

Shutdown has small effects on classes

Several courses that rely on government data and services are impacted.

By Jackson Knapp
Staff Writer

Geology professor Drew Coleman's first-year seminar class was looking forward to exploring national parks in the Mammoth Lakes area of California — until last week.

Because of the lapse in government funding due to the shutdown that has closed all nonessential federal agencies — including the national park system — some professors, such as Coleman, have had to restructure their course content.

Coleman said he is doubtful his class will be able to visit Yosemite National Park and Devils Postpile — two usual staples of the trip — because the shutdown might not end by the start of fall break on Oct. 16.

The class is still planning on visiting other rock sites in the area, but Coleman said he was disappointed that his students might not see the parks.

"People want to go to the national parks, and I'm sure that my students are no exception," Coleman said. "Maybe one of the reasons they signed up for the course was to go to Yosemite and that seems to be in genuine jeopardy."

The shutdown, which closed down all nonessential federal agencies on Oct. 1, will last until lawmakers agree on a budget.

Chris Roush, a journalism professor, said the shutdown would affect his economics reporting class if it persists.

He said his students were supposed to write a story Wednesday using trade data from the U.S. Census Bureau website, which is currently out of service.

Depending on how long the shut-

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The costs of a conference

School additions to the ACC mean increased travel bills

By Daniel Schere
Assistant University Editor

To the enjoyment of many sports fans, the Atlantic Coast Conference has more teams than it did one year ago, which has made the conference more competitive in the eyes of the college sports world.

But UNC's membership in the growing conference could cause students to foot more of the costs of expansion.

The conference expanded to 15 teams at the beginning of this year by adding Syracuse University, the University of Pittsburgh and the University of Notre Dame.

The University of Louisville will join next year when the University of Maryland leaves for the Big Ten Conference.

And in order to cover athletes' additional travel costs to these recently added ACC schools, student athletic fees could be raised by \$4.75 next year.

In addition, the expansion has increased athletes' travel time — which could impede their academic progress, some students and professors say.

Student subsidies of athletics

Athletic Director Bubba Cunningham proposed that the student fee for athletics be raised from \$279 to \$283.75 at the student fee advisory subcommittee's September meeting.

He said Olympic sports teams — nonrevenue teams other than football and men's basketball — do not generate enough revenue on their own to support themselves.

"We're not asking students to cover that gap, just an inflationary increase to cover sports programs," he said, while noting that a similar \$4.50 increase was approved last year.

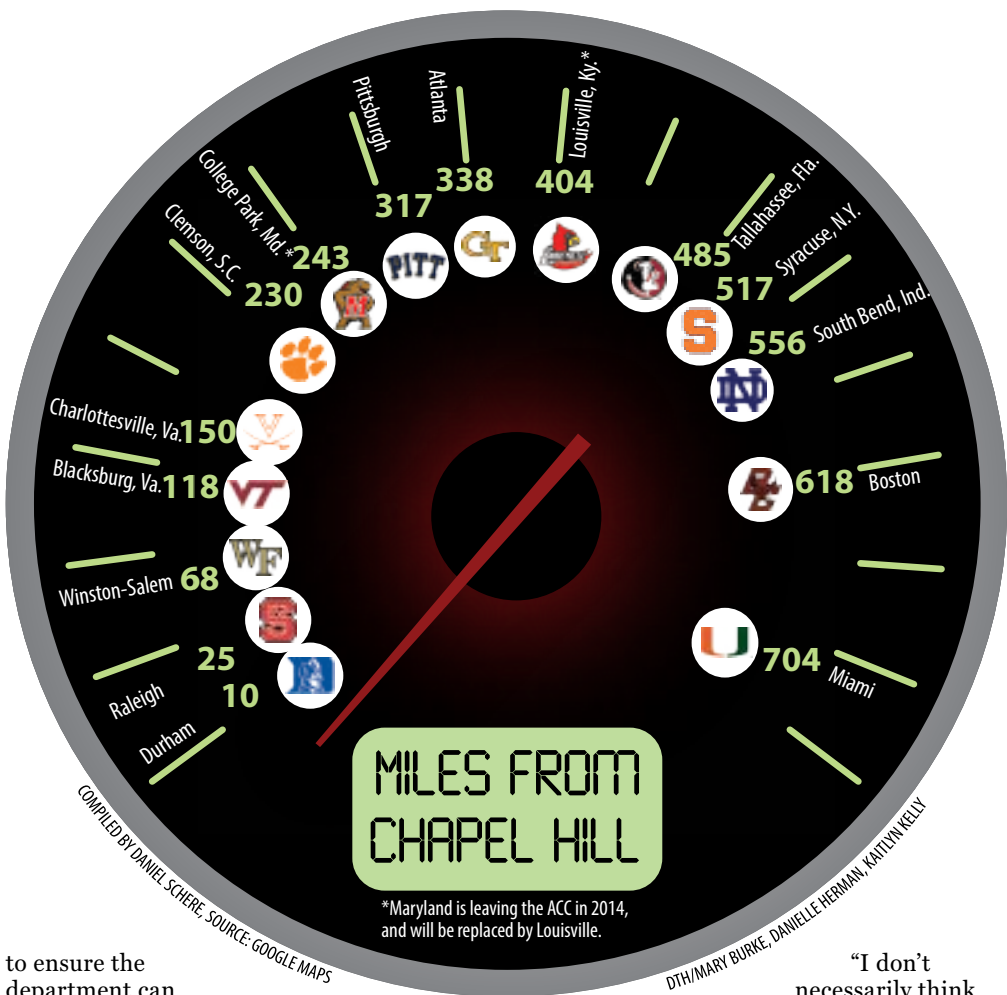
Senior Associate Athletic Director Martina Ballen said the football and basketball programs generate 65 percent of the department's revenue.

Last year's travel expenses for Olympic sports totaled \$2,044,364, which includes the cost of transportation, hotels and meals.

She said the athletic department does not have a projection of travel costs for this year, but the bill will increase due to additional air travel to reach the new conference teams.

"If it's a weeknight game, they can't bus back because one of our priorities is to try to get them back to go to class," she said. "So sometimes they have to fly back and that's an increased cost."

Ballen said these fee increases are meant



to ensure the department can continue operating as effectively as it did before, only in the face of increased costs from conference expansion.

"It's not a new fee," Ballen said. "We're asking for an inflationary increase on an existing fee."

She said a lack of money would compromise the quality of the department.

"If we don't get that fee, there will be some hard decisions," she said.

The subcommittee did not reach a decision at the meeting. If it approves the fee at a later date, it then must be approved by another task force as well as Chancellor Carol Folt and the UNC Board of Trustees before it goes into effect.

Many at the meeting took issue with the proposal, including Autumn McClellan, who represents the Graduate and Professional Student Federation.

"I don't necessarily think students should be increasingly burdened through student fees to pay for all of that," she said. "If it's not financially sound, I don't think increasing the fee each year is the way to manage this issue."

McClellan thinks the current fee of \$279 is too high. She is concerned because many students, particularly graduate students, who pay the annual fee are not able to attend games.

"My constituency tells me that they do not utilize the services provided by the athletic fee," she said.

"For those that do utilize some of these services, they feel the current fee amount, \$279, is not proportional to the benefits they receive from the fee."

McClellan said she does not think it is

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Dance group brings down the 'House'

L-E-V, an Israeli dance company, will perform at Memorial Hall.

By Rupali Srivastava
Staff Writer

Israeli dance company L-E-V will fuse hypnotic movement and eclectic sound in its second-ever performance in the United States at Memorial Hall Wednesday night.

L-E-V, which was founded by Sharon Eyal and Gai Behar, will perform "House," an innovative piece that uses striking aesthetics and vibrant, dynamic music to create a unique experience for the audience as part of the Carolina Performing Arts season.

Emil Kang, UNC's executive director for the arts, said L-E-V appealed to him because of its intense creativity and inventiveness.

"When I first saw the company in December in Tel Aviv, I knew I wanted to bring it to Chapel Hill," he said.

Kang said he appreciates Eyal's masterful performance and strength not only as a modern dancer, but also as a choreographer.

"It very much feels like it comes out of Sharon as a human being. It is a direct transmission from her to the audience," Kang said.

Eyal choreographs in the modern and eclectic Gaga dance form, which was created by renowned Israeli dancer Ohad Naharin. It focuses on movement of individual body parts and their relationships with each other and the surrounding space.

Behar produces live music in Tel Aviv for techno raves and various artistic events, and contributes to the technological aspect of the performance.

The company is made up of several other



DTH/MELISSA KEY

Dancer Olivia Ancona showcases some choreography from the upcoming L-E-V ensemble performance at Memorial Hall. L-E-V will be performing "House" as part of the Carolina Performing Arts season.

dancers, many of whom vary in age and background.

Olivia Ancona, 24, hails from Portland, Ore., and has been performing Gaga since 2010, after studying dance at the Juilliard

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Town weighs penalties for false alarms

False alarms cost Chapel Hill more than \$100,000 last year.

By Jonathan Moyer
Staff Writer

False alarms might sound harmless, but a new report shows they cost Chapel Hill thousands of dollars.

A false alarm happens when automated security systems are set off accidentally, requiring an emergency response from the fire or police department.

The Chapel Hill Town Council will hold a public hearing Oct. 28 to address the growing concern of false alarms in Chapel Hill. The town is considering fining people or businesses for such alarms.

Right now, Chapel Hill has no penalties to discourage alarm owners from being careless.

Matthew Lawrence, deputy chief of operations for the Chapel Hill Fire Department, said he is concerned about the drain false alarms pose on town resources.

He said the fire department responded to about 1,250 false alarms in 2012 and 1,443 in 2011. Last year, the cost to the town of responding to such calls was about \$122,400.

He said responding to a false alarm requires half of the town's firefighters and takes about 17 minutes on average, reducing the ability of the fire department to respond

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Dumb, could be dumber

From staff and wire reports

Congratulations, America. The United States is not the dumbest country in the world, though our politicians may sometimes demonstrate otherwise. A recent study by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development shows that the United States’ literacy and math skills are only below average in comparison to 25 other developed countries studied.

Italy and Spain ranked worst in these areas while Japan, Finland and the Netherlands rounded out the top three. The real kicker (and the only statistic that really matters), though, is that France, which has a reputation for being aloof, is ranked below the United States. So basically, this means we’re No. 1, right?

NOTED. One London man is probably wondering if he has much of a penis left after he got his little friend stuck in a toaster.

It’s still unclear how he got his appendage stuck in a toaster, but the fire department did come to rescue him. At least maybe the toaster gave good bread?

QUOTED. “So I was like, maybe we should give a free vibrator to federal employees. ... And someone else said, ‘That sounds like a good idea, they’ve got nothing to do.’”

— Tom Nardone, president of PriveCo, talking about Vibrators.com giving out free vibrators to furloughed employees.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- TODAY

Civil Rights in Putin’s Russia: Though post-Soviet Russia has been categorized as a democratic country, President Vladimir Putin has demonstrated authoritarianism. Global studies professor Jonathan Weiler will explore the state of Russian civil rights in relation to political participation and economic prosperity. Tuition is \$20 for everyone paying at the door.
Time: 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Location: Flyleaf Books
- the ancient Greeks, including Homer, the Trojan War, Greek theater and mystery religions. It costs \$60 to attend.
Time: 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Location: Friday Center

Science and Technology During the Civil War: From rifled weaponry to telegraphy, technology played a large part in the Civil War, which is often deemed the first “modern” war. This lecture will explore those innovations and how they contributed to victory and defeat. Cost is \$30 for non-GAA members, \$25 for GAA members.
Time: 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Location: Alumni Center
- THURSDAY

Service and Nonprofit Job and Internship Fair: The campus will hold its first career fair dedicated to nonprofits. Bring copies of your resume. Professional attire is recommended. View and research participating organizations at <http://bit.ly/2013NPFair>.
Time: Noon - 4 p.m.
Location: Student Union

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

- Due to a reporting error, a photo caption in Tuesday’s page 3 story “NC potters bring ‘A New Tradition’ to FRANK” incorrectly stated Alex Matisse’s relation to Daniel Johnston and Henri Matisse. Alex Matisse does not work with Johnston and is Henri Matisse’s great-grandson. The Daily Tar Heel apologizes for the error.
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BABY BONDING



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At the Kidzu Children’s Museum, Eve Duffy-Hammett reads to her 3-year-old twin daughters, Ellie (pink) and Charlotte, as 8-month-old Kate plays with a latch board toy. “We have an oldest and a biggest,” Duffy-Hammett says.

POLICE LOG

- Someone broke and entered a vehicle and damaged property at 102 Ephesus Church Road between midnight and 7:50 a.m. Monday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.
- The person broke the rear car window, causing damage estimated at \$150, and stole a navigation system valued at \$500, reports state.
- Someone broke and entered at a residence at 1816 Legion Road between 10:30 a.m. and 1:38 p.m. Monday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.
- The person forced open the side door of the residence and ransacked the interior, causing \$300 in damage to the door and a window, reports state.
- Someone assaulted a store manager at 602 Jones Ferry Road at 11:37 a.m. Friday, according to Carrboro police reports.
- The person shoved the store manager in the throat, reports state.
- Someone stole a moped at 115 N. Merritt Mill Road between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 1:02 p.m. Friday, according to Carrboro police reports.
- The person took a blue and black Zuma moped, reports state.
- Someone committed misdemeanor larceny at 100 S. Greensboro St. between 3:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. Friday, according to Carrboro police reports.
- The person took two cameras out of an unlocked vehicle, reports state.
- Someone intentionally littered at 305 E. Main St. at 1:08 a.m. Sunday, according to Carrboro police reports.
- The person tossed a cigarette butt at a patrol vehicle, reports state.

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Faculty consider athletics admissions

The Faculty Athletics Committee discussed the Rawlings report Tuesday.

By Amanda Albright
University Editor

Some faculty members have recently suggested that admissions standards for student athletes be raised.

But members of the Faculty Athletics Committee say choosing simple metrics to admit students would exclude those who might eventually succeed at UNC.

Chancellor Carol Folt met with other members of the committee Tuesday to discuss proposed athletic reforms that came out of a report by President of the Association

of American Universities Hunter Rawlings, which was the topic of a panel discussion at the Faculty Council meeting Friday.

The committee discussed other factors that should be considered when determining how someone will perform at UNC, such as student athletes who were at a disadvantage due to their socioeconomic background.

"I want to hold students to a higher level but in a way that better predicts their success," Folt said.

"We have to understand this at Carolina when we talk about metrics. To choose a simple answer is to reinforce an unintended set of consequences."

Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost Jim Dean also presented more information on the charge of his Student Athlete Academic Initiative Working Group to the committee.

After hearing concerns about the lack of faculty involvement and minority representation on the working group, Dean added sociology professor Andrew Perrin as well as two black professors, James Johnson from the Kenan Institute of Private Enterprise and anthropology professor Anna Agbe-Davies.

"There are a lot of people talking about athletics but we're really talking about football and basketball, black male athletics," said Deborah Stroman, an exercise and sports science professor.

"I applaud the provost for having Anna and Jim join the working group, that's important."

The Rawlings report also recommended the University impose lim-

its on the amount of time students could dedicate to their sport.

That recommendation was met with skepticism from committee members.

"With world-class athletes, they're going to be committed to being the best," Stroman said.

"We have to talk about that — just because you limit participation does that mean you will have a better academic outcome."

Barbara Osborne, an associate professor of exercise and sports science, said University leaders should view the recommendation closely before acting on it.

"What looks like a simple consideration isn't simple at all," she said. "To do what's right for student athletes isn't necessarily limiting them from doing things they want to do."

One of the more controversial recommendations was that students struggling academically take a year off from playing their sport to focus on school during their freshman year at UNC.

Athletic Director Bubba Cunningham said he supported the idea of eligibility requirements to play sports freshman year — but the University could not do this without conference and national cooperation.

"I would favor initial eligibility restrictions on everybody because it would force the market to do something else," Cunningham said.

"That's where I would start. But I believe if we did that unilaterally, it would affect everybody. I don't think we could do that."

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Student groups feel shutdown

UNC ASG, Young Democrats adjust travel plans to Washington, D.C.

By Taylor Carrere
Staff Writer

The federal government shutdown is affecting more than just U.S. Congress — student groups are feeling the fallout as well.

The shutdown, now in its ninth day, has caused both the UNC-system Association of Student Governments and the UNC Young Democrats to readjust their upcoming travel plans to Washington, D.C.

The association, which is funded by an annual \$1 student fee, decided at its September meeting to sponsor a trip this fall to Washington, D.C., where some of the system student body presidents could meet with U.S. Department of Education officials and discuss student concerns in higher education.

Association President Robert Nunnery said the trip had been planned for Nov. 5 — but it had to be canceled because of the government shutdown.

When he emailed the Department of Education to confirm the logistics of the trip, he said he received an automatic reply that said the department was no longer responding to email.

"It's just not in our best interest to plan a trip without any logistics," Nunnery said. "Plus, I realize that once they come back — if they come back by Nov. 4 — they have work to do and definitely might not have time to host students."

During the trip, ASG had hoped to influence some of the recommendations made to the Department of Education concerning changes to FAFSA forms and student loan forgiveness, Nunnery said. He added the trip would likely be postponed until spring.

UNC Young Democrats travel to Washington, D.C. during UNC's fall break each year to lobby on Capitol Hill.

But Peter Vogel, president of Young Democrats, said lobbying might not be possible if the shutdown continues — though he said members still plan on going.

"We might just need to modify our schedule if Congress has not managed to reopen yet," he said.

Instead, members might protest the shutdown in Washington and go to Virginia to phone-bank for gubernatorial candidate Terry McAuliffe.

But UNC College Republicans have not seen any plans affected by the shutdown. Group Chairman Peter McClelland said in an email that College Republicans do not often lobby in Washington, D.C., and their schedule this semester will remain intact.

McClelland said U.S. Rep. Renee Ellmers, R-N.C., came to speak to the College Republicans on campus before the shutdown demanded her presence in Washington.

Dakota Cary, director of federal relations for the association, said he doesn't think the postponement of ASG's trip will limit the group's ability to advocate for students.

"It really is just about face time and ... talking with the people up there and having that relationship, but I think that relationship will be achievable at a later point in time."

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MEN'S SOCCER: CLEMSON 2, UNC 1 OT

TIGERS SLASH TAR HEELS

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Clemson's Jack Metcalf (left) defends Verner Valimaa (right). Valimaa scored the Tar Heels' only goal of the evening in UNC's 2-1 OT loss.

Clemson scored in the 92nd minute to capture win

By Madison Way
Staff Writer

It was only two minutes into the No. 12 North Carolina's 2-1 loss to No. 17 Clemson, when the Tigers revealed their claws, drawing blood first.

Sophomore defender Jonathan Campbell committed a hand ball violation in the box, giving Clemson midfielder Thomas McNamara a shot off a penalty kick.

McNamara's shot was saved by redshirt junior goalkeeper Brendan Moore, but McNamara capitalized on the rebound, sending the ball to the bottom corner of the net.

Moore said shots like McNamara's can be the most challenging to save. And the goal wouldn't be the last second-chance goal of the night for the Tigers (8-2-1, 3-2-1 ACC).

"Penalties are one-on-one and they are made for the player to score," Moore said. "That's the reason it's a penalty kick so the odds are not in my favor but that's one of the biggest saves a goalkeeper can come up with."

North Carolina (3-2-5, 0-1-5 ACC) struggled to find shot opportunities to come back in the first half, with Clemson's defense

swarming the Tar Heel offense.

The Tar Heels took only three shots in the first period, compared to Clemson's six.

Coach Carlos Somoano said the team had good ball movement, but not good looks in the first half.

"I thought we were moving the ball pretty well in the first half," he said. "We got up there, we just weren't able to turn any shots."

North Carolina increased offensive production in the second half, taking six shots.


In the the 68th minute, freshman midfielder Omar Holness put the ball into motion. Then, junior midfielder Verner Valimaa scored off an assist from senior forward Josh Rice.

Somoano said between the 60th and 75th minutes of games is when his team excels.

"I think part of it is there's a lot of talk that we're not scoring and tying a lot of games, which is clear," he said.

"It's obvious that that's the case. I think it starts to get into their head's 60 minutes, 75 minutes and they're still tied — they're using that to motivate themselves to drive on."

The team has ended with a draw after

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double overtime in five games this year, tying the team's record for most draws in a season. In 1979, the team finished 16-3-5 and took second in the ACC. In 2007, UNC finished 7-8-5 and placed sixth in the conference.

Looking to avoid another draw, the team moved into overtime, but in the 92nd minute, Clemson took advantage on another second chance opportunity.

Clemson midfielder Alexandre Romeo's Happi's ball soared to the left in front of the goal where Ara Amirkhanian found it and put it in to end the game and UNC's five-game conference draw streak.

Moore said it was a matter of ball awareness.

"It's all just staying in tune with the game and making sure I'm in the right position to make the save so that's what I try to do. Unfortunately I wasn't able to get to the second goal there."

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inBRIEF

SPORTS BRIEFS

Another indictment related to UNC football case to be unsealed today

Orange County District Attorney Jim

Woodall told The Daily Tar Heel Monday that he expects an indictment relating to the UNC football agent-athlete case to be unsealed Wednesday.

Since former North Carolina tutor Jennifer Wiley Thompson was indicted on four counts of athlete agent inducement Thursday, none of the reported remaining four indictments related to the UNC football scandal have been unsealed but are expected

to sometime this week.

According to legal officials, Thompson's case, which fell under the Uniform Athlete Agents Act, was the first of its kind to have an indictment.

Each of her four inducement charges carries a maximum sentence of 15 months in prison.

— From staff and wire reports

Middle schoolers tackle composting in Chapel Hill

The "Trash Terminators" decrease waste at Phillips Middle School.

By Chloe Ladd
Staff Writer

A team of 13-year-olds from Phillips Middle School is revolutionizing the way Chapel Hill deals with trash.

The eighth-graders, who call themselves the Trash Terminators, work toward decreasing the amount of waste thrown away in schools. They introduced composting bins to their school after the Orange County Municipal Solid Waste Landfill closed July 1.

"We're going to be shipping our trash 100 miles away, which will be making a lot of greenhouse gases, spending a lot of money and it's going to be very bad for the environment," said Rohan Deshpande, a student who started the team last year. "We wanted to divert as

much waste as possible."

Team member Vincent Chen said 80 percent of Phillips' trash is either recyclable or compostable this year.

The team promoted the cause at the Walk for Education, Festifall and the Chapel Hill Public Library, teammate Quentin Sieiedzki said.

The team is currently participating in the Lexus Eco Challenge, a national competition that challenges teenagers to address an environmental issue within their community.

"We've been doing that through videos, through PowerPoint, through announcements on the news and writing articles to our school newspaper," said Chen. "I think it's really started something."

Last year, the Trash Terminators won the national Siemens We Can Change the World Challenge.

Deshpande is the only team member who has participated both years in a row.

"Last year was about reducing the amount

of liquids in trash and recycling, but this year it's more about composting," he said.

The Trash Terminators calculated they will divert 10 tons of waste by going to landfills each year. The team plans to bring their composting initiative to the other middle schools in the district to bring that number up to 40.

After that, they intend to bring the issue to the mayor.

Their website features a survey to gauge community interest in municipal composting.

"I think that composting is something that everybody should be doing," said team member Arden Reynolds. "It's something that I do at home."

Sieiedzki said the project is a no-brainer.

"It even costs less than to just throw stuff away," he said. "There's no reason not to compost."

DTH/CLAIRE COLLINS

A team of eighth-graders from Phillips Middle School calls itself the Trash Terminators.

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Logan avoids redshirt, looks to make impact

By Michael Lananna
Senior Writer

T.J. Logan didn't want to be redshirted. His coaches never discussed it with him, and he never brought it up. It was a point of pride. Fellow North Carolina freshmen Brian Walker, Desmond Lawrence and Bug Howard — some of Logan's closest friends — have avoided redshirts. "I felt like I had to be strong enough to be with them," Logan said. "You know what I mean?" After suffering a left MCL strain early on in training camp and not making the



T.J. Logan is a freshman running back from Greensboro. He made his debut at Virginia Tech.

trip to South Carolina, Logan spent the next few weeks preparing as if he would play. And on Saturday, in a 27-17 loss at Virginia Tech, the running back earned his first collegiate touches — returning a kick, making an 8-yard reception and rushing for 25 yards across five carries. He said he was glad to

return to the field — his enthusiasm after Saturday's loss made that clear. But it was also clear he wasn't enamored with his performance. And again, that came down to pride. "I really wanted to score a touchdown," Logan said, cracking a smile after Tuesday's practice. That's understandable, considering the last time Logan touched a football in a game he scored eight of them. Just a year ago, he was the starting running back for Northern Guilford High School, and he singlehandedly led the Nighthawks to

the 3-AA state championship with a record 510 yards on the ground — 10 more yards than the entire UNC football team through five games this season. Logan was named the Associated Press' North Carolina player of the year for 2012 and was a top recruit in the state. At 5 feet 10, 180 pounds, Logan provides shifty speed and athleticism, and he has already impressed running backs coach Randy Jordan with his instincts on the field. "Most guys that are great runners, they have a feel for when to cut back, when to plant and get the ball outside — you really don't do a whole

lot of coaching," Jordan said. "I tell him, 'When we get you to the line of scrimmage, the rest is up to you.' Some guys have it and some guys don't, but T.J. definitely has it." He doesn't have all of it quite yet though. Logan said coaches have worked with him on blocking — an area where he still needs quite a bit of work. "In high school, I ain't gonna lie, I didn't really block nobody," Logan said, laughing. Logan also isn't guaranteed to get touches, as he'll be sharing tailback duties with redshirt senior A.J. Blue, sophomore Romar Morris and fellow

true freshman Khris Francis. Offensive Coordinator Blake Anderson said UNC might continue with a running back by committee for the rest of the season, but ideally, UNC would like to settle on a 1-2 punch. Come Oct. 17 against Miami, Logan could very well get reps again in his first game at Kenan Stadium. He once played there, and dominated, during his high school career. He couldn't remember specifically what his numbers were in that game. "I just remember the end zone."

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FALSE ALARMS

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to real emergencies. Lawrence said he wanted to encourage alarm users to maintain their systems better. The Chapel Hill Police Department faces a similar problem. Between July 9 and Sept. 4, the department received 567 total alarm calls, Police Chief Chris Blue said during an update to the Town Council last month. Blue said 96 percent of those calls were either accidental or unfounded. Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt said he thinks it's time to consider creating penalties for false alarms, and that the town is considering some sort of graduated fines system for repeat offenses. "Many people are surprised to hear we don't (have penalties)," he said. Kleinschmidt said he was interested to hear from the public about how the town should penalize false alarms. Council member Lee Storrow said he was concerned about the costs of penalizing false alarms. He said he is in favor of the penalties but he is worried about the effects they could have on the University, which has frequent false alarms. "How we institute a policy like this for a college community is something to think about," he said.

TOWN FALSE ALARMS

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96 percent

of alarm calls that are false

And officials in town emergency services are all too familiar with having to respond to real crises involving UNC students. The Phi Gamma Delta fraternity house burned in 1996, killing five students. That house fire and incidents on other campuses later spurred Congress to pass legislation requiring all Greek houses to have fire sprinklers. Storrow said he was looking to hear recommendations from the police chief and fire chief. He said he wasn't worried that penalties would discourage anyone from calling in a real emergency. "It's not in the town's interest to dissuade anyone if they're concerned it's a legitimate emergency," he said.

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L-E-V

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School for three years. Ancona said she was initially drawn to the Batsheva Dance Company, which is the company that begot L-E-V, after seeing some of its performances. "They were so incredible in their performances and I wondered, 'How can they move like that?' They looked superhuman in their skin," she said. Ancona now dances with L-E-V, which formed as an exodus from Batsheva under Eyal and Behar. She said she liked that the material was always changing and that it made for better audience experiences. "Don't expect anything. I hope a lot of people come away with an experience," Ancona said. "My sister saw it and she said, 'That was amazing. It made me so uncomfortable, but in the best way.'" The team at CPA believes this show is a great opportunity for the arts to act as a lens through which students can see culture, innovation, discovery and tradition in action, Kang said. "Our ideology is that the arts can provide this way of seeing that might not exist anywhere else," he said. "The goal has always been to elevate the artistic experience to

be beyond entertainment." Kang said in choosing works to present to the Chapel Hill community, the CPA team asks itself, "How do we represent the contemporary performing arts world in a way where you can really traverse the world in a meaningful way?" L-E-V fits the bill as a group that can transport audiences across time and space to immerse them in a rare artistic experience. Joe Florence, CPA's marketing manager, expressed excitement to see L-E-V in person at Wednesday's show. "Our mission is to provide a once-in-a-lifetime experience, and this is just the type of experience that will do that," Florence said. "If you say, 'Tell me about L-E-V in a sentence,' I would say, 'It's going to take a paragraph.' I hope that people will come to the performance and write that paragraph themselves, because it's just that amazing."

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CLASSES

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down lasts, Roush said he might have to restructure his course to teach non-government-related content earlier than he anticipated. "It's a pain for me to have to go check the website every day to see if the data's all there and to see if I can teach that topic the next day," he said. "But for people who get government benefits it's probably a bigger deal." Professor Joe Bob Hester teaches a media planning class, and he said he could not access census data to show his students the relationship between demographics and sales. "It's just a website, and so the fact that the website is not up even though they don't need somebody sitting there is particularly annoying," he said. Coleman said he was given money to buy a \$650,000 piece of equipment used for dating rocks, but that funding is now on hold. "I've got to explain to the people with whom I'm negoti-

ating that I've got the money but I don't really have the money. It's embarrassing," he said. Coleman said many other UNC professors rely on federal funding and have also been stalled by the shutdown. Coleman said he hopes his students will still be able to visit Yosemite during fall break, but he is not sure Congress will pass legislation in time for the deadline to raise the debt ceiling. "The Oct. 17 deadline looms and I'm cautiously optimistic that we'll have the sense to fix things before then," he said. Senior Julia Hochberg is in Hester's journalism class and said the disruption to class was only a minor inconvenience. But she said she was surprised that the government shutdown impacted one of her classes at all. "To be honest, we laughed about it because nobody expected it to affect any of us," she said. university@dailytarheel.com

ACC EXPANSION

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necessary to subject the student body to the needs of the athletic department. But Ballen said she understands both sides of the debate. "Any time you go before a group, and you make presentations, and there's more discussions and interactions and concerns expressed, then you have a different dynamic there," she said. The costs also amount to additional travel time needed to get to the new ACC cities — which means less time in the classroom for athletes. Senior Kelly McFarlane, a

midfielder on the women's soccer team, said there are pros and cons to the expansion. "There's a lot of team bonding and things like that, but it's also more expensive for our program," she said. Last month, the team was on the road three weeks in a row, which included a three-game road trip to the University of Miami, Florida State University and Pittsburgh. She noted that for games that are far away, the team must travel by plane the night before. "That means you're missing Wednesday for a flight and Friday for a flight as well," she said. "I don't think teachers appreciate it when we're gone

three weeks in a row." Despite the time constraints, McFarlane said she thinks the trade-off is worth it. "Notre Dame is a really competitive team and playing them really improves the strength of our conference," she said. Women's soccer coach Anson Dorrance said he is not concerned about the addition of teams to the conference. He said he thinks the bigger issue is the structure of the schedule. "We sacrifice too much academic loss by playing a Thursday-Sunday swing," he said. Dorrance said most soccer programs play on Friday instead of Thursday — a system he said he thinks would be more beneficial to players. "Basically, it's one day less of class missed," he said.

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Nationwide costs

Soaring athletic fees are nothing new and can be seen around the country, said Karen Weaver, a sports management professor at Drexel University. "The vast majority of Division I programs lose money," she said. Weaver said Olympic teams often fail to generate the amount of revenue needed to fund athletic departments because the games are in the middle of the week, when students are in class. "It's simple economics," Weaver said. "More people watch football than lacrosse." Weaver said some schools charge as much as \$2,000 per year in athletic fees. "Everything comes at a price," she said. "You've got to put up with a really rampant commercial culture on campus." In addition, Weaver said Olympic teams face tougher academic demands — and the added travel makes a difference in athletes' ability to study. "Doing it on the road is not the same as doing it in your normal quiet environment," Weaver said. Ultimately, Weaver said she thinks schools like UNC need to have a serious discussion about the growing financial and academic constraints that sports place on universities. "Just asking questions about travel should be a priority," she said. "You're not only thinking of yourselves, you're thinking of the next group and the next group."

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Folk veteran combines art, activism

By Zhai Yun Tan
Staff Writer

Bluegrass music and social activism are in for a beautiful collision course at The Carrboro ArtsCenter today at the hands of folk musicians Si Kahn and Michael Johnathon.

Kahn will be performing songs from his latest album, *Aragon Mill: The Bluegrass Session*, on which he collaborated with German bluegrass band the Looping Brothers, and Johnathon will be opening the show.

Having worked for more than 40 years as a professional musician, Kahn has had two No. 1 albums on the folk music charts, had his music translated into various languages and performed all over Europe and North America. Yet music is just his hobby — his primary job is as a civil rights and union organizer.

Kahn said the new album with the Looping Brothers addresses a cause close to home.

Aragon is a small town in

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Georgia. In the '70s, a cotton mill in the town moved to a different country to find cheaper labor, and nearly 700 people in Aragon found themselves out of work. Kahn was asked by the textile workers' union for help, but there wasn't much that could be done. So he wrote a song that delivered the story of these workers — "Aragon Mill."

"The people just came up and said how much this song meant to them because it reminded them of the dignity of their work, how it was like when the mill was running and how hard it was on people when it shut down," Kahn said. "People are very emotionally moved when others care about their lives because they're so used to being pushed into the trash pile."

His views on music as a tool for activism resonate with Johnathon.

"Music can cause action. It can cause people to think and listen, and when you listen you fall in love with something," Johnathon said. "We have to listen to earth, to life, and we have to listen to the audience and people because that's where the music comes from."

Johnathon said he moved to the Appalachian Mountains in his youth to learn about the area's music and lifestyles. His experiences there moved him to write a song, "Appalachian Road," that describes the mountaintop removal that is chipping away at the mountains.

"I was not interested in selling things. I wanted to move people's hearts," he said. "I sang about things that I thought was important. I sang about the earth, nature and people."

Art Menius, executive director of The ArtsCenter, said he chose to invite Kahn and Johnathon not only



COURTESY OF MICHAEL JOHNATHON

Folk musician Michael Johnathon will be playing at The Carrboro ArtsCenter today, along with Si Kahn.

because they were great musicians but also because of what they've done through music.

"These are people who have made a life through their art and activism instead of focusing on making a living," Menius said. "I believe that's a far better way to live rather than to wait for retirement."

Kahn hopes the audience,

especially students, will come and be reminded of someone who changed their lives.

"I hope they remember the sacrifices their parents, grandparents and great-grandparents made by working 14 to 16 hours a day for six or seven days per week," Kahn said. "I hope they remember there are people out there

that we need to look out for." Kahn and Johnathon both said the performance will be a joyful and lively occasion.

"I'm going to turn the little theater into a front porch where people will feel comfortable, share music, stories and life," Johnathon said.

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Fair connects homeless with help

An event Thursday will offer health care and social services.

By Graves Ganzert
Senior Writer

Christian Baker just wants to get his cavities filled.

A Durham native, Baker has been homeless since his father kicked him out of the house after he lost his job a couple of years ago. He hasn't been able to go to the dentist in years.

On Thursday, Baker and hundreds of other homeless people in Orange County will go to Project Connect — where dozens of service providers will offer health care, social services and voter registration. The event is sponsored by the Orange County Partnership to End Homelessness.

Jamie Rohe, the partnership's homeless programs coordinator, said the event will have new services this year.

"For the first time this year we have workshops designed to teach budgeting, interviewing and various skills needed to successfully obtain a job," Rohe said.

This year volunteers will also interview the participants and share their stories with the public and organizations that may be able to help.

"It is through stories that we connect, especially on a human level," said Susan Siegel, the volunteer who came up with the idea to interview Project Connect participants.

"The most important thing we can do for someone is to listen. Listening is a gift, and I encourage everyone to listen to the voices in our community."

Rohe said resources are often absent in the lives of homeless and impoverished people. She said this event makes a positive impact not only on their lives but on the entire community.

"We also want the public to know the true stories about the homeless," she said. "There are bad assumptions and sometimes a degree of prejudice toward them."

Baker said he traveled to Chapel Hill from Durham because he thinks Chapel Hill is a friendlier place to be. He said this event can help rid the community of the negative stereotypes associated with being homeless.

"People have to realize that there are people that will take money and spend it on drugs, but there are also people that are just going through tough times since the economy is so bad," he said.

Rohe said the main focus of this event has always been to provide genuine service for people in need.

Thursday's event will be the seventh annual Project

Connect and will be held in the Hargraves Community Center. Last year, the event helped 268 people with each person receiving an average of 10 services. The ages of those who received aid last year ranged from 17 to 83 years.

"We don't do it to stay busy, we do it so that we can change people's lives," she said. "Our goal is to connect people with opportunities for change."

Baker said he knows that finding employment will take time, but he thinks events like this hold promise.

"I hope I will be able to get a job," he said. "If I can't ultimately get one from attending, I know they will point me in the right direction."

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Law professor profiled in book

By Catherine O'Neill
Staff Writer

UNC law professor Donald Hornstein has taught UNC students many lessons — but the one that has made him famous is that the law is anything but dry.

Hornstein was one of 26 law professors featured in "What the Best Law Teachers Do," published in August by the Harvard University Press.

Michael Schwartz, dean of the University of Arkansas-Little Rock law school, co-authored the book.

Schwartz said he began considering candidates five years ago before settling on 26 professors to profile.

"We wanted to study people who could demonstrate that they had an extraordinary long-term effect," Schwartz said. "One thing (Hornstein's) students said over and over again is that he was the best teacher they had ever had."

In addition to his graduate courses, he teaches an undergraduate environmental law and policy class every spring, Environmental Studies 350.



Donald Hornstein is a UNC law professor featured in the book "What the Best Law Teachers Do."

"Very few law professors ever teach undergraduates — Carolina is one of the few places in the country where this happens," Hornstein said.

Sophomore Anurag Angara took the course last year and said Hornstein was unique.

"(He) genuinely likes undergrads," he said. "He thinks we have a lot of potential so he reaches out to us and offers us a lot of really cool opportunities."

Hornstein also teaches a massive open online course, or MOOC, in environmental

law, which has about 21,000 students. Hornstein said he works hard to keep the thousands of students engaged.

"He dresses down in a T-shirt for his normal lectures, but he puts on a tuxedo for his theory lectures," said Heather Hillaker, a law student and teaching assistant for his MOOC.

Nicole Daniels, a teaching assistant for the MOOC, said Hornstein's teaching style reflects his commitment to students.

"He's willing to do whatever it takes to help people understand and engage," she said.

Angara said Hornstein's gift of storytelling makes the class engaging.

"He is the best storyteller I've ever heard. Usually he'll offer anecdotes that are

beautifully and vividly told," Angara said.

Hornstein said he prides himself on preparing his students for the real world.

"The thing about law students is they are the ones who are going to step up. That's what it means to be a lawyer. Whether somebody is in trouble in court or somebody wants to do something important in their lives ... they are the ones people turn to," he said.

Schwartz said he received an overwhelmingly positive response about Hornstein.

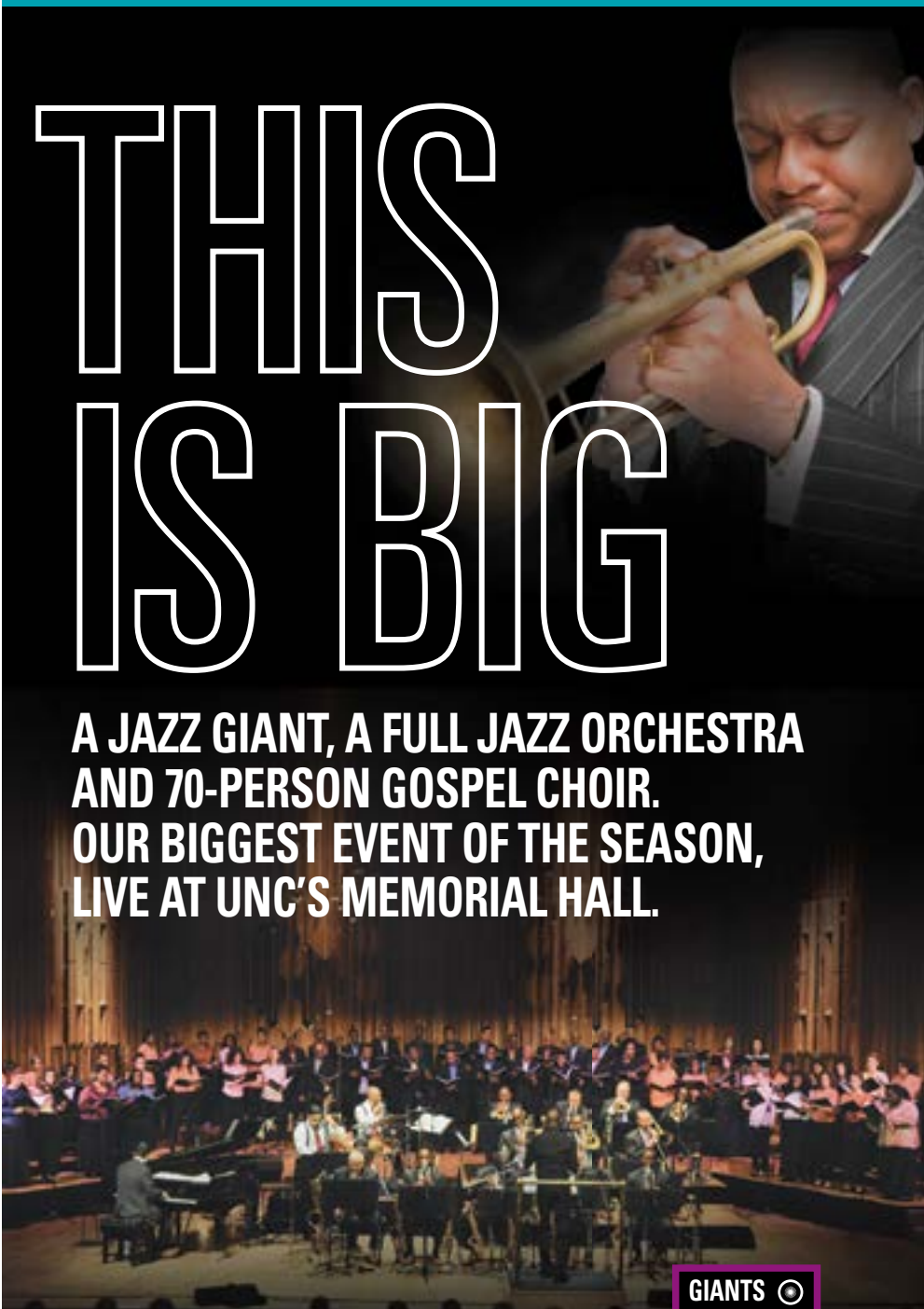
"These students talked about how much they not only enjoyed him as a teacher, but wanted to emulate him, wanted to be like him. That's a pretty striking thing."

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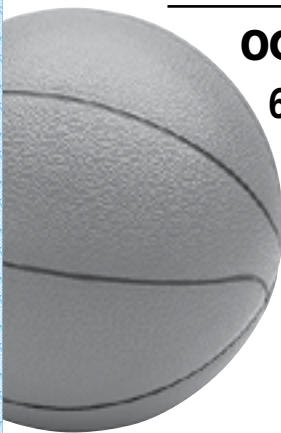
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Scooters cause concern for pedestrians

By Kelly Jasiura
Staff Writer

Most students who walk to class have felt a motorized vehicle zoom by on their path. Scooters, mopeds and motorcycles are all allowed on campus — as long as they stay on the roads and off pedestrian pathways.

But some students say they have noticed that motorized vehicle rules are not always followed on campus.

Freshman Brittany Wood

recalled an incident in which someone on a motorized vehicle moved from the street to the sidewalk to avoid a car and almost hit a woman and child.

“I get slightly frustrated when they come onto the sidewalk and almost hit people,” Wood said.

Randy Young, UNC Department of Public Safety spokesman, said if a motorized vehicle is operational and activated then it should be on the streets — otherwise, it can be

pushed on pedestrian paths.

Young said UNC has the authority to enforce penalties and can issue fines as well as traffic citations, but it is easier for police to see offenders on the road than on walkways.

Young said he was unaware of any serious accidents involving vehicles hitting pedestrians.

“If certain areas become problem areas, we will certainly respond to a complaint,” Young said.

He said the department’s

emphasis is on safety for all areas of the University.

DPS is responsible for alerting people to safer transportation practices for pedestrians, such as using crosswalks, using signals and avoiding the use of cellphones when crossing a street.

Young said UNC is also partnering up with the Watch for Me NC campaign, which aims to promote safe practices among drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists throughout the Triangle.

He said the high amount of these two-wheeled vehicles in Chapel Hill is due in part to rising gas prices and falling parking availability with the increase of development in the town.

Some students said they believe the vehicles do not pose a threat to students’ safety.

“They’re just annoying, especially if they come up behind you,” said freshman Lindsey MacAllister.

MacAllister said as a pedestrian she hasn’t had an inci-

dent with a vehicle on a walking path — but that doesn’t mean it couldn’t happen.

“As long as I have time to get out of the way, I’m fine.”

Junior Emma Brink, the manager of the cross country and track teams, said the vehicles are fuel-efficient and make transportation easy without a parking pass.

“They’re really convenient for early morning practice. It can be a tight schedule.”

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Fitness instructor Jordan Gomez teaches during Taste of Fitness, an event featuring different workouts. “I love having people that might not know exactly what to do with fitness, or what they like, and showing them something new,” she said.

New health care website prompts cost comparisons

High traffic to the online market caused technical difficulties.

By Ashley Cocciadiferro
Staff Writer

The Affordable Care Act’s online health care marketplace debuted nationwide eight days ago, but questions still surround the costs of new health insurance options.

Within the first 48 hours, more than 7 million people nationally flocked to healthcare.gov when open enrollment began Oct. 1, said Sorien Schmidt, North Carolina’s director for Enroll America. Open enrollment closes March 31, 2014.

But a study by the conservative Manhattan Institute found that the average insurance rates will increase by 97 to 99 percent for young men and 55 to 62 percent for young women. Researchers also said North Carolina was

the worst off, with individual market rates quadrupling for men and tripling for women.

“There have been numerous alternative Republican proposals that would increase competition, lower health care costs and increase the number of Americans that are insured,” said Daniel Keylin, spokesman for the North Carolina Republican Party, in an email.

But Jason Roberts, a UNC political science professor, said in an email that looking at differences in average health care costs of people across states is not the right comparison.

“The key question is whether the exchange will offer better pricing than what (individual) people are currently paying or being quoted,” he said.

Schmidt said cost is difficult to compare because of the vast differences in demographics among people.

Whether an individual’s cost goes up or down depends

on his or her previous plan, she said, because the new plan might offer coverage for more services.

“It’s sort of like apples and oranges — you can’t tell whether the prices have gone up from their old plan because the new plan might be very different or might be better,” she said.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, a 27-year-old individual in North Carolina will pay an average of \$123 per month without tax credits for a catastrophic plan, the most basic coverage provided by the Affordable Care Act.

The law also cannot deny coverage to people with pre-existing conditions. According to a May 2010 study by Families USA, a nonprofit consumer health care advocacy group, about 4.5 million people between ages 18 and 24 have a pre-existing condition that could have denied them health coverage.

Roberts said he thinks there will be mixed reactions to the health care changes.

“People with pre-existing conditions will likely be very happy that they can now get insurance at an affordable rate,” he said.

The Wall Street Journal reported a day after the exchanges opened that BlueCross BlueShield of North Carolina was only able to enroll one person in a subsidized health care plan as the website was hit by strong traffic and long wait times.

There were some technical difficulties with the marketplace during the first week, but Schmidt said some trouble was anticipated, and the government shutdown has not had an impact on the healthcare.gov website.

“Whoever is putting out a national website that’s going to get that many hits is expecting that there’s going to be glitches that they have to fix.”

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If October 9th is Your Birthday...

New income opportunities arise, and career thrives with love. Strengthen old partnerships, while inviting new ones. Explore subjects and destinations of fascination, and share discoveries. Provide for family. More stuff is unnecessary. Share love, food, joys and sorrows. Water seedlings of possibility.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19)

Today is a 6 -- Somebody at home lays down the law. Confide in a wise relative. Break through! A pleasant development surprises. Make sure your structure is solid at work. Let a partner make the connection. They're saying nice things about you.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Today is a 5 -- An old love may resurface in an amazing development. Set down strong roots. Meet with the important people on a project. Frustration leads to new ideas. Think about what worked and didn't. Consider the big picture.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

Today is a 6 -- Set your course in a new direction. Finish what you started first. Choose the wording carefully. Accept a bonus or fringe benefit. Enforce your own rules, with new assignments coming in. Do a good job. Get something you've long wanted.

Cancer (June 21-July 22)

Today is a 7 -- Take pride in your basic principles, and add a few new ones to live by. Ask probing questions, and get the message out about what you discover. Find things you've forgotten. Adjust the budget. Hold on to what you've got.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Today is a 6 -- Work out financial details. You have more than expected. Be practical. Wait for further consideration. Let your conscience guide you. Do what seems right, even if nobody else knows. Surprise your partner.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today is a 5 -- Provide support to help another advance. There are perks involved; gather them gratefully. Rules are reinforced. You see the big picture. Relax and feel secure. Share your love. Heed a friend's concerns without getting stopped by them.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Today is a 7 -- Your team gains strength. Show them your appreciation. Energy builds at work. Don't argue with the rules. Streamline your routine. Find excuses to laugh out loud. Enjoy intimate conversation. Hum your mantra as you maintain focus. You're brilliant.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Today is a 7 -- New opportunities open to express your creative talents. You're gaining points as well as experience. You're really cute, too. Advance with support from distant contacts on an imaginative conquest. Keep your word. Schedule a buffer zone.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Today is a 6 -- Ponder the situation. Revise plans and try a new tactic. Follow a strong recommendation. Listen carefully. Whose support do you want? Heed wise words from a loving woman. Check electrical wiring.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Today is a 6 -- Set long-range goals. Your home can be a showplace. Search out the best deals. Learn from an older, wealthier person. Find time to meditate. New ideas come in odd moments, with help from your friends.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Today is a 6 -- Wrap up old business. The more you sell, the more you earn. Be among the best. The money is not what you expected, for better or worse. Your discipline is admirable. Trust the structure you've built. There's a positive outcome.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Today is a 6 -- Old ideas gel. A lucky break sparks a new opportunity. Come up with a brilliant solution to a persistent problem. Take a different route. An old trick works again. Stick to your standards regarding romance.

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Author Sharyn McCrumb will speak about her book "King's Mountain." See pg. 7 for Q&A.

ELECTION NOTICE

IN ACCORDANCE WITH NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTE 163-33(8), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the qualified voters of Orange County that the Municipal and Chapel Hill/Carrboro School Board Elections shall be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013 to vote for local offices. The polls shall be open from 6:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. on Election Day.

Residents who are not registered to vote must register by October 11, 2013 to be eligible to vote in this election on November 5. Registered voters who moved within Orange County should notify the Board of Elections, in writing, of their address change by the same date.

You may also register in-person and vote at one of the One-Stop Early Voting Sites. In order to register and vote prior to Election Day, a citizen must (1) go to a One-Stop Voting site during the one-stop voting period, (2) fill out a voter registration application, and (3) provide proof of residency by showing the elections official an appropriate form of identification with the citizen's current name and current address. The new registrant may vote **ONLY** at a One-Stop Early Voting site beginning October 17, 2013 and ending on November 2, 2013.

LOCATIONS AND TIMES FOR ONE-STOP VOTING SITES

Carrboro Town Hall - 301 W. Main St, Carrboro	
Rams Head Dining Hall - 320 Ridge Rd, Chapel Hill	
Thursday-Friday, October 17-18	Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Monday-Friday, October 21-25	Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Monday-Friday, October 28-Nov 1	Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday-November 2	Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Board of Elections Office - 208 S. Cameron St. Hillsborough	
Thursday-Friday, October 17-18	Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
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Qualified voters may also request an absentee ballot by mail. The request must be submitted in writing to the Orange County Board of Elections, P. O. Box 220, Hillsborough, NC 27278 and received by the board office by 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 29, 2013.

Citizens with questions concerning registration, absentee ballots, location of polling sites or other related matters, should call the board office (919-245-2350) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or inquire at our website at <http://www.orangecountync.gov/elect>.

The Orange County Board of Elections will hold absentee meetings in the Board office at 208 S. Cameron Street, Hillsborough, NC at 3:00 p.m. on October 15, October 22, and October 29 and at 2:00 p.m. on November 5. Additional absentee meetings will be scheduled if needed.

The Orange County Board of Elections will meet at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 in the board office at 208 S. Cameron Street, Hillsborough, North Carolina to canvass the results of the November 5, 2013 Elections.

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Speak like no one's listening

Recently, I was informed by the DTH's own Caroline Leland that UNC students who identify as conservative feel a certain anxiety about speaking their political beliefs. They fear grade retribution from their professors and social retribution from their peers, leading these bright young minds to suppress their inner desire to hold casual conversations about politics. Well, young conservatives, I'm here to tell you that it only gets worse — I'm kidding, sort of.

As I learned from the less-than-constructive feedback regarding my defense of voter ID, those who will disagree with you to the point of responding to you are those who you should probably hide from. When your opponent is convinced you're carrying water for Jim Crow reincarnated, there's little you can do but quietly nod your head in recognition of his or her ad hominem supremacy while secretly crossing your fingers under the table.

I, too, am afraid to say I'm a conservative, but that's mostly because I'm not a conservative — at least in my mind. That word just frightens me; my great-uncle smoking a pipe in his high-waisted pants is conservative, not me. No, I'd rather be an economic neoliberal with libertarian social tendencies who toes the line on environmental conservationism, like Jon Huntsman but less Mormon.

I haven't been persecuted by Chapel Hill. My sophomore year suitemate still speaks to me to this day despite the many times I told him that the Obamacare individual mandate is an absurd interpretation of the interstate commerce clause of the U.S. Constitution. My admittedly liberal History 140 teacher awarded me an A for a paper on North Korea that actually used the beloved George W. Bush phrase "axis of evil."

Until recently, the only backlash I had ever received for my political beliefs was an isolated incident where a fellow student audibly booed my sartorial decision to wear my "Reagan is my homeboy" T-shirt in public. I promptly responded with a one-finger salute, and we reached a state of detente.

However, the response to my voter ID column should be a lesson to all young conservatives nervous about speaking their minds: There are less than 30 people in the entire world who care what you think about politics. The people who are genuinely offended by your views will call you glib, perhaps even worse, but most people will simply ask you to stop ruining dinner with your political ramblings.

That's not to say that the issues at hand aren't important. On the contrary, issues like the voter ID law and Obamacare will have enormous impacts on all of our lives. But the fear of backlash is the fear of a very petty few who have little else to do but ridicule you for your sincerely held, if at times weakly informed, beliefs.

Don't be afraid to disagree with the majority opinion if it leans left, but don't be surprised if no one's actually paying attention.

EDITORIAL CARTOON By Ginny Niver, vniver@live.unc.edu



EDITORIAL

Put safety first

Carrboro is in need of pedestrian safety projects.

The N.C. Department of Transportation needs to make good on Carrboro's request for walkway and bike lane funding.

The fact that after 30 years the town is still waiting for money for projects to improve safety for bicyclists and pedestrians is unacceptable.

The department argues that it needs most of its federal funding for highway work, but having smoother highways should not be the trade-off for pedestrian safety.

Ranking in the top 20

in the state for pedestrian- or bike-related deaths should not be a prerequisite to receive funding.

By this standard, the department is basically arguing that the town needs to wait for more pedestrians and bikers to be killed before it makes roads safer for them.

The idea that more citizens need to be killed to warrant local project funding is absurd.

The department needs to act proactively in situations regarding public safety and reward towns that have taken initiative to protect their citizens.

The deaths of two bicyclists and a pedestrian in three days on U.S. Highway 15-501 in Chapel Hill last month should be more

than enough reason for the department to realize that this is a necessary project.

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro area has a high number of pedestrians and bicyclists due to the towns' proximities to UNC and the amount of students living in the area and commuting by bike or on foot to classes.

The department needs to take information like this into account when considering funding for local projects rather than basing the decision entirely on the number of bike- and pedestrian-related deaths in the area.

Pedestrian and bicyclist safety needs to be a higher priority, and funding a local project like this is worth the money.

EDITORIAL

Walk it out

The public should support teachers in upcoming walkout.

On Nov. 4, public school teachers across North Carolina are planning to walk out of classrooms to protest the pathetic working conditions they have been facing for several years. It is important for teachers to follow through with this plan and get as much support as possible so they can send a message that it is unacceptable for Gov. Pat McCrory to constantly put teachers on the back burner when finding ways to trim the budget.

Ryan Tronovitch, deputy communications

director of the Governor's office, has advised against the walkout because it doesn't lead to a solution, and it puts the education of children in jeopardy.

If the General Assembly doesn't want teachers to sacrifice education because of bad pay, then McCrory shouldn't sacrifice education because of an unmanageable budget.

The state government's inability to allocate a sufficient budget toward education is clear, directly resulting in teacher agitation. In the past five years, the state of North Carolina has awarded teachers just one pay raise of 1.2 percent, which isn't even enough to account for inflation.

If public school teach-

ers want to secure a better future for themselves, then walking out is the right start. Instead of continuously being subjugated by policies such as frozen pay rates, the end of teacher tenure and the elimination of extra pay for advanced degrees, the walkout will give legislators an accurate impression of the vital and irreplaceable role that teachers serve in the community.

North Carolina is notorious around the country for terrible teacher pay, and constantly trimming the already deficient education budget is not a solution. The benefit of emphasizing this message to legislators is more important than the cost of one day without teachers.

EDITORIAL

Don't let gridlock spread

ASG should take action on Resolution 5.

Though student governments should strive to emulate their professional counterparts in Washington, D.C., the recent deadlock and government shutdown should not serve as a source of inspiration.

The inaction at the recent Association of Student Governments meeting regarding Resolution 5 only serves to solidify the long-standing negative view of the institution rather than the one of hopeful reform. This historical reputation should be kept in mind by delegates at future meetings.

The passing of the resolution was a necessary reaction to the recent culmination of events including the voter ID law and the following lawsuit by the U.S. Department of Justice.

Though it required a suspension of ASG rules — a task different and perhaps harder to swallow than merely passing a resolution — this rapid series of events called for at least a discussion that could produce a resolution that fit everyone's liking.

The fact that this resolution was not even discussed is a direct slap in the face to all the students, represented by these delegates, as it has the potential to lose valuable momentum and no longer be proactive in nature.

The reform that was hinted at in past years, including added accountability for unused rooms and emphasis on delegate presence, seemed to be completely ignored at the recent meeting where no action could be seen, delegates were accused of being unprofessional and \$3,000 was essentially wasted.

Though this cost was lower than previous years, it can still be viewed as a waste by a university system that includes multiple institutions that have vehemently expressed a desire to leave ASG.

This historical reputation and criticism should be kept in mind by an ASG administration that showed promise no more than a few months ago.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The vast majority of Division I programs lose money ... It's simple economics, more people watch football than lacrosse."

Karen Weaver, on nonrevenue Olympic sports

FEATURED ONLINE READER COMMENT

"Even if ... the allegations against P.J. are true, they are minuscule to the systematic injustice the NCAA imposes on student athletes."

Luke Sherry, on the controversy concerning P.J. staying on the team

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Students shouldn't be afraid to call for help

TO THE EDITOR:

As we learn more details about David Shannon's tragic death, many will be quick to point fingers of blame at hazing, underage drinking, Greek life, party culture, etc.

However, providing constructive tools and education to prevent future death from drinking-related accidents should be our community's top priority, in light of this event, to ensure students are partying responsibly and know what to do in a crisis.

This is why the University and drinking communities (including Greek life) should make every UNC student aware of the North Carolina 911 Good Samaritan Law (Senate Bill 20) passed in April 2013, which states that individuals who seek medical help for an underage drinking incident will not be prosecuted for underage consumption or possession of alcohol.

This applies to both the victim and to whoever places the 911 call and stays with the victim until help arrives. This law also applies to overdoses of illegal drugs and possession in small amounts.

Today, 11 other states have similar laws, and others have pending legislation.

While I am not certain what policies were in place at the time of David's death more than a year ago, who was with David at the scene of his death, or why 911 was not called, I am certain that embracing the protection this law provides will encourage students to never let fear of legal trouble stand between a lifesaving 911 medical emergency call and tragic death.

If it is not already, this law and other related policies should be mentioned at new student orientation, in every Greek community, in every campus residence hall and at every party to ensure UNC students can continue to party together safely and not be afraid to call for help when someone gets hurt.

Lauren Donoghue '14
Environmental health sciences

Don't lose sight of the voter ID law's effects

TO THE EDITOR:

Eric Boyers, in an Oct. 8 letter, writes that my letter to The Daily Tar Heel on Oct. 7 was too harsh, even "vicious." He implies that I said Republicans are racists, pro-lifers are woman-haters and conservatives hate the poor.

Perhaps it would be harsh to say those things, but I did not say any of them. I never used the word "Republican" at all and did not bring up any specific issue except the right to vote.

But since Boyers admits that the "problem" of voter impersonation might not exist, it seems fair to me to find the lawmakers' actual intentions in addressing this non-problem by looking at the well-known effects of their actions.

This is precisely the approach of the U.S. Justice Department in its recent suit against North Carolina that won The Daily Tar Heel's praise. I do not know the deepest motives of our legislative majority, but its intention to block the votes of students and minorities is as clear as noonday.

I'm an historian of North Carolina and the U.S. South. It's burned into my brain how many lives were lost to gain the minority voting rights which our General Assembly has attempted to curtail.

I also remember that the 26th Amendment was a direct response to the loss of 55,000 young Americans in Vietnam, as well as the efforts of those — mostly students — who protested their unnecessary deaths.

I'm deeply saddened that some UNC students now seem indifferent to the rights that others won for them at so much cost. That may sound harsh, but the shoe seems to fit.

Harry Watson
Professor History

Keeping Hairston is short-sighted, selfish

TO THE EDITOR:

Roy Williams: As a longtime resident of North Carolina and a Tar Heel athletics fan, I am shocked that P.J. Hairston has been allowed to stay on the basketball team.

After all the incidents that have plagued the athletic department throughout the last couple of years, keeping Hairston on the team is like throwing gasoline on a fire.

The incidents that he has been involved with are a little more than an indiscretion; they are a pattern.

Allowing him to continue his basketball career at North Carolina is a slap in the face of all the other athletes that play by the rules and stay out of trouble. There is no place for him on the team.

If he is serious about his academic future, let him pay for his mistake by attending classes and getting a degree. As it appears right now, he is laughing in the face of authority, and you have enabled him to do this.

I have always admired your integrity, thought that you represented the University well and ran a clean program, but after seeing the decision you made to keep Hairston on the team, I have quickly lost respect.

In my mind your only interest was to win games at any cost.

Scott Spaine
Holly Springs

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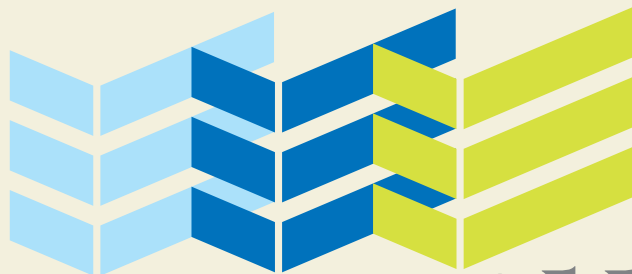
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