

Protesters at Duke stage sit-in

Students are seeking redress for worker’s rights violations.

By Shweta Mishra
Staff Writer

On Aug. 30, 2014, Duke University traffic controller Shelvia Underwood found herself rolling off the hood of a Porsche onto the ground, assailed by racial slurs, she said.

Underwood immediately radioed her supervisors, one of whom reported the incident to Captain Shannan Tiffin of Duke Police, who ran the license plate number and identified the driver as Duke Executive Vice President Tallman Trask III.

But Tiffin did not try to reach Trask that day, and later, Duke police omitted Trask’s name and offense from the incident report.

Two days later, Underwood was diagnosed with a contusion and possible elbow fracture. She has since filed a civil lawsuit against Duke and Trask.

On Friday — almost two years after the alleged felony hit-and-run — nine students from Duke Students & Workers in Solidarity began a sit-in in the Allen Building, Duke’s administrative headquarters and the site of a 1969 civil rights sit-in by black students.

Duke senior Eduardo Torres said students escalated protests after the campus’s independent student newspaper, The Duke Chronicle, published a two-part expose alleging key administrators took part in a two-year cover-up of the incident.

“They decided to take direct action, actually putting their bodies on the line for the cause,” Torres said. “Strategically, the students who decided to occupy understood that that was the most effective action to garner attention and understanding for what’s happening at the university.”

Zack Fowler, a Duke graduate who participated in the protests, said the students are sitting in on behalf of employees.

“These students are using their bodies in protest due to the special protections accorded to students by Duke that are not granted to employees,” he said. “In short, Duke does not want to arrest students.”

Up to 150 students have camped out on Abele Quad since Friday to support the sit-in, Fowler said.

Stanley Yuan, an organizer with Duke Students & Workers in Solidarity, said students have responded favorably.

“There will always be students who disagree, but I think that most students think that Duke has handled things poorly,” Yuan said.

Protesters say that administrators responded in bad faith, but administrators insist otherwise, Torres said.

Duke administration prohibited media coverage of the sit-in Sunday morning — though later lifted the ban. The administration also closed the building, claiming the sit-in and encampment could intimidate passersby.

Durham City council member Jillian Johnson said the administration surrounded the building with campus security when she and others tried to visit Sunday, but she said they were able to negotiate permission to talk to students through the door.

Then, Johnson said the dean of students instructed security to block that limited form of contact. The administration has since allowed a handful of approved faculty and graduate students to enter the building to mediate negotiations with administrators at approved times.

Johnson said students’ demand that administrators complicit in the alleged cover-up and felony hit-and-run be terminated is not unreasonable, given other Duke employees have been fired for far less.

“Legally, Duke can let anyone go at any time for any reason,” she said. “They fired a worker in the parking and transportation and services office — who had 18 years of experience — for insubordination but have been refusing to fire someone who committed a felony hit-and-run on campus.”

“I think the legal action is a very narrow form of redress,” she added. “A court case is not going to solve a vast majority of the issues that these students and workers are concerned about.”

Negotiations Monday concluded with a stand-off, Torres said.

“The administrators have refused productive dialogue until the students leave the building,” he said. “They have laid down a plan of attrition to make sure this doesn’t become a big issue that it is, the scandal that it actually is, the moral outrage that it actually evokes.”

Representatives from Duke couldn’t be reached for comment.

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History for the people



DTH/NINA TAN

History professor Jim Leloudis has written books on the industrialization of the South, the effects of public education and the war on poverty in N.C.

Professor Jim Leloudis researches poverty and injustice

By Sofia Edelman
Senior Writer

History professor Jim Leloudis came of age at the tail end of the civil rights and women’s rights movements. Listening to people who might otherwise go unheard has informed how he’s studied history ever since.

Leloudis began his undergraduate degree at UNC in 1973 with his eyes on medical school, but that wasn’t the case for long.

“There was a lot of change in the world, and history is an important and powerful tool for understanding that change,” he said.

He changed his interest to American Southern history and received his Ph.D. from UNC in 1989.

Since then, Leloudis has taught at UNC and written books on the industrialization of the American South, the effects of public education in North Carolina and, most recently, an account of the war on poverty in North Carolina called “To Right These Wrongs.”

In his latest book, Leloudis recounts the story a speech North Carolina governor Terry Sanford gave in 1963 at the Carolina Inn. Sanford said if all North Carolinians were to be freed from

poverty, black North Carolinians had to be freed from Jim Crow.

“Four days earlier, another white Southern governor had given a very famous speech — George Wallace, in his inaugural address four days before Sanford’s speech, in which he declared ‘segregation today, segregation tomorrow, segregation forever,’” Leloudis said.

“Two very, very different visions of the future of the South. Terry Sanford’s vision is why we’re sitting here next to something called the Research Park with an economy that’s plugged in and why Alabama’s not.”

Leloudis said history can be used

to expand our capacity to imagine the future we want to live in.

“It’s kind of hard to do that imagining when you work on the assumption, ‘well, the world we live in now, that’s just the way it is, right?’ No. People make history. People make choices,” he said.

“We might look back at some of those moments of choice and go down some of those possibly avenues and say ‘oh my goodness, I’m so glad we didn’t go there.’ Down others, you may say ‘oh wow, I never knew that that had been a possibility.’”

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Students aren’t using lawyers on Honor Court

Lawyers can be used in Honor Court cases that aren’t academic.

By Kelly Jasiura
Senior Writer

A state law that took effect at UNC in 2014 allowed students to use attorneys or non-attorney advocates in non-academic honor court cases.

But few students are availing themselves of the right to use an

attorney in these cases.

In the 2014-15 school year, less than 1 percent of original hearings in Honor Court included the use of an attorney in the actual hearing.

So far for this school year, there have been none.

Dean of Students Jonathan Sauls said students may choose to not use a lawyer in Honor Court proceedings because it is not a replica of the criminal justice process, and lawyers may not be aware of the University’s legal process.

“Not very many opt to (be represented by an attorney) ... but it is absolutely their right,” he said. “Students are advised of that opportunity.”

Sauls said this right is in the materials that are shared with students when they are informed of their basic rights.

Joe Cohn, legislative and policy director of the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education, said students may not exercise their right to an attorney because they may not know the right exists, or it could be because the

hearings happen so quickly after the charges are brought that students can’t hire one.

“The legislation was aimed at preventing an imbalance of power where students were having to defend themselves against very serious charges that were being brought against them by deans and provosts,” he said.

Lawyers cannot be involved in cases of academic dishonesty or cases with all-student judiciary panels, but they can be involved

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Tar Heels return to overwhelming support

North Carolina fans gathered at the Smith Center on Tuesday.

By C Jackson Cowart
Assistant Sports Editor

They stood for hours, but they would have waited an eternity.

Not 16 hours earlier, Villanova’s Kris Jenkins had brought North Carolina fans to their knees with a buzzer-beating 3-pointer to claim a 77-74 win in the NCAA Championship Game.

But here they were, still standing. They came in droves on Tuesday, flooding the Dean Smith Center gates with a sea of Carolina Blue. Some had waited hours. And when it was announced that the team buses would arrive later than expected, the fans simply stood in solidarity.

They were here to see their champions. “Just because we lost doesn’t mean you don’t cheer for your team and welcome them home,” said Brenna Magliulo, who also attended the 2009 championship celebration.

When the Tar Heels finally arrived an hour later, they were showered with appreciation.

First off the bus was Roy Williams, appearing haggard even in a bright pink sweater. After limping past camera crews and signs of Final Four trophies, the UNC coach addressed the thousands of fans surrounding him.

“These guys gave us an unbelievable run ...” he said. “The last five weeks have been the most fun I’ve ever had as a college basketball coach.”

He struggled to stand — still recovering from two offseason knee surgeries — as the North Carolina contingent provided its support.



DTH/C JACKSON COWART

Coach Roy Williams waves at the crowd after UNC men’s basketball returned from Houston Tuesday.

But pain seeped into his every word. “It hurt everybody, it hurt all of you,” Williams said of the championship loss. “But it didn’t hurt any of you like it did these 16 guys.” One by one, the team’s beloved seniors stood before their faithful fans for the final time.

Joel James, whose eccentric behavior earned him internet fame and fan favoritism. Brice Johnson, whose remarkable senior season ended what he called the best four years of his life.

And Marcus Paige, whose legendary status

rose even with his final shot — a miracle 3-pointer that will live forever in North Carolina history.

“A little bit later, we’re going to be really proud about what we did,” Paige said. “And I hope you guys are proud of us.”

Within minutes, the team slipped into the arena and out of sight. The fans broke into a chorus of “Hark the Sound” before fleeing the site that had promised so much this season.

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Leloudis recently served as an expert witness for the NAACP’s lawsuit against the state of North Carolina concerning its voter ID law, and he’s a member of the UNC history task force created by Chancellor Carol Folt.

History professor Ken Zogry has worked with Leloudis for nearly 20 years. Zogry said along with being one of the most knowledgeable University historians, Leloudis is a passionate educator and active administrator at the Johnston Center for Undergraduate Excellence.

“He’s part of the soil,” Zogry said. “There are few people embedded in the University in all senses as much as he is.”

Zogry said one of the reasons why Leloudis is a great historian is that he doesn’t only write about dead white men.

“He’s a very strong writer and he’s able to write in a way that is accessible to everyone. Some historians write basically for other historians. Jim came of age when the teaching of history in this country was changing,” Zogry said. “It was something called the New Social History, which in part grew out of the social turmoil and changes in the 1960s.”

“With the whole change, it affected the way that people looked at history. We started to look at the lives of everyone.”

Brandon Winford, a former doctoral student of Leloudis and now a professor at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville, said Leloudis helped him navigate graduate school and succeed in his research.

“In moments where I felt like I didn’t have a clue what I was doing, he was really, really good at calming my anxieties as a student,” Winford said. “To me, he was a really good professional mentor ... someone who sort of modeled excellence in terms of his teaching.”

Winford said Leloudis’ research is more than just words on a page.

“He also cares about North Carolina — seeing a better society that values everyone and understands everyone’s unique

perspectives and understanding the fact that everyone should have the fundamental rights of citizenship,” he said.

“I think that’s at the heart of him as a teacher, and a researcher, a mentor, an advisor.”

Leloudis said UNC historically was a space in which professors and students raised difficult questions about society.

“I don’t mean to get misty-eyed and see the world through rose-tinted glasses, but people were asking hard questions, particularly about the racial order here — questions that weren’t getting an airing in many other institutions in the region,” he said.

For Leloudis, that tradition continues.

“The whole controversy over Saunders Hall, now Carolina Hall, made me very proud of this institution. It made me very proud of the students here who agitated around that issue and were insistent that we confront it.”

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in cases that are heard by the University Hearings Board.

Tom Hardiman, associate director in the Office of Student Conduct, said the new policy has been beneficial as it has prompted his office to develop relationships with lawyers.

He said having lawyers involved sparks collaboration, allows Honor Court to resolve matters in a more efficient manner and shows that these lawyers have faith and trust in the Honor Court system.

“We’ve found it helpful because they’ve seen our process,” Hardiman said.

Faculty on Honor Court

The Honor Court has successfully recruited enough new faculty members to accommodate a policy change that allows a faculty member to sit on academic not-guilty hearings.

The Committee on Student Conduct passed this resolution in the beginning of the 2014-15 school year, and in Spring 2015, new faculty members underwent an extensive training session to prepare them to serve on the Honor Court.

The first faculty member sat on an original not-guilty academic case in the fall of 2015.

Will Almquist, undergraduate Honor Court chairperson, said faculty members, like students, want to uphold values of academic integrity, and serving on the Honor Court is not forced upon them.

“Their enthusiasm was great from the beginning,” he said.

Ina Kosova, undergraduate attorney general, said this new policy was made to help faculty realize how serious and professional these cases are and to familiarize them with the process.

“We felt that both faculty and students are stakeholders in ensuring academic integ-

riety,” she said.

Kosova said they have worked very hard to preserve the student aspect of the Honor Court, while adding a faculty perspective.

“Clearly students haven’t complained or anything like that,” she said. “Faculty have expressed how positive of a change this is in order to provide new faculty members with a more intimate look into the way the honor system functions.”

David Navalinsky, a professor who serves on the Honor Court, said he was looking for ways to engage more with students in and outside of his department.

“For me, the Honor Court was a way for me to engage with other students and to have a bigger sense of campus, I guess,” he said.

Navalinsky also said it’s always great to have mentorship in situations like these.

“These students are making some pretty big decisions,” he said.

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But it wasn’t over — not yet. Moments later, Isaiah Hicks stood outside the Smith Center, holding his bags in one arm and a young child in the other.

After posing for a photo, he knelt down to sign the hat of Nicholas Magliulo — whose mother drove from Morrisville to show her support.

“I can’t believe it,” she said. “They’ve had a long haul and last night (was a) late night, and just to stop for kids — that’s amazing.”

Fifty feet away, Theo Pinson emerged from the arena, absent of his usual carefree demeanor. He stopped to sign autographs, pausing for selfies and small-talk with the crowd.

Before long, he and Hicks were gone. Only a few fans remained, corralled by yellow rope and pop-up barricades.

But there they stood, wide-eyed and weary, hoping to catch a glimpse of their heroes for one last time.

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Solution to Tuesday's puzzle

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Bon jour, Bradley

2016-2017 Student Body President Bradley Opere was sworn into office on Tuesday. See pg. 3 for story.

Life is still beautiful

The Tar Heel family might be mourning, but life is still beautiful. Go online for a playlist to cheer you up.

Dear UNC basketball

You are incredible and we could not be more proud. Visit Pit Talk blog for an open letter to our team.

Top groups to know

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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Across

1 Fabric mimicked by jeggings

6 Dallas NBA team

10 Indian mausoleum city

14 In the company of

15 ___ bargain

16 Fountain contribution

17 Midler's "Divine" nickname

18 Burn unit procedure

20 Allow to enter

22 Big name in auto racing

23 Kerfuffles

25 Advanced degs.

26 "Rogue Lawyer" novelist

31 Whiskas eater

34 Pulitzer winner Walker

35 Actor McGregor

36 Dance in a pit

37 Hull fastener

38 Group

39 Mazda MX-5, familiarly

40 Big nights

41 How-to component

42 Follow, as a hunch

43 ___ Plains

44 Rockefeller Center centerpiece

46 Farm enclosure

47 Bit of naughtiness

48 Doze

53 Disney character

with a white tail

56 Quartet of Wagnerian operas, and a hint to the progression in this puzzle's circled letters

58 Regal headpiece

60 Bordeaux brainstorm

61 Down-to-earth

62 2001 scandal subject

63 Boilermaker component

64 Prohibitionists

65 City near Florence

Down

1 Reservoir creator

2 German actor Jannings

3 Sommelier's asset

4 Examples

5 Classic British two-seater

6 Base cops, briefly

7 ___-Seltzer

8 Corpuscule conduit

9 Dreamy guy?

10 Lots of plots

11 Butter in a farmyard?

12 Africa's Great ___ Valley

13 Naysayer

19 Light weight

21 Hide-hair link

24 Afternoon break

26 Actor/singer Leto

27 Green hue

28 Homes with buzzers

29 "Ni-i-ice!"

30 Quaint headpiece accessory

31 Raccoon kin

32 ___ Martin: 007's car

33 Acknowledge in an Oscar speech, say

36 Barely-there dress

39 Powerful people

41 Rock band Lynyrd ___

44 Legato's opp., in music

45 San Francisco's ___ Hill

46 "Like a Rock" rocker

48 Chicago paper, for short

49 ___de-camp

50 Bermuda shorts endpoint

51 One with an untouchable service

52 Word with fair or foul

54 Unadorned

55 Fairway choice

57 PGA star from South Africa

59 Santa ___ Mountains

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

TODAY
Telling Our Stories of Home Festival: This six-day festival focuses on critical and artistic approaches to the concept of “home.” Topics include war, globalization, gentrification and incarceration. There will be panels, workshops and performances through April 8.
Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Location: Sonja Haynes Stone Center

University Diversity Awards: The Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs will host a ceremony and reception for this year’s recipients of UNC’s Diversity Awards. This is UNC’s eighth year hosting the awards. Online registration is required.

Time: 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Location: State Dining Room, Morehead Planetarium and Science Center

Wikipedia Edit-a-thon: Women and Graphic Novels: UNC’s School of Information and Library Science will host its first

Wikipedia edit-a-thon for women involved in writing and publishing graphic novels. There will be a brief workshop on the basics of editing; no prior experience is necessary. This event is free and open to the public.
Time: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Location: Manning Hall 117

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.

TAR HEEL VERSES

Lily Clarke
Turkeys in the Barn

Two dead turkeys
tossed on the hay.
The boy doesn’t cry
but clutches two more,
hidden in his shirt
against a bony chest
where their feathered hearts
patter and his beats faster,
their young bones
so close to his own.
*Can I bring them home?
They’re hurt?*

His father’s boots reply
with shift on grit
and the *calump* of wood,
each measured step a thump
on the barn floor.

Fall’s cool reprieve
silences cows groaning
in the pasture as the farmer
checks for plump
on turkeys’ underbellies.

Jackson Hall
Cockroach in the Folger’s

Belly up, it wriggles in the coffee grounds,
pinchy legs twitching, trying to flip
over and clamber onto the steel spoon
jutting above the dune of Country Roast
dark as its near-buried, thrashing thorax.
Do its antennae sense the accents
of robust nut, chocolate hints
as it shuffles, stuck, in this pit?
Do grains lodge in its joints like sand
in a motor, a sputtering bug-engine
choking off as it lurches and churns
to power out of the trap, only to sink
deeper in the mess, gassed, gone, dead?

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President Opere takes office

Bradley Opere said UNC will face its challenges together

By Nic Rardin
Staff Writer

Friends and families came to witness student government pass the torch to its 2016-17 members Tuesday, including newly sworn-in Student Body President Bradley Opere.

“I’m walking in with a lot of positivity,” Opere said.

In his inaugural address Opere touched on the recent basketball championship match and the doubts held about the team.

“It was obvious that the toughness and integrity of the basketball wasn’t all that was in question. It was the character of the whole University,” Opere said.

Opere used the game to make a point about UNC’s toughness in the wake of the athletic-academic scandal and the other trials that have faced the University.

“(Marcus Paige’s) 3-pointer was not just another basket, but the resilience of Carolina,” he said, referring to the shot Paige made at the end of the championship game to briefly tie it.

Opere said the University is going through a difficult time and faces many challenges.

“I wish I could say this evening that basketball was the last of the challenges we have to face,” Opere said.

He wasn’t alone. In his own speech, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Winston Crisp said he agreed with Opere that the University faces challenges.



UNC’s new Student Body President Bradley Opere gives his inaugural address after being officially sworn in on Tuesday. DTH/KATY LEE

“We are living in momentous times,” Crisp said.

“We are engaged right now in nothing less than the redefining and evolving of what it means to be a public university of higher education in this country.”

Crisp said he had great faith in the newly elected members of student government and the concept of student self-governance.

“How do you top that? Thank you, Bradley,” Crisp said after Opere gave his inaugural address. “I can’t tell you the amount of pride and gratitude with which I stand here today.”

Crisp had a positive attitude when he mentioned the academic scandal.

“I have great confidence that when the smoke clears, this light on the hill will continue to shine as it always has, neither broken nor tarnished by the travails it’s faced,” he said.

Echoing Crisp’s sentiment of positivity, Opere spoke directly to the student body.

“Now more than ever we must step up,” he said.

Opere said he believed UNC can overcome its challenges if everyone works together.

“It remains my conviction that we can band together as a school and face our University’s challenges united,” he said.

Opere and other members of student government expressed a strong desire to work hard on behalf of the student body to better serve them.

Former student body vice president Rachel Gogal also brought up the basketball team, a favorite topic of the night, to send a message to the newly sworn-in student government members.

“Fight for a better tomorrow with a team that will do anything for each other,” she said. “Fight with a team who’s unstoppable and hungry for success. Fight with a team who cares.”

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NCSSM expansion brings mixed reactions

Some fear western N.C. cannot provide the school with adequate resources.

By Mali Khan
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Of the \$2 billion allocated through the Connect NC Bond passed in March, \$58 million was put aside to expand the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics — but the project has generated some disagreement.

NCSSM is a residential school for high-achieving students entering their junior year of high school in Durham.

The bond allocates money to establish a second campus in Burke County, located in northwestern North Carolina.

“I think the primary benefit is extending educational opportunity to more kids, and how can that be a bad thing?” said Brock Winslow, vice chancellor for institutional advancement at NCSSM.

Matt Ellinwood, policy analyst at the N.C. Justice Center, said the school model has proved successful and benefits students statewide.

“A lot of times you hear the best

school serving people just in one neighborhood, but this really does serve people from across the entire state,” he said.

NCSSM uses a quota system for North Carolina’s congressional districts, accepting an equal amount of students from each.

But this means most students applying are from the Triangle or surrounding regions.

“There’s a lot less applicants from the congressional district out in the west,” Ellinwood said.

“It’s really going to help students in the western half of the state. Right now, they’re eligible to go but there’s less awareness that this is an option out there.”

Ellinwood said the new campus would assist other schools in the area because NCSSM holds professional development programs for STEM teachers.

He also said the new campus would make it easier for teachers in western North Carolina to attend these programs.

Some NCSSM students don’t see it in such a positive light. UNC junior and NCSSM graduate David Spencer said the geographic location, unequal resources and opportunities and difficulty appealing to teachers were areas of concern.

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“The geographic choice impacts the diversity of the school and I think one thing people like about going (to NCSSM) is having people from all over North Carolina,” he said. “I think it might also create problems because it seems like there are fewer resources in Morganton.”

Spencer said without major universities nearby, NCSSM’s research opportunities for students would be severely lacking.

It would also be hard to attract teachers because of fewer opportunities and an overall lack of ability to offer equal resources.

But Winslow said he did not think a lack of resources would be a real concern.

“I don’t think we can necessarily assume that expansion of this nature is going to be detrimental to resources available to this school,” he said.

“In fact, I think it has some potential to be very positive to the community in Morganton, western North Carolina in general and the business community.”

Winslow said the new campus would not only be an important opportunity to grow outreach to students but could also strengthen the school.

“There are a lot of smart students in the state and figuring out a way to serve more of them and meet them where they need to be met based on their individual and academic needs,” Winslow said.

Spencer said he was concerned with how a new campus would affect the atmosphere for current residential students.

“I think students like it the way it is because everyone is in one place and it’s a special community, and I think having it separated into two sections would be kind of strange for a lot of us,” Spencer said.

“It would be easier to get more students but on the other hand it would be harder to make the campuses equal.”

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Project attempts to bridge food gap

Herban Garden aims to inform youth about food sustainability.

By Rebecca Ayers
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UNC students Giszell Weather and Bronwyn Fadem are starting a movement to close the disparity gap between youth, white people and people of color in the food sustainability community.

To do this, Weather and Fadem came up with Herban Garden — a project that focuses on including young people of color in gardening and food sustainability practices through workshops and gardening plots.

Kendra Meyer, spokesperson for Herban Garden, explained that Herban Garden began as an initiative of Hope Gardens.

She said Weather and Fadem received the Robert E. Bryan Fellowship, a service-learning fellowship, and recruited Chloe Brown and herself to help make the dream a reality.

Herban Garden is set to launch this summer with a pilot test on June 20 where the group will decide its main gardening plot.

Weather and Fadem said they plan to have gardening plots behind Davis Library by spring 2017.

“The primary purpose of the garden space is to provide tangible, hands-on experiences,” Meyer said.

Meyer said participants would be exposed to gardening plots at the N.C. Botanical Garden, Hope Gardens, the Jackson Center and the Carolina Campus Community Garden.

Herban Garden plans to export its goods to HOPE Gardens’ weekly cooking programs HOPE Cooks, the Inter-Faith Council for Social Service men’s shelter and HomeStart in Chapel Hill.

Herban Garden will also host workshops and field trips, provide culinary activities and provide opportunities for adults to develop mentorship skills.

“My interest in food and community building inspired my desire for after-school programs to get involved in gardening activities and to help youth be self-sufficient,” Weather said.

The project has received feedback and counseling from various charity and nonprofit organizations such as the Street Scene Teen Center, an after-school youth program, Edible Campus, Blackspace and others.

Brenton Harrison, a volunteer at Blackspace and advisor to Herban Garden, said he has high hopes for this project.

“In a few years I hope to see Herban Garden blossom into something that could partner up with local restaurants and the local school system,” he said.

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Lemonade, bake sales aren’t enough for rugby club team

Fundraising is key for the team to continue in its national tournament.

By Jamie Gwaltney
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The UNC Women’s Rugby Football Club has a chance at competing in the Spring Championships — if the team can raise enough money to get there.

The club rugby team will compete in the Round of 8 in Atlanta this weekend. If the team wins, they will play in the championship in California.

“Both of those things cost money,” said Katie Lutton, the team’s treasurer.

The team receives money from Campus Recreation’s Sport Clubs program and Student Congress for expenses during the season. Postseason tournaments cost more money, which is why the team has to find other ways pay for travel costs.

To cover costs, the team sells lemonade on the quad, holds bake sales and reaches out to parents and alumni, Lutton said.

The women’s club rugby team also has company sponsors to help their team, including Hickory Tavern in Carrboro.

Brent Wall, general manager at Hickory Tavern, said the restaurant became a sponsor after employing members of the team.

“They work hard and they need our support,” Wall said. “We’re here for the community and part of the community is the University.”

Hickory Tavern hosts dine-out nights three times a year — including during the team’s family weekend — where 10 percent of food sales are donated to the team.

“Through that, we’re able to raise some money, give back and then we chip in a little extra and then we got our logos on their jerseys and things,” Wall said.

Lindsey Oliver, president of the Women’s Rugby Football Club team, uses social media to reach more people and even started a YouCaring fundraising page to reach the team’s financial goals. The page has raised \$1,620 as of Tuesday night.

Oliver said although they play varsity teams, being a club team disqualifies them from benefits such as scholarships, early registration times and not having to work while playing.

“I wish that we were a varsity team a lot of the time in games because we’re just not athletically matched, not necessarily in the athletes themselves, but we just don’t have the time to invest in the train-



Sophomore Amy Alam (left), first-year Bridget Sheridan and junior Kenya Hairston, stood in the quad on Tuesday to collect donations and help raise money to allow the UNC women’s rugby team to get to the national championship. DTH/QIAN LI

ing or the money to invest in the training,” Oliver said.

Lutton said being a club team is good because they can gain new players of all experience levels.

“In the short term, I wish we were still a club team, but better funded,” Lutton said.

The rugby team is nearing their

goal to pay for their trip to Georgia, but Oliver said if they advance to California, they will have a short period of time to find the money to pay for the trip.

Lutton said if the team’s fundraising strategies don’t raise enough money, the team will have to take out a loan from Campus Recreation’s

Sport Clubs. “It’s great because it means that we are nationally competitive and that we are really, really good team, especially because we’re a club team often playing varsity teams that have better funding,” Lutton said.

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