## **BASKETBALL**

UNC got an unlikely boost from Dexter Strickland, who scored nine points in the first half to lead all scorers, all of which came after N.C. State went up by 10.

Before Wednesday, Strickland had struggled mightily with his shooting stroke — he was 0-for-9 in the last three games from the field.

"I was relieved," Strickland said. "I knew it would eventually pay off because I put the time in. The last couple games, I haven't been shooting as much, but tonight I looked for my shot and got to the rack early."

The Tar Heels clinched a firstround bye in the ACC Tournament with the win, as they cannot finish lower than fourth in the conference. Williams, for his part, is just happy his team got a win in a chippy, emotional affair on another team's home court.

"We're very fortunate, to say the least, and we feel really good about that," Williams said.

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Sidney Lowe tries to get his team's attention during its loss to UNC at the RBC Center. Lowe earned a technical foul at the end of the second half.

# **BARNES**

Harrison," Marshall said. "He's fought through a lot of publicity maybe he didn't want or deserve or maybe he did deserve it and people got down on him. But he fought through it and played hard. He's leading us right now."

But something must be said about Marshall, whose entrance in the starting lineup aligns with Barnes' top-three scoring performances.

He trails only probable ACC player of the year Nolan Smith in assists and assist-error ratio for the conference, two categories that define a point guard.

Marshall scored UNC's first four points as N.C. State denied Marshall assists by collapsing John Henson and Tyler Zeller in the paint.

Leslie stuck to Henson for much of the game. But the freshman, who scored 13 points and eight boards, was denied on multiple occasions by both Henson and Zeller and had to pass the ball to the perimeter.

But the night, and possibly the award, belongs to Barnes, who received 36 votes in the preseason to win the award.

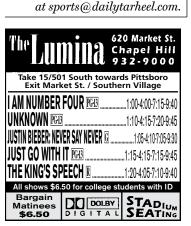
He offset his slow start with two follow-up jams with four minutes left that put UNC ahead by eight.

"It sucked the air out of the building. That gave us a lot of momentum."

The role of finisher is growing

"We knew they were going to him," N.C. State coach Sidney Lowe said. "We came right out and said what they were going to do. And we didn't fight through it."

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# **BIGELOW**

From Page One

dealt with what we thought was the

fundamental question," he said. The committee report for Clark's appeal is scheduled to be released Feb. 27. Clark said after hearing Bigelow's decision, he has no confidence in the town's decision about

Both Clark and Bigelow intend to pursue the matter further and in what Clark called a "more neutral

"Just give me more time to do

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"I'm not helpless. I didn't lose some six-figure job."

#### **KERRY BIGELOW,**

FIRED TOWN WORKER

I didn't lose some six-figure job." The NAACP has taken up Bigelow and Clark's case, deeming

it a civil rights struggle. Bigelow and Clark were originally denied unemployment benefits but have been receiving pay since this," Bigelow said. "I'm not helpless. Feb. 7 after McSurely successfully

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appealed to the N.C. Employment Securities Commission.

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Bigelow said he now plans to commit full-time to the ministry at Lord's House of Prayer in Burlington, where he's been active since 2007.

'This is far from over," he said. "My trust is in the Lord."

Even with the verdict, Bigelow still remains hopeful for his

"In the end I believe justice will be served," he said.

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Dan Murphy's spiraling metal sculptures adorn the Union gallery. See pg. 3 for story.

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A Hillsborough college will offer a curriculum in renewable energy. See pg. 4 for story.

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A 92-inch touch-screen will let N.C. State University students play with graphics. See pg. 4 for story.

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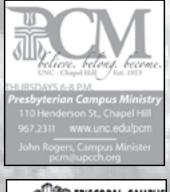






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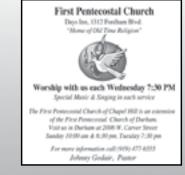
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