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David Shannon's brother, Stephen, who is a senior at Elon, embraces UNC student Emma Berry after a vigil in the Great Hall on Monday night.

'Good guy with a big heart'

Student David Shannon's vigil attracted hundreds Monday.

By Chelsey Dulaney and Andy Thomason
Senior Writers

As hundreds of students gathered Monday night to mourn the death of freshman David Shannon, Carrboro police continued to piece together the details of his final hours.

In the early hours of Saturday morning, Shannon fell 17 feet while climbing a piece of machinery at the Ready Mixed Concrete Plant on Guthrie Avenue in Carrboro, suffering injuries that may have led to his death.

He was found dead Saturday night by friends.

Soon after Shannon was discovered Saturday night, police began asking those who saw or heard from him since Friday night to come forward.

Witnesses told police that Shannon was drinking alcohol on Friday night and into Saturday morning. Police said Monday that alcohol might have been a factor in the incident.

"We don't know quite what he was doing in that area," said Lt. Chris Attack, spokesman for the Carrboro Police Department.

Attack said police believe Shannon was

alone at the time of the fall.

"That is obviously something we're still investigating," said Attack.

On Saturday night, a group of UNC students who knew Shannon went searching for him.

At 10:34 p.m. Saturday, the group found Shannon's body near a bike trail off Brewer Lane and called police.

Shannon was pronounced dead at the scene.

Attack said Shannon was found about 90 yards from where he first fell.

"He was able to move," Attack said.

Attack said investigators are looking into whether Shannon's death is related to his involvement in fraternity life. Shannon was a pledge in the Chi Phi fraternity.

"It's one of the angles you have to look into," he said. "That's going to be one of the angles we explore."

University officials cautioned against premature speculation until the investigation has concluded.

"There's always going to be speculation and rumor surrounding any time a student dies," said Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Winston Crisp.

"I always want to be careful to let the investigation play out."

John Childress, president of the fraternity, said members are grieving the loss of Shannon.

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GIVE INFORMATION

Those with information on Shannon's whereabouts Friday night should contact Sgt. Mike Metz at 919-918-7409 or Lt. Anthony Westbrook at 919-918-7417.

Dean of Students Jonathan Sauls said administrators have been providing counseling services for students, as well as coordinating with professors on behalf of students who need to miss class.

"Quite honestly, we're so concerned with the immediate needs of the community of students ... The sheer scope of that occupies the majority of our concern," he said.

Shannon's death marks the third student death this semester, and the second that has required a police investigation.

Junior Faith Hedgepeth was found dead Sept. 7 in her Chapel Hill apartment.

Police identified the case as a homicide investigation just hours later, but police have yet to make an arrest or announce any

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UNC system seeks new health insurance

Increased costs have led to a search for a new provider.

By Amanda Albright
Staff Writer

Today, the UNC system will release applications to insurance companies nationwide in search of a plan with a smaller price tag after this year's \$248.50 per-student increase in health insurance costs.

A new plan for UNC-system students for 2013-14 will be chosen by Feb. 15.

The N.C. Department of Insurance and the Independent Insurance Agents of North Carolina will help review qualified applicants, such as Aetna and BlueCross BlueShield of North Carolina.

"This gives them a chance to compete for our business, which we hope will make prices competitive," said Bruce Mallette, vice president for academic and student affairs for the UNC system.

The cost of the plan for students increased this year from \$460.50 to \$709 per semester, partially due to the expansion of benefits per the 2010 Affordable Care Act.

The increased benefits include coverage for birth control, pre-existing conditions and preventative services, such as vaccination shots.

About 50,000 students use the system's plan, which is provided by Pearce & Pearce, a service arm of the insurance company Chartis. About 70 percent of students waive out of the plan.

Mallette said only about 12 percent of the cost increase was due to the Affordable Care Act.

Mary Covington, executive director of UNC's Campus Health Services, said the increased amount of claims filed has also increased the price of the plan.

"There was concern about escalating cost, but students are voting on how much they like the policy by using its benefits," she said.

Carolyn Pearce, chief operating officer at Pearce & Pearce, said the agency plans to bid on UNC again. She said the bidding process might not affect the cost of UNC's plan because companies would all consider the same history of claims as a parameter.

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Future state immigration policies are unclear

The N.C. legislature might discuss its immigration policy.

By Jacob Rosenberg
Staff Writer

Arizona's controversial illegal immigration law has thrust state immigration policies into the spotlight, but a recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling leaves N.C. legislators' next steps unclear.

An N.C. House of Representatives special committee on immigration is set to meet Nov. 13 — without any plans to pass legislation that would crack down on illegal immigration.

But legislators say that if Republicans retain control of the N.C. General Assembly after the Nov. 6 election, they will likely pursue such a policy, despite the federal government's

recent assertion of authority regarding immigration enforcement policies.

The Supreme Court's high-profile decision on Arizona's immigration law in *Arizona v. United States* put immigration issues largely under the purview of the federal government, said UNC law professor Deborah Weissman.

"The decision has certainly been seen as one that reasserts that immigration is a federal matter, not a state matter," she said.

The Supreme Court struck down most of Arizona's immigration law on the basis that the federal government has absolute authority on immigration policy. This ruling leaves state legislators on unsure footing moving forward on immigration policy.

Rep. Harry Warren, R-Rowan, co-chairman of the House committee, said it plans to issue a report to continue studying immigration

issues and making only recommendations — no policy proposals — until the new session begins next year.

Warren and Rep. Frank Iler, R-Brunswick, the other co-chairman, both said if legislation is proposed next session, it would encourage the federal government to more strongly enforce the law to prevent costs caused by illegal immigrants in the state.

"I have a resolution that the federal government do its job and (the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement) help local law enforcement, instead of basically doing as little as possible," Iler said. "It is a federal issue, but they aren't doing their job very well."

Warren said state costs related to illegal immigration are estimated at \$2 million every year, but he stressed that any legislation must

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Northeast states prepare for Hurricane Sandy's impact

The storm is also bringing snow to western N.C.

By Graham McAlister
Staff Writer

Families of UNC students on Monday braced for Hurricane Sandy's impact and a torrent of rain, snow and wind all along the East Coast.

For UNC senior Justin Sapir's family in Long Valley, N.J., safety precautions included filling their bathtubs with a supply of water in case their power went out due to the hurricane-force winds.

Sapir's relatives who live in Atlantic City had already evacuated Monday.

"My uncle has to evacuate. He's going to my (other) uncle's house in Philadelphia," he said.

The storm made landfall in the Northeast Monday night.



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A fallen tree and power line lie on top of homes on Harvard Street in Garden City, N.Y., on Monday.

But according to the National Weather Service, there were tropical storm warnings in effect in the eastern part of North Carolina.

The organization also reported that Sandy is expected to bring at least a foot of snow to western North Carolina in addition to the 3 to 6 inches of rain that are

expected in the northeastern part of the state.

N.C. Gov. Bev Perdue has declared a state of emergency for 24 of the state's western counties so that they can receive national assistance.

"People need to continue to take this storm seriously

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CANDY CONCOCTIONS

Chapel Hill and Carrboro's local candy-makers are making Halloween-themed candies to celebrate the dentist's favorite holiday. **Page 3.**



IT'S A SHORT STORY

The Daily Tar Heel chatted with Jill Menard — a UNC student and Carrboro resident who is a highly ranked author in the America's Next Author online competition — about her inspiration and creativity. **Page 7.**

This day in history

OCT. 30, 2004

The Tar Heel football team beat the undefeated, fourth-ranked Miami Hurricanes — the University's first time ever beating a top-five football team.

Today's weather



Sandy, can't you see, I'm in misery
H 52, L 38

Wednesday's weather



It's a little chilly, costume peeps
H 59, L 36

“A cold wind was blowing from the north, and it made the trees rustle like living things.”

GEORGE R.R. MARTIN, "A GAME OF THRONES"

Rec leader will retire in June 2012

After 28 years at UNC, the director of Campus Recreation will retire.

By Sarah Niss
Staff Writer

The director of Campus Recreation has spent the past 21 years encouraging UNC students to be active.

As Marty Pomerantz plans for his June retirement after 28 total years at UNC, those who work with him say he will leave Campus Recreation bigger and better than he found it.

“He’s done a very good job as director,” said Kevin Guskiewicz,

chairman of the department of exercise and sport science. “He has been instrumental in the success of campus recreation for a long time.”

Pomerantz said he will miss the relationships he has with staff and students but will stay involved.

“I just decided it’s been a wonderful adventure, but it’s time to move aside for some young stud,” Pomerantz said.

During his time at UNC, Pomerantz has worked to improve and expand the facilities available to students, faculty and staff.

His first challenge was updating Woolen Gym, which at the start of his career was the only recreation facility on campus.

“That truly is one of his biggest

accomplishments — to expand what we have available for students’ programs and facilities,” said Lauren Mangili, associate director of Campus Recreation.

Pomerantz has also played an important role in the expansion of facilities to South Campus.

“We were moving student housing down to that end of campus, and they needed a recreation facility as well, close to their residence halls,” Guskiewicz said.

Mangili said Pomerantz was involved in the development of South Campus and the Rams Head Parking Deck, Recreation Center and Dining Hall. Rams Head opened in 2005, she said.

Guskiewicz said Pomerantz also



helped gather funds to build the outdoor facility across from the Smith Center, which offers tennis and beach volleyball.

Pomerantz also helped create Kids ROCK, which stands for Recreational Opportunities for Carolina Kids and offers programs for the children of students, faculty and staff.

Mangili said one of Pomerantz’s

greatest strengths is his enthusiasm, which makes others want to get involved.

“Whether it’s a bike trip or a fun run, these are things he enjoys doing so he wants other people to enjoy them as well,” she said.

“He’s a good problem solver,” Guskiewicz said. “I’ve always admired his ability to come to the table with an idea.”

Pomerantz said that after he retires, he hopes to use the extra free time to play golf and spend time with his grandson.

“I look forward to a smooth ride into the sunset,” he said.

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SWEET CAROLINA CANDY



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Mary Butler operates Carolina Confectionery out of her home in Chapel Hill. Her legendary toffee is shipped around the world.

Candy company brings local treats to the masses

By Gayatri Surendranathan
Staff Writer

Mary Butler’s legendary toffee is routinely shipped from Chapel Hill to places as far as Austria and Japan.

Butler, who discovered her love of making candies decades ago, started Carolina Confectionery Company after being urged to by friends.

“I started when my kids went off to college just making toffee and chocolates for my friends and family,” Butler said. “They kept telling me I should make them more available so I thought, ‘Why not?’”

On Halloween, a day typically devoted to candy consumption, Butler plans on making pumpkin truffles and witch-shaped chocolates.

Though Butler doesn’t usually see a spike in sales on Halloween because of the gourmet nature of her treats, she is preparing for the onslaught of orders that comes with the holiday season.

“I make chocolate pumpkins filled with toffee for Thanksgiving that people

like to give to their friends and coworkers,” Butler said.

She works from home, taking phone calls and making custom candies in her kitchen.

She used to have a shop in Chatham County, but found the flexibility of working at home more suitable.

“I make all of my candy according to what people ask for,” Butler said. “Once, a company in North Carolina wanted shark’s tooth chocolate, so they sent me a real old shark’s tooth, and I made a mold from it just for them.”

Her most popular candy — and the one she likes best — is her toffee, which she makes using her mother’s recipe.

Anna Tabor, an old friend of Butler’s and a regular customer, said her toffee is the best she has ever tasted.

“She used to make it for Christmas and I would hide it from my husband and kids. It was that good,” Tabor said.

Tabor’s husband was Butler’s first customer when she opened shop.

“Mary doesn’t have to advertise a lot. She has a lot of followers who

appreciate that her stuff is all hand-made,” Tabor said. “It’s mostly word-of-mouth.”

Butler’s customers don’t just come from North Carolina — a map in her home that tracks where her orders come from has marks in almost every state and a few foreign countries.

When business started growing, Butler’s daughter Whitney Goodman decided she would help out.

“My mom’s a perfectionist and it’s hard for her to delegate, so I thought I would help,” Goodman said.

She said she mostly helps with packaging and making the toffee.

“I know I’m her daughter, but she really does make really nice chocolates,” she said.

Butler said her favorite part of her job is the customers.

“I get a lot of positive interaction because usually when people are buying candy it’s for happy reasons,” she said.

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NC medical schools increase enrollment

Schools are increasing enrollment to compensate for a shortage of doctors.

By John Howell Jr.
Staff Writer

As the country faces a shortage of doctors, North Carolina medical schools are making a concerted effort to provide for the needs of the state.

In 2006, the American Association of Medical Colleges estimated a shortage of 90,000 doctors by 2020 and asked medical schools to increase enrollment by 30 percent.

And Dr. Darrell Kirch, president and CEO of the association, said in a recent teleconference that medical schools have responded.

Since 2011, the number of applicants to U.S. medical schools increased by 3.1 percent to a total of 45,266. First-time enrollment reached 19,517 students, the highest amount since the association began tracking these statistics in 1989.

Dr. Robert Bashford, associate dean for admissions at the UNC School of Medicine, said that in response to the looming shortage of doctors nationally and in the state, the school has increased its class size by 20 students in the last two years. The school admitted 180 out of 550 applicants this year.

The school has also initiated a program to identify and train physicians to work in the state’s rural areas by engaging students with a tailored curriculum, he said.

The rural scholars program will gather medical students who grew up in rural areas with a desire to return as primary care physicians, he said, adding that other states have seen success with similar programs.

“We have done all the ground work,” he said. “We’re going to pick the rural scholars in early 2013.”

Dr. James Peden, associate dean for admissions for East Carolina University’s Brody School of Medicine, said the highest need lies with primary care positions.

He said 32 percent of graduates practice in underserved areas, and 19 percent serve rural communities.

Peden said this year, the school enrolled its largest class ever with 80 students — the maximum number that can be accommodated with its current facilities.

The mission of Duke University School of Medicine focuses more on training specialists, said Dr. Edward Buckley, vice dean for education.

“I’m still not sure that what we need is more doctors,” he said, adding that Duke has increased its nurse practitioner, physician assistant and physical therapy programs to provide more mid-level professionals who can care for chronic disease.

But Buckley said the nation might be facing another crisis — too many medical students and not enough residency positions.

“The number of federally funded residency slots has been stable and stagnant for the last 15 years,” Buckley said.

Kirch said without a change in legislation, new doctors won’t be able to finish training and practice in their communities.

“Until Congress lifts the cap on residency training, America won’t have enough doctors,” he said.

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45,266	applicants to U.S. medical schools
19,517	first-time enrollees at U.S. medical schools
180	students admitted to UNC’s medical school in 2012

Students rank University values in survey

The survey will help guide the search for the next chancellor.

By Ellen Black
Staff Writer

Student government is trying to make it easier for students to make their voices heard in the search for a new chancellor.

And the results of a short online survey show that, so far, they rank the top two priorities as academic excellence and accessibility and affordability — with athletic excellence at the bottom.

More than 360 students have responded to the survey so far, said Jason Dunn, senior adviser to Student Body President Will Leimenstoll.

The survey information was distributed to leaders of student organizations to be sent to as many listservs as

possible.

“We did get a pretty wide distribution of students,” Dunn said.

The survey, which can be found on the student government website, was also advertised in the Pit and through social media.

“We tried to make it as accessible as possible to make sure all students had the opportunity to fill it out,” Leimenstoll said.

The survey gives students a list of values they would like to see upheld in the University’s future, and then are asked to rank them in order of their importance.

“We were just trying to get an idea of what students wanted,” Leimenstoll said.

The full results of the survey will not be released until a public student forum on Nov. 8.

It is part of four forums held for students, faculty, staff and the community to voice

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Will Leimenstoll,
student body president

their opinions about what values they would like to see in the next chancellor.

These results will be used to develop a document outlining the top qualities students voted for.

Dunn said that this document, which will be presented to the chancellor search committee, is intended to be used as a guide for the committee, illuminating what values students want the next chancellor to possess.

“We just hope that it will help shape how the chancellor search committee views the student perspective,” Dunn said.

Senior Chanel Porter said she thinks it is important for the next chancellor to be concerned about the University’s

image.

“I think it would be good to have someone who was dedicated to rebuilding our reputation as a University.”

Freshman Matt Horton agreed.

“I want someone who understands the importance of keeping a clean name for the school.”

But regardless of students’ preferences, Leimenstoll said the important part is that students give their input.

“The University would not be here if it weren’t for the students,” Leimenstoll said.

“They definitely need to have their voices heard.”

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CITY BRIEFS

Project Connect helped roughly 250 area homeless

On Oct. 11, the sixth annual Project Connect event, held at the Hargraves Center in Chapel Hill, helped roughly 268 homeless people

get connected to local businesses to get the services they need.

Roughly 1,000 people received health or dental care the most used service at Project Connect.

At the event 243 people sought help for mental health services or substance abuse treatment, and 33 guests registered to vote.

Also, 272 guests received employment, education and job-training assistance, and 272 people connected with housing resources.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

UNC Press editor-in-chief to retire at the end of this year

UNC Press Editor-in-Chief David Perry has announced that he plans to retire in March 2013.

Perry has worked with the publishing house for 34 years. UNC Press was founded in 1922 and is the oldest in the South and one of the oldest in the United States.

Perry acquires books in Southern studies and history. He has a special focus on Civil War and military history, and he also collects books for the UNC Press’s regional general-interest list.

Perry joined UNC Press as an editorial assistant in 1979, and he was named editor-in-chief in 1995.

Other notable achievements during his time on the press include serving on the North Carolina Arts Council, the board of the North

Carolina Writers Network and the board of the North Carolina Writers Conference.

He was also a member of several task forces to craft new University copyright and intellectual property policies.

Perry also helped found the Working Group in Scholarly Communication at UNC.

Perry is a UNC alumnus.

— From staff and wire reports

Lieutenant governor race running close in NC

By Lucinda Shen
Staff Writer

Although most political analysts give Republican gubernatorial candidate Pat McCrory the upper hand in the N.C. governor race, the race for the state's second-in-command is still up in the air. According to a recent poll of more than 1,000 likely N.C. voters by left-leaning Public Policy Polling, McCrory is ahead of Democratic Lt. Gov. Walter Dalton by 10 percentage points.

But the candidates for lieutenant governor, Linda Coleman, a Democrat, and Dan Forest, a Republican, are neck-and-neck in the poll. Thirty-seven percent of voters surveyed said they would vote for Coleman, while 38 percent support Forest.

"We think it's because people don't really know who



Linda Coleman is the Democratic candidate for North Carolina lieutenant governor.



Dan Forest is the Republican candidate running for North Carolina lieutenant governor.

they are and are basing them on their party affiliation," said Holly Holbrook, intern at Public Policy Polling.

President Barack Obama's campaign efforts in the state and Forest's conservative orthodoxy will give Coleman a slight edge, said Steven Greene, political science professor at N.C. State University.

"Forest really is a pretty far-right politician in a state much more inclined to elect someone closer to the center," Greene said in an email.

On higher education issues, Forest and Coleman both agree that performance-based funding — tied to retention and graduation

rates — would improve universities' efficiency.

But the candidates differ on other platform points.

While Forest wants to reevaluate the current education system and appropriate funds accordingly, Coleman believes that funding education is key to the state's economic success.

"We need to invest more in education," she said. "It is education that attracts businesses to our state and creates jobs in the private sector."

But Forest, who worked in the private sector, believes the way to bring jobs to North Carolina and fix the economy is to run the government like

a business, he said.

"Our government is broke. They don't call it that, but it's broke," he said.

The state's budget could be managed more efficiently with people used to managing money, Forest said.

"The public sector spends money — somebody else's rather than their own," he said. "We need people with a business background to run the government."

Only two lieutenant governors have come from the opposite party from the governor in the past 50 years — once in 1972, and again in 1984, said Ferrel Guillory, UNC-CH journalism professor.

"They didn't get into fist fights. In some cases they work together, in other cases they didn't," he said. "There's a certain amount of political rivalry."

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SHANNON

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suspects.

Friday will mark eight weeks since her death.

"Unfortunately, and really tragically, we're developing more experience with this than we'd really like," Sauls said.

At the Monday night vigil, Shannon's friends and family spoke about his lasting impact on those he knew.

"The fact that this room is packed is a testament to what a great person David was," said his brother, Stephen Shannon, a senior at Elon University.

"David would have loved it — to have a room full of friends."

At the vigil, Chancellor Holden Thorp discussed plans for a scholarship in Shannon's name — the David Palmer Shannon Memorial Fund.

"Even though he had just arrived, David had already made a difference," Thorp said.

"It's easy to get caught up in classes, meetings, study sessions and all the details of our lives. Look out for each other and love each other."

Stuart Castillo, who was in Shannon's Chi Phi pledge class, spoke about Shannon's uncanny ability to make friends.

"David was a good guy with a big heart," he said. "David was the heart and soul in our Chi Phi pledge class."

Carrboro police continue to ask people with information about Shannon's whereabouts since Friday to come forward.

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INSURANCE

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"I would be surprised if prices went down, unless the benefits were changed," she said.

Former UNC Association of Student Governments member Christine Hajdin will help review applications.

"Finding a balance between good coverage and low premiums is so important," she said.

Covington said the plan is cheaper than plans at other institutions — the University of Virginia's plan is \$1,977 for both semesters, and the University of Michigan's plan is \$2,350.

"There was so much talk about the cost that students didn't get enough education about the benefits," Pearce said.

"Student plans are better than they have ever been," she said. "Cheaper plans don't have these benefits."

Lindsey Rietkerk, co-founder of Tar Heels for Obama, praised the act for letting students stay on their

BY THE NUMBERS

\$460.50
2011-12 system rate

\$709
2012-13 system rate

12 percent
increase due to ACA

parents' plans until age 26.

But Greg Steele, chairman of the N.C. Federation of College Republicans, said student voters should factor rising health care costs into their decision at the polls.

Steele agrees with presidential candidate Mitt Romney's proposal to repeal the Affordable Care Act.

"Obama is advocating for expanding the government role, which will cripple the economy."

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Tuition hikes relatively modest

By Claire Bennett
Staff Writer

The College Board's annual trends report suggests that once again, college tuition is on the rise — but as not as much as in years past.

The report, released last week, indicates that previous trends are leveling off.

It shows a modest increase in tuition, a decrease in student borrowing and a leveling off of student enrollment.

The UNC system had a 0.3 percent increase in enrollment this year, said system spokeswoman Joni Worthington in an email.

The system raised tuition and fees for the 2012-13 year by a systemwide average of 8.8 percent.

Nationally, there was an

average 4.8 percent increase in in-state tuition and fees at public universities this year — lower than in recent years.

Sandy Baum, independent policy analyst for the College Board and co-author of the report, said the report does not provide enough information to confirm that tuition rates are on the decline.

She said these trends tend to be cyclical. Tuition rates typically experience a steep increase and then level off before the cycle begins again.

Rob Schofield, director of research and policy development at N.C. Policy Watch, a left-leaning public policy think tank, said it appears to him that tuition is rising — and will continue to do so.

"As we experience the impact of a struggling econ-

omy, we see pressure put on universities to reduce funding and financial aid," he said.

Schofield said this reduction in aid, coupled with higher tuition rates, could be a reason why student borrowing has decreased.

"It could be that students are giving up and realizing it isn't worth it to take out a loan," he said.

Schofield said he believes conservative groups in North Carolina are trying to de-emphasize the importance of higher education and as a result, students are not receiving needed support.

But Jane Shaw, president of the right-leaning John W. Pope Center for Higher Education Policy, said she thought the decrease in student borrowing and the leveling off of enroll-

BY THE NUMBERS

\$8,655
average tuition and fees for residents in four-year public schools for 2012-13

4.8 percent
increase in tuition and fees nationally for 2012-13

ment are good signs.

"Young people are finally realizing that they don't want to be in debt," she said.

The plateauing of enrollment is a step in the right direction, especially since several students are not ready for college, she said.

"We have seen in research that many people go to college who really shouldn't be there," Shaw said.

As for tuition, Shaw said she sees continuing increases as an indicator that higher education institutions are still failing to gain control of costs.

But Baum cautioned against drawing conclusions.

"People have a real urge to come up with an explanation, but there really isn't enough evidence to say anything definitively," she said.

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SANDY

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as we face flooding in the east and significant winter weather in the west," Perdue said.

Political observers remarked that Sandy might also adversely affect early voting.

James Stimson, a UNC political science professor, said in an email that, though the storm could affect the number of people that vote early, the effects will be less severe because early voting takes place over multiple days.

"Early voting should reduce the effects, if any, since you don't have to vote on a par-

ticular day as is the case with Election Day voting," he said.

According to the N.C. Board of Elections, several early voting sites were shut down on the eastern coast of North Carolina this past weekend due to severe weather concerns.

Stimson said the storm is likely to impact Democratic candidates more than Republicans.

"Anything that reduces turnout has the potential to be harmful to Democrats because the social and economic composition of Democratic voters includes more sporadic voters who are likely to not vote when conditions are unfavorable," he said.

But Stimson noted that the states in Sandy's path, including Pennsylvania, New York and New Jersey, are solidly Democratic-leaning.

Stimson added that President Barack Obama's handling of the crisis has the potential to negatively affect his campaign if relief efforts are not handled in a way appreciated by voters.

"If he did badly, that could add the last minute issue that Romney needs," he added.

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address these costs without hurting an economy that often depends on these immigrants and their benefits.

"Anything that we seek to introduce has to take into account the reliance of some of our industries, particularly agriculture and hospitality, on an available workforce," he said. "Those industries have to understand there has to be compliance to legal proceedings."

Cynthia Marroquin, a member of N.C. Dream Team, a group that advocates for immigrant rights, said the legislation should focus on integrating illegal immigrants into local communities instead of increased enforcement.

And Weismann said states have more legal leeway to legislate on issues of integration rather than enforcement.

But Iler said it is not an issue of hurting others, but rather protecting North Carolinians.

"The state has to protect itself and our budget," he said.

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Young voters feel less engaged this election

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MCT) — The love affair between young voters and President Barack Obama that ignited his candidacy in 2008 and powered him to the White House seems like a distant memory in 2012.

As Election Day approaches, there's an enthusiasm gap among young voters. New polling from Harvard University's Institute of Politics found that just 48 percent of voters younger than 30 say they'll definitely vote in November. Four years ago that figure was much higher, at 72 percent, according to a Pew Research Center study at the time.

Absent the national anger about the Iraq war and the sense of history that came from electing the nation's first African-American president in 2008, young voters can't seem to find their motivation this time.

"When I talk to young people who aren't as passionate, who aren't as enthusiastic about the November election, they talk about it in those terms," said John Della Volpe, the polling director at Harvard's politics institute. "2008 was an historical event. They needed to participate, even if politics wasn't important to them, to say that they were there, that they had a hand in changing the course of America. It's kind of like our parents, perhaps, saying they were at Woodstock in 1969."

After securing the Democratic nomination four years ago, Obama won two out of three general election voters ages 18-29. That strong support helped him flip North Carolina, Indiana and Virginia from red to blue.



MCT/RANDALL HILL
College of Charleston student Megan McCorry asks a question at a campus voter registration drive.

But recent polling by the Pew Research Center found that only half of voters younger than 30 are even certain they're registered to vote this year. That's the lowest percentage in 16 years. And just 61 percent are highly engaged in the 2012 elections, compared with 75 percent at the same time in 2008.

With the exception of some recent college campus speaking events, neither Obama nor Republican presidential nominee Mitt Romney has focused much attention on young voters, said Heather Smith, the president of Rock the Vote, a nonpartisan group set up to mobilize the political power of young voters.

"If you register young

people so they can vote and you engage them in a conversation on their issues and you ask them to show up, they respond," she said. "It's just that there has been a lot less of that leading up to the elections than there was four years ago."

Part of the problem is that the anti-war and environmental themes that excited young people in 2008 have given way to concerns about Medicare, tax policy and health care, which have never been high priorities for twenty-something voters.

"There's just so much focus on programs that deal with older citizens," said Olivia Adams, a 20-year-old sophomore at the College of Charleston in South Carolina. "Even the stuff about the

economy is really focused more on people who (have) full-time jobs, not people who are in school who'll have jobs in the future."

Campus enthusiasm for the president has been noticeably absent.

"In the last election, students seemed to be the foundation of his campaign," Adams said. "And this year, honestly, I haven't seen anything on campus."

That could be trouble for Democrats, who've won young voters by significant margins compared to Republicans since 2004, according to CIRCLE, the Center for Information & Research on Civic Learning and Engagement, at Tufts University near Boston.

Pew poll: presidential race is even

WASHINGTON D.C. (MCT) — With only one week left in the 2012 campaign, a major new Pew Research Center poll is projecting a relatively high level of voter turnout in the dead-even presidential contest between Barack Obama and Mitt Romney.

The national opinion survey, released Monday, shows the president and the former Massachusetts governor each drawing support from 47 percent of likely voters.

In an encouraging sign for the Republican challenger, the poll found that Romney-leaning voters are more likely to turn out to vote than those leaning to Obama. And the results clearly pointed up the continuing benefits of the presidential debates to Romney's chances of success next Tuesday.

The poll found that Obama has yet to win back most of the support he lost after the opening debate in Denver. At the same time, more than one in three voters — 36 percent — said they had a better opinion of Romney as a result of the debates. Only half that many — 18 percent — said the same of Obama.

Among the factors that might produce a historically close election, there is currently a much smaller — and offsetting — gender gap in 2012 than there was four years ago.

Romney leads among men by seven percentage points, according to the Pew survey, while women favor Obama by six points. In the 2008 election, Obama won the women's vote by 13 points compar

to Republican John McCain, according to exit polls, and he also won men, by a one-point margin.

The Pew survey, of more than 2,000 adults, was completed Sunday, before Hurricane Sandy made a significant impact on the East Coast. The margin of sampling error among likely voters was plus or minus 2.9 percentage points.

In the latest poll, the proportion of voters who said they have given a lot of thought to the election was higher than in 2000 and 1996 and only a bit lower than in 2004 and 2008, both of which were high-turnout elections.

"While turnout forecasts are very difficult, the level of engagement at this point in the campaign suggests that a relatively high percentage of voters will go to the polls," Pew's analysis concluded.

As in other recent elections, turnout favors the Republican, by a slight margin. Romney voters are four percentage points more likely than Obama's to say that they have given a lot of thought to the election, and five points more likely to say that they definitely plan to vote.

Beyond the national opinion surveys, most state polls show that Obama is clinging to a tiny edge in enough battlegrounds to secure the 270 electoral votes needed to win the election.

But the Pew poll underscores the enormous potential for a late opinion swing to shift the race either way in the days leading up to next week's election.

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Sandy steers Obama away from campaigning

AVON LAKE, Ohio (MCT) — Trying to strike a delicate balance of sensitivity about the impending hurricane with stumping for votes, Mitt Romney told thousands of supporters here on Monday that both he and storm victims were relying on Ohio for support.

"We're counting on Ohio. I know the people of the Atlantic Coast are counting on Ohio and the rest of our states," he said, after urging them to donate to the Red Cross or another relief agency. "But I also think the people of the entire nation are counting on Ohio. Because my guess is — my guess is that if Ohio votes me in as president, I'll be the next president of the United States."

Hurricane Sandy's impending landfall, just eight days before Election Day, puts the GOP nominee in an awkward position. President Barack Obama is dealing with hurricane preparation, which helps him because he will be on the airwaves looking authoritative, but hurts him because it takes him off the campaign trail.

Romney has free reign to campaign throughout the battleground states, but his message will likely be drowned out by storm coverage and he has to avoid looking craven by politicking as millions of Americans are in danger.

Romney has canceled campaign rallies Monday night and Tuesday, as the hurricane makes landfall and batters the East Coast. And at his first event Monday, he closed by urging supporters to help those who will be suffering.

"You with full hearts and clear eyes can see what's happening across the country right now and on the eastern coast of our nation. A lot of people are enduring some very difficult times and our hearts and our prayers go to them as we think about how tough it's going to be there. I don't think there's been a hurricane in Ohio in a long time," Romney said. "But there's been some hurricanes that have caused a lot of damage across this country and hurt a lot of families, and there are families in harm's way that will be hurt either in their possessions or perhaps in something more severe."

"So I'd like to ask you that

are here today to think about making a contribution to the Red Cross or another relief agency, to be of help if you possibly can in any way you can imagine to help those who are in harm's way," he said, and the crowd roared in approval.

Stock markets remain stifled by Sandy

NEW YORK (MCT) — The New York Stock Exchange announced it would remain closed another day because of Hurricane Sandy, which is due to slam into the East Coast on Monday evening.

Hurricane Sandy already closed U.S. stock markets Monday. The New York Stock Exchange had closed because of weather since 1985, when Hurricane Gloria forced trading to halt. The stock exchange's last unplanned closure came in 2011, following the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

"We intend to re-open our U.S. markets on Wednesday," NYSE Euronext said, adding: "conditions permitting."

Syrian fighting resumes after holiday cease-fire

BEIRUT (MCT) — Fighting appeared to have

returned to its former pace Monday on the final day of Syria's four-day holiday cease-fire, underscoring the difficulties of finding a negotiated end to the country's civil war.

Anti-government activists who'd reported a drop in violence Friday, when the cease-fire began, said Monday that shelling, clashes and airstrikes had resumed their previous intensity, and they claimed that government forces had launched the heaviest airstrikes in the capital, Damascus, since fighting began there three months ago.

The four-day cease-fire, proposed by Lakhdar Brahimi, the United Nations special envoy to Syria, coincided with the Muslim holiday of Eid al-Adha. The Syrian government had agreed to the cease-fire with conditions, along with some of the rebel groups that are fighting the government, while other rebel groups rejected the idea outright.

Violations came from both sides, including rebel car bombs and government aerial bombing.

Court sets date for Casey Anthony's appeal

ORLANDO, Fla. (MCT) — An appeals court in Daytona Beach, Fla., is now scheduled to hear Casey Anthony's appeal of her four convictions for lying to law enforcement early next year, after her legal team

Monday filed the last paperwork necessary to proceed.

Oral arguments in the appeal have been scheduled for Jan. 8, just days after the trial in a defamation suit against Anthony is set to commence.

The lawsuit, brought by Zenaída Gonzalez, is set for trial Jan. 2. Gonzalez's lawyers have been hamstrung by Anthony's appeal — she cited it to avoid answering questions — and hoped it would conclude before trial in the suit.

Anthony, who was acquitted on all major charges in her daughter's death in a high-profile trial last year, is challenging four convictions on misdemeanor counts of lying to law enforcement.

Among the points of contention in the appeal: Anthony argues that the four lies she was accused of are really just one continuous act — and should have been charged as such.

Her lawyers also argue that her statements to law enforcement should have been thrown out of the murder trial, because she was briefly handcuffed and put in a law enforcement vehicle, but wasn't read her rights.

The state argues Anthony wasn't technically under arrest, and therefore didn't need to be read her rights, rather "(s)he was simply handcuffed at her mother's insistence in order to prevent her from leaving."



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Hundreds of distraught church members gather after Danny Kirk Sr., the pastor of the Greater Sweethome Missionary Baptist Church, was killed at church in Forest Hill, Texas, on Monday.



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Are you better off on campus?

Eco-friendly library to open in February

The Chapel Hill Public Library is expanding and going green.

By Sam Fletcher
Staff Writer

Chapel Hill is well on its way to having a renovated eco-friendly library. Scott Cutler, vice president of Clancy & Theys Construction Company, the company responsible for the library's construction, said the expansion of the Chapel Hill Public Library is going well with no major hiccups. The \$16.23 million expansion project is expected to open to the public in February 2013.

Mark Bayles, interim director of the library, said the project is on budget and on time. The project will add 35,500 square feet to the library's original space of 27,000 square feet.

Not only will the expansion create more space, but it will also make the library greener. Cutler said the new building will be LEED certified.

The different levels of LEED certification depend on the environmental friendliness of a building. Developers will not know the library's level of certification until the project is done. The new building will have solar panels to provide hot water and reflective roofing to help control the building's temperature. At least 75 percent of the



DTH FILE/CHLOE STEPHENSON
The Chapel Hill Public Library is undergoing a \$16.23 million expansion project that will add 35,500 square feet.

construction material will be recycled, but Clancy & Theys is working toward 95 percent. In keeping with the environmental nature of the project, the expansion will also include an art garden. Cutler said while awareness of green issues has been rapidly increasing in the construction industry, it was up to the Chapel Hill Town Council to decide how much money to contribute toward energy efficiency. He praised the council for its commitment to creating a green space and its support of the attempts to recycle building material. During construction, the library has moved to a temporary location at University Mall on South Estes Drive. Bayles said the move has not impacted use of the library.

"Circulation is roughly equal to the statistic that we had in our previous full year of operation in our older building," he said. While use of the library has remained consistent, some visitors complain of less space and a smaller selection in the temporary library. David Diaz, a resident of Chapel Hill, said the temporary library is noisier and there seemed to be fewer places to sit down. Despite these difficulties, Chapel Hill resident Richard Osha commended the library for its temporary facilities, which include public computers and a program room. "They have done a wonderful job setting this up as a good alternative," Osha said.

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Uhuru Child group raises money for Kenyan school

By Nandan Thakkar
Staff Writer

For UNC students, \$7.50 can almost buy breakfast at Rams Head Dining Hall. For Monicah, a young girl torn from her village in Kenya, \$7.50 was all it took to get on a bus, reunite with her lost family and put an end to two painful years of wondering if her loved ones were still alive.

Uhuru Child, a national nonprofit organization that has ties to UNC, seeks to empower impoverished African communities like the one Monicah lived in.

The organization helps fund jobs for native Africans by founding sustainable businesses and building schools.

UNC was the first university in the nation to join in the nonprofit's efforts, said Brandon Richard, copresident of the University's Uhuru Child chapter.

With the guidance of copresidents Richard and Alejandro Antonia, UNC's Uhuru Child chapter is advocating for student involvement in a national campaign titled

the "750 Campaign," which runs through this week. The campaign was inspired by Monicah's touching story. Students are encouraged to help out with the campaign, which is trying to raise \$75,000 to go toward the construction of the Uhuru Academy School in Jikaze, a resettlement community in Kenya. "The money is going towards breaking the bonds of poverty as a result of the 2007 election," said Kerby McKinnell, who serves on Uhuru Child's marketing committee. Violence in Kenya following the 2007 election destroyed the homes of thousands of people, leaving both the wealthy and the poor with nothing. To make amends, the Kenyan government gave each displaced citizen \$50, said Hannah Harrison, a junior who serves on Uhuru Child's marketing committee alongside McKinnell. In response, many of the homeless came together, combined their money, bought a stretch of land and started their own community of Jikaze.

SEE THE DOCUMENTARY
Time: 6:30 p.m. Friday
Location: The Pit
Visit bitly.com/TR0zWu for information on the screening and other events.

McKinnell has taken part in two summer service trips to Africa, where she helped Uhuru build schools and greenhouses for various communities. "Uhuru has gone in there to stand by people and to help people get back on their feet — not make people feel useless," McKinnell said. "Uhuru fights for people, not for issues," she said. The Jikaze school is set to open next February. Uhuru Child will be screening a documentary Friday, Richard said. The documentary will portray Monicah's reunion with her family entitled "#7ifty: Because \$7.50 Goes a Long Way."

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Q&A with Jill Menard

Author Jill Menard lives in Carrboro and is a student at UNC. She is ranked No. 6 out of 284 writers in the ongoing national short story writing contest, America's Next Author. The contest consists of several rounds in which the public votes for writers. Staff writer Rebecca Pollack spoke with Menard about her childhood creativity, the writing competition, and the inspiration behind her story "The Odd Duck," which is entered in the contest.

DAILY TAR HEEL: You've lived all over, from rural Wisconsin to New Zealand. And you've trained with the circus and work as a natural foods chef. How have these things influenced your writing?

JILL MENARD: I had a really unique childhood. I grew up in a log cabin without running water or TV. That allowed me to spend all of my free time to be creative and write lots of stories. And without a TV, I would spend lots of time out in the woods acting out the characters I created, and then I would write about these characters.

I've met a wide range of eclectic people, and that just allowed me to create a unique, diverse group of characters in my stories.

DTH: You've said you have wanted to be a writer since age 5. Was there an event that triggered the decision, or was it just something you've always known?

JM: I was learning to read and write. And they asked me in school what I wanted to be when I grow up and I said an author — a writer.

DTH: Tell us about your story "The Odd Duck" and the inspiration behind it.

JM: A lot of that is based on my experiences of not fitting in in rural Wisconsin. I was an awkward kid, and I had a hard time fitting in and making friends. It's kind of like the story of the ugly duckling turning into a swan. I'm not saying I'm a



DTH/KAKI POPE
Jill Menard, author and aerial dance instructor, is ranked sixth out of 284 writers in the national contest, America's Next Author.

beautiful swan now, but I'm popular with what I do. I've found my niche in life. I'm a teacher, and I teach aerial dance, and these kids look up to me like a role model. I have a lot of friends in the dance community and in the circus community — more than I did when I was a kid. I've embraced my differences and created my own social circle, and I'm popular for being myself.

DTH: Can you tell us about the America's Next Author competition?

JM: It's advertised as America's first social competition — like "American Idol" for writers. It's for writers trying to break into the writing industry.

VOTE FOR MENARD
In round three of the contest, Menard is ranked sixth. Vote for her to receive this round's nomination. Info: bitly.com/Ocp2Y0

I've basically been writing all my life, and I've written a couple of novels, but I haven't been published yet. This seemed like a good way to get out there — kind of like a singer trying out for "American Idol." Maybe a publisher will notice me and think, "Jill's a good writer." It's also a good way to just get your writing out there into the world.

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Second in command
North Carolina's race for lieutenant governor is tight as Election Day nears. See pg. 4 for story.

Southern affordability
Southern Village construction plans could affect local affordable housing. See pg. 5 for story.

The search is on
Results from a student survey about what UNC needs in the next chancellor are in. See pg. 6 for story.

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CAROLINA PERFORMING ARTS

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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14 Boxing venue

15 Turkish honorific

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17 2003 horse movie that won Best Picture

19 Early 11th-century date

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32 "Me neither"

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A new kind of college credit

As part of the 2009 Climate Action Plan, UNC pledged to reduce its carbon footprint to zero by 2050. This is a noble goal, and I have no doubt that we have the potential to meet it.

Unfortunately, according to campus sustainability leaders, this goal is not realistic at the rate at which we're proceeding.

While there are a significant amount of changes we can make on campus, there are less direct methods to meeting our goals. One new approach to consider is the purchase of renewable energy credits.

A REC is a package containing "credits" of renewable energy, which anyone can buy no matter what fuel sources they are using or where in proximity to the renewable energy they are. Credits can be bought from renewable energy producers.

The credits are produced by renewable generators, and one credit is equal to 1000 kilowatt-hours of electricity. They ensure renewable fuels are being used and compensate for emissions released elsewhere.

In other words, UNC would fund renewable energy sources, but they would be used somewhere else.

Would this count toward our commitment to renewable energy?

I think so. After all, effects from UNC's emissions are not confined to our campus. As long as we are increasing renewable energy overall, I think we are working toward our goals.

The cost of a REC varies, depending on the type of energy (solar, wind, etc.), the year it's purchased and the volume of energy. The money for our first REC would come from the budget of the Renewable Energy Special Projects Committee, which is financed by the student sustainability fee.

Per the committee's plan, the town of Chapel Hill would get involved in this effort as well. Committee co-chair-woman Jenna Koester would like to buy 60,000 megawatts of RECs, with the committee funding \$100,000 of the credits and the town purchasing the remainder. The committee is researching the best deal for its budget.

RECs are definitely a great initiative. However, it shouldn't only be up to students to improve UNC's energy portfolio. University officials are the ones who committed to the Climate Action Plan. They must also do their part. University funds should be allocated for RECs.

This would make us competitive with other universities across the country, such as Oregon State University, one of the Environmental Protection Agency's top 20-ranked college green power purchasers. In 2011 the university purchased about \$430,000 worth of RECs, enough to completely offset its conventional energy use.

American University also purchased RECs equivalent to 100 percent of its electricity use.

These universities are not just setting goals to be green power users, they are actively doing something about them. UNC should make it a point to follow in their ever-shrinking carbon footprints. Why wait until 2050 to be carbon neutral if we can work toward doing it now?

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10/31: A SEXY HALLOWEEN
Katherine Proctor shares costume observations.

EDITORIAL CARTOON By Ryan Cocca, ryan@simplysea.com



EDITORIAL Shaping UNC's future

The chancellor search forums offer a chance for input.

The 21-member committee created to find the University's next chancellor is holding four forums on Nov. 7-8 to solicit feedback from students, faculty, staff and community members.

The search committee is taking the right step by holding these forums, and the University community should participate in them.

This commitment to transparency should be preserved throughout the search process.

A small search commit-

tee runs the risk of being limited by the experience and incentives of its membership. But the committee can avoid this concern by using the input gathered to shape and inform its decisions every step of the way.

The next chancellor will face serious challenges — navigating the difficult relationship between athletics and academics, keeping affordability a priority in a shifting political climate and balancing needs for efficiency and academic quality.

Determining what kind of a chancellor the University needs requires understanding the hopes and concerns of all mem-

bers of the University community.

The forums will also give students, faculty and staff, whose voices might otherwise go unheard, a chance to give input in the selection process.

Administrators are taking a commendable step in prioritizing openness in the chancellor selection process by hosting these forums.

But this effort will be wasted if the University community doesn't make use of this opportunity.

Those who care about the direction of the University should present their concerns at the forums.

EDITORIAL Players, put health first

Concussed athletes should put health over the game.

UNC is researching how concussions can be prevented in sports, particularly football. While this research has been helpful — and it will continue to be in the long run — it is the responsibility of players who experience these injuries to change the culture around playing with concussions.

Concussed players should take themselves out of the game, even if they are up against pres-

sure to play anyway.

UNC Department of Exercise and Sport Science Chairman Kevin Guskiewicz has worked to push UNC to the forefront of concussion research.

The University uses advanced Head Impact Telemetry system technology that serves as a way to influence NFL and NCAA policy. But there is much more than just research that should play a factor in reducing concussions.

It is admirable to have players risk their bodies for the University and the game they love, but many times they are hurting

themselves more than helping their team.

Division I athletes tend to be ultra-competitive, but that shouldn't mean sacrificing health.

The University could bring in former players suffering from long-term concussion effects to speak. Personal anecdotes could effectively emphasize the importance of being honest about injuries.

UNC should be proud of its research on head injuries, but it should also push for a culture shift. The only people that can change the current culture are the players themselves.

COLUMN Bill Friday and athletics

Friday's legacy warns us about the dangers of athletic tribalism.

As we mourn the passing of former UNC-system President William C. Friday, members of the University community should remember the immediacy and urgency of his legacy.

Nearly every tribute to the life of this remarkable man has noted his commitment to affordability, access and service as the ideal for public higher education, as well as his tireless efforts to mitigate the effects of athletic tribalism. The relationship between these concerns may not be immediately obvious, but ignoring them now may be especially dangerous.

When in the early 1960s he canceled the popular Dixie Classic basketball tournament because of the corruptions of athletic tribalism, sports fanatics from every tribe in the state wanted his head.

And those voices were just the louder counterparts to a much more dangerous chorus of nay-sayers who thought the University shouldn't be the progressive force Friday



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believed that it could and should be.

Today, the ideals championed by Friday are once again under attack by those who believe that opportunity and commitment to a shared prosperity have no place in public higher education.

When sports fans celebrated the resignation of UNC-CH Chancellor Holden Thorp, they effectively insulted the commitments and sacrifices of all those who agreed with Friday that "people don't want their lifetimes to be measured by how much their football team won or lost."

They also became the

unwitting dupes of a crabbed mindset that would erode the promise of opportunity and excellence many North Carolinians expect from their universities.

This confluence of destructive forces may have been what Friday had in mind when he told the Washington Post that recent events in Chapel Hill have put higher education in North Carolina "in a very dangerous situation." And like Friday, many of those who stood with Thorp recognized that reining in the corruptions of athletic tribalism is not about cleaning up sports scandals. It is about rededication to higher education in a democratic society.

None of this is to suggest that you should not root for the Heels to beat the Pack.

But as you do, remember the Carolina Way is about decades of integrity, excellence and service to North Carolina — not a few wins and losses. Preserving that legacy may be the most important achievement that students can leave to their successors.

QUOTE OF THE DAY
"Thanks for your support. It means a lot to me and my family. David would have loved it — to have a room full of friends."

Stephen Shannon, at the vigil for his brother, David

FEATURED ONLINE READER COMMENT
"It's only appropriate that we all focus on paying our respects to such a great individual, or ... to respect those who are."

Kyle Holtman, on concerns over bias in coverage of Shannon's death

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Trevor Dolan's death has been trivialized

TO THE EDITOR:

At 8 p.m. on Oct. 29, the UNC community convened for a vigil remembering David Shannon, yet another of our number who passed away too soon.

A few weeks ago, the same was done for Faith Hedgepeth. The same was not done, however, for Trevor Dolan, who left us on Oct. 7.

But whoever chose not to (or forgot to) organize a vigil for Dolan isn't the only one who should take time to ponder their decision.

Students and faculty did not receive email notification in the hours after Dolan was recovered by police.

Instead, they were offered a too late news feature in The Daily Tar Heel that made Dolan into a little more than a mascot for suicide prevention; the article was supposed to be about his life, friends said, much like the recent article about Shannon.

To make matters worse, The Charlotte Observer writer Elisabeth Arriero effectively erased Dolan from memory in her article about Shannon on October 28.

She contextualized Shannon's death as "the second death of an undergraduate student at a North Carolina state university in less than a month," mentioning only Tyler Blalock. The error was reported Sunday night, but the article has not changed as of 9 a.m. Oct. 29.

I hope the irresponsible nature in which information about Dolan's death was communicated, at UNC and beyond, is not pushed aside as easily as his memory has this past month.

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DTH has mishandled the death of Shannon

TO THE EDITOR:

With the death of David Shannon on Saturday, The Daily Tar Heel has been a source for the University community to look to for accurate information regarding the event.

However, the means by which the Twitter account has framed the incident has crossed the line. In a recent tweet, the DTH stated "UPDATE: Carrboro police will explore whether David Shannon's death is related to involvement in fraternity life," which completely misrepresents the subsequent article.

Most people, particularly on Twitter, are not looking to read the follow-up article attached to the tweet, expecting to receive valid, pertinent information from the 140-character blurb.

Rather than focus on the various leads the police have been considering, your staff selected the one that would shed negative light on the community that has been affected the most.

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