

SEXUAL ASSAULT ON CAMPUS

## Reform of assault rules unfinished

Some students say changes were too hasty and flawed.

By Caitlin McCabe  
Senior Writer

When the federal government mandated in April 2011 that all federally funded campuses reform their sexual assault policies, the University struggled for more than a year to craft an improved system.

Now, four months after the changes were implemented on Aug. 1, the promised reform has yet to fully take effect — leaving some students feeling abandoned by what they say were administrators' rushed deliberations.

"The entire process of creating the new policy was very under wraps," said Andrea Pino, a junior involved with sexual assault education.

"It was loosely addressed by administrators and didn't have student input," she said. "Sexual assault is a silent epidemic. And administrators aren't addressing it with the prominence they should."

And for some students, the new policy is plagued by problems that leave those who have experience with sexual assault feeling con-

NEW ASSAULT POLICY

Changes made to the University's sexual assault policy include:

- Removal of the system from the jurisdiction of the student-led honor system
- Reduction of the burden of proof, or level of evidence required for a conviction, from beyond a reasonable doubt to a preponderance of evidence

fused and ignored.

But administrators who said they spent long hours crafting a policy that complied with both federal standards and UNC's needs said the changes are a beneficial step toward adjudicating and educating the campus about a growing national problem.

Changes to the sexual assault policy stemmed from the U.S. Department of Education in the form of a "Dear Colleague" letter — urging universities to update their policies to make sexual harassment resources more accessible to students.

The letter mandated that the University comply with

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## Potential fiscal crisis threatens research funds

The looming fiscal cliff could cut \$41 million from UNC.

By John Howell Jr.  
Staff Writer

Research programs across the UNC system will be dramatically affected if more than \$1 trillion in forced spending cuts — known as sequestration — goes into effect next year.

If President Barack Obama and members of Congress fail to agree on reducing deficits, analysts say the cuts, coupled with tax increases, could plunge the economy back into recession. That scenario is the so-called "fiscal cliff."

"I don't know of anyone who thinks that an automatic across-the-board cut is a sensible way to address the debt crisis," said Barbara Entwisle, vice chancellor for research at UNC.

Entwisle said the cuts would result in a 7.6 percent reduction in federal grant support, or a loss of about \$41 million for the University — but it remains unclear how the reduction would be felt.

"Either way, it would mean a tremendous loss to this campus," she said.

In fiscal year 2012, the amount of research funding

FISCAL CLIFF EFFECTS

If there is no compromise on a plan to reduce deficits, university research programs will absorb cuts:

- In fiscal year 2012, UNC-CH received a total of \$767 million in research funds; 71 percent came from federal sources.
- Cuts would result in a loss of about \$41 million to UNC-CH.

UNC received from all sources totaled \$767 million.

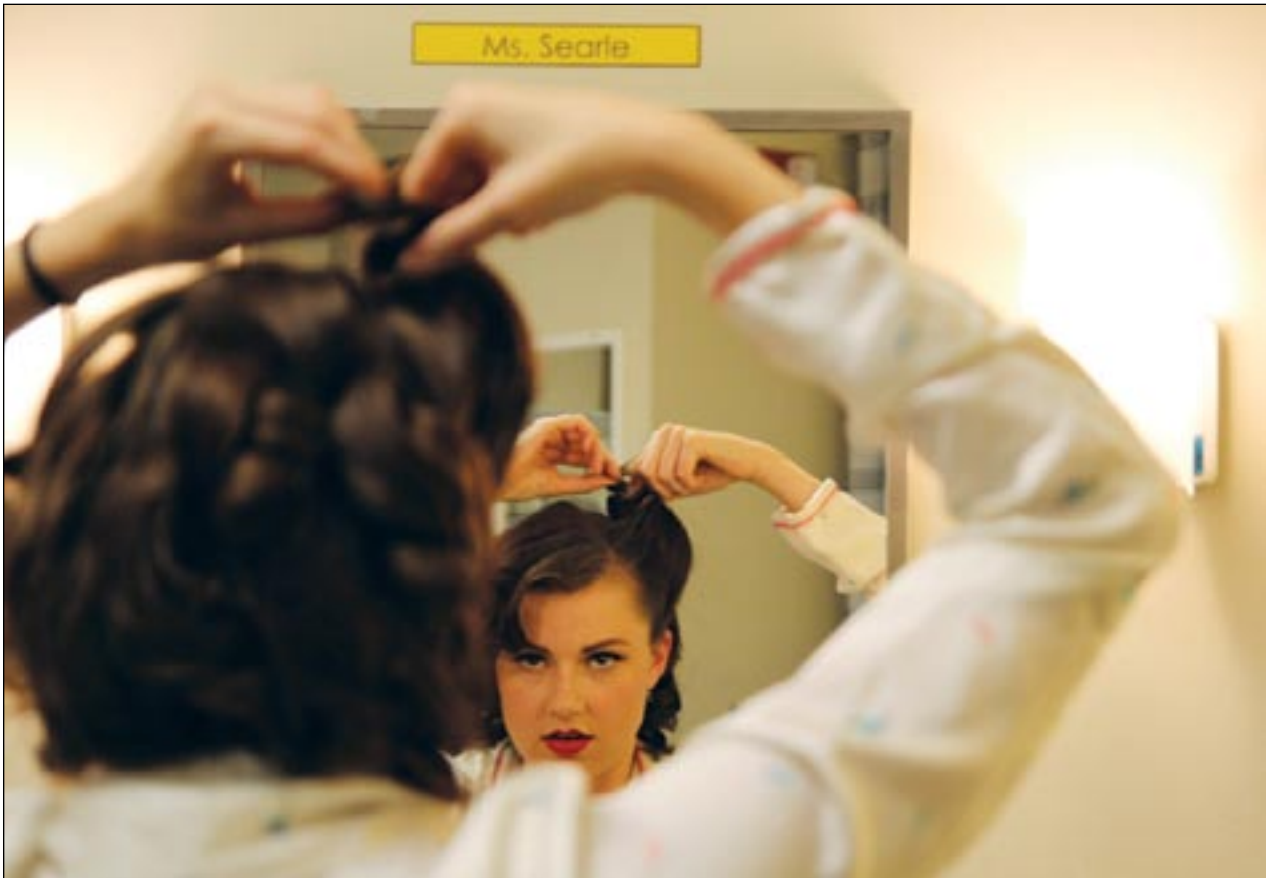
Federal agencies, like the National Institutes of Health, provided 71 percent of that amount.

Joseph DeSimone, director of the Frank Hawkins Kenan Institute of Private Enterprise at UNC-CH, said 35 percent of the overall federal funding invested in research is allocated to the top 25 universities in the nation. UNC ranks number nine on that list and is a "research powerhouse," he said.

As a result of the fiscal cliff, all 16 universities in the UNC system would suffer a total reduction in federal funding of \$80 million — double what

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## 'You want the moon?'



DTH/MARY STEVENS

Maren Searle, who plays Mary Bailey, pins her hair into 1940s curls for PlayMakers' "It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play."



Kelly Renko, a second-year graduate student in the UNC costume production program, adjusts the Mary Bailey costume.



The ensemble of Ray Dooley, Brandon Garegnani, Katja Hill, Searle and Todd Lawson (left to right) open the Tuesday dress rehearsal as professional radio actors.

### PlayMakers brings 1940s radio charm to life in adaptation of classic film.

By Carson Blackwelder  
Assistant Arts Editor

PlayMakers Repertory Company's holiday play is bringing a decades-old American film to life.

The company's "It's A Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play" formally premieres Saturday. The show begins as a 1940s radio show before the actors transition into the film's iconic roles.

"I think it's our American 'Christmas Carol,'" said Joseph Haj, PlayMakers' producing artistic director.

Haj said this is the first holiday production the company has put on since he joined staff in 2006, and the season is using this performance to break up an otherwise overtly mature season.

"This season in particular is a very adult season — 'Imaginary Invalid,' 'Clybourne Park,' 'Cabaret' — these are grown-up plays," Haj said.

SEE 'IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE: A LIVE RADIO PLAY'

**Time:** 7:30 p.m. tonight through Dec. 16

**Location:** Paul Green Theatre

**Info:** [www.playmakersrep.org/wonderfullife](http://www.playmakersrep.org/wonderfullife)

"Having an opportunity to make something for young people, to make a play that whole families can come together and watch was very appealing."

The production is based on playwright Joe Landry's 1997 adaptation of the 1946 film starring Jimmy Stewart as the iconic George Bailey.

As part of the five-person ensemble cast, Todd Lawson makes his PlayMakers debut playing both radio actor Jake Laurents and Bailey. Lawson said he is excited to portray the signature role.

"You have to pay homage to the iconic role, and you want to highlight memorable moments from the film," Lawson

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## Waffle House to come to Franklin Street

Construction has not begun on the restaurant, which will be at 129 E. Franklin St.

By Claire Smith  
Staff Writer

Waffle House will soon be joining the ranks of Franklin Street breakfast joints.

The 24-hour breakfast stop will be located at 129 E. Franklin St. — the former location of YoFrutt — though construction has not begun.

"It will most likely be sometime

early next year," said Kelly Thrasher, a spokeswoman for Waffle House.

Davida Sackey, a permit technician for Chapel Hill, said Waffle House has taken out a building permit for the address, though she is not sure whether the permit has been paid for.

"After they have paid for it and the permit is then issued, then they have the ability to start construction work," she said.

She said construction must start six months after the permit is paid for, or the permit will go void.

Sophomore Paige Purcell said she was extremely excited that Waffle House is coming so close to campus.

"I love Waffle House so much that I bought their waffle mix one time in, like, a 30 gallon bag," she said.

"I'm so excited there is one coming to Chapel Hill."

Bobby Funk, assistant director of the Chapel Hill Downtown Partnership, said he thinks Waffle House will be a good addition to Franklin Street dining.

"We're glad to see vacant space get filled up with a new restaurant," he said. "It will provide new options for people looking for late night."

Funk said he was surprised Waffle

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Ladies of the sex boxes

From staff and wire reports

In Switzerland, prostitution is the driving force behind innovation. The city of Zurich is building a series of “sex boxes” that will open to the public next August. Cars drive into the boxes, prostitutes approach, questionably discreet and probably uncomfortable service follows.

The age-old profession is legal in Switzerland, but residents of Zurich weren’t pleased with seeing the ladies of the night trolling the streets.

Sex boxes, officials say, will help protect prostitutes from attacks and cut out time wasted going to and from hotel rooms. Workers will also have to pay to clock in at the boxes like they’re working at McDonald’s.

But, hey, they get to ride in a new car every night.

**NOTED.** Call off the investigation, America. The toilet paper has been repaid.

A graduate of Eastern New Mexico University sent 80 rolls of toilet paper to the school with an anonymous note, apologizing for stealing toilet paper from a dormitory as a prank when he was a student.

**QUOTED.** “I understand that people who live elsewhere in Serbia are laughing at our fears, but here most people have no doubt that vampires exist.”

— Miodrag Vujetic, a local assembly member in the village of Zaroze, Serbia, whose town believes a legendary vampire is on the loose. Garlic sales are booming.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- TODAY  
**UNC vs. Indiana (NCAA Tournament quarterfinals):** No. 5 UNC men's soccer hosts Indiana in the quarterfinals of the NCAA men's soccer tournament. Admission is free for all UNC students and is worth double Carolina Fever points. The first 500 students will receive free Jimmy John's in front of Carmichael Arena.  
**Time:** 6 p.m.  
**Location:** Fetzer Field
- Collection,” with an elegant and extravagant party. There will be music, refreshments and tours of the museum — plus a prize for the best or wildest dressed guest.  
**Time:** 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.  
**Location:** Ackland Art Museum
- SATURDAY**  
**Christmas Holiday Shoppe craft show:** St. Thomas More School puts on its ninth annual craft show for holiday shopping. There will be live music, food, coffee and holiday shopping. Admission is free.  
**Time:** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
**Location:** St. Thomas More Church, 940 Carmichael Street
- ‘The Nutcracker’:** See the holiday staple, performed by the Carolina Ballet under the direction of Robert Weiss. The show features more than 100 dancers and a live orchestra. Tickets are \$10 for students and \$39 to \$99 for the general public.  
**Time:** 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday  
**Location:** Memorial Hall
- 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.*

CORRECTIONS

- Wednesday’s page 6 story “SNL writer speaks on value of brevity” said Bryan Tucker spoke at Back Bar at Top of the Hill. He spoke at the restaurant’s Great Room.
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MUST LOVE DOGS



DTH/GABRIELLA GAJE

Clyde Summers treats his dog Jethro to some ice cream Thursday afternoon. Summers rescued the French Basset Hound five years ago. They used to live above an ice cream shop in Boston, where Jethro developed his love for ice cream.

POLICE LOG

- Someone broke and entered a vehicle at 5639 Old Chapel Hill Road between 1 a.m. and 8:14 a.m. Wednesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports. The person broke the rear passenger window and stole a \$2,000 laptop and a \$300 designer bag, reports state.
- Someone stole property at 100 Scarlett Drive between 6:50 p.m. and 7:20 p.m. Wednesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports. The person stole a cell-phone, reports state.
- Someone broke and entered an unlocked vehicle at 5639 Old Chapel Hill Road at 8:40 p.m. Wednesday., according to Chapel Hill police reports. The person stole audio equipment, including an amplifier valued at \$80, reports state.
- Someone broke and entered a vehicle at 5639 Old Chapel Hill Road between 1 a.m. and 8:25 a.m. Wednesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports. The person stole a CD player, valued at \$200, reports state.
- Someone broke and entered a vehicle at 403 Westbrook Drive between 11 a.m. and 11:03 a.m. Wednesday, according to Carrboro police reports.
- Someone shoplifted at 602 Jones Ferry Road at 6 p.m. Wednesday, according to Carrboro police reports. The person concealed make-up supplies, valued at \$169.61, reports state.
- Someone fired shots at 200 Barnes Street at 6:47 p.m. Wednesday, according to Carrboro police reports. Someone fired a gun in the parking lot, reports state.

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# Amy Herman to resign today

**The compliance official had been praised for her work after the NCAA probe.**

**By Melvin Backman**  
Senior Writer

Amy Herman, UNC's associate athletic director for compliance and a central figure in the University's response to the 2010 NCAA investigation, will step down from her position today. The magazine Inside Carolina first reported the news on Twitter on Thursday afternoon. Steve Kirschner, a spokesman for the athletic department, confirmed the news to The Daily Tar Heel on Thursday.

"It's not related to anything," he said, referring to the ongoing repercussions of the 2010 NCAA investigation. Herman released a short statement about her departure.

"I will just say that I have enjoyed serving the UNC community the past 12 years, and I am proud of all we have accomplished," she wrote in an email.

Herman has been at the University for more than a decade. She got her start after participating in a post-graduate program.

Former athletic director Dick Baddour, who retired last year, promoted Herman to the post in January 2011. He told The (Raleigh) News & Observer at the time that he gave her the job based on her efforts during the investigation.

On Thursday, Baddour complimented her work at UNC.

"Amy is one of the most capable people I have worked with," he said in an email.

"She is highly regarded in the department, on our campus and at the national level. She did extraordinary work during the NCAA investigation."

Herman is the latest to leave the athletic department in the wake of sanctions handed down for rules violations in the football program.

Chancellor Holden Thorp, Baddour, former head football coach Butch Davis and former assistant football coach John Blake have all been fired or announced their resignations since the investigation concluded.

The probe found that several players accepted more than \$27,000 collectively in improper benefits, along with impermissible academic help.

UNC self-imposed athletic scholarship cuts, a \$50,000 fine and a two-year probation before the final ruling, which levied a one-year postseason ban.

Some athletic department staff members said they will be sad to see Herman go.

Kathy Griggs, an administrative assistant in the athletic department, has worked with Herman since 2004.

Although the two didn't work together often, Griggs said she did spend a short time assisting UNC's compliance officers.

She said she remembers Herman canceling a vacation with her three children to assist with the University's response to the NCAA, calling in the children's grandparents to watch over them while she worked.

"She's a very dedicated employee, and a lot of us around here will miss her," she said.

"She will be hard to replace."

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# NY pencil artisan sharpens his skills

**Chapel Hill native David Rees sharpens pencils professionally.**

**By Tyler Clay**  
Staff Writer

In a business full of number twos, David Rees comes out as number one. Rees, owner of Artisanal Pencil Sharpening in Beacon, N.Y., is a professional pencil sharpener. Born and raised in Chapel Hill, Rees started his business in 2010 after working for the U.S. Census Bureau.

He said on the first day of training at the bureau, everyone was told to sharpen all their pencils, and he found himself having fun. Rees started his business later that year.

But his past with pencils extends even further back.

While a student at Chapel Hill's Culbreth Middle School, Rees' parents were called in for a conference with his pre-algebra teacher. His teacher said Rees had been repeatedly using the hand-cranked sharpener at the front of room to distract the class.

"He said I was an attention-whore," Rees said.

Today, Rees will sharpen a customer's pencil to a professional point and safely ship it in a shatter-proof tube — shavings included — for \$35.

"Each shaving seems like a magical combination of artisanal intent and randomness all at once," said Mike Wakeford, one of Rees' old friends and one of his first customers.

## ORDER A PENCIL

**Wait time:** Pencils take about six weeks to ship.

**Provide a pencil:** Customers can ship in a pencil or Rees will provide one.

**To order:** <http://bit.ly/cWjkBc>

Customers can send in their own pencil for Rees to sharpen, or he will sharpen a number two pencil from General Pencil Company, Inc., a family-owned business in New Jersey.

"I'm a good sharpener, and I customize the bottom of the point," Rees said.

Rees, who said he normally completes 400 orders a year, received 500 order requests in two days after being featured on CBS Sunday Morning this week.

Due to his new workload, Rees said he has raised his price from \$20 to \$35 and hired a few assistants to help package orders.

But Rees still does all the sharpening himself at a rate of about four pencils per hour.

Rees said he uses more than 20 different sharpening tools, including box openers and old-fashioned hand-cranked sharpeners. His most expensive tool is a \$350 handmade El Casco sharpener.

But not everyone understands Rees' uncommon services.

"If he can make money doing that, good for him, but it seems like a waste of money," said UNC freshman Michael Garvin.

Rees, who formerly contributed political cartoons to magazines like GQ and Rolling Stone,



COURTESY OF MEREDITH HEUER

David Rees is a manual pencil sharpener and former political cartoonist. He started Artisanal Pencil Sharpening in New York two years ago.

said he doesn't consider his business a joke. In April he published his book How to Sharpen Pencils, an 18-chapter guide to the history and sharpening of pencils. "He's actually become a world-class pencil sharpener, and, I dare say, a 'pencil intellectual,'" Wakeford said.

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# ‘A MODEL ADMINISTRATOR’



DTH/MADDI BRANTLEY

Don Luse is retiring today after serving as the director of the Student Union for 20 years. Luse was a congenial leader, popular among staff and students.

## Don Luse retires today after leading the Union for 20 years

**By Lillian Evans**  
Staff Writer

On the third floor of the Student Union, above the weekday rush of students, are the offices of the Union administrators.

One office in particular is known for its open door — but even more so for the man who dwells within.

Don Luse, director of the Student Union, will retire today after 20 years in his position.

"Any person that walks through our doors is somehow touched by that man's vision and contribution to life on campus," said Scott Hudson, senior associate director of operations for the Union.

Luse said UNC would not be the same without the Union, as it provides an opportunity for students to socialize and learn.

"Just watch the activity," he said. "Whether it's down in the lounge or in the meeting rooms — you see the importance of what we do."

Lauren Sacks, assistant director of student learning, said Luse has built an empowering community.

"Just the sense of humility he has — it's

very apparent he's a fantastic leader, and he doesn't have to talk about that for us to know it," she said.

"I think that's one of the greatest examples of leadership that you can have."

Luse's commitment to his job, which Hudson describes as infectious among the staff, led to his recognition at the highest level.

In March, Luse received the Butts-Whiting Award for outstanding leadership from the Association of College Unions International. Luse has been president of the ACUI since 2009.

Hudson said Luse will be greatly missed, and the Union staff is thankful for the strong foundation he has laid.

Hudson and Tony Patterson, senior associate director of the Union, will be interim union directors until July 1, when the new director will assume the position.

A committee of students and Union staff organized by Associate Vice Chancellor Bettina Shuford will begin the national search for Luse's replacement in January.

Luse hopes his successor will continue to meet students' needs, which he says are con-

stantly evolving.

"I hope they make it better," he said. "This is an organization that happened before me, and it will happen after me — I was a point in time."

Luse said one of his favorite parts of the job is building lasting relationships with students.

Senior Tom Low, director of the Carolina Union Activities Board, said in an email that Luse has been a great asset to both the Union and the University.

"He is a man of integrity, hard work and focus, and he is a model administrator for this University," Low said.

"He will be missed more than he knows." Using the sense of humor that Hudson said has motivated staff and students alike, Luse pondered his first day of retirement.

"I'm of course going to exercise and eat properly, and I'll definitely read a book," he said.

"All of these things I probably won't do — I'll just enjoy life."

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# New flower species named after North Carolina biologist

**Harry LeGrand discovered the flower in Granville County 26 years ago.**

**By Caroline Leland**  
Staff Writer

If he could have anything named after him, Harry LeGrand said, he would probably choose a flower.

But he was still caught by surprise when he found out earlier this week that he is the namesake of a rare flower species he discovered 26 years ago.

"If it's going to be a plant (named after me), I'm glad it's something people are going to be interested in, something attractive," said LeGrand, a biologist in the N.C. Natural Heritage Program.

Alan Weakley, the UNC herbarium director and biology professor who named the plant, said he began extensive research on it 20 years ago.

Weakley, along with UNC biology graduate student Derick Poindexter,

formally described the newly named *Marshallia legrandii* in a scientific journal published Monday.

LeGrand discovered the species in Granville County while studying related species. He noticed that the flower's characteristics did not match with any classified species.

The new species is about twice as tall as its relatives and has a bigger flower and broader leaves, he said.

"So I was excited about what I found, but I wasn't sure," LeGrand said. "I wasn't thinking new species at the time."

Poindexter said Weakley's choice to name the flower after LeGrand was appropriate.

"I agreed immediately because of Harry's instrumental role," he said. "I think his expertise is unparalleled."

Weakley said a long amount of time between a species' discovery and naming is not atypical. Naming formally recognizes the existence of a new species.

"When naming a new species, one wants to be careful and sure that it's warranted," Weakley said.

The discovery of a Virginia population of the species by another UNC professor helped convince Weakley that the *Marshallia legrandii* was indeed a new species.

Only two populations of the species — in North Carolina and Virginia — are known to exist naturally.

Misty Buchanan, the natural area inventory manager for the natural heritage program, said the species is classified as "significantly rare."

The species has been planted in the N.C. Botanical Garden for conservation purposes.

Chris Liloia, a curator at the botanical gardens who is responsible for the area of the gardens where the species is growing, said conservation of the species is important to the entire region.

"One of the cool things in the piedmont of North Carolina is a rare plant community ... that is dependent upon this particular geography," she said.

Weakley said there's a very good chance for the species' continued



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The *Marshallia legrandii* is the name of a flower species discovered by North Carolina biologist Harry LeGrand. The plant was named by Alan Weakley.

existence, even if the natural populations were to die out.

"It could be reintroduced from seed that's being maintained for that purpose," he said.

Weakley said the two natural populations are protected because they exist on state-owned land.

He said UNC researchers have named 11 new plant species throughout the last 10 years, and 10 additional species are in the process of being described.

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# ASU professor contests in-class speech sanctions

By Sarah Brown  
Staff Writer

An Appalachian State University professor has become embroiled in controversy after a dispute with the school's administration concerning her academic freedom and legal rights.

Last spring, ASU sociology professor Jammie Price was placed on paid leave following student complaints that she made racist comments against student athletes and showed an inappropriate documentary that showed pornography.

She was told she would be subject to a two-year professional development plan or risk losing her job.

In October, the ASU faculty grievance committee recommended that Chancellor Kenneth Peacock repeal the sanctions on Price



**Jammie Price** is an Appalachian State professor who was placed on leave last spring.

after finding that the restrictions would undermine her academic freedom and that she had not created a hostile learning environment.

But last week, Peacock rejected the committee's findings.

"The professional development plan ... (doesn't) unreasonably restrict (Price's) academic endeavors," he wrote in a letter to Price.

Price, who has taught sociology at ASU for nine years, maintains that the university has denied her freedom both

in the classroom and due process without a formal hearing.

She said her comments were misunderstood and that the porn documentary came from the university library, available for any student or faculty member to view.

"There's been no explanation as to why (Peacock) would do this," she said.

ASU representatives say state law prevents the university from discussing the Price case, though university spokesman Hank Foreman said in an email that the school has policies in place to protect employees' rights.

Robert Shibley, senior vice president of the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education, said he believes that Price's treatment by ASU administrators is a concern for all students and faculty.

"A quality liberal arts edu-

cation is contingent upon academic freedom and fundamental fairness," he said in an email.

If a faculty member were protesting administrative suspension, as Price was, at UNC-CH, the case would go to the University's faculty hearing committee, said Jill Moore, chairwoman of UNC-CH's faculty grievance committee.

"We're not dealing with situations where a job is on the line," she said. "(The faculty grievance committee) is a procedure provided as part of a faculty member's due process rights."

Price is adamant that ASU is acting out of line.

"This whole experience has been mindblowing," she said.

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# Fever finds new home in Smith Center

By Randy Short  
Staff Writer

At home men's basketball games, the spirit of Carolina Fever is no longer contained in one seating section.

At Saturday's game against the University of Alabama at Birmingham, fans will see the characteristically enthusiastic Fever members — but not in their traditional home of section 114.

In conjunction with the UNC athletic department, Fever enacted two new policies this year: changing how tickets will be distributed for basketball games and making the organization free to join.

The changes aim to increase student participation and attendance for all UNC sports, not just basketball, said Tim Sabo, assistant director of ticket operations.

This year, Fever tickets are in the general admission seating sections only.

The top 150 Fever members with the most points will still receive two phase one tickets to all conference games except Duke, but their seats will not be predetermined.

"It's the same lottery situation as in the past — there's just no predetermined Fever section," Sabo said.

Everyone outside the top 150 has an equal chance of winning the general student lottery.

But more Fever points can help a student get better tickets after winning the lottery, said Fever co-chairman Jack Frost.

Half of the phase one tickets for every lottery game are

reserved for Fever, and tickets remaining after the top 150 receive tickets are distributed based on points, he said.

Rick Steinbacher, associate athletic director for marketing and promotions, said that the number of available student tickets varies per game.

The ticket office analyzes historical data on opponent, game time and day of the week to predict student demand for a given game, he said.

In previous years, Carolina Fever has charged a \$20 membership fee.

But this year, membership is free.

Steinbacher said because Carolina Fever got rid of the fee, its membership has increased from about 2,000 students to more than 10,000.

The increase in Fever participation has paralleled rising attendance at games, he said.

Steinbacher said the athletic department has been pleased with attendance this year, adding that the 10,000 Carolina Fever members have attended an average of two events each.

At the end of the year, Fever members will have a chance to provide feedback on the two new policies via a survey sent out by Fever.

"If it seems confusing, it's confusing for us, too," Frost said.

"This is a trial year to see what works and what doesn't work, so there might be new changes next year."

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## SEXUAL ASSAULT

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nearly 70 changes, including the requirement to completely remove sexual assault from the jurisdiction of the University's student-led honor system.

That change forced the University to entirely build its new policy from scratch, said Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Winston Crisp.

"I don't think people understand what a complicated undertaking this has been," Crisp said.

"The 'Dear Colleague' letter set up this expectation that we would have a new policy," he said. "That's when impatience sets in."

"It wasn't just something we could tweak or update."

Despite the overhaul, students said the changes have moved too slowly, lacking key components needed for the system to run effectively.

The University has yet to hire a Deputy Title IX Officer, or student complaints coordinator, who would serve as the first level of contact for students who believe they have been sexually harassed.

With a hole in the most initial level of the policy, Pino said the process of reporting assault will confuse students.

But Dean of Students Jonathan Sauls said a delay in such a crucial hire is expected.

"Recruitments of any significant rank do not happen overnight," Sauls said.

Sauls said the search was hindered by slow budget negotiations. But he said interviews for the position are being conducted and the position should be filled by the end of the semester.

Administrators appointed Associate Dean of Students Desiree Rieckenberg to serve as the interim Deputy Title IX Officer while the University continues to search for a permanent position.

If an incident of sexual assault were to arise this semester, Rieckenberg would use the new policy to handle the case. As interim Deputy Title IX Officer, she is instructed to meet with all students who file complaints to discuss available resources for support and options for pursuing a case.

While Sauls said Rieckenberg has handled complaints, no cases have yet been adjudicated.

Though Sauls said administrators are working toward finishing what is left, students said they are worried about what has already been done.

"The big issue is with the language of the policy itself," said Tim Longest, a senior and member of The Daily Tar Heel's editorial board.

Longest said the 48-page policy lacks clarity and is too broad, particularly in the way it defines words like sexual misconduct, consent and administrator.

"With lack of clarity and confusion, the policy itself could be a deterrent in reporting assault," he said.

Sauls said a broad policy is necessary to prevent confusion that might arise if students were unsure of the category in which they would fit.

Crisp said he recognizes that sexual misconduct is under-reported, but that the administration is making every effort to make students more empowered to come forward when assaulted.

"We knew from the beginning this was going to be a work in progress," Crisp said.

"Just because students are not sitting at the table with us does not mean we aren't taking their input into account," he said.

"And we're bound and determined to get this right."

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## FISCAL CLIFF

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UNC-CH would lose — said Chris Brown, vice president for research and graduate education for the UNC system.

Administrators say federally funded research on the state's campuses stimulates the state and national economies.

DeSimone said his research team is grateful for federal and state support of its research, which aims to translate new technologies into the private sector.

"A lot of hard-working people who pay taxes demand accountability on research," he said.

He added that the goal of his work is to help improve the quality of life and the economy by addressing unmet needs in society, such as in fields like health care and vaccine research.

And from an international standpoint, Brown said the United States could begin to lose its leadership position in the world if the cuts are not made strategically and research suffers.

With less research, there will be no more breakthroughs in fields such as science and health, and the country would be unable to train the next generation of innovators, he said.

Entwistle said the state's economy would suffer if there are less research enterprises to develop products with commercial value and employ local residents.

"I think every citizen of this country should be concerned about the national debt and how we are going to address it, while also investing in our future," Entwistle said.

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## WAFFLE HOUSE

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House would be coming to the center of town.

"It's good to see a business that's not usually located in urban core looking at coming to an urban core," he said.

But not everyone is excited about the newcomer.

Scott Cox, owner of Carolina Coffee Shop, said he thinks the breakfast scene on Franklin Street is already well established.

"I don't think a Waffle House is a good fit for Franklin Street," he said.

And some other students prefer to stay loyal to their longtime favorite breakfast spots.

"I am not excited," said senior Mary Nell Johnson. "I prefer Ye Olde."

Daisy Maness, the general manager of Ye Olde

*"I bought their waffle mix one time in, like, a 30 gallon bag."*

**Paige Purcell,**  
sophomore

Waffle Shop, located at 173 E. Franklin St., said she's not nervous about the competition Waffle House might bring.

"I don't think it will make any difference. We each have our own little niche and our own following," she said.

But Waffle House will offer something others don't — late night breakfast dining.

"Who doesn't love late night Waffle House?" freshman Colin McDowell said.

"It's like the food gets better the later you eat there."

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## WONDERFUL LIFE

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said. "I am finding my own George. He's the great American dreamer."

"Me trying to jump into George Bailey is really about me finding where George Bailey sits inside my own thoughts and feelings."

Director Nelson T. Eusebio III said Lawson and Maren Searle, who portrays a radio actor and Mary Bailey, only portray two characters apiece. The other three actors account for more than 30 different roles.

Eusebio said the actors differentiate roles by slight changes in vocals and body language.

"Luckily we're introducing them to the audience through our ears first and eventually see them change and transform."

While the actors visibly differentiate between their roles, the set changes are more subtle, creating less of a radio studio atmosphere, said McKay Coble, scenic designer for the show.

"The play is written just

like you're a member of the studio audience," Coble said.

"What happens during the course of the play is the actors don't react so much to changes in the studio — we want the changes to creep in and catch the audience's eye."

Eusebio said every director and actor must face comparisons to classic film's version when deciding to reimagine iconic works.

"Classics are classics for a reason — they endure," he said.

"Things that are good long ago that have endured as long as 'It's A Wonderful Life' have a certain place on our screens but in our minds as well."

Lawson said the show does not set out to recreate the film but to pay tribute.

"We don't want to mimic the movie, we just want to give little remembrances," he said.

"Hopefully the audience will have the same journey the actors are having — that we are in a radio play and then suddenly, by little jerks and movements, we're in Bedford Falls."

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# SportsFriday

## Cummings finds his course

**The freshman has come a long way to play golf at UNC.**

By Aaron Dodson  
Staff Writer

When North Carolina freshman golfer Keagan Cummings was recruited during his junior year of high school by then-Michigan golf coach Andrew Sapp, Cummings quickly developed a connection with Sapp — but not Ann Arbor.

“I really liked Coach Sapp, but when I visited Michigan I didn’t really feel like it was the place for me,” Cummings said.

But when Sapp, now UNC’s men’s golf coach, was hired in summer 2011 to replace John Inman, who resigned after 13 years, Sapp said one of his first orders of business was to contact Cummings.

To do so, Sapp couldn’t make a phone call or send him a text. Unlike most UNC recruits, Cummings did not live in North Carolina, or even the United States.

While Cummings spent his summer at home in Dublin, Ireland, Sapp emailed Cummings to ask if he’d be interested in scheduling a visit to Chapel Hill.

“We got really along well when Keagan visited at Michigan, and I felt like he was an overall good fit for the type of player I look for no matter where I coach,” Sapp said. “It was just one of those situations where I simply hadn’t made him an offer yet because it was kind of early in the recruiting process.”

But now, Sapp was ready to make an offer.

Cummings’ response: “Sure, that’s much better than the snow.”

For Sapp, a UNC graduate and former UNC assistant golf coach, the chance to return to Chapel Hill and bring a talented recruit with him was an ideal situation.

“One of the nice things was we both got the better end of the bargain by coming to North Carolina,” Sapp said.

The Irish golfer felt similarly.

“It worked out perfectly,” Cummings said.

**The long journey**

Born in South Africa, Cummings moved to Dublin when he was five.

Though he immediately noticed the popularity of golf in Ireland, it was the opportunity to play during the trips he often made back to South Africa that truly sparked his interest in the sport.

“Golf is a very popular sport in Ireland, so it kind of rubbed off on me,” he said. “But my grandfather used to play a lot. I used to go back to South Africa a couple times a year to visit family and started playing with him one time when I was about 11 and just kept on from there.”

When he became more serious about the game, his burgeoning talent drew him to the United States, almost a nine-hour plane ride away from home.

With his sights set on making it to the next level, at 17 years old Cummings traveled to Bradenton, Fla., for his junior and senior years of high school, attending IMG Pendleton School — an academy that allows students to prepare for college while honing their athletic skills.

For Cummings, facing the tougher competition he knew existed in the United States was essential to achieve his goal of playing golf at the collegiate level.

“The difference between golf in Europe and golf in the U.S. is it’s extremely competitive here,” he said. “I think the U.S. is the best place to match up against other people your age. And college sports here are not comparable to pretty much anywhere else in the world.”

**Up and down**

Ranked the No. 114 junior golfer in the nation by Golfweek Magazine at the end of his senior year, Cummings headed to UNC facing high expectations.

He joined a UNC team that returned five starters from the spring and lost only one member from last year’s squad.

Cummings — the only freshman on the

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DTH/KAITLYN KELLY  
Keagan Cummings, from Dublin, Ireland, is a freshman on the UNC men’s golf team. He is the only freshman on the Tar Heel team this year, and he’s played in three fall tournaments.

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# North Carolina set for College Cup

UNC will play in the national semifinals today at 11 p.m.

**By David Adler**  
Staff Writer

The North Carolina women's soccer team is no stranger to the final rounds of the NCAA Tournament. But it's not used to being the underdog.

No. 13 UNC, which plays No. 1 Stanford at 11 p.m. today at San Diego's Torero Stadium, enters the College Cup semifinals as the lowest seed out of the four remaining teams.

The North Carolina program has plenty of championship experience — it's won a record 20 of the 30 NCAA tournaments. But coach Anson Dorrance said that experience won't be enough for these Tar Heels, many of whom have never been to a College Cup.

UNC last won a title in 2009, when most of its roster was in high school. But Dorrance said even a team full of seniors wouldn't necessarily be an advantage.

"Experience in the event might be a bit overrated," Dorrance said. "It comes down to your confidence as a player, your talent and your competitive fire. We have some very confident players that compete and have talent, and that's what's going to carry them in this event — not how many times they've been there."

But junior forward Kealia Ohai said the Tar Heels have a different kind of experience that will help them — the experience of being in close games and high-pressure situations.

"Early in the tournament, we weren't as tuned-in as we could have been," Ohai said. "Now, after the past couple of games, we've realized it's just something you have to learn, it's just something you have

to know — I'm going to be frantic, I'm going to be really stressed out before I take the shot. But no matter what, I have to focus and shoot it."

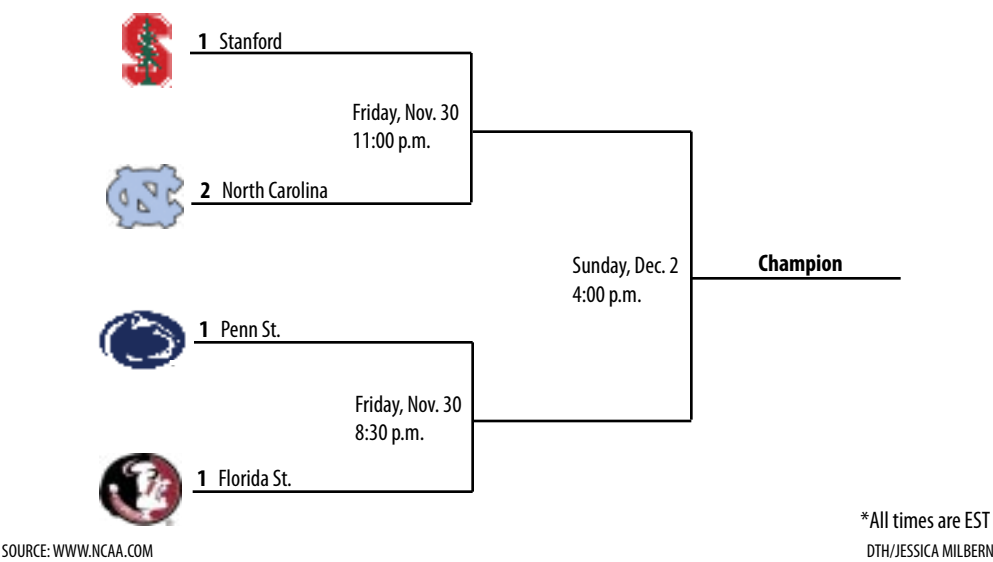
UNC's last two tournament games were about as tense as they come. The Tar Heels beat No. 11 Baylor on penalty kicks, then upset No. 2 Brigham Young in double overtime.

Against Baylor, UNC barely got the game to overtime — forward Crystal Dunn tied the game with nine minutes left. And against BYU, midfielder Brooke Elby kept the Tar Heels' season alive by saving a ball off the UNC goal line in overtime.

The Tar Heels will need to stay sharp against the top-seeded Cardinal. Dorrance said the Tar Heels will try to use high pressure to counter Stanford's offense.

Before UNC's second-round match against Illinois, Dorrance had said that in a hypothetical match against Stanford, he might start

## Women's soccer College Cup bracket



Dunn on defense to hold off the Cardinal early, then move her to offense later.

Now that the Tar Heels are actually playing Stanford, the game plan might change — and Dorrance said he didn't want to divulge his strategy.

But he did say UNC's pressure matches up well against the Stanford attack.

"Stanford likes to deliberately work the ball out of the back, and we like to pressure any teams that (do that)," Dorrance said. "We've

designed our system to play against the great teams ... with very sophisticated playing styles, and one of those teams is Stanford."

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## CUMMINGS

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roster — immediately showed promise by beating out top golfers Bailey Patrick and Clark Palmer for a starting spot in UNC's first fall tournament.

But it would be the only action Cummings would see as a starter all season and the first of just three fall tournament appearances.

"He's been kind of swimming upstream a little bit with some experienced veterans in front of him," Sapp said.

"And sometimes, no matter how good you are, it's hard to beat one of those guys out for a starting spot.

"But I think he's done really well and has a fantastic work ethic. We have high hopes for Keagan, and there's no reason why he won't start at some point in the spring."

While Cummings is accustomed to being far away from home, he said that being an

international student has contributed to his struggles this year on the golf course.

"It's a little hard not being home, but I lived away from my family for two years so I think I was more prepared than other people in the same position," Cummings said.

"It's been a pretty big adjustment. Living by myself, and in terms of golf, being the only freshman on the team is another added challenge."

But he's content with how far he's come.

"I didn't do great," he said. "I played okay then struggled a bit. But considering all of the changes I've had to undergo, I think I did fine. It's been kind of an up and down, but I think I've finally settled into the team."

### Irish green to light blue

While he is one of few UNC student-athletes from Ireland, Cummings is not concerned about this distinction.

More than a year after he received Sapp's email, the freshman is simply proud to call himself a Tar Heel.

"I guess it's unique and cool," he said. "But it feels better to just be a Tar Heel in general. I'm not really too worried about being the only Irish person."

But while strolling down Franklin Street on Halloween dressed as a leprechaun, he had no intention of giving anyone a history lesson about the yearly celebration that originated in Celtic Ireland.

His costume was rather a reminder of the length of the road, or ocean, he's traveled.

And despite the jokes he received, Cummings has no problem representing the place he calls home.

"I kind of bring the jokes upon myself, especially after being a leprechaun," he said. "But I'm Irish, so why not?"

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## VOLLEYBALL: NORTH CAROLINA 3, CALIFORNIA 1

# Tar Heels advance to second round

**By Marilyn Payne**  
Staff Writer

Through 19 ties and eight lead changes, North Carolina volleyball (26-5) opened its postseason with a 3-1 victory against California (15-16) in the first round of the NCAA Tournament on Thursday.

UNC senior Emily McGee answered Cal's match-opening point with a kill to start a six-point run.

"The first game's always a lot of pressure — it's the most nerve-wracking," McGee said in a telephone interview. "So being able to start strong like that set our confidence high. It let us say that we belong here and we can do it."

McGee scored three more of those points on service aces, and junior Kayla Berringer and sophomore Lauren Adkins each added a point on a kill on passes from senior Cora Harms.

That team intensity is what

it took to beat a California team with a solid .394 hitting percentage in the first set.

After securing the 26-24 victory, North Carolina kept its momentum by defending against California's specific strengths.

UNC held the Golden Bears to .125 hitting in the second set and won 25-23.

"We knew we had to make adjustments," sophomore Ece Taner said in a telephone interview. "They were starting to hit a little deeper. When we saw that and made those adjustments that we needed, we were able to shut them down."

North Carolina's offense began to struggle in the third set and lost 25-18.

"We just couldn't run an offense well in the set," Taner said. "It all just comes down to serving and passing — we couldn't connect our offense."

"Once we went back out there ready to do what we had to do, we started executing



DTH FILE/CHLOE STEPHENSON  
UNC senior Emily McGee, pictured here earlier in the season, had 13 kills and 11 digs in the Tar Heels' 3-1 win Thursday.

well again."

North Carolina overcame its own weak .176 hitting percentage in the third set, and the 6-2, fast-paced offensive lineup showed its effectiveness in the fourth.

"It was kind of like, we just needed to finish the game, we had to push through," freshman Victoria McPherson said.

McPherson had 12.5 points on the night, but even at that was not UNC's leading scorer.

McGee had 18 points, Berringer recorded 15.5 and Adkins had 10.5.

"Cal never could key in on one player to stop us — we had really good balance," head coach Joe Sagula said. "The third game we stopped playing hard. We got it back, and that's a sign of a good team. This is a really good and big win, and I'm proud of how they did it."

Sagula and his team hope to see more of that balance in today's match with Iowa State.

"We had four players in double-digit kills," McGee said. "It shows the confidence that we have and the room that we have to be confident in our team."

"When that carries over, it will be helpful."

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#### Cancer (June 21-July 22)

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#### Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Today is a 9 -- Watch out for surprises. Send somebody else ahead, and let them take the risks for now. You can pay them back later with your creative ideas.

#### Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today is a 6 -- Your friends are your inspiration. Schedule meetings and parties. Accept a challenge if it pays well. Create clear ideas out of the confusion. You're very attractive now.

#### Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Today is a 9 -- Career matters most now. Find a relaxing place away from distractions where you can be most productive. Focus on what you believe in and what you're passionate about. You're in love.

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Today is a 7 -- Should you go or should you stay? Romance may be challenging, but it's well worth the effort. Dress for a special event. Don't play any con games. Honesty is your best weapon. You gain clarity.

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Today is a 9 -- Be more willing to share the load. Look for the pieces that don't fit. Find a need and fill it. Get ready to make your choices. Imagine a brighter future.

#### Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

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# Q&A on Gaza Strip with UNC professor

By Hayley Fowler  
Staff Writer

*The strip of land known as Gaza has been at the center of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict in recent years.*

*Hamas, viewed by Israel and the U.S. as a terrorist organization, has been embroiled in violent conflict with the Jewish state. After facing repeated rocket attacks from groups in the strip, Israel responded with air strikes against Hamas-controlled targets before a ceasefire was implemented.*

*The Daily Tar Heel spoke with professor Shai Tamari, associate director of the Carolina Center for the Study of the Middle East and Muslim Civilizations, about his thoughts on the conflict.*

**Daily Tar Heel:** Are you personally familiar with the conflict in Gaza?

**Shai Tamari:** I was born and raised in Jerusalem and served in the Israeli military from 1994 to 1997.

Prior to becoming the associate director of the Middle East Center after getting my master's degree in global history from UNC, I was a foreign policy adviser at Capitol Hill on this issue, among other things, and now I teach a course on it.

During the last surge of violence between the Israeli army and Hamas, I had the



**Shai Tamari** is associate director of the Study of the Middle East and Muslim Civilizations center.

sense of déjà vu. In 2006, when the Israel army and Hezbollah fought, I found myself calling and writing friends and family in northern Israel and in Beirut to check they were alright.

This time around, I found myself calling and writing friends and family in Israel and Gaza. This conflict would be much easier for me to deal with if I was one-sided.

**DTH:** Who do you know that has been affected by the conflict?

**ST:** I have family and friends on both sides — a sister in Jerusalem and a grandmother near Tel Aviv, and friends and family of friends in Gaza.

**DTH:** What are your thoughts on the rocket attacks and the air strikes?

**ST:** This conflict is not a military conflict but rather a political conflict that requires political solutions and not military solutions. Both sides are convinced they can provide military solutions but they will fail with that mindset. The political solution is

dialogue.

I'm hoping in the future, rather than firing at each other first and talking after, they'll talk first and not fire.

**DTH:** What do you think about the international response?

**ST:** Usually, we have a similar response to what goes on in that region — from the U.S., European Union and Arab countries. The U.S. replies with unconditional support to Israeli policies; Arabs are critical of Israel and support Palestine; the E.U. is divided between being critical of Israel or supportive of Israel.

I think the U.S. should support direct and indirect dialogue between Israel and Hamas as both sides have proven they can do that.

**DTH:** What do you think is the future of this conflict?

**ST:** The only way that this conflict is going to be resolved is if all sides are brought into the conversation — that includes both Hamas and Fatah (a Palestinian political party in the West Bank).

Unless there is reconciliation between two main parties within Palestinian society, Israel will have to deal with two separate entities, and will therefore be unable to come to a resolution.

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### » Obama, Romney meet for lunch after ugly race

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MCT) — Their relationship seemed doomed from the start. It was mostly a long-distance affair conducted in public exchanges, tempered by occasional awkward gestures of warmth but more often singed by open hostility. It most likely ended, mercifully, Thursday over white turkey chili and Southwestern grilled chicken salad.

President Barack Obama and the vanquished Mitt Romney ate lunch in a private dining room steps from the Oval Office, the seat of power they battled over for months, some might say years.

The meeting, a decades-old tradition between former rivals, put a bow on an otherwise ugly race marked by very few attempts to pretend the candidates liked each other. Until Thursday, that is, when a smiling Romney stopped by the White House. He left a little more than an hour later.

The lunch date was, perhaps not surprisingly, the winner's idea.

But the president, who never expressed respect for Romney's political skills during the campaign, seemed to have trouble describing the purpose. Unlike some defeated candidates, Romney doesn't hold public office and doesn't represent a powerful constituency.

The White House offered only the broadest description

of their conversation: "The focus of their discussion was on America's leadership in the world and the importance of maintaining that leadership position in the future." The meeting ended with a vague promise "to stay in touch."

### Obama turns to public to sell fiscal cliff solution

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MCT) — Fresh off his re-election victory, President Barack Obama has started campaigning again, this time to sell the nation on his solution to avert a series of spending cuts and tax increases that could throw the economy back into a recession.

Obama has returned to a familiar playbook — trying to pressure Congress through a public relations blitz — while leaving his aides to work out a compromise on the so-called fiscal cliff. It's the same tack he took last year on issues ranging from the extension of a payroll tax cut to college loan rates.

"If there's one thing that I've learned, when the American people speak loudly enough, lo and behold, Congress listens," Obama said this week.

But his strategy has prompted complaints from Republican leaders who have called for the president to outline specific proposals and take a seat at the bargaining table.

"If the president really wants to reach an agreement, he needs to be talking with



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» President Barack Obama and Mitt Romney talk in the Oval Office following their lunch on Thursday in Washington, D.C.

the members of his own party, here in Washington, trying to broker an agreement, not out there firing up crowds and giving speeches," said Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky. "He's the only one who can do it."

Both sides said they are willing to compromise, but in recent weeks disagreements on income tax rates, not spending cuts, have dominated talks. Obama wants to continue the George W. Bush-era rates for annual family incomes below \$250,000, while Republicans say the current rates should continue for everyone, including those with higher incomes.

# Chapel Hill police seek student feedback

## Chapel Hill police held a meeting with UNC students.

By Jenny Drabble  
Staff Writer

The Chapel Hill Police Department met with UNC students Thursday night to get feedback on its performance.

The meeting was hosted by the safety committee of student government and included representatives from the police department and the town's Justice in Action Committee.

Police will consider student input to improve their strategic plan.

"The plan is the police department's way of going to the community and saying, 'Hey, how are we doing?'" said Sgt. Josh Mecimore, spokesman for the Chapel Hill Police Department.

"It allows us to get feedback on whether we're moving in the right direction."

Students brought up issues including bike safety, jaywalking and the presence of the police department.

After meetings in June, the police department decided to conduct targeted meetings to get specific feedback from groups like UNC students, Mecimore said.

"Part of the plan is to utilize social media to try to communicate better, often with the students," he said.

"Promoting pedestrian and cyclist safety is another area students would have significant involvement in."

The Justice in Action Committee worked with the police department in 2010 to get feedback from the community.

"We thought students were an important demographic whose voice really needed to be heard," said Will Hendrick, chairman of the committee.

Mecimore said one of the most important things the strategic plan has done for UNC students is put a greater emphasis on traffic safety.

He said prior to the plan, the department had officers who regulated traffic. It now has a separate unit for pedestrian and bicycle safety.

Since the creation of the plan, police have also

*"We wanted students ... to learn more about public safety off campus."*

**South Moore,**  
safety committee member

improved communication between the department and the town, Mecimore said.

"It's a living document, and it's going to change as we solicit more feedback," Mecimore said. "We might go in one direction, but if needs change, we can alter the plan."

Although only 11 students attended the meeting, South Moore, a member of the safety committee, said the turnout did not disappoint him and he was impressed people outside student government came.

"We wanted students outside the student government bubble to learn more about public safety off campus," Moore said.

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### Waffles all of the days

Waffle House will be opening a location on East Franklin Street. See pg. 1 for story.

### Leaving a legacy

Don Luse, director of the Student Union, is retiring today after 20 years at UNC. See pg. 3 for story.

### Athletics official leaves

Associate athletic director for compliance Amy Herman will resign today. See pg. 3 for story.

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



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23 “\_ho!”

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26 Early Pilgrim family

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30 Fairy tale threat

33 Mimic magazine managers?

38 The gamut

39 Obtain dispute resistance

42 Key of Beethoven's Piano Sonata No. 24

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53 Like much mouthwash

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55 “Dang!”

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64 Slurpee cousins

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36 Tourist's options: Abbr.

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45 It starts with thunder and lightning in “Macbeth”

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concern

George Carlin's "Seven Words You Can Never Say on Television," could also be called "Seven Words You Can Never Say in Chapel Hill Cemeteries." That's just the beginning of behavioral control at the cemetery.

The estate tax, also known as the "death tax," is often cited as one of government's biggest offenses. Perhaps you've heard an uncle recite the saying, "They tax you even when you're dead!"

But I think I might have found a worthy competitor: cemetery regulations.

Most of Chapter 6 of the town code deals exclusively with cemeteries: behavior on cemetery grounds, who can be buried in what fashion and fees associated with grave plots.

Using the cemetery as a playground or a parking lot, making an indecent exposure and using profane or indecent language are forbidden.

Reading through, I'm reminded that a lot of times rules are put in place because of that one jerk who ruins things for everyone. One would hope that people are quiet and respectful in the cemetery because that's the appropriate thing to do, not because of any law on the books; it's depressing that we feel the need to legislate against this kind of thing.

I wouldn't have any complaints if someone wanted to recall what a "crazy mofo" a loved one was. What if they were, in fact, a "crazy mofo?" Who's the judge of that?! And who's checking for this stuff, anyway?

I can't say I've been to either of the public cemeteries in town — and I don't hope to go anytime soon! — but I'm starting to wonder if there's someone sitting there just waiting for someone to use indecent language. I referenced the "seven dirty words," but what constitutes "profane or indecent language" anyway? I think it'd be much better to see those words written out explicitly.

It gets worse! Not only are the living controlled, but so are the deceased. Every person buried within Chapel Hill town limits must be buried in one of the two public cemeteries: Chapel Hill Memorial Cemetery and West Chapel Hill Cemetery.

What would the almighty, infallible Founders think? I visited George Washington's resting place at Mount Vernon, where he spent much of his life, including time as president. Thomas Jefferson, too, is buried at his own Monticello.

It seems that if you want to be a "Tar Heel dead" that stays in Chapel Hill, your body must remain under town supervision. It seems that churches, private estates and other private lands will not be tolerated.

Oh — if you don't want a grave liner, the container that houses a buried casket, the town's attitude is bizarre. The code seems to read: "Yeah, your personal/religious preferences are bizarre — we'll bury you without the grave liner, so long as you pay an extra fee."

Want to leave artificial flowers at a gravesite for more than two weeks? No.

I guess the spirit of suffocating regulation has extended its long, strong arms even into the afterlife.

Thanks, Obama.

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EDITORIAL

State-federal exchange

Pat McCrory should support a joint health insurance exchange.

Governor-elect Pat McCrory and the newly elected state legislature should support Gov. Bev Perdue's decision to set up a joint state-federal exchange for health insurance.

Earlier this month, Perdue announced her desire to set up the joint exchange for the state's health insurance market starting in 2014. She made the announcement in time to meet the deadline to apply for federal funding for exchange-related expenses.

The exchange would enable individuals and

small businesses to compare health insurance plans and discern eligibility for tax credits in order to lower the cost of health insurance.

Additionally, the joint structure would enable the state to control the exchange, instead of the federal government.

Supporters of the joint system for the exchange argue that it will provide greater control and flexibility over the decision-making process. They argue it is important for state residents to be a part of the conversation about their own health insurance.

Opponents to the joint system and to Perdue's declaration of intent argue McCrory should be the one to make this decision when

he takes office in January.

Regardless, having a joint state-federal exchange for the state's health insurance is in the interests of the state's residents — it allows the state to collaborate with the federal government on certain logistical issues, while also maintaining control of the decision-making process.

McCrory should not bow to some of the political pressures he might face from members of his party, who might be uncomfortable with what they perceive as Perdue's pre-emption of his decision.

When McCrory and the Republican-dominated General Assembly take office next year, they should vote to set up a joint state-federal exchange.

COLUMN

The Friday interview

The board talks with Jay Smith about athletics reform.



Jay Smith is a UNC history professor and a member of the informal faculty athletics reform group.

The issue of big money in college athletics, and its relationship to universities across the country, needs to be addressed. Jay Smith, a history professor, believes the University's athletics reform group could be a catalyst for discussion and change.

In the wake of last summer's revelations regarding academic dishonesty and classes with large enrollment of student athletes, Smith said the athletics reform group "has helped fill a vacuum about public discussion" and brought in the perspective of the faculty.

The group meets about once a month, "usually in response to some event" that has some bearing on athletics.

Although the group has met regularly for nearly a year, it has been less concerned with specific policy prescriptions than fostering discussion.

This semester, the group's main focus has been "moving the conversation on campus" with the goal of agitating for public forums or town hall meetings in the spring.

The group believes it's important for the University to discuss athletic reform in the spring, before the new chancellor takes office.

Smith hopes that Chancellor Holden Thorp, in the last few months of his tenure, will have "started a robust conversation" that could continue into the new chancellorship.

This would provide the University with the foundation and knowledge to make any necessary changes when the new chancellor steps in.

The group has addressed three major points of emphasis. The first centers around the education that athletes are — or are not — receiving. Faculty members are responsible for providing a meaningful, proper education for all their students.

However, as Smith points out, evidence has surfaced indicating that "some of our athletes are skating by or being ushered through a weakened or watered-down curriculum." Smith names this as one of the primary concerns of the group.

The University's handling of academic dishonesty is another focus of the group. Members of the athletics reform group are convinced that "the University — more so than any institution — should be a model of integrity, with transparency as its guiding principle."

During the past few years, UNC has, at times, shied away from openness, particularly in regards to the academic scandal. Smith and others in the group are right to push for more honesty and transparency within our community, and to be concerned with "the University's sometimes awkward public handling of the whole issue."

In order to move forward as a more transparent institution, Smith believes it is necessary for the University "to use our own embarrassing situation — use our own humiliation essentially — to launch a national conversation."

Indeed, for our University to move forward, we must learn and grow from our past

failures.

Smith noted that the conversation doesn't end on this campus either. The problem we are facing isn't restricted to one or two universities.

One of the most pressing issues facing college athletics is the moral hazard that can come with big-time, big-money sports.

Smith discussed the importance of the philosophical issues of college athletics, which are often ignored. The fact that student athletes' labor brings in lots of money to universities but that the athletes themselves don't get to see any of the profits is "a form of hypocrisy we haven't addressed."

He went on to say that University officials are particularly guilty of ignoring the fact that "big-time sport is an enormous money-making enterprise," where the distribution of the wealth gained is "unjust and inconsistent."

While Smith thinks college sports teams can and should exist, he favors a system that would have these teams be "separate, autonomous commercial entities that have relatively little connection to the academic institution."

Overall, the group doesn't have an official opinion about how college athletics fit in with academics, with the opinions of group members on the issue representing a "mixed bag." The one thing they all agree on is that "discussion should take place."

Regardless of what members of the athletics reform group believe, the question of the morality and ethics of college athletics will — for the foreseeable future — be one of controversy and great importance.

Kareem Ramadan is an editorial board member for The Daily Tar Heel.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Just because students are not sitting at the table with us does not mean we aren't taking their input into account."

Winston Crisp, on reform of UNC's sexual assault policy

FEATURED ONLINE READER COMMENT

"You crack down on underage drinking in bars and are then shocked when students start drinking elsewhere? This isn't a surprise."

Thinkaboutit, on more pregameing due to drinking laws enforcement

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Investment dialogue still needs some work

TO THE EDITOR:

Wednesday night's Endowment 101 Forum was a small step in the right direction, inaugurating the conversation for making our endowment more transparent.

With the help of Vice Chancellor Karol Gray, Vice Chancellor Julia Grumbles and CEO of UNC Management Company Jon King, we better understand the mechanics of the endowment's current investments.

For us as students, the scene is set. But now we have to keep the conversation going.

We should be conscientious of where our investment dollars go.

As it stands, the UNC Management Company contends that to maintain the returns, we need to meet donor-directed payout, and there isn't room for anybody to direct investments.

Administrators also made it clear Wednesday that donors have complete control over what their money supports on campus.

Shouldn't they also be able to say how their money should be invested?

We left the forum without a clear avenue for engaging in an investment dialogue, but research is already underway on our peer institutions with "A" grades on endowment transparency surveys.

These findings will help us and administrators find the next step toward transparency.

We're grateful that administrators were able to engage with us in a productive, albeit difficult, conversation, but our work is far from done.

Logan Mauney '13  
Co-chairman  
Environmental affairs  
committee

Comic on instructors was quite distasteful

TO THE EDITOR:

Your comic depicting two male instructors plotting to make their students miserable was disgusting.

What's supposed to be funny here? The idea that instructors conspire to make their students suffer? That describing a woman as a fat whale is chuckle-worthy? That fat people are repellent?

It's interesting to try to imagine this comic with a female instructor as the audience for her colleague's complaint. And this is your comic, not just Matt Leming's.

The comics so far this year have been subpar, but this is a new low. Newspapers don't have to include comics on their editorial pages. If you can't do better than this, you should consider putting this feature on hold this year.

Vicki Behrens  
Assistant director  
The Writing Center

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