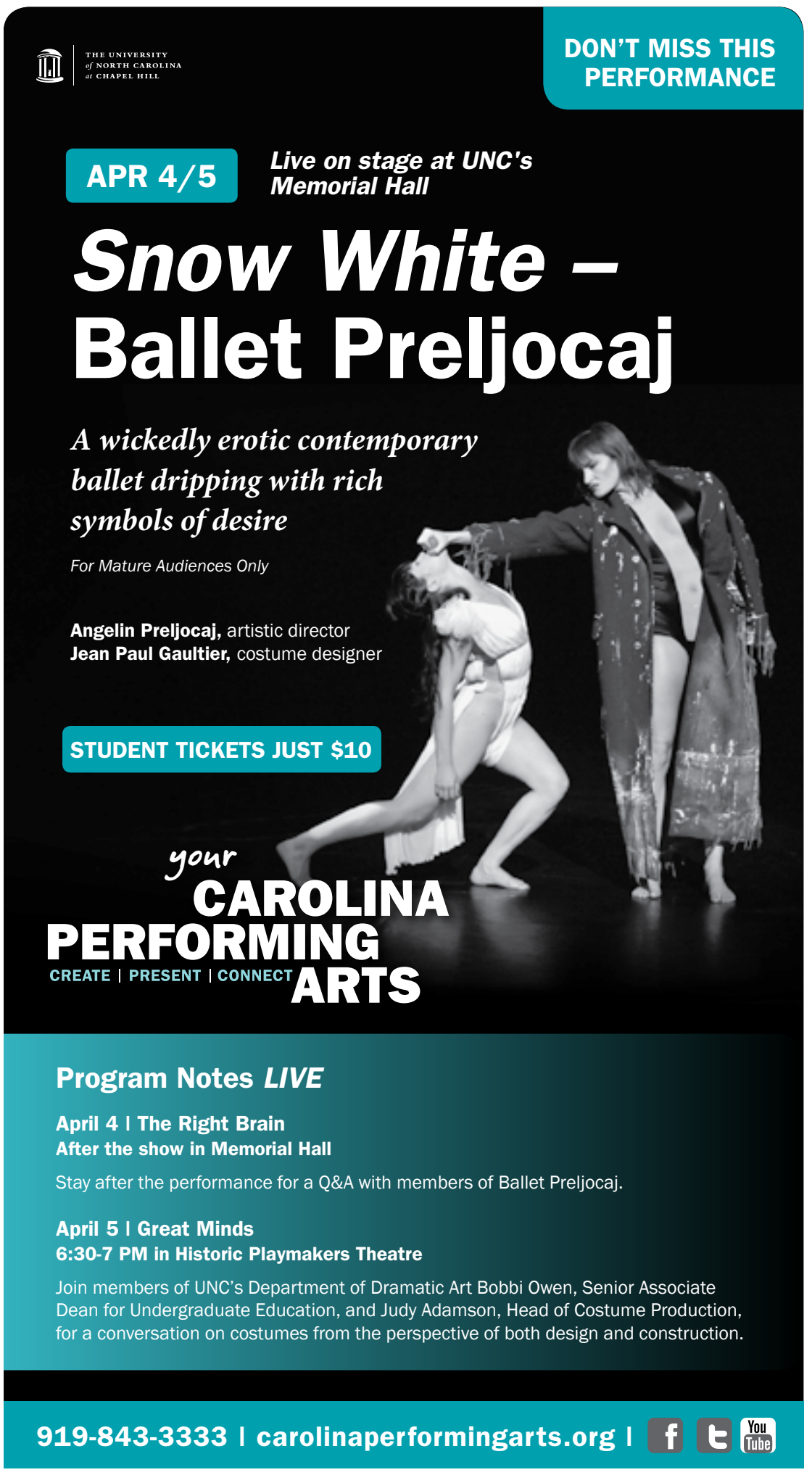

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## Poll shows U.S. optimism on economy growing slowly

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MCT) — Americans are increasingly optimistic about the economy, but they are feeling strained by rising gasoline prices, according to a new McClatchy-Marist poll.

A slim plurality believes the worst of the nation's economic woes are over, more than a third expect their personal family finances to get better over the next year — the highest rate since June 2010 — and the number of Americans who believe the U.S. is now in a recession is at its lowest point since Marist began tracking the question in May 2008.

"Most of the indicators show a slow but clearly growing sense of optimism," said Lee Miringoff, the director of the Marist College Institute for Public Opinion, which conducted the poll.

But, he added, the spike in gas prices threatens to derail some of the gains. More than three out of four surveyed — 77 percent — said that the higher cost of gasoline had put at least a "moderate amount" of strain on their family budget. Thirty-seven percent said the costs had put a "great deal" of strain on family finances. And more than half — 53 percent — said that they had changed their driving habits as a result.

Miringoff noted that the numbers are reflected in the current political battle, with Republicans looking to blame President Barack Obama for the soaring cost of energy. Obama, whose political fortunes could be threatened by the prices at the pump, launched a two-day, four-state tour last week to tout his energy policy in the face of the GOP attacks.

But the poll suggests the discontent isn't as steep as it was in April 2008, when gas prices jumped to a then high of $3.50 a gallon. The Marist poll at the time found that 82 percent of respondents said that gas prices were putting at least a moderate strain on their finances.

"Clearly it's a financial hardship for a lot of people, but the picture isn't as bleak," Miringoff said. "They feel less strapped than four years ago. Not good, but not as bad."

That's reflected in the drop in pessimism over the U.S. economy. Forty-nine percent believe the worst is behind when it comes to the U.S. economy, while 45 percent believe the worst is yet to come. But that's the lowest number since January 2011, when just 39 percent believed the worst was yet to come.

"For the plurality, the glass is now half full; it's been half empty for a long time," Miringoff said.

At the same time, however, 66 percent of adults believe the U.S. is still in a recession. Analysts have said the recession officially ended in June 2009, but the poll shows Americans aren't fully convinced.

## Obama says Congress to blame with Russia talks

SEOUL, South Korea (MCT) — U.S. politics combined with diplomacy as Russian President Dmitry Medvedev took a swipe at Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney and President Barack Obama pointed to an uncooperative Congress to explain why he was delaying negotiations with Russian leaders over missile defense. Romney, in a CNN interview Monday, had referred to Russia as "our No. 1 geopolitical foe," prompting Medvedev to tell reporters here that the former Massachusetts governor's language seemed out of date and "smelled of Hollywood" stereotypes.

"Regarding ideological cliches, every time this or that side uses phrases like 'enemy No. 1, this always alarms me," the Russian leader said Tuesday in remarks broadcast on Russian television.

The back-and-forth was prompted by an open-microphone incident Monday in which Obama could be heard telling Medvedev that he would have more "flexibility" after November's voting to consider Russian concerns about U.S. missile defense plans.

"This is my last election," Obama said. "After my election I have more flexibility."

"I understand," Medvedev responded. "I will transmit this information to Vladimir," he added, referring to Vladimir Putin, who won Russia's election on March 4 and will begin a six-year term as president in May.

Republicans quickly pounced on that exchange, calling it evidence that Obama, if re-elected, would go soft on national security issues.

Romney was highly critical, saying in the CNN interview that "Russia is not a friendly character on the world stage. And for this president to be looking for greater flexibility, where he doesn't have to answer to the American people in his relations with Russia, is very, very troubling, very alarming."

Obama returned fire on Tuesday, telling reporters as he wrapped up a three-day diplomatic tour in Seoul that he had merely been realistic about the problems of dealing with a Republican Congress.

All the domestic controversy largely overshadowed the purpose of Obama's trip — a nuclear security summit where more than 50 world leaders agreed to take modest steps to better secure fissile material within their borders.

Experts looking for a permanent process for standardizing the way nations store, guard or transport their nuclear material said the summit had helped raise the profile of an important issue.

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Tracy Martin, center, and Sybrina Fulton, parents of Trayvon Martin, attend a Congressional Black Caucus discussion in Washington, D.C., on racial profiling and the Florida law used in their son's case on Tuesday.

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Pope Benedict XVI says a prayer and farewell to the crowd of Santiago de Cuba on the steps leading up to the original statue Our Lady of Charity.

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Senior and Student Congress Speaker Zach De La Rosa speaks at the last meeting of the term Tuesday night.

# Congress holds last meeting

**By Edward Pickup**
Staff Writer

On the night that Speaker Zach De La Rosa said farewell to Student Congress, he did not have to say goodbye to Student Body President Mary Cooper.

Both Cooper and De La Rosa are slated to participate in Texas as part of Teach for America.

"I don't need to miss Mary, simply because we will be spending the entire summer together," De La Rosa said.

De La Rosa's departure was not the most significant of the night — members also commemorated the end of Jon Curtis' time as an adviser to student government.

As part of his role as associate director of student activities and organizations, Curtis has been advising student government since 1995.

"I was one of those students who thought, 'Student government, what the heck do they do?' But I have certainly learned my lesson," Curtis said.

A resolution, which identified Curtis as the "Dumbledore" of student government, was passed to thank Curtis for his efforts.

In his last address to the body, De La Rosa highlighted what Student Congress has achieved during the course of the year — including bringing more accountability to student government and amending the Student Code.

"It has been an exciting year, and I have been grateful to work with each and every person in this room," he said.

"Together the 93rd Student Congress has achieved a lot, and I think very collectively it should be very proud."

The amended Student Code has been reduced in length by 29 pages, and revised to be more accessible to students, he said.

Members also looked forward to next year's leadership.

Amanda Claire Grayson, nominated by the executive branch of student government, was approved as student attorney general.

"I've got some great goals for the honor system over the next year, especially in a time of potential reform," Grayson said.

Three of Student Body President-elect Will Leimenstoll's nominees for the executive branch of student government were also approved.

Rachel Myrick was approved as student body vice president, Nikita Shamdasani as student body secretary and Shrija Ghosh as student body treasurer.

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# Newt Gingrich postpones NC visit

**Despite recent losses, Gingrich promised not to drop out of GOP race.**

**By Madeline Will**
Assistant State & National Editor

Newt Gingrich is backing out of his last-ditch effort to revitalize his campaign.

Gingrich, who has had low poll numbers despite victories in South Carolina and Georgia, had planned to visit and campaign in North Carolina weeks earlier than GOP front-runner Mitt Romney's trip to the state.

But the former Speaker of the House has since postponed his visit, according to reports by The (Raleigh) News & Observer. His decision comes weeks before the May 8 primary election.

And a poll conducted Tuesday by Public Policy Polling, a left-leaning polling firm in Raleigh, shows Rick Santorum and Romney tied at 30 percent in the state. Gingrich lags behind with 19 percent of voter support, just ahead of Ron Paul, who has collected 13 percent.

Despite low poll numbers, Gingrich has promised he would not drop out of the race, said Sarah Treul, a UNC political science professor, in an email.

"His probability of winning the nomination is about as close to zero as it can be for someone still in the race," she said.

Greg Steele, chairman of the N.C. Federation of College Republicans, said Gingrich's postponement of his stop in the state could mean the end of his race — especially given North Carolina's increased importance in the race.

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> **Sarah Treul,** UNC political science professor

"I know that he has used the alibi of not campaigning in certain states to justify low numbers," he said. "I am a little surprised he's still in the race, given his slightly low performance."

Jason Roberts, a UNC political science professor, wrote in an email that Gingrich was a "non-factor" in the race.

"Normally, a candidate in his position — poor showings, poor fundraising — would drop out," he said. "With Mitt Romney as the front-runner, there was really only room for one 'not-Mitt' candidate, and Rick Santorum has become that person."

Santorum, who has appealed to a deeply conservative base, will likely come second to Romney, said James Stimson, a UNC political science professor.

Gingrich, who also appeals to the conservative crowd in the deep South, will not win North Carolina, he said.

"N.C. is not as southern, not as evangelical, not as racist, as S.C. or Georgia, where Newt won," Stimson said in an email.

Austin Gilmore, president of UNC Young Democrats, said he hopes the presidential race will be settled by the N.C. primary.

"It's probably better for Amendment One if GOP turnout is low, so it would be better for us technically if it was already decided by the time it gets here," he said.

A fight against Amendment One, the constitutional referendum to ban same-sex marriage in the state, has been the college group's main priority, and Gilmore said he doubts any GOP candidate will campaign for it.

"There's not much outspoken support from anyone at this point, and I think that's a sign of the changing times," he said. "They stand to lose more than they gain by touching the issue."

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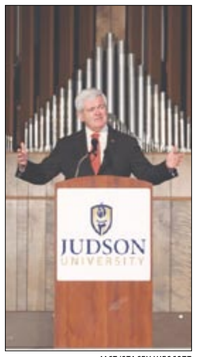

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Republican presidential candidate Newt Gingrich speaks to students, staff and community members at Judson University on March 15.


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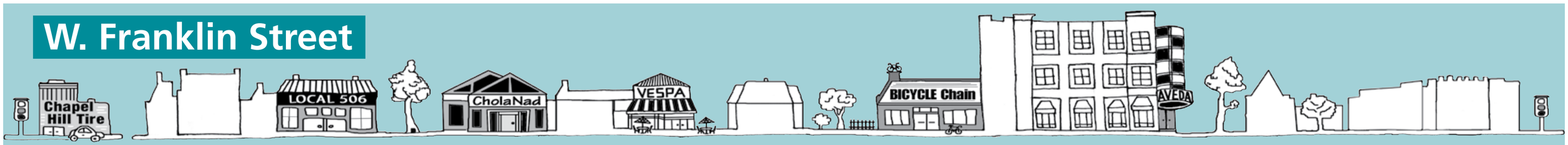


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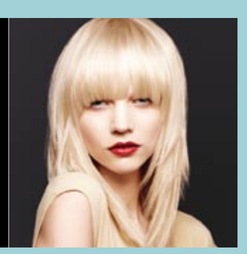

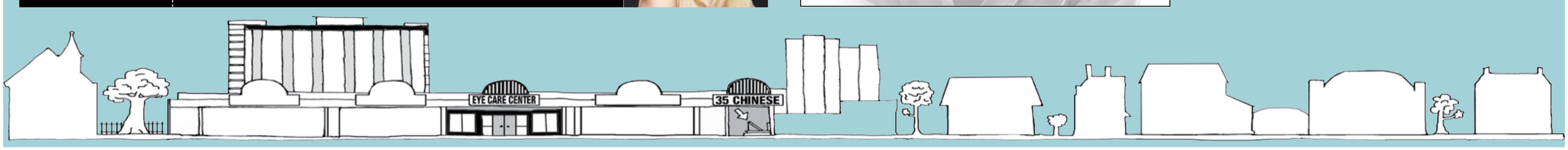

## SVOBODA

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"Martha is not the type to give up," she said.

Svoboda said her cancer diagnosis helped her appreciate her opportunities and to let go of her fears of failing as a law student.

"When I got diagnosed with breast cancer, it forced me to smell the roses," she said.

"Law school is a gift that God has given. Carolina Law gave me a spot instead of giving it to another 22-year-old. I am trying to embrace that, to learn for the sake of learning."

Michael States, assistant dean of admissions at the law school, said Svoboda is handling her challenges well.

"She's managing her health situation, law school and her family," he said.

"She has the ability to be successful (as a lawyer), I have no doubt."

Svoboda said she wants to focus on consumer financial protection, and is excited to finally turn her love of truth and justice into a career.

"My medical oncologist told me, 'You know, a lot of people take off from work to recover from this disease, especially people our age. We should be thinking about retirement, and here you are trying to start this whole new adventure.'"

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## HIT-AND-RUN

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report that there was reasonable cause to test her.

"Officers indicated there was a suspicion of alcohol use or drug use," said Young.

He said the results from the test have not come back yet.

Young said if the evidence warrants, additional charges could be filed against Fredette.

Fredette could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

After Fredette fled the scene, Young said Armstrong was still conscious as police officers and EMS arrived.

Will Arey, internal communication manager for UNC Hospitals, said Armstrong's vital signs were stable Tuesday. He said she was conscious, but felt discomfort.

Terri Gault, manager of the psychology department, said the department has reached out to Armstrong.

"We have sent Rachel flowers and a note with well wishes," she said. "We also contacted her parents."

She said she hopes DPS will look into the safety of the Davie Hall crosswalk.

"I heard that crosswalk has been a problem before, so hopefully the Department of Public Safety will do something about it," she said.

Young said the department will examine whether there is a trend of speeding in the area.

"I don't see a high rate of speed in that crosswalk because there are many stop signs around."

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## GENDER NEUTRAL

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"I don't think I'd want to give another dime to the University," he said in an interview.

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Winston Crisp said administrators have heard similar complaints.

"One of the issues we have is a real lack of understanding amongst people about what the proposal is and what it isn't," he said.

"If you go out and talk to any number of people, that becomes quickly evident."

Despite the negative reactions, Crisp said at the rally Tuesday night that the administration is still committed to eventually getting the proposal passed.

"I'm going to be working to make this happen. The chancellor is going to be working to make this happen," he said. "Stay at it. Keep going."

Junior Jen Fredette, co-president of UNC's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Straight Alliance, said the rally represented dedication.

"We're not stopping just because we lost one battle," she said.

Sophomore Kevin Claybren, who led the initiative, said the coalition is going to focus its efforts on educating the stakeholders Thorp mentioned.

So far, the coalition has sent letters to the Board of Trustees, the Office of Student Affairs and UNC-system President Thomas Ross.

Jesse Zellner, national co-chairman of the Carolina Parents Council, which annually gives grants to UNC projects, said the issue has yet to be brought up in one of their meetings.

"It's not an idea that's outside our general conversation, it's just that we've never really had it brought before us," Zellner said.

He said that while the Parents Council is generally only approached with campus and community issues when a grant is needed, the gender-neutral initiative is not out of their field of interest.

"When the idea of a particular community is brought up under the general rubric that (students) don't feel safe, then that is of interest to us," he said.

Terri Phoenix, director of UNC's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Center, said the movement's new strategy is to work for system-wide support of gender-neutral housing, although none of the other schools have yet implemented it.

"We believe if other UNC-system schools were also pushing for this it would be more likely that it would happen," Phoenix said.

"We are in effect reaching out to the entire state."

Claybren will present the new strategy to the UNC Association of Student Governments on Saturday.

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## PRINTING

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their own efficient printers.

"Nationally, printing is declining; the volume of work has dropped," she said.

But employees said the loss in volume was not the sole reason the department lost money.

"The people in charge have trouble running a print shop because they don't know how," Haugh said.

Susan Anderson, director of Printing Services, referred inquiries to Elfland.

White said there were ways to save Printing Services that were not explored. In the 1990s, he said, UNC used the "right of refusal," by which staff and faculty using state money had to first turn to Printing Services for jobs before going to outside vendors.

"If departments still had to go through us, I think we would get more business," White said.

Elfland said that while employees had brought up the idea, administrators didn't like it.

"We do not create restrictive processes that limit departments," she said.

Employees also complained that they gave input to management that was then ignored.

Elfland said the department listened to employee input but ultimately disagreed with suggestions.

The 12 employees' jobs will be eliminated during the summer while UNC transitions to an outside company, Elfland said.

The employees will receive severance packages and help finding jobs, which is standard procedure.

White insisted that the department shouldn't have to shut down.

"With some changes, without a doubt we would have been saved."

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# Gymnastics studio finds home

By Megan Schmelzle
Staff Writer

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The youngest age group at the Orange County Gymnastics studio practices front flips with trainer Morgan Warrington in a class that takes place daily.

Orange County Gymnastics has faced hurdles in the past year, but it could find reprieve if a deal between owners Tim and Jessica Baker and Carrboro Plaza succeeds.

Tim Baker said he and his wife purchased the decades-old company in December 2011 with high hopes, but have since faced months of problems and multiple relocations.

But if all goes as hoped, the studio could soon find a permanent home in Carrboro Plaza.

Baker said the development's manager contacted the owners after the studio's frequent moves attracted media attention.

"They came to us and said they'd love to have us out there," said Baker.

Terrill Wipper, who works for an accounting group and is handling the lease for Carrboro Plaza, said while no deal has been finalized, the plaza is interested in having the studio.

If the deal succeeds, it will put to rest months of uncertainty.

The studio had to relocate from its first location for repairs to the building after mold and asbestos were found in December.

After securing a temporary two-month lease at University Mall, the owners learned their original location had such bad structural issues that it would cost too much to renovate.

And though the University Mall space fit their needs, they could not renew the lease because the property is only zoned for retail.

The Bakers then moved into the American Legion building in Chapel Hill, which was zoned correctly to allow them to operate.

But while the building — which they are currently working out of — has worked temporarily, Tim Baker said it is too small a space for the center and can't become the studio's permanent home.

Baker said in the American Legion building, the instructors only have room to use about a quarter of their gym equipment.

"We are running a very small program right now," Baker said.

Ideally, Orange County Gymnastics would be in a location of at least 8,000 square feet, Baker said. He said they currently have only a small fraction of the space with 1,200 square feet.

One of the Bakers' ten employees, Morgan Warrington, agreed that the building is too small.

"The class size has shrunk a little bit but other than that it hasn't really affected the classes too much. It is a little harder to work in the smaller space," Warrington said.

She said she also hopes to move into a bigger space soon in order to accommodate more kids and be able to do more with them.

Baker said the Carrboro location would offer needed space and proper zoning for the business.

He also said Carrboro will be a great fit for the business.

He said he hopes a deal will go through by the end of April.

"If it goes any further than that, I don't think we'll be able to stay open," Baker said.

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# Student grant to support local art

By Katherine Proctor
Assistant Arts Editor

**Jeremy Bass** is a recipient of a JNO Award in Entrepreneurial Studies, a $3,500 grant to cover startup costs.

Junior Jeremy Bass wanted to build a community of artists.

So — with the help of a grant from the UNC minor in entrepreneurship — he started Students Benefiting the Fine Arts.

Bass, an entrepreneurship minor, won the $3,500 grant as a recipient of a JNO Award in Entrepreneurial Studies.

The project focuses on enlarging the local arts community and uses the UNC art department as a base, Bass said.

"It works as a liaison between faculty and students," he said.

The JNO Awards were established by Jason Norris, a 2003 UNC alumnus, to cover startup costs for students in the entrepreneurship minor.

"The awards provide no strings attached funding for student ventures," said Lizzy Hazeltine, the internship director of the entrepreneurship minor.

She said that when Bass came to her in January with his idea, she was impressed by his initiative.

"What he pitched was as much about community and growth as it was about its major events," she said.

"I was intrigued because he'd already started mustering the resources and building the relationships that he needed to pull it off."

Students Benefiting the Fine Arts will focus on two main projects for the year, Bass said.

The first is an art supplies exchange system in the basement of the Hanes Art Center.

Students — art majors or otherwise — can exchange supplies as needed for their projects, Bass said.

The second project is a mid-April art show in University Square called "The Grand Show: Bring Us Your Best."

The event, a silent auction fundraiser, will feature work from emerging artists, UNC art professors and community artists, Bass said.

"Our main goal is to showcase these emerging artists and bridge the gap between the art department and the community, ultimately creating an ongoing dialogue," he said.

Beth Grabowski, a UNC art professor, said Bass's efforts are an important development in the art department.

"He's interested in developing community not just among art majors, but among any of the students who spend a lot of time in the art building," she said.

Bass said that he hopes his project will eventually grow into a community center for the arts.

"The goal is that it becomes a permanent fixture in the arts community," he said.

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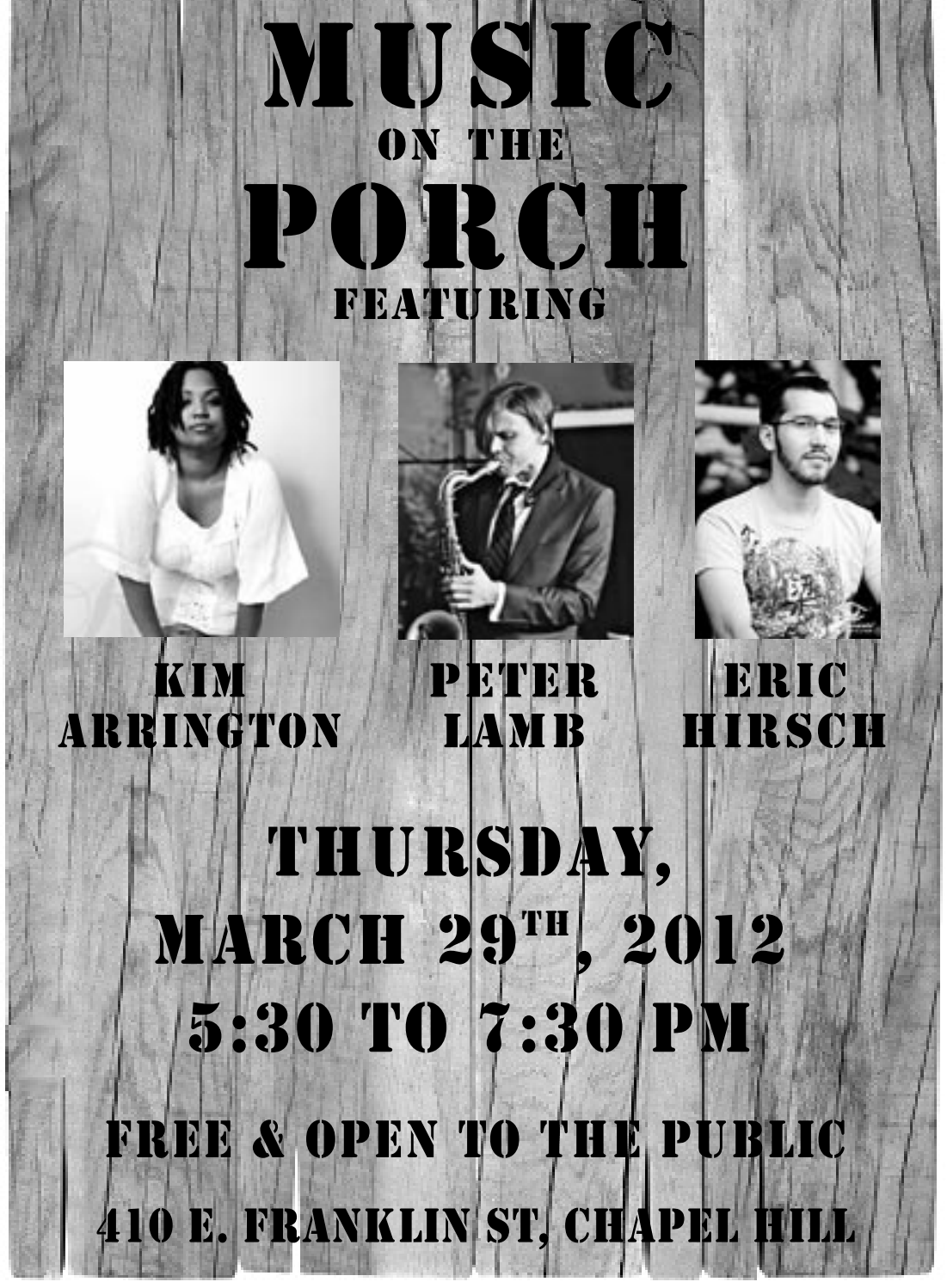

# Church Street opening delayed

By Rachel Butt
Staff Writer

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Construction of the 140 West Franklin project on Church Street has delayed the re-opening of the street to traffic until mid-August.

A request from the developers of the 140 West Franklin project has led the town to delay reopening Church Street to traffic until mid-August, causing many Chapel Hill residents and students to grow tired of the wait.

"The project is on track, but we're concerned about pedestrian safety because there is still a lot of construction going on," Kendria Sweet, spokeswoman for Ram Development Company, said.

Developers broke ground on the $55 million mixed-use development — located at the corner of West Franklin and Church streets — in January 2011.

The project will include 140 condominiums, 26,000 square feet of retail space and 337 parking spaces.

Mike Taylor, engineering design specialist for the Chapel Hill Public Works Department, said this work requires the use of cranes and other heavy equipment.

Emphasizing pedestrian safety, Sweet said the town agreed that the best solution is to allow Church Street to remain closed to traffic for an additional period of time.

Although pedestrians will have access to Church Street throughout all six phases of the construction, some students have expressed concern about the lack of lighting and seclusion of the pathway.

Senior Jessica Merrill, who lives off Church Street, said she has gotten used to the detour, but she avoids using it at night.

"It's inconvenient and the path is not safe when it's dark," she said. "They put in some lights, but I won't walk through … by myself."

Kaitlyn Warren, a political science major, is also disappointed.

"The delay is expected, but it's obnoxious that we have to keep dealing with this," Warren said.

To alleviate some of these problems for pedestrians, the contractor — John Moriarty and Associates Inc. — has agreed to install a walkway on the north side of Franklin Street, along the front part of the site.

"The walkway will be constructed during the latter part of July," Taylor said.

Sweet said the developers will also be ready to put the roof on the development in May after constructing remaining floors.

"We think it's reasonable to extend the closure of the street until this significant phase of the work is finished," Taylor said.

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# ArtsCenter unaffected by hotel

By Ari Hires
Staff Writer

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Construction on a new hotel is under way at 300 E. Main St., near the Carrboro ArtsCenter, as part of a project by Main Street Properties.

Carrboro is changing, but the ArtsCenter plans to stay the same.

With the construction of a Hampton Inn under way, the center only expects to lose about a dozen parking spots.

Operations Director Brad Porter said the ArtsCenter will carry on as it did before the construction.

"The only way we are directly affected right now is that we lost 10 to 12 parking spots," he said.

Because the ArtsCenter purchased their building at 300 East Main St. from Main Street Properties, the business can decide whether it wants to renovate with the businesses around it and expand or stay the same.

"There is no concrete plan. There has been talk," Porter said. "The hotel itself is 13 to 14 months away from completion."

The ArtsCenter, which provides various art classes for people of all ages, is the largest employer of artists in Orange County, Porter said.

"Not only do we employ artists, we basically help anyone in the community who wants to get their creative legs goings," he said.

"I feel like we are the leading provider of art education in the community."

The hotel construction — which broke ground on March 12 — is the first phase of a new project by Main Street Properties at 300 E. Main St. that was approved by the town in 2008, said Laura Van Sant, a spokeswoman for Main Street Properties.

Manish Atma, owner of Atma Hotel Group, said the target date for the hotel completion is April 2013. The Hampton Inn will have 142 rooms, retail and restaurant space for six to nine businesses and a 500-space parking garage.

This will be the first hotel in Carrboro and one of few moderately-priced hotels near campus, with a trajectory of rooms ranging from $99 to $139. The Franklin Hotel and the Carolina Inn — currently the closest hotels to campus — house rooms ranging from about $260 to $600 a night.

Porter said there is no reason for the community to expect changes in location and operation at the ArtsCenter.

"We're gonna be here for a good, long time where we are located now."

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Today is an 8 - You're dreaming of a place, a captivating place. Is it your next vacation destination? A future study opportunity? Or a new job relocation? Consider it carefully.

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Today is an 8 - Grab a chance for happiness. If you make a mess, clean it up. If you fail, try again (with some modifications). Avoid the avoidable errors, but why not live a little?

***Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)***
Today is an 8 - One last check for costume, hair and makeup, and you're onstage. You don't have time for nerves, so stay in the moment, and say your lines. You've practiced. Relax.

***Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)***
Today is an 8 - Your community plays a strong role in today's performance. Don't be self-conscious. Give it all for the best of others. Their victories are your victories.

***Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)***
Today is an 8 - Get your ducks in a row. Pay attention to details and collect the earnings of your efforts. Think twice before spending your savings. Reward yourself with a party.

***Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)***
Today is a 7 - Every little step moves you closer to your goal, even if you have to backtrack at times. Play well with others and you'll have more fun. Notice small blessings.

***Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)***
Today is an 8 - Things clear up a bit and you can complete difficult projects now. You can save by doing the work yourself, but take care of your health. Rest.

***Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)***
Today is an 8 - Creativity is on the rise. Allow the right side of your brain to take over for a while and surprise yourself (and others). Romance follows you around.

***Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)***
Today is an 8 - Telecommuting can provide new opportunities today. Listen to a family member for a new solution to an old problem. They can see something you can't.

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# Elementary 11 ready to break ground

**Developers have cleared the final hurdles to beginning construction.**

By Kathryn Trogdon
Staff Writer

Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools' newest elementary school is taking its first major steps toward becoming a reality.

Elementary School 11 will be located in the Northside neighborhood and has been planned to help reduce district overcrowding.

The school is expected to cost about $20.6 million and will be finished May 2013 .

Now, the buildings that sat on its site have been torn down and construction for the project is moving onto the next stage.

Construction is projected to last 15 months and cost about $21.5 million. Though no timeline has been finalized, project managers say building will begin within days.

More than 70 percent of the materials from the deconstructed structures were recycled, according to a report that the Orange County Board of Commissioners will review at their meeting Thursday.

Bill Mullin, executive director of school facilities for Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools, said before the building came down, Habitat for Humanity of Wake County removed windows, doors and mirrors for reuse in Habitat buildings.

Cindy Laws, corporate secretary for the company building the school, said the project is now at the site-work stage, which includes site grading.

Laws' company, Durham-based Bordeaux Construction Company Inc., was hired in February. It has constructed schools including Sandy Ridge Elementary School in Durham in the past.

"We had about ten companies submit bids and they were the company that submitted the most reasonable bid," Mullin said.

And after receiving a final permit necessary to begin construction — which project superintendent Matt McArthur said he will pick up today — it can start building for Elementary 11.

"Our notice to proceed was issued on March 15 and we have 443 days to complete," he said.

He said the first and largest hurdle will be building a main wall to support the building.

"Once that wall is in place it will really cut us loose to do a whole lot of other work," McArthur said.

*"We have an excellent facility staff who has between them decades of experience … We are quite confident that they will handle it very well."*

**Mia Day Burroughs,**
Chairwoman of the Board of Education

He said the wall will probably be started within two weeks and finished in six.

District architects and administrators will oversee construction as the school moves toward completion.

They will approve payments and make additional changes as needed.

"We have an excellent facility staff who has between them decades of experience," said Mia Day Burroughs, chairwoman of the Board of Education. "We are quite confident that they will handle it very well."

*Contact the City Editor at city@dailytarheel.com.*

## PROTESTING 'PATIENT PROTECTION'

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Demonstrators for and against the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act march and chant outside the U.S. Supreme Court Building on Tuesday in Washington, D.C. Supreme Court justices met Tuesday morning to consider an important challenge to the law: compelling individuals to buy insurance or pay a fine.

# Carrboro roads may change

By Hooper Schultz
Staff Writer

More than 20 Carrboro residents came out to Tuesday night's Board of Aldermen meeting to voice concerns about one of the town's most dangerous intersections.

At the meeting, the board received a crash analysis report from Town Transportation Planner Jeff Brubaker that revealed 20 reported crashes at the intersection of Jones Ferry and Davie Roads from November 2006 to October 2011.

The study was prompted by the high pedestrian and public-transit use of the intersection, as well as heavy commuter traffic.

"Nine thousand cars a day pass through this intersection," Brubaker said.

The N.C. Department of Transportation and Triad Regional Traffic Engineers created a redevelopment plan to improve the safety of the intersection, but Brubaker said plans are still conceptual.

The plan includes new bike lanes, crosswalks and sidewalk space, as well as a reduction in the number of vehicle lanes.

The board also discussed the possibility of adding medians to the Abbey Court and Ridgewood Apartments frontages.

The discussion provoked concern from local residents, who fear changes in traffic patterns will affect neighborhood roads.

Carrboro resident Anissa McLendon of Alabama Avenue said at the meeting that she is concerned her cul-de-sac will become a turnaround if the median is built on Jones Ferry.

Although the cost of the project is still uncertain, Brubaker said the likelihood of the town receiving Spot Safety funding from the N.C. DOT is high, with a maximum of $250,000 available.

Some Aldermen expressed concerns about the appearance of one of Carrboro's larger intersections.

"I'm concerned about tree loss on one of our major entrances to town if we implement (this)" Alderman Jackie Gist said.

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## The Daily Tar Heel
### Board of Directors

The DTH is seeking students to serve on the paper's board of directors for the 2012-13 school year. The student-majority board serves as the publisher of the newspaper and is responsible for operational oversight other than the news content functions. It's a great way to be involved with the DTH without having to miss class!

Read more about the activity and apply by visiting the About area of dailytarheel.com, or by request via e-mail to kschwartz@unc.edu, or by stopping at the DTH office, 151 E. Rosemary St. **The deadline for application submission is April 15.**


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Solution to Tuesday's puzzle

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**Cellphone ban**
Read what people think about Chapel Hill's cellphone use with driving ban. **See pg. 1 for story.**

**Chapel Hill booze**
Top of the Hill's new distillery took a big step forward Tuesday. **See pg. 3 for story.**

**Future editor**
Meet Andy Thomason, the sole candidate for next year's DTH editor-in-chief. **See pg. 5 for story.**

**No Newt in N.C.**
Newt Gingrich is backing out of his last-ditch effort to revitalize his campaign. **See pg. 7 for story.**

**Community of artists**
Junior Jeremy Bass is working to enlarge the arts community with a grant. **See pg. 9 for story.**

## Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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**ACROSS**
1 Salon chorus
6 Modern wall hanging
10 Grilling occasions, briefly
14 White-and-yellow lily
15 Requiem Mass hymn word
16 Riga resident
17 Spanish waters
18 *Handycam project
20 Maritime special ops force member
22 Suez Canal locale
23 *Graduates' burdens
26 Ames sch.
27 Mao's gp.
28 "Boardwalk Empire" airer
31 Picture problem
34 *Marshall Plan subject
38 Vital artery
40 "Let __ Cry": Hootie & the Blowfish hit
41 Word with bald or sea
42 *Frustrating call response
45 Sounds of disapproval
46 LAX calculation
47 Jeanne d'Arc, e.g.: Abbr.
48 Pick, with "for"
50 *Cornerback's responsibility
56 Cover
59 React to an unreasonable boss, perhaps
60 Physiques, and what the starts of the answers to starred clues are
63 Varnish ingredient
64 "__ further reflection ..."
65 Kaneohe Bay locale
66 "__ a Letter to My Love": 1980 film
67 Marketing prefix
68 M.'s counterpart
69 Hauling team

**DOWN**
1 Some hospital procedures
2 Bedevil
3 Candy heart message
4 Be unsportsmanlike
5 Talks back to
6 Drummer's pair of cymbals
7 Waggish
8 Skye cap
9 Sign of a winner
10 They may involve rants
11 Flock of quail
12 Aural hygiene item
13 Editor's mark
19 __ à trois
21 Sufficient, in slang
24 "Lohengrin," for one
25 "The Louisville Lip"
28 Fairy tale baddies
29 Con
30 Horace works
31 Woods denizen?
32 Ill-mannered sort
33 Celestial bear
35 "Golly!"
36 Friend of Stimpson J. Cat
37 Fop's characteristic
39 Court statistic
43 "__ be an honor"
44 Sets of points, in math
49 Illinois county or its seat
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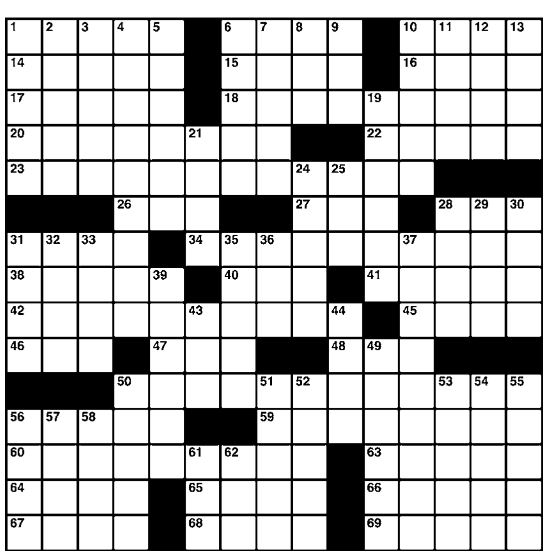


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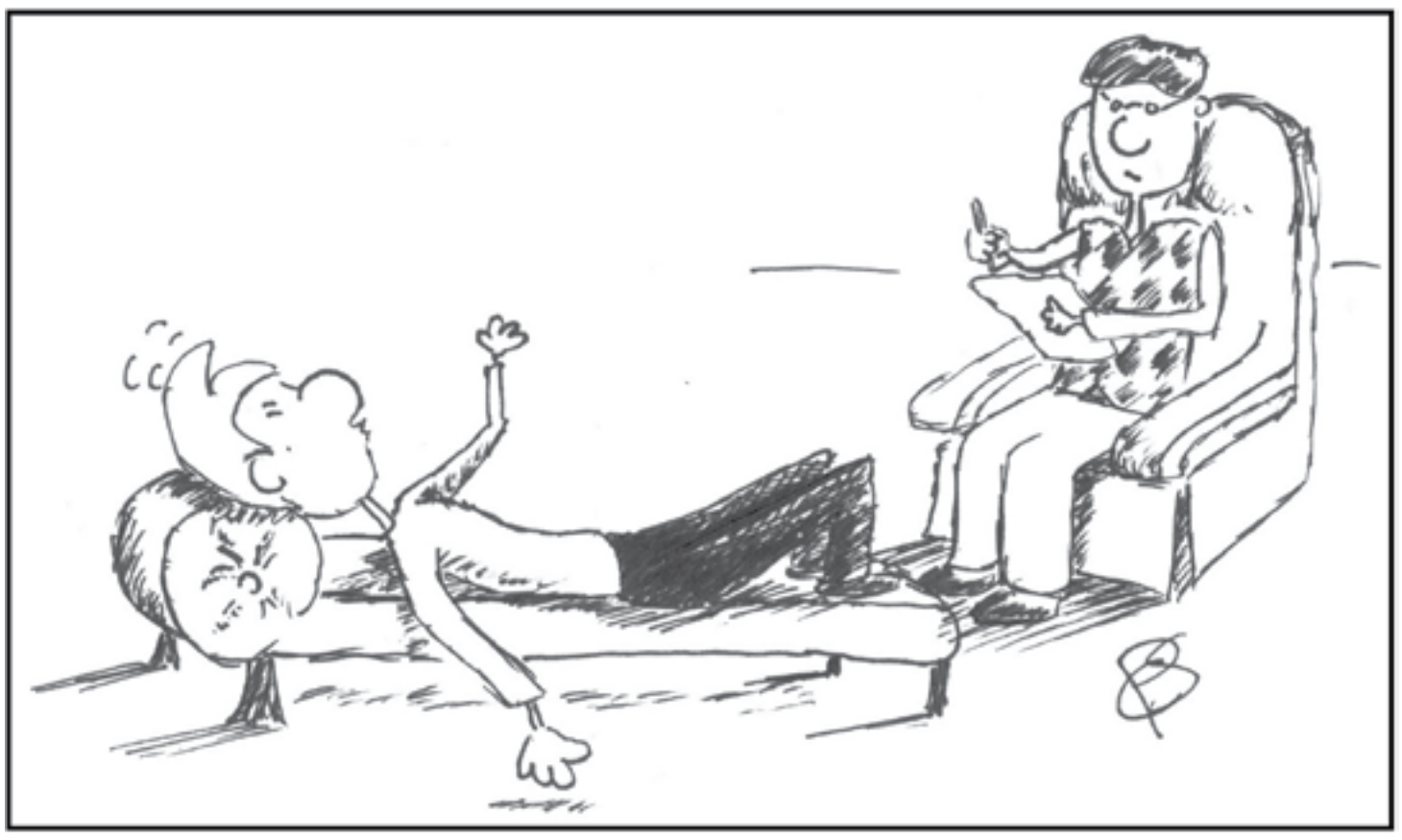
By Connor Sullivan, cpsully@live.unc.edu



*I don't understand it doctor, all I see are blue squares and yellow triangles.*

## EDITORIAL

# Not all big ideas need big budgets

### The Connected Learning Program should be restructured, not cut.

Living-learning communities like the Connected Learning Program in Cobb Residence Hall serve around 500 students each year.

Unfortunately, this program was the latest to feel the pinch of budget cuts.

When the Connected Learning Program was cut, so too were scholarship opportunities and research ventures heretofore available to the undergraduates involved, who live on the same hall in Cobb.

The thing is, big ideas don't necessarily need big budgets. The Department of Housing and Residential Education and the Johnston Center for Undergraduate Excellence — who collaborated to make the Connected Learning Program a reality years ago — should approach their financial woes with the same innovative spirit and resilience these Living-Learning Communities aim to foster in students.

The Connected Learning Program was partly funded and administered by the Honors Program, and its annual budget has ranged from $35,000 to $40,000 until this year. But we think it could survive with much less.

Of course, in a sluggish budgetary climate, administrators must grapple with the question of what "really" matters.

UNC's Living-Learning Communities provide students with valuable opportunities for networking, learning beyond the classroom and implementing high-quality programs for residential communities and the broader campus.

It is a shame to see them go, especially if it's not absolutely necessary. What matters here is allowing students to continue to come together, bounce big ideas off one another in safe spaces and impact campus positively. Surely this can be done without $40,000 a year.

While programming would scale back and take on different manifestations under a new budget, an outright discontinuation of the entire program is uncalled for.

In a time when some extremely painful cuts are, unfortunately, absolutely necessary, administrators should be on the lookout for opportunities like this — where a program's funding could be significantly cut without totally abandoning the program's mission.

Each of the 10 remaining Living-Learning Communities receive an average of $1,000 from the Department of Housing and Residential Education to operate.

It seems the Honors Program hasn't given UNC students enough credit for being able to do more with less.

Between downsizing participating students' projects, reducing the number of students served, or being reincarnated as one of the special interest Living-Learning Communities (which receive less funding) the Connected Learning Program can and should continue.

It's sad to see a program go, but finding a way to make it continue with less is a silver lining to budget cuts — streamlining and improving.

UNC students have been inculcated with a love of innovation. This is an opportunity to let them act on it.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR: THE END OF BASKETBALL SEASON

### Barnes wasn't the only player on the team Sunday

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to express my disappointment in an article and picture The Daily Tar Heel published on Monday's front page.

The headlining image was very personal and ultimately invasive to the basketball player Harrison Barnes.

Barnes was not the only person who lost. Furthermore, he was not the only person on the team who participated in the Kansas game — but the article would have you to believe otherwise.

I understand that the spotlight Barnes has been put under is one that comes with great responsibility.

However, it is distasteful to draw attention to this young man who has already faced a lot of criticism from the same people who are supposed to be supporting him — his fellow Tar Heels.

Don't get me wrong, I do not think Sunday's game was Barnes' best performance. But as a fellow student, I understand that people are human and at times don't meet expectations.

There is no doubt that Barnes is still young, and his game still needs growth. But please let the young man live.

The amount of pressure we put on our athletes — especially the men's basketball team — is probably a lot less than the pressure they already put on themselves.

As members of the Tar Heel nation we are supposed to be a family — a support system.

While family members should be a little bit critical, it is unacceptable for a family to publicize emotional and devastating images of our very own in that manner. That is not the Carolina Way.

*Irene Neequaye '12*
*Global studies and anthropology*

### Tar Heels played with integrity despite adversity

TO THE EDITOR:

What a great ride! From No. 1 in pre-season to the Elite Eight, the UNC men's basketball team gave us a season to remember.

It's tough to stay No. 1 when a quarter of the team is benched with injuries. (Imagine how the Kansas game might have turned out with Henson at 100 percent, McDonald, Strickland, Marshall and gutsy Stilman White.)

Under adverse circumstances, it's tough to play with integrity (Creighton needs to study that word). And it's hard to play with integrity against hard feelings (e.g., those Jayhawk fans who can't move on).

But our team did.

To those Tar Heels considering the NBA, heed the words of Jackson Browne: "Stay just a little bit longer. We want to [see you] play just a little bit longer ... Please, please, please say you will."

*Suzy Barile '75*
*Raleigh*

### Why didn't the DTH highlight the team's attitude?

TO THE EDITOR:

If I wanted to read two stories about how disappointed Harrison Barnes was with Sunday's loss, I would have looked anywhere other than our campus newspaper.

I realize that, as a news outlet, The Daily Tar Heel has a responsibility to the report the facts — and there are plenty of facts to explain why the second half went the way it did.

However, as the newspaper of the University which these remarkable young men represent, The Daily Tar Heel has a responsibility to report stories other audiences might not care as much about.

Though The Daily Tar Heel did cover the Pass Fir5t movement, that was not enough.

If there was one day that I needed coverage of our basketball team that was not negative, it was Monday.

After a tournament that will remain in my memory as the year the injuries got in the way, it's amazing to think about the positive attitude Roy's Boys kept up.

They kept a positive attitude and clung to the Carolina Way through it all.

For anyone who, like me, was heart-warmed by the way our boys overcame obstacles this season, find the Pass Fir5t movement on Twitter and Facebook, and look up the writer Adam Lucas on Tarheelblue.com.

Always proud to be a Tar Heel.

*Leslie Ann Blake '14*
*Journalism and comparative literature*

### I'm more proud than ever to call myself a Tar Heel

TO THE EDITOR:

"Together we are Carolina." Those are the official words of our basketball team. The slogan can be seen on T-shirts the minute one walks into Student Stores, and it's heard around campus in many conversations.

Now more than ever, in light of Sunday's game, this statement holds true. Never has a basketball team made me more proud to call them my fellow Tar Heels.

The selflessness of this team is highlighted by their every action, whether it is their determination on the court, humility in post-game interviews or cheerfulness around campus playing scratch games with other students.

This basketball season has shown that our men's team embodies what it means to be a Tar Heel, to represent the Carolina Way.

I want to thank them for this season. Thank you for all that you have done, from one Carolina student to another.

*Jordan Funke '12*
*Political science and history*

### Our basketball team exemplifies the Carolina Way

TO THE EDITOR:

As we take the month of March to celebrate Eve Carson's legacy and the Carolina Way, I would like to acknowledge one group of students that has truly exemplified what it means to make "Every Moment Count."

This year, the Carolina Way and Tar Heel basketball have been synonymous.

The men's basketball team is incredibly talented on the court. But I'm just as proud to be a fan of this team because of the exemplary character our players exhibit.

The team was featured in The Wall Street Journal not for their pre-season No. 1 pick or their ACC regular season titles, but for their incredible interactions with students while playing pick-up basketball around campus.

They've shown up every year to dance for the kids at Dance Marathon. You can always find them supporting local student groups in the Pit.

And they don't eat lunch in the secret athletic dining hall.

Even their on-court accomplishments are telling of their character; Kendall Marshall broke a record for assisting his teammates.

I send our Tar Heels all the good wishes in the world. And I applaud them for, as Eve put it, "seeking to be great but always remembering that we first must be good."

*Alli Sarfati '12*
*Biology*

## QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"One of the issues … is a real lack of understanding amongst people about what the proposal is and what it isn't. If you go out and talk to any number of people, that becomes quickly evident."*

**Winston Crisp,** vice chancellor for student affairs, on gender-neutral housing

## FEATURED ONLINE READER COMMENT

*"Why stop at cellphones? Let's ban driving altogether, swimming pools, the list goes on and on. At the end of the day, it should come down to personal responsibility."*

**Hugo,** on Chapel Hill's ban on using cellphones while driving

## EDITOR-IN-CHIEF CANDIDATE

# Prioritizing audience demand

For the three years I've worked at The Daily Tar Heel, I have been of the belief that the DTH is one of the strongest forces for good on campus, in Chapel Hill and in the surrounding area.

At its best, it keeps newsmakers honest and readers up to speed on the issues they care about.

But we could be doing so much better.

Too often, we let you down — when we fail to dig deep into an important story, when dailytarheel.com languishes behind the print product or when a DTH reporter misrepresents a source.

As editor-in-chief, I will work to fix those problems, never losing sight of what you want. In that spirit, my plans center around better addressing audience demand.

**Andy Thomason** is a junior history major from Charlotte and the sole candidate for Daily Tar Heel editor-in-chief. He currently serves as University Editor.
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### A better public servant

The DTH is made up of the best student journalists in the country, and yet too often our potential is limited by the day-to-day grind of filling a 12-page newspaper. The paper is hurt by a lack of hard-hitting stories, and you're the ones who suffer.

I will:

- Create a new position — deputy managing editor for enterprise — that will help ensure effective long-term planning. This person will be responsible for keeping the editorial staff focused on the content that benefits you the most.
- Implement a new principle in the realm of multimedia: For every major feature we run in print, there will be a multimedia feature posted online. It is not enough anymore to just tell stories in text form; you expect more, and rightfully so.
- Prioritize video segments in which editors break down the ins and outs of important stories, highlighting the basic points for your benefit.

### Evolve the website

Dailytarheel.com lags behind the best examples of our peers. I will make several changes that will encourage you to treat the website as a destination.

I will:

- Implement a structure in which each online story links to several others for background, as well as other sites with relevant information. Every online story worth its weight should link to other stories, which can offer different angles and more details.
- See to it that topics pages, which are devoted to explaining subjects that dominate our coverage, are ignored no longer. At their best, they are invaluable to our readers. The deputy managing editor for enterprise will oversee their upkeep.
- Make sure the blogs aren't neglected. Posts will be enforced by the relevant editor.

### Improve transparency

Perhaps the most nagging problem faced by the DTH is that a lot of you just don't trust us. By increasing transparency and publicizing the structure of the newspaper, I will try my best to fix that problem.

I will:

- Author a blog post at least once a week, illuminating how the editorial staff dealt with a certain issue or story. By better informing you of how we do our jobs, I think you will come to trust us further.
- Allow desk editors to comment on online articles. Current policy prohibits all staff from commenting on online stories. Often, readers use the comments section to express confusion as to how a story was reported. In these cases, detailing the reporting and editing will better inform you of how we work.
- Create a monthly video segment that follows a story from beginning to end, making it possible for you to be present from the scoop to the follow-up, and everything in between.

### Continue stellar training

The DTH is almost unique in that it allows anyone and everyone to give journalism a shot. This willingness to teach is one of our most admirable features. We will continue to offer high-quality training, expanding it to several forms of media.

I will:

- Create mandatory training sessions that set forth rules on interviewing, quoting and paraphrasing so nothing gets lost in the fray. Our current newsroom structure fails to adequately train staff writers before demanding thorough reporting from them.
- Implement a monthly "Try a Different Desk" day in which staffers will be given the opportunity to try out a new medium of reporting. Those on news desks will be encouraged to shoot video or photos, designers will be encouraged to report, and so on.
- Better recruit the University's best and brightest. The newspaper could benefit from better publicizing the DTH as a way to learn about a wide variety of subjects, to improve one's writing and to learn new skills.

## 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: at our office at 151 E. Rosemary St.
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