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"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

PETITION (Top): Tara Schmitt (far left), Nicole Campbell, Odessa Davis, George James, Sarah Baker and Laurel Ashton (far right). Davis and James are two of the housekeepers who were involved with delivering a petition to Chancellor Holden Thorp that demands the reassignment of Tonya Sell. Schmitt, Campbell, Baker and Ashton are the members of Student Action with Workers who helped gather signatures for the petition. "We're just exercising our constitutional right," Ashton said. "Democracy is controversial."

RELIGION (Top left): Will Thomason is an openly gay Christian who was expelled from Psalm 100 for his beliefs. "I'm able to live in a country where I can make religion my own," Thomason said. "I'm not forced into a religion, and that's what makes it beautiful."

PRESS (Bottom left): Susannah Brinkley was this summer's editor of *The Brick*, a new-student orientation publication at N.C. State University that was pulled because it contained a photo with a racial slur in it. The staff of *The Brick* reached a compromise with the New Student Orientation Department by covering the word with a sticker in each book. "Dealing with this made me realize how important it is to educate others about the First Amendment and the freedom of the press," Brinkley said. "It really hurts when First Amendment rights are violated."

SPEECH (Right): Billy Kluttz is an advocate for the adoption of non-sexist language on campus. "The freedom of speech is always limited by societal harm," Kluttz said. "I guess we're going to keep fighting over where that line is, and non-sexist language is where I draw that line."

ASSEMBLY (Bottom): Harry Alper (far left), Robert Corriher, Amy Anderson, Mariah Akinibi and Stewart Boss (far right) are members of the UNC Sierra Student Coalition who are involved with the Beyond Coal Campaign's protests against the University's use of coal instead of clean energy. "In order to move beyond coal, students and citizens across the country will have to assemble to show that we stand together for safe and clean energy," Akinibi said.

Katie Sweeney and Julia Wall contributed to this essay.

INSIDE: See a full schedule of all First Amendment Day activities on page 4.



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UNC celebrates the First Amendment

Many of the events will discuss free speech and social media.

By Colleen Volz
Assistant University Editor

Tweets and Facebook statuses are improbable beneficiaries of a 220-year-old piece of paper. But one of the main focuses of this year's celebration of First Amendment Day at the University is how the right to free speech applies to students using social media.

That idea will be reflected in the day's events, which will

include a panel discussion on the tweeting rights of UNC football players and a keynote speech on the relevance of social media to the First Amendment, among many other events.

The speaker, Mary-Rose Papandrea, is an associate professor in the Boston College School of Law and used to practice First Amendment litigation.

Papandrea — who will speak in Carroll Hall, Room 111 at 7 p.m. — will discuss how social media calls for new interpretations of what the First Amendment protects.

William Marshall, a law professor and one of the day's organizers, said today's social

media discussions are relevant to all students at UNC, since most practice their freedom of speech daily through Facebook and Twitter activity.

"What we're seeing right now is that we're trying to develop the amendment so that it fits into the massive changes in technology that are taking place," Marshall said.

He added that many students around the world don't have the luxury to express themselves in the way that American students can.

"At a lot of universities around the world, you can't say what you want to say," Marshall said.

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Constitutionality of panhandling debated

A 2007 anti-lingering ordinance is also being called into question.

By Caroline Watkins and Jeanna Smialek
Staff Writers

Local officials are torn between preserving public safety and protecting First Amendment rights.

The Carrboro Board of Aldermen has unanimously supported repealing the town's anti-lingering ordinance, which prohibits day laborers from standing at the corner of Jones Ferry Road and Davie Road, except between 5 a.m. and 11 a.m.

The ordinance's constitutionality was called into question at a Sept. 13 board meeting.

And like Carrboro, Chapel Hill politicians and candidates must heed First Amendment rights — in this case, as they address panhandling.

First Amendment and day laborers

The Board of Alderman plans to repeal the anti-lingering ordinance once it has a new plan for handling day laborers in place. In one alternative, the town could station a police officer at the corner to deal with the public safety issues that prompted the ordinance's enactment.

The ordinance was enacted in 2007 after residents complained about day laborers urinating, littering and harassing people at the corner, where many Latino workers wait to be picked up for work every day.

"This kind of ordinance is very absurd, especially in a place like Carrboro, which prides itself on adhering to the Constitution," said Christopher Brook, staff attorney for the Southern Coalition for Social Justice.

He said the coalition sent a letter to the Board

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

TODAY

Lunch and a movie: Come watch the fictional film "Night Catches Us." The movie features a former Black Panther's return to his neighborhood after years of mysterious absence. Entrance is free.
Time: noon
Location: Sonja Haynes Stone Center

Launch party: Attend the launch party for the world's first non-profit wedding wish-granting association.

The event is free and will feature music and food. To save a spot at the party, RSVP online at http://bit.ly/n2lhYT.
Time: 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Location: Top of the Hill Restaurant, Great Room

Carolina Wind Quartet: Listen to distinguished professor Brooks de Wetter-Smith, oboe lecturer Michael Schultz, music professor Donald Oehler, horn lecturer Andrew McAfee and bassoon lecturer

John Pederson showcase a variety of musical talents outside the classroom. The event is free and open to the public.
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Location: Hill Hall Auditorium

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CORRECTIONS

Due to a reporting error, Friday's page 3 story "Trustees back athletics" featured incorrect data about this year's freshman class. The average grade point average for the class was 4.5, and 79.8 percent of students were in the top 10 percent of their high school class. The Daily Tar Heel apologizes for the error.

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Golf clubs and porn

From staff and wire reports

Before you get too excited, this Dose is not about Tiger Woods.

A tiff over porn in Vero Beach, Fla., ended not in sexual healing, but rather with a golf club and a beat down, according to a recently released Indian River County Sheriff's Office report. A 23-year-old man told deputies Sept. 19 his "female roommate" whacked him with a golf club after he refused to "get away" from her after an argument over pornography.

Deputies noticed several large contusions on the man's face, neck and back. Maybe she should have shouted "Fore!"

NOTED. Using an inhaler to steal beer by making people think it's a gun? Genius, if immoral. Proceeding to shatter the windshield of a cop car with your face? Dumbass. But that's just what 23-year-old Ashton Graham did Tuesday in Clover, S.C.

QUOTED. "If Jeezy payin' LeBron, I'm payin' Dwayne Wade."

— Jay-Z, Beyonce's baby-daddy.
 If you think he's saying "Jesus," you're wrong. He's saying he gets a better deal on cocaine than Young Jeezy. Now you know.

POLICE LOG

● Someone trespassed at 3:56 a.m. Sunday at 107 Cole St., according to Chapel Hill police reports.

After trespassing, the person pulled on the reporting victim and was verbally abusive, reports state.

● Someone broke and entered a car between 8 p.m. Saturday and noon Sunday at 1 Europa Drive, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

Someone broke the vehicle's glass, reached in and removed a GPS unit, reports state.

Damage to the vehicle, a 2010 Ford, was totaled at \$260, reports state.

The stolen GPS was valued at \$150, according to reports.

● Someone vandalized property between 12:14 a.m. and 6:27 a.m. Sunday at 1 Europa Dr., according to Chapel Hill police reports.

Someone damaged the vehicle and stole a GPS valued at \$100,

reports state.

Damage to the 2011 Silver Jeep Patriot, which is a rental vehicle from Hertz Vehicles LLC, was valued at \$150, according to reports.

● Someone reported a suspicious condition at 3:54 p.m. Sunday at 209 Markham Drive, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

According to reports, the victim found an unusual message on a floorboard.

● Someone reported stolen golf clubs from a garage between 3:20 a.m. and 3:30 a.m. Sunday at 115 Hogan Woods Circle, according to Carrboro police reports.

The complainant said he saw two people crawling out of his garage under the open garage door with the clubs in tow, reports state.

One suspect ran away on foot and the other left in a vehicle, reports state.

University Teaching Awards

Do you know of an outstanding teacher, mentor, or teaching assistant? Who has inspired you at Carolina? Who has helped you learn, grow, and become excited about your education? Who is an outstanding educator that deserves recognition?

Nominate your favorite faculty member, staff, or graduate student for an award!

Each year, we recognize faculty, staff and students for outstanding teaching. The University Committee on Teaching Awards strongly encourages you to nominate deserving faculty members and graduate teaching assistants for distinguished teaching awards. The committee will review the nominees, collect additional information and recommend winners to the Chancellor. This year, the committee will recommend recipients for six types of awards:

Deadline:
 October 1

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1. Board of Governors' Award for Excellence in Teaching:
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2. Mentor Award for Lifetime Achievement:
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3. Distinguished Teaching Awards for Post-Baccalaureate Instruction:
 Four awards are given to faculty members for exceptional teaching of post-baccalaureate students.

4. Awards to Faculty for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching:
 To full-time faculty members. Five Tanner Awards, one Friday Award, and two Sitterson Awards are given to full-time faculty members.

5. Tanner Awards to Graduate Teaching Assistants:
 Five Tanner Awards are given to graduate teaching assistants for excellence in undergraduate teaching.

6. Chapman Family Teaching Awards:
 Three Chapman Family Awards are given to full-time faculty members for excellence in undergraduate teaching.

The 2012 University Teaching Awards Committee will be chaired by Professor Mitch Prinstein from the Department of Psychology.
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inBRIEF

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Student enrichment fund website to launch Oct. 1

A website for students to apply for University funds to attend off-campus conferences and lectures is set to launch Oct. 1.

The Student Enrichment Fund — brainchild of Student Body President Mary Cooper — is intended to be used as a tool for students to gain knowledge about the subjects they're interested in and apply this knowledge to their time at UNC.

It is said to be modeled similarly to the Eve Carson Scholarship and former Student Body President Hogan Medlin's proposed Student Art Innovation Endowment.

The website will serve as a database in which students can search for UNC departments that are currently offering funding for research and exploration on topics that closely parallel their educational missions.

Applications to receive funding are due Nov. 1.

Student Congress to vote on gender-neutral option

Tonight Student Congress will vote on whether it will show support for an effort to institute a gender-neutral housing option — an issue that will ultimately be decided by administrators.

The gender-neutral housing option is a proposal that would allow students to live with a roommate of the opposite sex.

While UNC's administration will have the final say, Speaker of Student Congress Zach De La Rosa said the body's vote is a meaningful measure.

He said if students can show that an overwhelming majority of wide-ranging student opinions can agree on something, it will send a sign to administrators that this is an issue that students care about.

Evan Ross, one of the co-sponsors of the gender-neutral resolution and chairman of the rules and judiciary committee, said the body's support would be invaluable.

Approving the bill will require the support of 20 out of 29 members of congress, De La Rosa said.

The resolution is sponsored by Nathan Westmoreland, president of UNC Young Democrats.

Check dailytarheel.com for the full story.

CITY BRIEFS

Wedding wish-granters hold free launch party

Top of the Hill will host a launch party for Wish Upon a Wedding tonight in the Great Room at 6 p.m.

The free event will include music and food and is open to wedding vendors, business owners, medical professionals and anyone who is interested in the organization.

Wish Upon a Wedding is a national nonprofit organization that provides weddings and vow renewals to couples facing terminal illness or other life-altering situations. The organization is sponsored by Get Married magazine and the Association of Bridal Consultants.

To RSVP, go to <http://bit.ly/oT8io8>.

Walk and carnival for education set for Oct. 1

The 15th Annual Walk for Education will take place on Oct. 1. The walk will begin at 2 p.m. in McCorkle Place and end at Lincoln Center.

Following the walk, participants can attend a carnival at Lincoln Center, which will have booths with games, food and activities set up by more than 50 school groups.

Admission to the walk and carnival is free, but the school groups will charge for the activities and items at their booths. Attendees will need to bring cash for the booths.

The Public School Foundation will have inflatables, including several slides and an obstacle course.

Shuttle buses from McDougle Middle School and East Chapel Hill High School will be provided to and from the event. Parking is available downtown, but Lincoln Center won't have parking.

— From staff and wire reports

Academic plan inches toward goals

The implementation group has prioritized its first four pilot projects.

By Nick Andersen
Senior Writer

With an eye on quick and noticeable policy changes, the committee charged with developing the University's latest academic plan has begun to chart out its opening projects.

Those projects could include pilot programs in faculty-student mentoring, fast-track bachelor's to master's degrees and a series of large team-taught lecture courses focused on global themes.

In a meeting Monday morning, the Academic Plan Implementation Committee didn't take any sort of decisive action. Conversation focused instead on procedural minutiae.

"We're kind of making this up as we go along," Gina Carelli, a psychology professor and co-chairwoman of the committee, told the group.

At times, the co-chairmen of the group that wrote the plan seemed to be steering the new committee from the meeting's sidelines.

But the committee might soon assert its presence and power with a comprehensive report on cumbersome academic regulations currently in place.

"We need to figure out the obstacles that are in the way of what we want to do," Carelli said.

The plan's timeline telescopes out for a decade, making any rapid motion forward unlikely.

In her first appearance before the committee, Student Body President Mary Cooper highlighted the parts of the plan that interest current students.

"Students that I've spoken with are especially excited about improved student and faculty relationships," Cooper said. "Advising can be a difficult process."

Many committee members questioned the feasibility of codifying intangible personal relationships between students

and faculty.

"This has to be voluntary," said Bill Andrews, senior associate dean in the College of Arts and Sciences. "It comes from a kind of intellectual climate idea, not policy."

The four pilot projects will be coordinated by unspecified individual subcommittees.

As the committee takes a piecemeal approach to implementation, members expressed concern that other parts of the plan might appear ignored or underdeveloped.

"Diversity and inclusion issues need to be woven throughout all of these other areas of interest," said Rumay Alexander, director of the School of Nursing. "We're

under the scrutiny of a community of diverse groups that are waiting on a hair-trigger right now, and we need to include them."

The plan includes a major section on equity and inclusion, but the issues central to that subsection — wage parity and diversity in hiring practices, for example — would require lengthy ground work on an extended completion timeline.

"We were deliberate in our word choice," said social medicine professor Sue Estroff, who co-chaired the steering committee with Andrews.

"Diversity is a loaded word."

Contact the University Editor at university@dailytarheel.com.

A GREEN FUTURE



DTH/MELISSA KEY

Eric Chen stands in front of the UNC cogeneration plant. He was hired in September to study the conversion of biomass to replace coal.

UNC graduate Eric Chen hired by Energy Services

By Melvin Backman
Senior Writer

UNC Energy Services is continuing to put faith in a future where biomass powers the University.

The department recently hired a research fellow whose work will focus on how to make future biomass purchasing orders as environmentally friendly as possible.

Eric Chen, who graduated from UNC in 2003, was hired with money from UNC's Developing Energy Leaders Through Action program, which funds energy-focused internships throughout Orange County. Chen will be paid \$18 per hour through the DELTA program.

Chen said environmentalism is a central part of his work.

"I think energy and climate change are two of the most crucial topics of my generation," he said.

He will focus on biomass — especially torrefied wood — and conduct life cycle analyses of biomass production to track the carbon expelled by the equipment and plants that would bring the product to UNC.

His recommendations are non-binding. Chen said he aims to use his fellowship to help guide the University, which has pledged to stop using coal by 2020, to a more sustainable future.

"My goal would be to figure out whether or not biomass is a truly sustainable option for the plant and to put numbers on it," he said.

The lack of any large-scale torrefaction facilities and biomass suppliers within the state will be an obstacle in his research, he said.

"I'm going to have to make assumptions based on torrefaction plants in

other parts of the country," he said, adding that the assumptions will still be applicable after the industry begins growing locally.

It is easier to burn biomass in UNC's relatively new cogeneration plant than other alternative fuels.

Phil Barner, the plant's manager, will supervise Chen.

He added that the creation of Chen's internship — which started Sept. 6 and will finish in April — was not a response to last year's dried wood pellet tests, which failed to turn up companies who were certifiably sustainable. The process of organizing the internship began this summer.

"What we hope to come out of this is something we can put in our specifications," Barner said.

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UNC alums start Hamilton 100

Former CHiPs members formed an improv group in Los Angeles.

By Katherine Proctor
Assistant Arts Editor

The work that began in room 100 of Hamilton Hall has continued on the other side of the country.

Named for the classroom in which the Chapel Hill Players — fondly known as CHiPs, a UNC improv group — performs, Hamilton 100 is a Los Angeles-based sketch comedy group composed of three UNC alumni.

"We wanted the name to be an homage to where we all came from," said Mary Sasson, a member of the group and a 2009 UNC graduate.

While at UNC, the group's members met while performing with CHiPs.

Ben Greene, founder of Hamilton 100, said that, like most of the other members, his interest in sketch comedy was piqued during his time in Chapel Hill.

"UNC ended up being a weird sort of training ground in writing sketches," he said.

"We all wrote the first sketches we had ever written when we were on CHiPs."

Now, in addition to their work in Hamilton 100, they all take classes at the Upright



PHOTO COURTESY OF BENJAMIN GREENE
Mary Sasson acts in improv group Hamilton 100's latest video. Sasson and two of her friends started the group at UNC.

WATCH THE VIDEOS

See Hamilton 100's sketch comedy on Canvas or online at www.hamilton100.com.

Citizens Brigade Theatre in Los Angeles.

Kristopher Wile, founder of Aureate Films, has produced many sketches for Hamilton 100.

Though not an official Hamilton 100 member, Wile is also a UNC alum.

He graduated early and moved to Los Angeles in 2009 when the University's communications studies department

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Chapel Hill 2020 to hold open house

Officials say they plan to include 10,000 residents in the plans.

By Cecilia Peters
Staff Writer

As Chapel Hill residents gear up for tonight's kickoff of Chapel Hill 2020, many remain unsure about their place in the process.

But after tonight's project open house and meeting, stakeholders will know their role going forward, said project co-chairman George Cianciolo.

Officials aim to involve 10,000 residents in Chapel Hill 2020, the town's initiative to update its Comprehensive Plan for growth and development into a road map for the next 20 years. The process will continue from now until June.

To guide the process, Cianciolo and co-chairwoman Rosemary Waldorf first selected a leadership committee of 60 people who went through training early this month.

About 18 of those trained facilitators will ultimately lead five to eight committees that will each focus on a specific part of the plan throughout the process.

The focus of each group will be decided at tonight's meeting. "Here is a chance for a community to come together and say what we can do," Cianciolo said.

ATTEND THE MEETING

Time: 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Project open house; 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. stakeholder meeting

Location: East Chapel Hill High School

PLANNERS WILL ADDRESS

- Student housing
- Balancing environmental protection and economic development
- Transportation and public health training
- Community sustainability
- Economic development and the possibility of big box stores
- Collaboration among the Town, UNC and the UNC Health Care System

A plan for planning

During tonight's meeting, attendees will be asked to separate into groups of eight to 10, Cianciolo said.

He said town officials expect about 200 people to attend and anticipate about 20 groups.

From there, three members from the leadership team will facilitate each group's discussion of what issues the community should address with the

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UNC learns from errors

Football team to work on more efficient first and second downs.

By Kelly Parsons
Sports Editor

North Carolina sustained its first loss of the season just three days ago, but the Tar Heels are already looking ahead to ensure they don't get too far behind.

In a press conference Monday, interim coach Everett Withers said many of UNC's offensive struggles against Georgia Tech were caused by not getting enough yardage on first and second downs.

"We've got to sustain drives," Withers said. "You can't be in third-and-seven-plus as much as we were last week and expect your quarterback and your protection to hold up."

In Saturday's game against Ga. Tech, UNC converted just three of eight third downs. The Yellow Jackets — who lead the NCAA in third-down conversions — converted 10 of 16.

Sophomore quarterback Bryn Renner — who was sacked seven times by the Yellow Jackets on Saturday — said the team plans to work on being more efficient earlier in drives to avoid third and long situations.

"Always gaining positive yards on first and second downs is always a big thing," Renner said. "Obviously we want to gain as many yards as possible, but first and second down, just really taking pride in at least getting half of 10 yards is a big key that we're going to work on this week."

The Tar Heels played without Erik Highsmith against the Yellow Jackets after the junior wide receiver sustained an ankle injury.

Withers said Monday that Highsmith, as well as injured cornerback Jabari Price, are questionable for UNC's matchup with East Carolina on Saturday and will be assessed on a day-to-day basis leading up to the game.

Withers added that kicker Casey Barth, who also missed Saturday's game in Atlanta because of a thigh injury, probably won't play against the Pirates.

Without the asset of his four-year starting kicker, Withers stressed the importance of his team scoring touchdowns every chance they had against Ga. Tech.

But with unfruitful drives, the Tar Heels struggled to convert big breaks into points.

In the second quarter of last Saturday's game, quarterback Tevin Washington threw his first interception of the season. But just two plays later, Renner threw it right back to the other team.

Those issues — what Withers refers to as "missed opportunities for big plays" — are things North Carolina is hoping to avoid in this weekend's in-state rivalry game.

Last Saturday's loss proved to the Tar Heels that missed opportunities for big plays can make or break a game. So for Renner, the surefire remedy is just focusing on the small things.

"Self-inflicted wounds (gave us problems) — jumping offsides, not taking care of the ball, just little things," Renner said. "Coach Withers preaches little things are going to make or break this team ... Self-inflicted wounds, we can't have those."

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Local media leaders talk First Amendment

By Blair Brown
Staff Writer

UNC will celebrate its third annual First Amendment Day on Tuesday, Sept. 27, but its importance extends outside the campus.

Local media leaders said the constitution's grant of press freedom is important to their everyday lives and work — and it is important for residents who hope to stay free and informed in Chapel Hill to remember their rights.

"It's one of the most important freedoms we have here in the U.S., and I think it's important that we remind ourselves of that," said Susan Dickson, editor of the Carrboro Citizen.

Chapel Hill News

Mark Schultz, editor-in-chief of Chapel Hill News, said the day stands to remind the public about their right to information.

"The media is just an extension of the public," he said. "It's just not important to the press. It's impor-

tant to all people."

He said remembering the rights the First Amendment grants the media and the public is important.

"It's always a good idea to test press laws and to remind ourselves what is public and what readers and the public have a right to say," Shultz said.

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Dickson said that the First Amendment enables the press to report fairly and accurately.

"The First Amendment is really what upholds our power to do what we do every day," Dickson said.

She explained that though some might criticize a newspaper's reporting, First Amendment rights protect media outlets from censorship and allow them to share controversial ideas.

She said that without the First Amendment, people would be afraid to say what they truly thought because they could face persecution.

"The public would suffer as a result," she said. "I think it's important to remember the first amendment for those reasons."

On the blogs

Ruby Sinreich, founder and editor of local blog OrangePolitics, said she appreciates her right to publish her ideas as an activist and blogger.

Sinreich's liberal-leaning blog features posts from Sinreich, town officials and residents. It includes opinion and news pieces.

First Amendment protection has been extended to Internet writers and bloggers since 1997. Internet publishers now receive the highest protection of speech under court precedent.

"Sometimes I take it for granted, but our entire Bill of Rights is important," she said. "Freedom of speech is one of the foundations of our democracy."

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License plate draws fire

By Matt Steyl
Staff Writer

A recently passed state license plate law has come under fire from the American Civil Liberties Union of North Carolina, which claims the law violates the first amendment.

The organization is suing the state because the law, which offers a variety of new specialty license plates, includes a pro-life option — but not a pro-choice alternative.

The pro-life specialty plate features the phrase "Choose Life" and would be available to drivers for an additional \$25 fee.

"We don't have a problem with the 'Choose Life' plate as long as there's a pro-choice alternative," said Katy Parker, legal director for the ACLU of North Carolina.

She said the law is in violation of the first amendment right to free speech and is also an issue of freedom and equality.

"It's clear from the legislative record that the legislators were very intent on forcing the anti-choice side of the issue and preventing the pro-choice side from getting out there," Parker said.

She said there is a preliminary hearing for the suit Dec. 1, and

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Katy Parker,
Legal director for the ACLU of North Carolina

the state has agreed not to produce the specialty license plates until then.

"We feel that the case law is very strong in our favor," Parker said.

This case is similar to one in South Carolina where a district court ruled that a state law which provided a "Choose Life" plate but no pro-choice option was unconstitutional, she said.

Proceeds from North Carolina's "Choose Life" license plate sales would go to pregnancy crisis centers across the state, said N.C. Rep. Mitch Gillespie, R-Burke, who sponsored the bill.

According to the law, money raised from the sale of the plates would be transferred to the Carolina Pregnancy Care Fellowship, which distributes money to nonprofit groups that provide services and counseling to pregnant women.

Gillespie said he does not support the pro-choice movement and did not want to include a pro-choice license plate on his bill.

"That was my legislation, and I didn't want it attached to my name and bill," he said.

Parker said other legislators presented six amendments to the bill that would have added a respect choice option, but they were all voted down.

Gillespie said if one of the amendments had passed he would have let the bill die.

"They only wanted to do it in order to defeat my bill," he said.

UNC law professor William Marshall said the ACLU has a strong case.

The first amendment prohibits the government from engaging in viewpoint discrimination, Marshall said.

"The government can't get engaged in what is known as viewpoint discrimination," he said. "To the extent that this law does that, it could be problematic."

"This is an issue of speech."

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TODAY'S EVENTS

ALL-DAY

First Amendment posters: Look out for hundreds of posters featuring First Amendment quotations.
Location: Throughout campus

First Amendment Day video: Watch

members of the UNC community discuss what the First Amendment means to them.
Location: Lobby of Carroll Hall

"Selling Scandal: Magazines, Controversy and the First Amendment": The Carolina Association of Future Magazine Editors will display the 10 most controversial magazine covers of the last 50 years.

Location: The Pit

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Opening ceremony: UNC's third-annual First Amendment Day begins. Speakers will be Cathy Packer, a journalism professor, and William P. Marshall, a law professor. Student Body President Mary Cooper will read the First Amendment.
Time: 9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
Location: Front steps of Carroll Hall

Ethics team debate: The UNC Ethics

Bowl Team will tackle this topic: Under what conditions does a person have a duty to limit public acts of free speech?
Time: 11 a.m. to noon
Location: Carroll Hall, Room 33

Musical performances by the Loreleis and Cadence: Listen in as members of these two all-female a cappella groups exercise their First Amendment rights by singing controversial songs in The Pit.
Time: 12:15 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Location: The Pit

Banned book reading: Students and campus leaders, including Chancellor Holden Thorp, will read selections from banned books. A selection of books that have been banned from libraries will be displayed in The Pit.
Time: 12:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.
Location: The Pit

Daring to be Daring - The Chapel Hill Pauper Players: The controversial music will continue when

Chapel Hill Pauper Players, a campus musical theatre company, performs songs with controversial themes and language.
Time: 1:45 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Location: The Pit

Football and the First Amendment: Topics ranging from FERPA to the football program's no-tweeting policy for players will be addressed in a panel discussion about the role of free press in recent investigations by the NCAA.
Time: 2 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.
Location: Carroll Hall, Room 33

Religious freedom or discrimination?: Panel members discuss the Psalm 100 a cappella group and its decision to oust a gay member because of his views on homosexuality.
Time: 4 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.
Location: Bingham Hall, Room 103

Readings from UNC's Rare and Banned Books: The UNC Rare Book Collection presents readings from original editions of banned and

censored books. A reception and book display will begin at 5 p.m. The reading will begin at 5:30 p.m.
Time: 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Location: Pleasants Family Assembly Room in Wilson Library

Keynote address: Students, Social Media and the First Amendment: Mary-Rose Papandrea, an associate professor in the Boston College School of Law, will address challenges new digital media bring to First Amendment rights of students and their teachers at public high schools and universities.
Time: 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Location: Carroll Hall, Room 111

Story time — with milk and cookies: UNC's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Straight Alliance members will read children's books featuring gay and lesbian themes that have been banned from libraries.
Time: 8:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Location: Freedom Forum Conference Center on the third floor of Carroll Hall

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All up in your business

Part of a monthly update on local businesses.
Compiled by staff writer Katie Reilly



Artichoke Basil changes name

The popular late-night pizza place Artichoke Basil, located at 153 E. Franklin St., recently changed its name to Artisan Pizza Kitchen.

The owners adopted the new name after Artichoke Basille's, a New York pizza restaurant that has a trademark on the name, contacted owner Yilmaz Bulut and asked for the change.

Bulut said he chose the new name because of the similarities between "artisan" and "artichoke."

He also said the meaning of

the new name fits with the way he views his restaurant.

"This is my art, my kitchen," Bulut said.

Bulut said he creates original, homemade recipes for the menu. He said the recipes and menu have not changed with the restaurant's name change.

"Your guests make the business," said Bulut, who said he focuses on making his menu affordable to cater to college students.

"They're not my customers. My guests."



Estate Boutique opens on Rosemary

Estate Boutique opened Friday at 400 W. Rosemary St.

The store sells men's clothing and accessories, including bow ties, skinny ties and bags. Prices range from \$20 to \$200, and the store targets men ages 18 to 26.

Owner Taurean Lewis describes the style as hip, trendy and contemporary.

"I think we'll stand out just because of the lines and labels I'm bringing into the store," Lewis said.

The boutique carries lines

that aren't available anywhere else in Chapel Hill, including HUF, LaVie, Ben Sherman and 10.Deep, he said.

"I want it to be a place where it's fun. The music is hip and trendy and people can be comfortable," Lewis said. "It's kind of like a man cave for boutiques."

The store is open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday to Thursday and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on weekends. Lewis said he might extend Friday and Saturday hours to serve men going out for the night.



Guru India to hold grand opening

Guru India opened Sept. 16 after its location underwent two months of renovation to give the restaurant a fresh look.

The restaurant is located at 508 A W. Franklin St. The location was formerly home to India Palace.

Preet Kamal, vice president and co-owner of Guru India, said the restaurant offers free Wi-Fi, and she hopes that will draw students to come to eat and study.

Students can receive 25 percent off the dinner menu with

their student I.D.

Prices for entrees are around \$10, Kamal said.

She said the menu offers traditional Indian cuisine and a wide vegetarian selection.

The restaurant's most popular menu items so far are the chicken tikka masala, lamb rogan josh and nav rattan korma, Kamal said.

The restaurant's grand opening will be Oct. 8.

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Simon lectures on capitalism, drug war

By Katharine McAnarney
Staff Writer

David Simon's vision of America is one in which the pursuit of wealth has marginalized the country's middle and lower classes, dealing a fatal blow to the system that fueled national prosperity.

Simon, a former crime reporter and creator of the television show "The Wire," delivered a conversational, profanity-laced address to hundreds of attendees at Memorial Hall on Monday night about the detrimental effects of capitalism on American society.

"We've embraced all of the wrong choices, and there's no way out," Simon said. "I'm trying to look toward the future. I know this is hard for undergraduates going out into the world."

In the annual Frank Porter Graham Lecture, titled "The End of the American Century and the Triumph of Capital Over Labor," Simon said Americans have tried to solve socioeconomic class issues with profit, a choice that has rendered individual labor obsolete.

"As Americans, we are worth

less. Our republic is worth less, and we matter less," he said.

"In our lifetime, we allowed it to happen to us because we looked upon the next guy as not our problem."

Simon said America marginalized the poor and waged a war on drugs to turn a profit.

The poor in the drug trade are unable to find another livelihood, and face prosecution for their part in their economy, he said.

"They get it — they're not part of the economy. They're built for the other America," Simon said.

Simon said the only way to save American society is through a renewed emphasis on labor and a stronger middle class.

Junior Oumou N'Dour said the speech was dynamic and well-delivered.

"Simon's view on the hopelessness of the American condition for the poor and his denial of the drug war was quite interesting," she said.

Freshman Peter Vogel said he enjoyed Simon's distinct perspective, but said he was uncomfortable with the profanity.

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led him to an internship.

"I realized it was better to graduate early and get that opportunity than finish up a couple of classes," he said.

Wile said producing web content could be good for the group's future.

"Take that, and you might get enough attention for a TV show," he said.

The site's sketch content includes a single mother trying to communicate with her children and a girls' slumber party gone awry.

Greene said that the group's ties to UNC distinguish it from others.

"It colors our identity with the group more than anything," he said.

Greene also said that his years at UNC provided him with unique opportunities to develop his comedy.

"We had all these incredible comedians coming down every year," he said.

"Their message wasn't what you normally hear — it was if you keep putting things out there, it's not impossible to break into

"We all believe in CHiPs so much and UNC is a place where all of us could get an education in comedy."

Ben Greene,
Founder of Hamilton 100

Hollywood."

In this spirit, the group uses its website to post videos of their sketches and build an audience.

Sasson said Hamilton 100's website gives the group more freedom and power to share their work.

"You don't have to wait for anyone to give you the go ahead — it's all on your own initiative," she said.

Greene said Hamilton 100 would not be the same without its members' work in CHiPs and their time at UNC.

"We all believe in CHiPs so much and UNC is a place where all of us could get an education in comedy," he said. "I have a lot of Tar Heel pride."

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Relay for Life members Ashley Hockaday, the participant development committee chairwoman, and Mikel Stiffler, the team retention and mentoring chairman, limbo in the Pit to encourage recruitment.

ENERGY

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Chen and Barner said finding certifiably sustainable biomass suppliers was difficult because many companies have trouble obtaining such certifications.

They said they hope Chen's research will enable the University to create specific language that would define sustainability for potential biomass suppliers that is outside of the certification system.

The DELTA program was established by UNC's Institute for the Environment in 2010, and aims to focus the efforts of students with energy industry aspirations on green issues.

Kelly Robinson, a researcher at the Institute for the Environment and a member of the selection committee for the DELTA program, said Chen's passion for the environment and background in life cycle analysis research made

him an ideal candidate.

Chen majored in environmental science as an undergraduate years at UNC and spent more than three years studying the subject in graduate school.

Barner said Chen's work would be helpful in shaping the path toward ending coal usage on campus.

"There are several pieces to this biomass puzzle that we need to figure out before we move forward," he said. "Sustainability is one of those."

Stewart Boss, co-chairman of the Sierra Student Coalition, which lobbies the University heavily to reduce its coal usage, said he was pleased to learn about Chen's hiring.

"Having a fellow who works there full-time shows that they're committed to figuring this out as soon as possible," he said.

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new Comprehensive Plan.

Based on major concerns community members identify, five to eight issues will be chosen for discussion at an Oct. 6 stakeholder meeting.

At that meeting, committees of eight to 10 residents and three leadership team members will be created to address each of the chosen topics during the planning process.

Choosing a leadership team

Cianciolo said he and Waldorf chose tonight's 60 facilitators based on their history of community leadership and their willingness to participate.

The facilitators went through two-hour training sessions in early September, said Matt Leighninger, who helped with the training.

Leighninger said the facilitators are fairly diverse but he isn't sure they represent the town's population.

"We will be looking for high

school and college students to get involved," Leighninger said. "The key is to ask who isn't at the table."

UNC senior Jeff Miles, who is blogging about the process for liberal website OrangePolitics, said a resident questioned the ethnic diversity of the group of town officials and Chapel Hill 2020 leaders at a Thursday strategy meeting.

Miles said the committee is mostly made up of white, middle-aged men.

But higher education is represented. Lydian Altman and John Stephens, both of whom work at the UNC School of Government, will serve as facilitators.

"There's been conversation between the town and the University going back months," Stephens said. "It was figuring out what University resources would be helpful."

Miles said he was impressed by efforts to reach out to residents.

"At the meeting, the people involved were truly concerned with involving the public."

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Controversial Magazine Covers on Display in The Pit. The display was prepared by the Carolina Association of Future Magazine Editors.

9:00 - 9:30 a.m. - Opening Ceremony on the front steps of Carroll Hall – Professors Cathy Packer and William P. Marshall, and Student Body President Mary Cooper will kick off the day with remarks and a reading of the First Amendment.

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1:45-2:00 p.m. - "Daring" Musical Performance by the Pauper Players – The Pit – The Pauper Players will give the day's second musical performance of songs that may raise some eyebrows.

2:00-3:15 p.m.- Football and the First Amendment at UNC – Carroll Hall Room 33 – A panel of students, professors and reporters – and former football player Deunta Williams – will discuss the First Amendment's role in the NCAA investigation into the UNC football program. Audience members are encouraged to ask questions at the end!

4:00-5:15 p.m.- Religious Freedom or Discrimination? – Bingham Hall Room 103 – A panel blending religious studies and journalism will discuss a cappella group Psalm 100's recent decision to remove a gay member.

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7:00-8:00 p.m. - First Amendment Day Keynote Address: Students, Social Media and the First Amendment – Carroll Hall Room 111 – Mary-Rose Papandrea, an associate professor in the Boston College School of Law, will discuss the new challenges the digital age poses to the First Amendment rights of students and their teachers at public high schools and universities.

8:30-9:30 p.m. - Story Time – Freedom Forum Conference Center, Third Floor Carroll Hall – UNC GBLTSA members will read stories aloud from banned children's books containing gay and lesbian themes. Cookies and milk will be served!

Tuesday, Sept. 27

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Cain: Florida straw poll win shows genuine support

LOS ANGELES (MCT) — Still basking from his surprise win in a Florida straw poll, Herman Cain, the businessman turned GOP presidential aspirant, tried on Monday to build on his 15 minutes of fame by insisting he really is an authentic candidate and more than just a lucky recipient of protest votes.

Speaking on NBC and CNN, Cain pushed his message that people picked him in the week-end's Florida straw vote because he was expounding a receptive program. He denied that his votes were a protest of front-runner Rick Perry's poor performance in last week's debates.

Cain outdrew Perry by a ratio of better than 2-to-1, 37 percent to 15 percent. In fact, Cain won some bragging rights by getting more votes than Perry and former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney combined. Romney placed third in Florida, where he did not invest major resources.

Congress at odds again as federal shutdown looms

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MCT) — Once again, Congress has delayed until the last minute approving funds to keep the federal government running. And once again, lawmakers are giving their constituents more reasons to feel disgusted and alienated.

The latest Capitol Hill clash involves a tiny piece of the federal budget, replenishing the government's disaster aid fund. Most Republicans wanted any new money given to that fund offset by other budget cuts; Democrats said such offsets are not needed

for emergencies. The disaster-relief fund is attached to ordinary funding legislation that would keep the government running through Nov. 18. The bill has to be passed by Oct. 1, the start of the new fiscal year, or federal operations could begin shutting down. It's expected to pass by Friday, but the back and forth over whether to give extra money this week for disaster relief had lawmakers at partisan loggerheads again.

Most politicians, said the experts, are likely to see an angry electorate next year.

U.S. lawyers will take health care law to Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MCT) — The Obama administration set the stage Monday for the Supreme Court to rule early next year on the constitutionality of the president's health care law by declining to press for a full appeal in a lower court.

The Justice Department announced it will forego an appeal to the full 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta. Such an appeal to the 10-member court could have taken months and delayed a final decision from the high court until at least 2013.

At issue for the court is whether Congress can use its power to "regulate commerce" to require that all Americans who have taxable income certify by 2014 that they have health insurance. If not, they must pay a tax penalty that begins at \$95.

The administration's lawyers say this requirement is a reasonable and necessary regulation to prevent freeloaders from taking advantage of the taxpayers. Under current law, hospitals must spend tens of billions of dollars each year to provide emergency care to people who lack insurance or the ability to pay. The new health care law also requires insurers to offer coverage to those who have pre-existing medical conditions.



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2012 Republican presidential candidate Herman Cain addresses the Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) in Orlando.

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Universities urge Congress to reach agreement

By Gayatri Surendranathan
Staff Writer

Universities nationwide are urging members of Congress to reach an agreement on federal deficit reduction without imposing further cuts on higher education.

The Association of American Universities and the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities sent a letter to the joint select committee on deficit reduction last week.

The committee has been charged with formulating a plan

to reduce the deficit by at least \$1.5 trillion during the next 10 years. Committee members must approve a plan by Nov. 23.

UNC-CH signed the letter along with 129 other universities, including at least one from each state.

Other signatories to the letter in the state included UNC-Charlotte, UNC-Wilmington, UNC-Greensboro and Duke University. Thomas Ross, president of the UNC system, also signed the letter.

"This letter really represents a

national perspective on the part of higher education," said Paul Hassen, vice president of public affairs at the APLU.

He said the decision to send the letter came from a discussion that many university presidents were having about federal spending cuts to university research.

"The (university) presidents wanted to let Congress know that investments in research and higher education are vital," he said.

According to the letter, leaders in higher education want to

emphasize the importance of a university education, scientific research and innovation for America's economic growth.

University Chancellor Holden Thorp said he agreed with the letter's message.

"Continuing to focus cuts on domestic discretionary spending would significantly harm universities," he said. "The federal government needs to be investing in student financial aid and basic research, not cutting it."

Thorp was approached about the letter by Miles Lackey, direc-

tor of the UNC Office of Federal Affairs.

Lackey said he believes students have sacrificed enough with federal cuts to student financial aid and research.

"Students have faced a net loss of \$4.6 billion in the past year," he said. "It's difficult for me to get excited about that. There's got to be some shared sacrifice here."

UNC-W Chancellor Gary Miller contacted the APLU and asked to be added to the list of chancellors and presidents supporting the letter.

"It is imperative that chancellors and presidents step up during this critical time in our nation's history ... to help stop the loss of opportunity we are seeing for young Americans to receive a college education," Miller stated in an email.

The deficit "super committee" is not anticipated to respond to the letter. If it does not reach a decision by Nov. 23, a \$1.5 trillion cut will be effective Jan. 1, 2013.

Contact the State & National Editor at state@dailytarheel.com.

UNC's appearance suffers

By Hailey Vest
Staff Writer

When University administrators said they wanted to keep the effects of budget cuts outside the classroom, they didn't mean it quite as literally.

Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Dick Mann said at a committee meeting of the Board of Trustees last week that budget cuts have already begun to take a toll on UNC's landscape.

The number of staff positions in support areas that do not affect students directly, such as grounds services and housekeeping, has been reduced as a result of the cuts, Mann said.

UNC's Facilities Services Division has taken one of the biggest hits. Almost one-third of its state funding has been cut in the last three years.

About 15 percent of the grounds staff has already been eliminated because of the budget cuts, said Carolyn Elfland, associate vice chancellor for campus services.

These cuts have caused a major reduction in seasonal planting and mowing, she said.

Elfland said the University used to plant seasonal flowers, but now this won't be possible.

Chief Facilities Officer Van Dobson said the University will not install any new landscaping enhancements. Instead, they will maintain the greenery that has already been planted.

It will become more difficult to



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Vice Chancellor Dick Mann is concerned that budget cuts could lead to a long-term degradation of UNC's landscape appearance.

sustain the current plants as they reach the end of their life spans, Dobson said.

He said the grounds department has also stopped spraying weed control in several lawn areas, but it should not have noticeable effects.

"We are focusing the money we have on the greater problems because we want to prevent as much permanent damage as possible," Elfland said.

Mann said students and faculty will not see the effects of the landscaping cuts immediately, but they might become more apparent down the road.

"We are committed to keeping the campus looking as nice as possible, given the resources,"

Mann said.

He added that decreased maintenance staff will also hinder the University's ability to respond to natural disasters.

But Mann said his main concern is a long-term degradation of UNC's appearance.

"If there are any more budget cuts down the road, we may not be able to keep up with the beauty of the campus," he said.

Dobson said campus beauty is still a priority, and the staff is working well on a budget.

"One of the biggest drawing points of UNC is the appearance of the campus," he said.

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Video project targets budget cuts

By Claire Williams
Staff Writer

Students at Western Carolina University are using multimedia to depict the effects of budget cuts on students — and the trend is catching on throughout the state.

Organizers of the multimedia initiative — called "Cuts Hurt" — plan to present a video to state legislators that shares statistics and personal stories from students, said Alecia Page, vice president of WCU's student government, in an email.

Page, who started the project, said the video initiative is still in the planning stages.

"I am the mother hen of this project," she said. "At this point, I'm organizing groups to help me get 'Cuts Hurt' off the ground."

Page's plan is to host forums and distribute handouts educating students about budget cuts at WCU.

The project does not need funding because students will use resources available on campus, including cameras from the

library, she said.

But the campaign will use a few hundred dollars — allotted by the university's student government association — to help pay for the handouts and advertising, she said.

"I'm doing my best to find the time to share this with other campuses," she said.

Students at Appalachian State University are also working on the campaign.

Lauren Estes, student body president at ASU, said the initiative is an effective way for campuses to reach out to members of the N.C. General Assembly.

"It's an easy way for the schools that aren't in the middle of Raleigh to have a voice in Raleigh," she said.

The UNC-system Association of Student Governments discussed the Cuts Hurt campaign Saturday at its monthly meeting.

About 9,000 course selections have been dropped because of budget cuts, Atul Bhula, president of ASG, said at the meeting.

"Personal stories are something

we're trying to get more of," he said.

Page said putting faces with the numbers would present a stronger statement to legislators.

"Words on paper didn't seem powerful enough," she said. "There is nothing more powerful than a voice — a person with a face, a life, a story to tell."

Videos seemed like the most logical way to demonstrate this to legislators, Page said.

UNC-CH Student Body President Mary Cooper said the University is not likely to adopt the Cuts Hurt campaign until it finishes its own video project that explains the budget process to students.

She said UNC-CH students have more opportunity to interact with legislators than students from other universities located farther from Raleigh.

"We have the ability to hop into a car and do more face-to-face stuff," she said.

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- Wood-dressing tool
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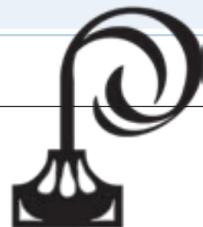
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Winning elections with grammar

Well, we all know politicians craft their messages carefully. As the saying goes, it's not what you say but *how* you say it.

It raises the question: Could something as simple as grammar be the deciding factor in an election?

That's what psychologists Teenie Matlock and Caitlin Fausey sought to answer in a recent study. As it turns out, grammar has a major impact on voting behavior.

In the study, college students were divided into two groups and presented with information about a fictional senator. Group 1 received sentences like, "Last year, Mark Johnson was having an affair" and "Mark was taking hush money." Group 2's sentences were worded slightly differently, like "Last year, Mark Johnson had an affair" and "Mark took hush money."

The first phrase, "was taking," is written in what is known as the imperfective aspect, while the second one, "took," is written in the perfective aspect.

The difference might seem inconsequential, but more than 75 percent of students who read the imperfective sentences were confident the senator would lose the election. Less than half of the students who read the perfective sentences thought he would lose.

The underlying motivation is how we interpret the imperfective tense. Saying someone "was having an affair" emphasizes the ongoing nature of the affair, while saying he "had an affair" emphasizes the end result.

Matlock and Fausey's study dealt with a hypothetical candidate, but a different study from this summer demonstrated the real-life implications of a simple linguistic tweak.

Shortly before the 2008 presidential election, Stanford University psychologist Christopher J. Bryan surveyed groups of Californians who were unregistered to vote.

In a questionnaire, one group was asked the question, "How important is it to you to be a voter in the upcoming election?" The other group was asked the minimally different, "How important is it to you to vote in the upcoming election?"

The effect of using the noun "voter" instead of the verb "vote" was immediately apparent — 88 percent of the noun group said they were interested in registering, while only 56 percent of the verb group said they were.

And sure enough, those results translated to actual votes. On the day before election day, Bryan sent 133 registered voters a survey asking them the same questions. After the election, he used state records to discover a whopping 96 percent of the "be a voter" group had entered the polling booth, compared to 82 percent of the "vote" group.

As Bryan explained, framing the question with the noun-oriented "be a voter" brought the subjects' personal identities into play. It made them reflect on who they were as people, and more importantly, who they could be. The verb-oriented "vote" doesn't carry these moral implications.

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EDITORIAL

Bloomberg's choice

Choice of Bloomberg sends the right message to those wanting more.

From founding Bloomberg LP to running New York City, Michael Bloomberg has been no stranger to the University's favorite buzzwords of innovation and entrepreneurship. Come graduation day, Bloomberg won't be a stranger to the University either. His 2012 commencement address should prove a memorable last lecture, leaving students with an understanding of the University's entrepreneurial and innovative spirit. And for that, the senior class has its student representatives and administrators to thank.

This time last year, the commencement speaker advisory committee was only beginning its search for a commencement speaker. Only after students criticized the past year's selection did the University think to start earlier and avoid the scheduling conflicts that forced it to settle on Harvard biologist E.O. Wilson. The timing of this announcement, combined with Bloomberg's high profile, is a testament to the University's swift response

to criticism. That response is especially appreciated for a decision that doesn't require University funding but, nonetheless, holds a prominent place in a student's memories of college.

Last year's selection of Wilson was less appreciated, drawing criticism from students who argued that he lacked notoriety. No matter one's feelings toward Wilson, his selection was the last straw in students' demands for more on graduation day. With Bloomberg, a man who's made a name for himself in the public and private sectors, that same criticism isn't likely to resurface.

But there will be criticism. As a prominent businessman and politician, some will inevitably argue that he is a polarizing figure. He is, in fact, an independent mayor who defected in 2007 from the Republican Party. His moderate political stance promises to foster a greater sense of inclusion. And his GOP ties show that the University isn't only interested in what progressives have to say, a point some contested with former White House press secretary Robert Gibbs' speech earlier this month and the troubles

that forced conservative pundit Ann Coulter's speech to be delayed.

When he arrives in May, Bloomberg would be wise to convey that the innovative path can be troublesome — and expensive. He must answer to the innovative projects he set in motion as mayor which have floundered. As the New York Times recently reported, the \$66 million project Bloomberg announced nine years ago to modernize the computer system handling New York City's personnel information is still in progress — and has cost the city \$363 million so far. The "runaway" project, as one city official referred to it, has been doomed by the same waste, mismanagement and cost overruns that afflicted CityTime, his attempt at retooling the city's payroll operations.

By answering to those endeavors on graduation day — if not sooner — Bloomberg would bolster his position at the podium. Regardless, his selection should inspire confidence in the future of commencement speakers at UNC — and in the University's willingness to respond to problems within its control.

EDITORIAL

Bang for our buck

CUAB needs to make better investments for fee-paying students.

The Carolina Union Activities Board owes fee-paying students a better return on their investment. With few exceptions, CUAB has used student fees to pay large sums for performances that are poorly attended. As the response to the choice of The New Pornographers for homecoming has shown, CUAB needs to put quality before quantity in planning each year's events. Fewer events would be a palatable payoff for more popular — and attended — performances.

This year, CUAB has an estimated \$364,000 at its disposal in student fees, said Zoey LeTendre, CUAB's program adviser, in an email. That figure accounts for about one-third of student organization fees but, if history is any indicator, students won't be rewarded for the \$13 they pay each year.

At the 2009 homecoming, CUAB spent a combined \$56,500.55 to have the rapper Fabolous and singer-alumnus Anoop Desai perform. Even with Desai's on-campus popularity, the event attracted fewer than 2,000 students and brought in a mere \$11,405, LeTendre said.

CUAB appeared to rebound last year, treating students to a sold-out homecoming performance and another sell-out show from Big Boi in January.

CUAB is paying \$40,000 for The New Pornographers, compared to \$60,000 for the Passion Pit lineup. But the group isn't close to having two-thirds of Passion Pit's following.

The choice follows a disappointing Big K.R.I.T. show just two weeks ago that LeTendre said she expects to cost the board more than \$8,000 in expenses.

Passion Pit and Big Boi resulted in losses of \$38,746 and \$25,255.87, respectively. These losses aren't uncommon for universities that subsidize student entertainment with student fees, as East Carolina University and N.C. State University have done in recent years. But those choices should be for acts worthy of their expense.

Emily McLamb, associate director for student affairs at ECU, said last year's homecoming show, which featured notable rapper Ludacris, cost ECU roughly \$30,000 in losses despite a sold-out show that cost \$100,000.

In returning to its old ways this year, CUAB has shown that it didn't learn from last year's success. While it can be difficult, for a variety of factors, to bring high-quality performances appealing to diverse

tastes, CUAB must realize that saving money for better performances is more worthwhile than spending on a flop.

CUAB can take a step toward assuring students better performances — and itself less criticism — by improving its transparency.

The self-selecting body controls student fees, yet it rarely operates in the public eye. And when it does have public meetings, it does not advertise them online. And the board's new media policy, requiring that questions be emailed in advance of interviews, only serves to conceal CUAB's operations behind a calculated message.

Without this transparency, it's difficult to defend the process of bringing The New Pornographers. The board should look to its out-of-character success last year, along with the consistent success of the CUAB Comedy Festival, and realize that it isn't serving students with more events.

It needs to understand that it serves through quality events. With only a few exceptions, that quality has been lacking. Students should no longer have to look to Duke University or peer institutions and feel envious of their performances. And they should no longer be kept in the dark about how and why their fees are going to bands they have little to no interest in seeing.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"What we're seeing right now is that we're trying to develop the amendment so that it fits into the massive changes in technology that are taking place."

William Marshall, UNC law professor

FEATURED ONLINE READER COMMENT

"At least your commencement speaker didn't completely devote himself to the ant. be happy."

WS, on the selection of Michael Bloomberg, the mayor of New York City and founder of Bloomberg LP, as the 2012 commencement speaker.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Eve Carson Scholarship accepting applications

TO THE EDITOR:

One of the many things that makes UNC students great is their dedication to making a difference, not only on campus but in the community and in the lives of their fellow students and citizens. The Eve Carson Scholarship, a completely student-run junior-year scholarship, celebrates students who have found their passion and demonstrate service, leadership and transformative growth.

Perhaps you or someone you know has a passion for food and started a nonprofit garden that raises fresh, organic produce for low-wage employees at UNC like one of last year's scholars, Mark Clarke. Or maybe you overcame hearing issues and have been teaching sign language to kids in the area like another scholar.

Scholars are awarded a stipend to pursue their passions during the summer before their senior year and a scholarship covering half the cost of attending the University during their senior year.

The scholarship is now accepting applications at evecarsonscholarship.unc.edu. You must be a junior with a GPA of at least 3.0 and 48 hours of credit to be eligible. The scholarship is due Oct. 12 by 5 p.m. Interested juniors are invited to attend information sessions Wednesday and Thursday at 6:15 p.m. in Dey 307.

Kacie Neville
Director of Selection
Matt Fox
Executive Director

Article on soccer goalie gave mixed messages

TO THE EDITOR

After reading through "The Number Game," published on Friday, I was having some trouble figuring out whether the article was praising or criticizing Mr. Scott Goodwin, the men's soccer starting goal keeper. The first paragraphs are solely dedicated to pointing out Goodwin's few mistakes. The article also made it seem like Goodwin was solely to blame for their loss in the NCAA Final Four last year. What type of tone were you trying to set, Ms. Campbell? If you were in fact trying to criticize Goodwin, then good job!

However, I have trouble believing that was your goal. If you were in fact attempting to praise Goodwin, then you seriously need to reevaluate your writing techniques. Your strong criticism in the beginning clouded the entire article and made it extremely tough to decipher your praises (like Goodwin's 3.9 GPA, his gaining of the starting position only as a sophomore, and posting the most shut-outs by any UNC keeper since 2001, just to name a few). You truly did an injustice to Goodwin. Most students are not very knowledgeable about soccer and after reading such an article, those students will unjustly hold Goodwin in a poor light. I'm sure both Goodwin and the men's team would appreciate some praise for their 7-1-0 start; perhaps you will get

a second chance to write an article about the men's team. I would encourage Ms. Campbell to apologize for such a poorly written article and for putting Goodwin in such a poor light.

John Lawler
Junior
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Sciences

Editorial on higher GPA requirement was flawed

TO THE EDITOR:

I'm writing in response to your editorial "In, but left out" concerning the School of Journalism and Mass Communication's recent decision to raise the minimal GPA standard for admissions from 2.9 to 3.1. The editorial contains misrepresentations and at least one error in fact.

Rather than highlight them all, I'll mention a few. Contrary to the editorial's claim, the current class of sophomores making application to the J-School will not be affected. Also, it should be noted that, if the requirement had been in place last year, only 20 students would have been affected.

You also chose to leave out that the average grade at UNC is a 3.2 and that the current J-School GPA requirement is the lowest of the professional schools on campus. The GPA requirement was last raised was in 2004, from 2.7 to 2.9. No one is scaring students away. Even under the current requirement a student can request special consideration of other factors in their application to the J-School.

The editorial implies that future J-School student applicants should have a voice in setting the GPA standard. How many universities ask high school seniors to set their admissions standards? How many corporations allow job applicants to establish employment criteria? Current and future students expect us to preserve the richness of the academic experience and manage the school's growth in ways that ensure they will receive a first-rate education. Raising the GPA for admission was a reasonable decision.

Finally, the J-School has a long record of inclusiveness. It's a bit of a stretch to cry foul when you only have to stop in and ask about the schedule of open meetings in the building where you are taking classes. I hope these additional facts and perspective help paint a fuller picture of the issue.

Napoleon Byars
Associate Dean for
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School of Journalism and
Mass Communication

CORRECTION

Due to a reporting error, Monday's editorial notebook "In, but left out," misstated that higher GPA requirements would affect current sophomores applying to the School of Journalism and Mass Communication.

The Daily Tar Heel apologizes for the error.

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