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Ryan Switzer says goodbye to Kenan



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UNC senior wide receiver Ryan Switzer (3) is examined on the field by trainers after going down with a non-contact injury in the third quarter of a 28-21 loss to N.C. State on Friday.

The senior receiver had 13 receptions for 171 yards in his final home game

By C Jackson Cowart **Sports Editor**

Ryan Switzer choked back the tears, but his resolve had finally betrayed him. It was

time to let go. His forehead was red from the pressure of his helmet, and his legs ached from the

weight of his performance -13 catches for 171 yards, more than his North Carolina teammates combined.

But the sharpest pain was saying goodbye.

"Regardless of play individually, you want to win and you want to go out on the right note," he said,

searching for the strength he had on the field. "But I don't

regret anything. His voice trailed as emotions stained his face. This wasn't a fitting farewell — a 28-21 loss to rival N.C. State (6-6, 3-5 ACC) to knock the Tar Heels (8-4, 5-3 ACC) out of ACC title contention — but he couldn't escape it. He left everything on the field, and he wasn't about to lose it here.

The memories came flooding back. It was over, at least at Kenan Stadium. This game was his lasting impression.

"I hate it for these seniors "Coach Larry Fedora said. "Every time they think about this game, it's gonna hurt them."

Even in a loss, Switzer left his indelible mark.

The highlights started in the second quarter, when he turned a sideline heave into a 28-yard gain. Two drives later, he was in the end zone for his 18th career touchdown, tying

him for fifth in UNC history. But the Tar Heels couldn't hold onto the momentum or anything, for that matter.

"Everyone pretty much had a drop out there," junior tailback Elijah Hood said Even Switzer wasn't

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Rocking around the Tar Heel tree

Chapel Hill kicked off the holiday season with annual tree lighting.

By Meghana Srikrishna

When eighth grader Franklin Kennedy stood up to sing in front of a crowd gathered in the Memorial Garden of University Baptist Church, there were no

signs of nerves on his face. "I've been singing here for the past four years, I'd say," he said. "I'm a member of the church and so they ask if I can sing a solo."

Kennedy then sang "The First Noel" to the crowd of about 100

people that filled the garden. The church hosted Chapel Hill's

annual tree lighting ceremony on

Sunday night. This year was the 10th time the church held a tree lighting ceremony in the Memorial Garden,

located at the intersection of Columbia Street and Franklin

Street. Families, students and town residents gathered to sing carols, visit with Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus, and drink hot chocolate before kicking off the holiday season by

tuning the tree's lights on. A full choir, accompanied by a pianist, sang holiday-themed songs like "Jingle Bells," "O Christmas Tree" and "Rudolph the

Red-Nosed Reindeer." Lyric sheets were passed out to the audience so everyone could sing along to the carols.

As everyone sang, people trickled in to the garden from businesses on Franklin Street. The crowd then began a count

down, and the twinkling tree lights were turned on. Chapel Hill resident Jeanne Delgado said the event helped

bring her family together this "We just moved to Chapel Hill



Holiday music and hot chocolate were popular at Sunday's Christmas tree lighting at University Baptist Church's Memorial Garden in Chapel Hill.

in August," she said. "This is our first time at the tree lighting in Chapel Hill. We had gone at our hometown and it was kind of a family tradition there."

People sold hot cocoa and baked goods to benefit the International Justice Mission, a human rights

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Grad students at Duke move closer to union

Differing opinions on unionization have sparked campus controversy.

By Jessica Baucom Staff Writer

Duke University graduate students are moving toward unionization after a ruling earlier this year said graduate students at private universities could be considered university employees.

Graduate students at Duke filed a petition

representatives will attend a hearing today with

for unionization on Nov. 10. Michael Schoenfeld, spokesperson for Duke University, said university and graduate student

the National Labor Relations Board to decide the terms of such a unionization effort.

Schoenfeld said Monday's hearing will be important to determine if an election to unionize is warranted, who will be eligible to vote in such an election and potential dates for the election.

Schoenfeld said campus conversation regarding unionization has been largely productive, but the debate has occasionally gotten out of hand.

A statement emailed from Paula D. McClain, dean of Duke's graduate school, to graduate students mentioned reports that anti-union flyers had been torn down and international students had been threatened with loss of their immigration status if they voted against the union.

In the statement, McClain said she does not

support a graduate student union but respects students' opinions.

"What concerns me is that the environment on campus has become increasingly adversarial even before a union election is held," she said. "I would like to encourage everyone to respect each other's right to express ideas from all per-

Jenna Robinson, president of The John William Pope Center for Higher Education Policy, said union movements generally form because of low graduate student pay.

Shahrazad Shareef, a Duke doctoral candidate and member of the organizing committee for the Duke Graduate Students Union, said she

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Forbes ranks N.C. second for business environment

Low economic mobility and HB2 threaten state's success.

> By CJ Farris Staff Writer

Forbes released its Best States for Business rankings earlier this month, and for the second year in a row North

Carolina was number two. Contributing factors in North Carolina's ranking included the state's two percent job growth rate, the cost of doing business in the state is 10.3 percent below the national average and labor costs are 10 percent lower than the national aver-

age — the fourth lowest in the country. "This ranking is further affirmation that our pro-growth economic policies and excellent business climate have once again made North Carolina a top destination for jobs," Gov. Pat McCrory said in a press release.

Christopher Chung, CEO of the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina, said in addition to the state's urban clusters and low level of unionization, the variety of specialized industries that have developed in the state help to attract businesses.

"In terms of the industry makeup of North Carolina, you have strength in biotechnology, information technology, financial and professional services and at the same time, it's still one of the biggest manufacturing states in the country," he

Larry Chavis, assistant professor

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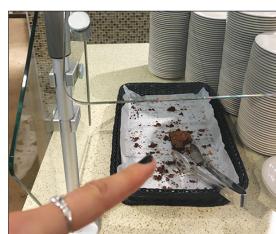
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While underrepresented, there are many gluten-free desserts around the Chapel Hill-Carrboro area. Elmo's, YoPo and Lenoir are all places to go for your gluten-free fix.

Go-to gluten-free desserts around town

From Elmo's Diner to **Lenoir Dining Hall,** there are options.

By Alexandra Blazevich Staff Writer

Exams are hard. Writing papers is also hard. But finding gluten-free desserts around campus was

surprisingly not. As a person with dietary restrictions and allergies, it can sometimes be difficult to watch your friends chow down on Insomnia Cookies and \$1 slices of pizza on the daily while you sit there sad with your salad. Believe me, I've been there too.

But you no longer have to be the odd one out. Chapel Hill-Carrboro is basically a food-allergy haven.

Y'all, I get chills just driving past Elmo's Diner. For those like me who love eating breakfast for dinner — or really breakfast at any time of

the day — head over to Elmo's in Carrboro. They have gluten-free pancakes, my friends. And yes, they are delicious. I should also mention their gluten-free menu, which contains more pages than a semester worth of notes for our 8 a.m. classes.

Next stop on my journey was right down the hall from Elmo's Diner — I strolled on over to the Oasis at Carr Mill. In the little hipster cafe, I enjoyed a gluten-free almond scone, chocolate cupcake and freshly-pressed coffee. They were delicious.

Yeah, this place can make any Monday better.

My sugar high brought me over to The Yogurt Pump, where I got gluten-free French vanilla frozen yogurt with pieces of Reese's Cups — a.k.a. the highlight of my

The best part of YoPo — as us college kids call it — is that they label which frozen yogurts are gluten- and dairyfree, something that is very

helpful to those of us with dietary restrictions.

The next day, once I recovered from the amount of sugar my body had to process on Monday, a friend invited me to lunch in Lenoir Dining Hall, where I found more gluten-free desserts.

On that particular day, they served up gluten-free brownies, and I was able to snag the last one.

It was awesome.

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Deck your halls with boughs of holly this season

From snowflakes to garlands, paper will be your friend.

Hanzhang Connie Jin Staff Writer

As the holiday season approaches, what better way to get into the spirit — and procrastinate studying than to liven up your dorm with some festive DIY decorations? Here are some ideas that are fun, festive and, most importantly, cheap.

Paper snowflakes

All you need is paper, scissors and some imagination. There are many tutorials online for intricate snowflakes, but you can also get creative and just wing it. Do this with a bunch of friends — everyone gets to put their twist on a snowflake, and when you're done you have a bunch that you can hang or string up.

Garlands

You could opt for the classic paper garland or try making them out of more festive materials like wrapping paper.

Really, anything could be made into a garland. Any material that you have a lot of in your dorm works — an old bed sheet? Tea bags? The 25 free T-shirts you got at FallFest and then forgot about? Anything goes, and you could add in some string lights for extra festivity or

paper numbers as a countdown until the semester ends. The same concept goes for DIY wreaths.

Wrapping paper

Nothing screams the holidays more than brightly patterned paper indicative of the consumerist spirit we all buy into. There are so many ways you could use wrapping paper to brighten up your space paper your door, walls, lamps or maybe even your roommate.

Door decorations

Possibly the best place in your dorm to get festive is your room's entryway. You could put up the aforementioned paper snowflakes, wrapping paper and a classic

"String lights are inexpensive and a great way to bring Christmas into your room ... "

Hanzhang Connie Jin Holiday decor expert

wreath. Or you could get a little bit more creative with some paper, like making your door into a snowman face, fireplace or winter wonderland. Cotton can be a great substitution for snow.

Lights

String lights are inexpensive and a great way to bring Christmas into your room during, and after, the holiday season. You could drape them across your bedposts, the wall, dressers or the ceiling. Stuff lights inside large bottles or

jars to be crafty.

Ornaments

Hanging some plastic ornaments along a string or garland somewhere is a great way to brighten up a room. Just make sure that they're plastic — you don't want to deal with the mess of any broken baubles. Hanging them up from ribbons of alternating lengths in a window or from the ceiling is cute — any sort of alcove will do, really.

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· Someone reported breaking and entering and larceny on the 100 block of Hamilton Road at 9:52 a.m. Wednesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person cut the screen on the house's back window, valued at \$25, with a knife and stole \$1,150 worth of jewelry and money, reports state.

• Someone committed credit card fraud on the 100 block of Maddry Court at 1:05 p.m. Tuesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person presumably cloned the victim's credit card to make purchases at a retail establishment, reports state.

• Someone committed larceny and possessed cocaine at the Food Lion at 1129 Weaver Dairy Road at 1:13 p.m. Tuesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person stole two ribeye steaks, valued at \$17.89 each, reports state.

 Someone committed vandalism on the 200 block of South Estes Drive at 1:50 p.m. Tuesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person keyed a vehicle, causing \$1,000 in damage, reports state.

• Someone committed larceny at the Steinmart at 1800 E. Franklin St. at 7:46 p.m. Tuesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person stole athletic clothes, valued at \$24.99 total, reports state.

• Someone reported breaking and entering of a vehicle on the 200 block of Kirkwood Drive at 9:33 a.m. Wednesday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

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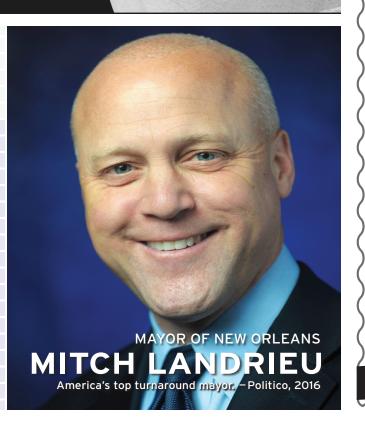
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~ Lily Clarke '16

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Check out Tar Heel Verses this Wednesday!

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Policy decisions have no borders

recently read a piece in The New York Times on the Syrian resettlement in the United States. The piece followed a family from their time as refugees in Jordan to resettlement in Illinois.

They note that most of the family had to leave their adult son and his wife and their two sons. Despite passing the Enhanced Syrian Review, these four were held in Amman due to a background check delay. They waited almost a year, but after the Paris attack, presidential candidates compared refugees to "rabid dogs" (Ben Carson) and proposed a ban on Muslims (Donald Trump).

Hearing of the proposed shutdown on vetted refugees, they decided that the only option was to smuggle their boys over the Mediterranean. "After all the news," they wrote to their family, "we have no hope to travel to America."

This was the effect of U.S. candidates' mere rhetoric across the world. How much more powerful — and difficult to quantify — is U.S. foreign policy on the course of human lives outside the U.S.?

American voters need not all vote for a candidate based on their foreign policy. But once the election is over, we all at least owe the world a moment's pause to honestly consider the way that the decisions of our leaders can shape the lives of the most vulnerable in dozens of other nations.

Just because some Americans remain unconvinced that policy makes a difference in our lives doesn't mean that there aren't millions who experience, every day, the tangible effects of U.S. foreign policy on their ability to live in peace. From East Aleppo to the Philippines, it matters.

And we must reckon with what our nation voted for. A vote for Trump was not a renunciation of global involvement or a mandate for limited hegemony. Rather, his credo is the continued use of influence worldwide - but under a new set of values. His values are opaque, but seem to include transactionalism, alignment with Russia and, potentially, resentment for the post-1945 peace-building institutions.

As the world watches the Syria-Russia coalition bomb the civilians of East Aleppo relentlessly this week, we must hope that lawmakers and heads of state are finding ways to ensure that neither Putin nor Assad is truly emboldened by Trump's win. We may hope that Trump chooses not to fit Assad's chilling assessment of him: as a "natural ally."

Trump's administration may present a host of problems to peace-building in the world, on which I barely want to speculate. Beyond war, the most pressing threat may be to impartial aid. Humanitarian aid on principle does not discriminate among civilian groups, and the global obligation for aid is often led by the U.S.; however, this principle may be in danger.

Bana and Fatemah Alabed are a mother-daughter duo who seem to be tweeting from East Aleppo. On Nov. 9, the mother tweeted, "What will happen to us now that @realdonaldtrump is elected?"

I don't know, but it's high time we considered their question legitimate.



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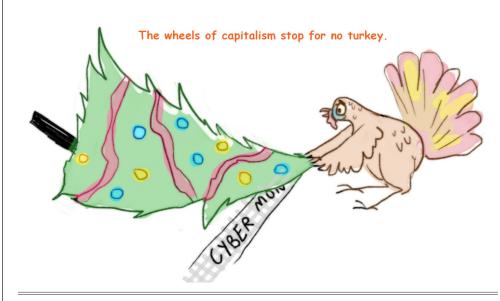
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EDITORIAL

Not a hard truth

We should more actively seek out objective truths.

cience is perhaps the most grounded connection we have to the laws that govern our world. Public policies, which quite literally govern our world, should be predicated on these scientific facts. We are now living in what is known as a post-truth society, so it is more important than ever to establish researched concepts as principles not just in our everyday lives, but in our legislative bodies as well.

Religion has been a part of American politics since its inception and has helped guide leaders in their decisions, but it has also justified dangerous hate and ignorance. As with anything, there are benefits and tradeoffs. However, religion is here to stay and should be respected as such.

Couple that with partisan, ideologically constrained politics that are often in opposition to scientific truths, and a real problem arises.

Hopefully, religion will continue to shape the American political sphere. The moral code provided by religious doctrines has often pushed this country

forward. If they worked together, scientific and religious powers could become a powerhouse for change in our society. Innovation driven by a strong sense of morality and conviction could be what the country needs moving forward.

However, we must demand that well-established scientific facts and philosophical principles carry equal or more weight than they currently do. Let us give the same respect to science and philosophy that people give to religion with regard to public policy.

On its own, the existence of other empirically and logically supported perspectives should carry a certain impenetrable autonomy in the political arena. They should not be subject to the corrosive rhetoric of unfounded subjectivity regardless of whether it is religiously motivated.

In the public sphere, there is no shortage of instances of disrespect to scientific facts and philosophical principles — see climate change, energy consumption, evolution, women's reproductive rights, LGBTQ rights and vaccinations.

For some, just reading these issues in a list will be enough to take to the com-

ment section in a political diatribe. Of course, this is your right, but we encourage you to seek out impartial information.

This community is privileged to have a wealth of information at our fingertips, so check out a book or attend a lecture. Tar Heels have no excuse to be scientifically or mathematically illiterate.

Yes, as this information is updated, we may be proven wrong and the science we hold as fact today may be proven wrong.

This would be a good thing. New discoveries should excite all people, especially those in a college community. But to use this as a counterargument would be misplaced. Science builds upon itself through a process of rejecting bad theses until enough data can support one closer to the truth.

To deny a result of this process, as those who deny science often do, hinders further solutions from being found. New triedand-tested discoveries should be welcomed, but current ones shouldn't be needlessly rejected because they are not politically advantageous to a certain ideology.

Anyone who has taken a middle school science class should be able to grasp that.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"You can't put yourself behind the 8-ball that way and continue to mistake those mistakes throughout the day."

Larry Fedora, on losing to N.C. State

FEATURED ONLINE READER COMMENT

"What's your personal problem with women embracing their sexuality?"

Al, on Tyler Fleming's mom not letting him go to Hooters as a child

GUEST OP-ED

Undocumented youth face many challenges

TO THE EDITOR:

While undocumented youth in the U.S. face many unique challenges, education and mental health are issues of utmost impor-

The United Nations has declared education a fundamental human right. However, this right is not guaranteed in the U.S. The increasing price of universities (and lack of true public universities) makes higher education an extremely exclusive opportunity. In fact, the U.S. has various legislative barriers that make higher education virtually impossible for undocumented immigrants.

One of these barriers is the requirement for undocumented students to pay "out-of-state" tuition fees to attend public universities. In all but 18 states, undocumented students must pay these higher rates, which can be up to three times the cost for "in-state" students.

Additionally, undocumented immigrants are ineligible to apply for state, private and federal loans and are often denied scholarships due to their irregular status. The inaccessibility of financial aid makes it extremely difficult for undocumented students to continue on to higher education.

Mental health is another factor that is deeply affected by the vulnerability of young migrants to racism, xenophobia and discrimination. Unfortunately, racial profiling, random searches, deportation threats, home raids and other traumatic events are common experiences among immigrants.

These experiences, compounded with the tendency for migrants to live in lower socio-economic conditions, create an environment of stress that can cause severe mental and emotional repercussions.

Finally, the lack of financial resources and the inability to apply for health insurance makes the process of seeking help much more difficult for undocumented youth. These circumstances all contribute to poor mental health and increase the risk of chronic health effects.

Education and mental health are two priorities, though it is clear that undocumented youth face many unique issues that require solutions.

President Barack Obama took executive action on June 15, 2012 to create Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, DACA. In addition, DACA granted some undocumented immigrants the possibility to apply for an official driver's license, a work permit and other public benefits. While DACA has provided many opportunities for undocumented youth, it still leaves them in a vulnerable situ-

ation, as it does not truly regularize their status. Additionally, DACA must be renewed every two years, and is dependent on a set of strict conditions that can be difficult to meet for many immigrants.

Although many consider DACA a step in the right direction, it is unclear whether or not this program will continue with the result of the 2016 presidential election. The election of Donald Trump may put in jeopardy programs such as DACA, which he has promised to repeal upon his election.

The U.S. elections have also caused a resurgence of racism, xenophobia and discrimination in popular rhetoric. Unfortunately, these realities will have detrimental consequences for young migrants in the U.S.

Moving forward, state governance will be deeply important. States have a significant amount of autonomy, which can be implemented to provide legislation that protects and benefits young migrants. California has created tuition equity laws, which guarantee in-state tuition benefits to everyone who graduates from an instate high school regardless of citizenship status. California also passed universal eligibility for financial aid, loans and funding opportunities so there are very few barriers that inhibit undocumented youth from pursuing higher education.

Improving mental health among undocumented youth is certainly a more complicated task. Universities and community centers have begun creating educational programs called "UndocuAlly Trainings." These programs are meant to teach allyship to individuals who may be working closely or interacting with undocumented youth. These trainings provide a greater support network for undocumented youth, which is currently inadequate.

The challenges undocumented youth face in education and mental health are not unique to the United States, but rather point to a global phenomenon. There must be a stronger international effort to recognize the vulnerability of youth on the move, whether that be in origin, transit or destination countries.

In this pivotal time, it is necessary to rethink approaches and transform discussion into impactful action. This forum could not have come at a more pivotal moment of political transition in many important countries, which may set a new trajectory for international migration policies.

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EDITORIAL

Free, but not for all

Free speech is good in theory, but not so easy in practice.

ree speech is one of those rights that falls under the "applies to all people" category. It is considered undeniable, equalizing and ought to be well respected. All of this is true in theory and should be something we strive to uphold.

In this editorial we are not arguing free speech's theoreticals — we hope that anyone reading this mostly agrees. The question here is to what degree do our personal and societal biases color the way we implement laws and regulations claiming to protect free speech.

Imagine the famous, or infamous, Pit Preacher who haunts locations in or around the Pit. He is almost a fixture on this campus now, and proof that free speech rights are fairly well-protected on campus.

What would happen

if he was not Christian? What if he was a Muslim man so actively condemning students walking by?

He would certainly not face the same response from the public. Just the presence of a silent Muslim man can lead to people irrationally feeling unsafe — that effect would be amplified if the man read from the exact same script as the Pit Preacher.

This is just one small, local example. An interesting thought experiment would be to imagine how your personal perceptions would change based on a change in actor. This also lends itself to a larger question: Can we really say free speech is equal?

Nothing exists in a vacuum. Everything happens in some kind of context. We contextualize free speech's meaning and its implications. That is why, on a college campus, we can have organizations defend free speech in one instance and then oppose it in another.

It's not that they disagree on the definition

and importance of free speech — it's a matter of ideological difference of what kinds of speech or speakers are appropriate to each side.

This is harmless until those biases systematically silence a group of people. This is evident in many of the struggles for civil rights. Activists, especially from minority communities, are often silenced or targeted for making controversial statements that others could easily make.

The most famous example may be when communists were targeted for freely associating with ideals deemed not American after World War II. It became so easy to silence communists that Black activists fighting for civil rights were often labeled communists as a way to discredit their work.

This is not easily reversed, but if we become more aware of our own biases, we can better achieve a world in which we can enact free speech in a manner such a lofty idea deserves.

FROM PAGE 1

immune, losing his grip on a screen pass the next series. It wouldn't happen again.

His time was running short, seeing one target over the next 21 minutes. The Tar Heels trailed by three touchdowns, and Switzer's swan song was reaching its final note.

But it wasn't over. He made

In the final minute of the third quarter, Switzer netted back-to-back big gains securing the UNC single-season receptions record. Yet the celebration was short-lived. On the next play, Switzer crumpled to the ground.

Three quarters of collisions had taken their toll, as the senior star limped off the field before a hushed crowd.

This wasn't the end. Not yet. A minute later, he was back. He had fallen to the ground, but the ball found him anyway for a 45-yard gain. The next play, Switzer

from the air before getting slammed into the ground. Once again, he limped across the field. He was down,

but he wasn't out.

plucked an 18-yard pass

With 10 minutes left and his team down two scores, he was back to receive the punt. Gio Bernard's game-winning return against N.C. State in

2012 danced through his mind. He took off from the 26-yard line and sprinted six yards upfield. A jump cut here, a stutter-step there -

the hole opened up.

But the Wolfpack collapsed on him seven yards later. Heroics would have to wait.

"I just wanted to make a play so bad," he said, his voice trembling. "Just didn't want to lose."

With 6:53 left, the Tar Heels were only seven points short. On 2nd-and-15, Switzer caught a crossing pattern in stride and dove for the sticks, keeping the drive alive.

Again, he limped across the field. He wasn't finished -

two plays later, he was back. But it didn't matter. UNC's

drive stalled when a prayer on 4th-and-20 slipped off senior Bug Howard's fingertips.

Three minutes and 10 seconds showed on the clock, but Switzer's time was over.

"I kinda had a feeling just in the pit of my stomach that that was it," he said.

N.C. State bled the clock dry, and North Carolina's career receptions leader walked off the field for the final time. UNC has one game left — a

bowl game to be announced on Dec. 4 — but for Switzer, it was time to say goodbye.

"I think I can look back and be proud of what I've done and just proud of giving Carolina football everything I had since I've been here," he said. "So yeah, no regrets. Just tough to swallow."

His choked back a few more tears. He had left everything on the field. Now, it was time to let everything go.

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TREE LIGHTING FROM PAGE 1

organization that focuses on helping victims of slavery and other forms of oppression.

Chapel Hill Mayor Pam Hemminger kicked off the tree lighting ceremony with a short speech urging everyone to enjoy the festivities, but she asked the crowd to remember that the holidays are about kindness and giv-

ing.
When asked what her favorite part of the ceremony is, Hemminger said she loved seeing all the families come out to the event.

"It's just nice. The atmosphere is wonderful to start the holiday season off."

Pam Hemminger Chapel Hill mayor

"It's just nice. The atmosphere is wonderful to start the holiday season off," she

Chapel Hill Town Council Member Michael Parker, who has previously attended the last two tree lighting ceremowe're able to do our very own tree lighting," he said. "It's great to see all the kids come out."

Parker said the singing is his favorite part of the tree lighting ceremony, as long as he doesn't have to sing in front of the crowd.

As the tree lights sparkled, Delgado, standing on the outskirts of the garden, said the event indicates how welcoming Chapel Hill is for everyone who lives in town.

"It's just another example of Chapel Hill's spirit and community," she said.

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has heard about exploitative work experiences from fellow graduate students.

She said she is pleased to see support for unionization from undergraduate groups, faculty and off-campus community organizations.

"People are so, so excited and you can really see it when you come to our rallies and when you see us chanting," she said. "There is just so much joy in that power."

Shareef said keeping graduate school tuition manageable after program funding is depleted, reducing fees, maintaining dental benefits and increasing pay for teaching assistants are issues they hope to address.

"At a broad level, we are interested in being at the table when decisions are made," she said. "That is not just a protest. That is in order to ensure that we can keep the things we like." Robinson said unionization

will have trade-offs and some students may not benefit from unionizing because they might already have higher pay and benefits than their peers.

She said unionization could prevent universities from recruiting in-demand

"... we are interested in being at the table when decisions are made."

Shahrazad Shareef Doctoral candidate, Duke University

graduate students who are pursuing higher-paying positions and specialized degrees.

Even at Duke University, the resources are finite," she said. "So, if the graduate student pay is increased, where is that money coming from?"

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BUSINESS

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at UNC's Kenan-Flagler Business School, said the cost of living in North Carolina is less than in other regions. He said cities like Raleigh and Charlotte are still cheaper places to live than other, larger business centers.

He said the state also ranks highly in entrepreneurship and was ranked eighth by the Kauffman Foundation for startup activity. The ranking came from the collection of top universities in North Carolina, Chavis said.

nies, agreed. "I just think it's great "Carolina, Wake, Davidson, State — I mean it's a very

rich environment for education and that certainly helps quite a bit," he said. "The Research Triangle on this side of the state and banking in Charlotte all contribute to Andrew Perrin, professor in the UNC Department

of Sociology, said North Carolina has presented businesses with the opportunity to operate in a state with better infrastructure and education without the high costs seen elsewhere. But he said there can be problems with

cutting costs, and there is a balance between low costs and government services.

"The negative side of (cutting costs) is simply that those kinds of low-cost things also mean low revenues, and that in turn means resources that ultimately make the state a better place to live," Perrin said.

Chavis said despite the state's positive business prospects, Harvard University's Equality of Opportunity Project ranks North Carolina low for upward mobility opportunities.

The project ranks the 100 largest commuting zones in

the country in terms of how children growing up will do financially compared to the national average, and North Carolina's largest cities all rank at the bottom. Raleigh is 95th, Charlotte is 97th, Greensboro is 98th and Fayetteville is 100th.

"I think one of the big challenges for North Carolina is, in moving past tobacco and manufacturing, particularly textile manufacturing, that we still don't have an economy that is lifting people up from the bottom so much," he said.

Chavis said North

Carolina's reputation and economic prospects have taken a serious hit since House Bill 2 was passed last March.

"If you dampen the reputation — if you have a reputation for lack of respect for diversity in its multiple forms - then that's not a good thing for business," he said.

Perrin said the negative effect of HB2 on North Carolina's reputation has been evident from the number of businesses that have reduced plans to expand in the state.

"I think one of the things that businesses have always

liked about moving to North Carolina is the idea that it's a sort of progressive, forwardlooking place, but it has some of the other characteristics of the south that people like," he said.

Chavis said it is still to be determined how long HB2 will remain in effect — with an undecided gubernatorial election and a challenge in court — but he said if the law lasts, it could offset some of the gains the state has seen from creating a businessfriendly environment.

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NC sees increase in women on Fortune 1000 company boards

By Ari Sen Staff Writer

North Carolina sits in the middle of the pack for female representation in Fortune 1000 companies, according to a new report released by a women's education and advocacy campaign.

This year women hold 17.3 percent of board seats in Fortune 1000 companies located in North Carolina whereas in 2015 the state average was 16.6 percent. The 2016 national average is 18.8 percent.

Malli Gero, president and co-founder of 2020 Women on Boards, which released the study, said although North Carolina is below the national average, the state is making progress. "We are very pleased with

the steps North Carolina has made," she said. "We look forward to next year's report and seeing even more progress."

Gero said the lack of female representation is not necessarily due to blatant sexism, but more a result of inbred attitudes among

often white male executives and company founders, who choose board members that are going to agree with them.

"What we've called upon is for CEOs to look beyond that box and to get out their comfort range and expand the diversity on their boards a little bit because what we know, and it's been shown over and over again, is that diverse boards have a better bottom line," she said.

Sue Coppola, a board member of the Association for Women Faculty &

Professionals at UNC and a professor at the UNC School of Medicine, said the discrimination could be a mix of implicit and explicit factors.

"I think it's a combination of implicit bias against women and also for some, a more explicit view that decision makers in business should be men," she said. "Women may not (be) stepping up to those roles.

Betsy Sleath, a board member of the Association for Women Faculty & Professionals at UNC and

professor and division chairperson at the UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy, said in an email she believes the lack of representation isn't due to blatant sexism.

"I think sometimes women don't step up to the plate or volunteer as much as they could," she said. "This could be because many women, like men, are juggling several different life roles (e.g. caring for children, taking care of aging parents, career) so women might choose more often than men not to be on boards."

Gero said representation is important because boards should adequately represent the companies they govern.

"Companies deal in the world that we live in and the board should help the CEO reflect the community in which they work and the community, for the most part, is a diverse community," she said. "It's really important for leadership to hear the viewpoints of all kinds of people and not just people like them."

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What did you do for Thanksgiving break this year?

Compiled by staff writer Harris Wheless

Students traveled across the state, from Carrboro to Pilot Mountain.

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"I went home to see

saw my dog and that

Andrew Zachman

"I went home to Pilot

Mountain ... I got a

haircut, played some

Christian Cail

"Thanksgiving was

really interesting ... I

mostly spent my time

with my friend Blake ..."

Sophomore

football ... "

Sophomore

my family ... and I

was great."

Sophomore

Nate Fischer

Sophomore



"I ate Thanksgiving dinner with my friend who lives in Carrboro."

Ellie Rodriguez

Sophomore



"I met my pregnant cousin so there was some family drama there ... "

Alex Haggis

Sophomore



"I did not travel for Thanksqiving because I am from Carrboro."

The state tied for eighth highest infant death rate in 2014.

By Luke Bollinger Staff Writer

The overall child mortality rate in North Carolina remained stagnant between 2014 and 2015 — caused in part by the unwavering mortality rate of infants.

According to a report from the North Carolina Division of Public Health, the overall child mortality rate from 2014 to 2015 moved from 57.9 to 58.3 deaths per 100,000 North Carolina residents aged zero to 17.

Kella Hatcher, executive director of the N.C. Child Fatality Task Force, said since the task force was established in 1991, it has worked with experts and stakeholders to decrease the mortality rates of both children and infants.

The child death rate in the state since 1991 has decreased by 46 percent, according to the N.C. Division of Public Health.

Sarah Verbiest, a clinical associate professor at the UNC Center for Maternal and Infant Health, said over the past couple of years, however, the state child mortality rate has stubbornly resisted improvement.

"We've not seen any significant gains or any significant worsening," she said. "We're very stagnant in North Carolina."

Hatcher said state infant mortality rates making up a large portion of overall figures contribute to the stagnation of child mortality rates.

The infant mortality rate made up 66 percent of the overall child death rate in 2015, according to a N.C. Division of Public Health

The infant morality rate

for 2015 in the state was 7.3 deaths per 1,000 infants under the age of one — up from 7.1 in 2014.

"You really have the overall child death rates being driven by infant deaths," Hatcher

The North Carolina infant mortality rate was ranked in 2014 as a tie for eighth highest in the nation, a N.C. Division of Public Health report said.

Janice Freedman, executive director of the North Carolina Healthy Start Foundation, said the major factors affecting infant mortality rates are premature births, low-weight births, birth defects and chromosomal abnormalities.

Verbiest said there has been a slight increase in birth defects, which are difficult to address and improve. She said UNC Hospitals, for example, has done a good job at increasing the lifespan of infants with birth defects, but sometimes it's only a delay.

"In some cases we're only putting off their passing into their second or third year," she said. "It's really quite a stubborn problem that is very frustrating."

Hatcher said in order to reduce child and infant mortality rates, social determinants of health such as access to health care, education level, economic security and racism must be addressed.

"Those are issues that are simply about quality of life," she said.

Freedman said many women are affected by poor access to health care, particularly African-American and low-income women.

The African-American, non-Hispanic infant mortality rate is the highest of the groups the report covered, at 12.5 deaths per 1,000 births. American Indians have the lowest rate at 4.9 deaths per 1,000 births.

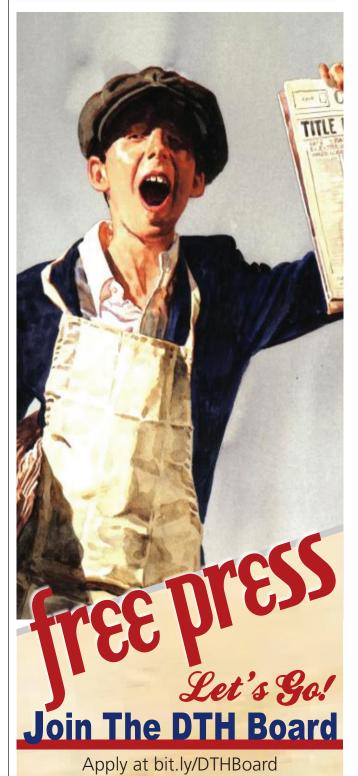
"There has to be political will and, of course, there has to be some money," she said. "But our state has not invested heavily in having women,

N.C. child mortality rate

remains stagnant in 2015

especially low income women, have access to regular medical care."

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Deck your own halls

Swerve is ready to help you prepare for the holidays with dorm decoration ideas. See pg. 2 for story.

Beat this, Oliver Wood

The women's soccer goalkeeper has been key to the team's NCAA tournament wins. See pg. 6 for story.

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The UNC men's basketball team won its tournament in Maui — by a whole lot. See pg. 6 for story.

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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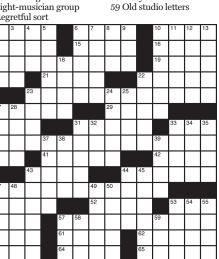
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UNC football can't overcome mistakes

Tar Heels drop game to bitter rivals on senior day

FOOTBALL

N.C. STATE NORTH CAROLINA

By Mohammed Hedadji Senior Writer

On its final drive, the North Carolina football team had one last shot to save the

After a dismal start against rival N.C. State, UNC clawed its way back from a 21-0 deficit to come within seven points late in the fourth quarter. Countless mistakes, from turnovers to blown coverages to dropped passes, put the Tar Heels in a big hole from the

"You can't put yourself behind the 8-ball that way and continue to mistake those mistakes throughout the day," Coach Larry Fedora said.

With 6:53 left on the clock and a chance to tie the game, UNC could have wiped away any memory of those mistakes. Having climbed all the way back, the Tar Heels believed they were going to do just that.

"I was expecting to go out there, with six minutes left on the clock, and put a score in the end zone," said senior receiver Ryan Switzer.

But with an opportunity to right all of their wrongs in the final minutes, North Carolina reverted back to the mistakes that put it behind in the first place, falling 28-21 to the Wolfpack.

Every time the Tar Heels (8-4, 5-3 ACC) got something going against N.C. State (6-6, 3-5 ACC), a mistake set them back. North Carolina's last possession was, in many ways, a condensed version of the entire game.

Just as they did to start the contest, the Tar Heels were moving backward before the final drive ever got going.

A stuffed play and a penalty had the offense in an unfavorable down-and-distance — something that had plagued the team throughout

"When you do that, you don't have a chance to win the game."

Nazair Jones Junior defensive tackle

the game.

"We just got behind the chains," Switzer said. "We felt like if we were in front of the chains and we got them in their base defense that we would be okay."

Forced into obvious passing situations, the Tar Ĥeels had to rely on splash plays from their stars to pull them out of tough spots. And throughout the game, UNC's stars delivered big plays to keep them in it.

Switzer finished with a game-high 171 receiving yards and a touchdown, including a 15-yard grab on the final drive that finally got the Tar Heels moving.

Quarterback Mitch Trubisky, despite struggling early, made plays with his legs and through the air late in the game. He also bailed the Tar Heels out on the final possession with a 16-yard scramble on 3rd-and-10 to keep the



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UNC wide receiver Austin Proehl (7) fails to pull in a diving reception against N.C. State on Friday.

drive alive.

UNC's impact players nearly willed their team to victory, helping build momentum and move the ball on the final drive. But an untimely holding penalty on a 10-yard Trubisky scramble set the Tar Heels back yet again.

This time, it was too much to overcome.

The costly 20-yard swing

on the holding call doomed the promising final push, as the Tar Heels eventually turned the ball over on

In the final two heaves on 3rd-and-20 and 4thand-20 — UNC's stars couldn't make another play to keep their team in the game.

"We just continued to shoot ourselves in the foot,"

redshirt junior Naz Jones said. "Penalties, doing stupid things, whatever it may be. When you do that, you don't have a chance to win the game."

In the end, the Tar Heels did have a chance to win against N.C. State. But they beat themselves instead.

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Lindsey Harris saves the day for Tar Heels

WOMEN'S SOCCER

NORTH CAROLINA **SOUTH CAROLINA**

By Jeremy Vernon **Assistant Sports Editor**

In the North Carolina women's soccer team's 1-0 win over South Carolina in the NCAA Tournament quarterfinals Friday, redshirt senior goalkeeper Lindsey Harris broke the UNC record for saves in a season, finishing

the game with 91 on the year. But it was the 89th that garnered the most attention.

In the 55th minute, the Gamecocks' Savannah McCaskill was taken down in the box by Tar Heel defender Julia Ashley. The head official awarded a penalty kick, and South Carolina's Sophie Groff stepped to the spot with the

intention of leveling the score. Harris knew that couldn't happen.

When that got called, I was like, 'This is not how I want to end my season," she

Harris wasn't 100 percent sure where the ball would end up. All she had was a feeling one she acted on by completely selling out and diving to her right.

It was a gamble that changed the nature of the game, just not how South Carolina had hoped.

"Luckily, I dove right and the ball was there," Harris said.

After the ball bounced off Harris' gloves and out of play, the redshirt senior let out a roar. Ashley — thankful her teammate bailed her out leaped into her arms for a bear hug.

Harris' save was just what North Carolina needed

against a threatening Gamecock attack.

"To move on at this point in a tournament, you need that; you need big plays to help you move on," South Carolina Coach Shelley Smith said.

It was the type of play Harris has made all season. In a matchup with Duke on Sept. 2, UNC was outshot 30-6. The Tar Heels only managed a tie because their keeper came up with 11 saves.

She was in the top four in the ACC in saves, shutouts and goals against average in the regular season. But when postseason awards were handed out, Harris' name was left off all three all-conference

"Seeing the list and seeing I wasn't on it obviously makes me want to prove something ..." she said after UNC's win over Clemson on Nov. 20. "But it's never my aim to be

on a list. I just want this team to get to the championship, but it fuels it a little bit."

Harris has yet to allow a goal in NCAA Tournament play, a testament to her ability and the improvement of the Tar Heel defense. As for the three keepers that made allconference, let Head Coach Anson Dorrance tell you how they're doing.

"I'm very proud of her because the three goalkeepers that did make first-, secondand third-team All-ACC, their seasons are over now," he said.

With the win over South Carolina, UNC booked a trip to San Jose, where it will compete in the College Cup for the first time since 2012. Harris redshirted that season and had to watch from the bench as her teammates won a national title.

But now it's her turn. It doesn't matter that she was



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UNC goalkeeper Lindsey Harris (23) extends for a save against Wake Forest on Oct. 9. Harris had eight saves on Friday.

left off the All-ACC teams. It doesn't matter that she holds the single-season save record.

Seeing her name on a list isn't the goal. Now, it's making sure "North Carolina" is etched on another national championship trophy.

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UNC men's basketball wins big in Maui

The Tar Heels won the Maui Invitational for the first time since 2008.

By John Bauman Staff Writer

While most college students were home eating turkey over Thanksgiving break, the North Carolina men's basketball team was winning the 2016 Maui Jim Maui Invitational Tournament.

The No. 4 Tar Heels steamrolled through the field, defeating their opponents — Chaminade, Oklahoma State and Wisconsin — by an average of 30 points per

Here are three things to take away from the Tar Heels' three wins in Maui and their 7-0 start to the regular season.

UNC's depth shows

Through seven games, five Tar Heels — Joel Berry, Justin Jackson, Isaiah Hicks, Kennedy Meeks and Tony Bradley — are averaging over 10 points per

UNC is so deep that opponents don't know who to key in on and can't double-team anyone. If the Tar Heels throw it to Meeks or Hicks on the block, it's very hard to justify double-teaming them, because Berry or Jackson wait on the perimeter ready to drain an open 3-pointer.

The depth not only shows in who is scoring the basketball, but in how deep the Tar Heels' rotation is. UNC has played 10 players over 10 minutes per game so far this season, including injured

forward Luke Maye, who's played in just two games. While junior Theo Pinson and Mave get healthy, the Tar Heel bench has to step up to fill the gaps left by their absence. So far, they have.

Perhaps most impressive from the bench has been Kenny Williams, a seldom-played guard last season who has found himself in a starting spot in 2016. He's averaging 5.6 points per game and is shooting 44.4 percent from 3-point range. But after a disappointing performance against Wisconsin, the jury is out on whether Williams can make an impact against bigtime opponents.

Bradley flashes potential

Bradley, a first-year big man, looks like a future star. Through seven games, he's averaging 10.7 points and 6.3 rebounds while shooting 68.3 percent from the

He checks all the boxes that Coach Roy Williams wants from a big man. Bradley runs the floor well, protects the rim and finishes around the hoop.

Perhaps most impressive is his understanding as a first-year of the advanced defensive concepts: staying vertical, not fouling while defending down low and how to slide over to help a teammate who's been beaten on defense.

Killer instinct

After Hicks made two free throws late against Wisconsin, North Carolina was up 60-36 over the Badgers in the championship game of the tournament. With 4:56 left, the Badgers' Vitto Brown made a 3-pointer. North Carolina came back down the court, Bradley slammed home a dunk and Wisconsin countered with another 3-pointer by Brown. The Badgers called a timeout $\,$ after their 6-2 run, which cut

UNC's lead to 62-42. After the timeout, Berry came down the court and nailed a jumper. He would score the Tar Heels' next seven points — a run that essentially ended the game.

That run is important because it illustrates just how well Berry is playing. He came on strong late last season, even scoring a forgotten 20 points in the national title game. But he did so last year under the shadow of Brice Johnson and Marcus Paige.

Now that those two are gone, this is unquestionably Berry's team, and he's playing like it.

The run also illustrates the 2016 Tar Heels' killer instinct. It's hard to describe, but any UNC fan watching the past few seasons knows that the Tar Heels sometimes fail to put teams away late — a bad habit that caused problems in ACC play.

This team, led fearlessly by Berry, doesn't seem to have that problem. The players play hard, dive all over the floor for loose balls and dominate late in games.

Roy quieted expectations after the Wisconsin win, and the Tar Heels will know a lot more about themselves after a tough stretch ahead that includes games against Indiana, Tennessee and Kentucky. But through seven games, North Carolina looks awfully good.

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UNC volleyball's seniors lead sweep of Wake Forest

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NORTH CAROLINA WAKE FOREST

By Chris Trenkle Staff Writer

In the final regular-season home game of their careers, the No. 6 North Carolina volleyball team's seniors wanted to play on the court at the same time.

Before a 3-0 win over Wake Forest on Saturday, the five seniors met with Coach Joe Sagula to brainstorm how to rearrange the lineup so all five seniors could start. Tatiana Durr and Taylor Treacy had to play different positions from their normal spots, but all five players started. Treacy set the tone with the first point of the match on a thunderous spike.

"It felt great getting that first point," Treacy said.

"I was on the outside, which is not normally what happens. I went up and swung and good things happened."

Treacy led the Tar Heels (27-3, 19-1 ACC) with 11.5 points in the win over the Demon Deacons (9-22, 5-15 ACC). She was helped by fellow redshirt senior Hayley McCorkle, who tied for second on the team with 9.5 points.

Senior starters Abigail Curry and Sheila Doyle provided a big boost for the Tar Heels with their strong defensive

Playing a different position, Durr shined for the Tar Heels, finishing with five kills, nine digs and a block with some great hustle plays that didn't go on the scoreline.

Curry finished a great UNC career in which she played every set — by getting the win on senior day.

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"Obviously, I'm very emotional, but I am surprised I didn't cry."

Abigail Curry Senior setter

I am surprised I didn't cry," Curry said. "I am just so excited for what is to come next, and I am so content with what we have done with these years here and so happy with these girls I have played

"I am happy and excited for the future.

The near future will include a trip to the NCAA Tournament, where the Tar Heels have a chance to win their first national championship in program his-

The seniors have experience playing deep in the tournament, as the 2014 team made it all the way to the Elite Eight. This year the Tar Heels hope to have even more success, and could behind the play of their seniors.

"I'm really looking forward to the tournament," Treacy said. "We have so many more games to play, and I just feel

The proudest Tar Heel was Sagula, who admired the accomplishments of the senior class.

"They've seen it all and they've had a lot of success in their careers so far, and we hope to keep it going," he said. "They've been to an Elite Eight, won two conference titles, they've been through some tough losses and some great victories for this program.

"They're great people and they are why we coach because they reflect all the good in sports, both as students and

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